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The Parthenon

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**Wednesday**Chance of showers
High upper 50s.

■ FACULTY SENATE

Thanksgiving break may be shortened

Other changes may include new courses and separate commencement exercises

By Carrie Hoffman
Reporter

Students at Marshall could be receiving new courses, a new Thanksgiving break and new commencement exercises for the 1995-96 school year.

Monday, the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate approved several new courses to appear before the Faculty Senate for final vote.

"We have enough courses on the agenda to support a small college," said Dr. Bertram W. Gross, Faculty Senate president.

"I teach Fine Arts 101 with 500 students. They did not come Monday and Tuesday (before Thanksgiving break). They are definitely not coming Wednesday."

Dr. Susan Jackson
Assistant Professor of Art

Among the courses approved were Educational Foundations 631, "Gender and Education;" History 600, "Methodology;" Math 589, "Seminar for Teaching Assistants" and Chemistry 523, "Environmental Analytical Chemistry."

Gross said the Department

of Sociology is also expected to add some course changes to the agenda.

These courses will affect undergraduate students.

Another item on the Faculty Senate's agenda will be a restructured Thanksgiving break. If approved, students

will have to attend classes the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

Gross said many in the faculty are concerned with the fall semester having fewer days than the spring semester.

Some members of the executive committee said they were apprehensive of the proposed break.

"I teach Fine Arts 101 with 500 students. They did not come Monday and Tuesday. They are definitely not coming Wednesday," Dr. Susan Jackson said.

Commencement exercises may also be changed if the senate approves recommendation #163 which proposes three separate ceremonies for undergraduate, graduate and medical school students.

At each of these exercises, graduates would walk across the stage individually when their name was called and receive their diploma.

The proposal states the ceremonies will be two hours or less in length.

The Faculty Senate will vote on all of these proposals Dec. 15.

■ TRAVEL AGENCIES

Students: Beware of travel scams

By Michelle A. Tveten
Reporter

Because of the recent problems with Group Tours Limited in which a tour agency failed to refund money to students for cancelled trips, students may wonder how to find reputable travel agencies.

Travel agencies can give advice about protecting travelers from being scammed.

Julie Huron, corporate travel counselor at American Express Travel of Huntington, said the first thing to check is how long the agency's been in business. She said to make sure the agency has an established office and is a member of some travel associations.

Many new agencies are "fly by night organizations" with little financial backing and may close quickly, Huron said.

She added two groups most agencies belong to are the American Society of Travel Agents and the International Association of Travel Agents Networks. Huron said to check if the agency belongs to one of these groups.

An important thing to check is if the travel agency has insurance and how much insurance they have, Huron said. She said to ask the agency who they have insurance with and then verify it.

Huron said to watch for phone calls and mailings that say you won a trip but the agency needs your credit card number.

"If they want something to charge it to, it's not free. You didn't win anything," Huron said.

Dale A. Anderson, vice-president of Premier Travel Company of Huntington, said the best place to check to see if a travel agency is legitimate is the Chamber of Commerce. Representatives can tell the public if the agency is active in the community and give

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Study break



Photo by Daniel Callicot

A student walks toward the Memorial Student Center to relax during a study break. This week is dead week to allow students the opportunity to begin studying for finals, which begin Monday morning at 8 a.m.

■ RENOVATIONS

Agents consider student housing in downtown

By Jason Philyaw
Reporter

Downtown real estate agents are looking into ways to provide more housing for married and graduate students, according to Gabe Smith of Polan Realty.

Smith said Polan Realty officials have met with about four or five other real estate agents in Huntington to discuss the possibilities of converting some downtown buildings into housing for students.

"There is a need there and space in downtown Huntington," Smith said. "It provides an opportunity for Huntington."

Smith said Polan Realty is looking at renovating the Huntington Store and the Prichard Building.

The Huntington Store building, located on Third Avenue and Ninth Street., will undergo historical restoration on the outside of the building, Smith said.

On the inside, there will be a restaurant and some office space put in, along with some housing for students.

The Prichard Building now has three floors for students, but there could be more added to the building.

"It is still up in the air now," Smith said. "It may be difficult to convert new floors to apartments. We are going to work closer with the university about the apartments."

Smith said renovations would take about six months to complete so the apartments would not be available for rent until September.

Real estate agents will meet again next month to further explore the downtown housing options and which real estate agents are interested in this proposal, Smith said.

Smith said right now there is a 50/50 chance of these projects going through.

This & that



Something 'mighty' fishy going on

LERTY, Va. (AP) — Robert Quade and his friends were trolling for rockfish in Nomini Bay when they saw something much bigger, a wayward whale.

Quade, of Chaptico, Md., said the black whale rose out of the water about 100 yards from where the four men were fishing Saturday in Westmoreland County.

"I told my buddies I'd just seen a whale and they all laughed at me," Quade said. "But we reeled our lines in and went over where I'd seen it and sure enough, it came up with

its tail out of the water as big as the boat.

"It was amazing," Quade said. "At first it was sort of scary, but after a while I almost felt like jumping on its back."

The whale apparently has disappeared from the Potomac River tributary after leading a dozen boaters on a leisurely cruise. A Coast Guard launch enforcing a federal whale-protection law diverted the fleet.

Two Coast Guard searches, one Sunday and one Monday, failed to find any sign of the whale.

Jim Hackett was among the boaters who headed to Nomini Bay after word of the whale spread on VHF radio.

"We tried to put our boats between him and the beach because it seemed determined to get to the beach," said Hackett, who estimated the whale was between 25 feet and 30 feet long.

The Coast Guard asked people to keep their distance in observance of the federal Marine Mammal

Safety Act, which requires boaters to stay at least 300 yards away from whales.

The whale was probably a humpback whale, based on reports that the underside of its tail was white and that it had long, winglike pectoral fins, said Kim Thornhurst of the National Marine Fisheries Service in Philadelphia.

Whale sightings in the Potomac are extremely rare, and also unusual in the Chesapeake Bay. Nomini Bay is about 20 miles upstream of the mouth of the Potomac.

FYI

TODAY

Gamma Beta Phi will meet at 5 p.m. in 2W29 of the MSC. Call 696-2354 for more information.

World Religious Seminar will show a video on Islam at noon in Harris Hall 403. Call 697-2633 for more information.

Daytime Bible study will be at 11:55 a.m. in 2W10 of the MSC.

Baptist Campus Ministries will meet at 9:15 p.m. in the Campus Christian Center.

AHEAD

Canterbury Fellowship will have a lunch and discussion Dec. 9 at noon in the Campus Christian Center. Call 696-3055 for more information.

Ricki Lake pleads not guilty

NEW YORK (AP) — Apparently the camera lied about Ricki Lake.

The talk show hostess, who was caught on videotape in a fur protest and then chatted with David Letterman about her adventure, pleaded innocent Monday to trespassing and criminal mischief.

Lake faces up to a year in jail if convicted of the misdemeanor charges.

Correction

The Dec. 2 issue of The Parthenon incorrectly stated that the resolution sponsored by Sen. Matt Bromund would keep Kristin Butcher, Michael Warren and Dr. Dee Cockrille from speaking at SGA meetings. The story should have said it would keep these people from speaking the first three minutes of the next SGA meeting.

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SCAM

From Page 1

an idea about the agency's reputation, Anderson said.

"If it sounds too good to be true, it's a rip off," said Tom Rodd, director of consumer protection agency of the West Virginia Attorney General's office.

Rodd said that travel "pushes our fantasy buttons although fantasies don't usually come true."

The "danger is so great...deal

with local reputable travel agencies," Rodd said.

He added it is good to deal with travel agencies because the agencies compete against each other for the lowest prices:

Rodd said the most common fraud is mailings that say "you've got to act quickly."

"Scarcity pushes our buttons and makes us react, Rodd said.

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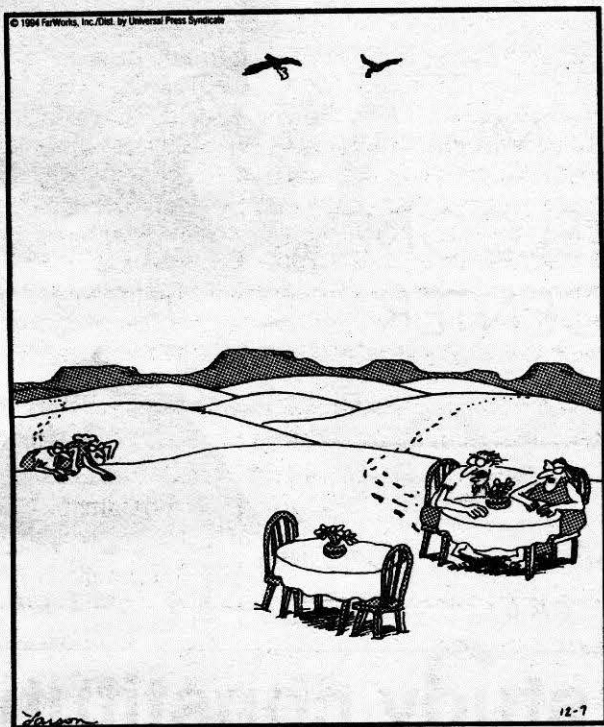
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"Officer McCarthy, I'm all for kids blowing off a little steam, but I'm on the 14th floor!"

By GARY LARSON

THE FAR SIDE



"Well, it was a private table."

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



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REMEMBERING A
CHAMPIONSHIP

by

Jason Philyaw

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COMMENTS FROM THE JUDGES AT WZZK - AM/FM, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
"This pregame segment before the 1993 season opening football contest was a review of the stellar 1992 championship season enjoyed by the Marshall University Thundering Herd and their fans. The review contained great production values, nice pacing, good writing and tight editing. The producer exhibited a high level of creativity!"

opinion

THE PARTHENON 4 WEDNESDAY, DEC. 7, 1994

our view

SGA executives, senators need to work together

▼ **The issue: The Student Government Association is caught up in a power struggle between the two bodies, which is threatening to destroy the organization.**

The Student Government Association is a classic example of the right hand not knowing what the left hand is doing.

This is obvious with all of the hoopla that has avalanched over Student Government President Kristin Butcher's alleged misuse of student money to attend a conference in Florida.

Butcher claims that she did not know from where the money that would be used to reimburse her would come. It was just going to miraculously appear like the money for the previous trips she had taken as SGA president.

Then, some senators were irate because Butcher did not clear the trip and expenditures with them before she left.

According to them, any expense over \$100 must get their approval. Figures for the trip are debatable — every number quoted at last Tuesday's meeting was different — but all exceeded the limit set in the SGA constitution.

Instead of working together to correct this miscommunication, it appears some in the organization have opted to widen the abyss between the groups by attacking one another.

In order for any organization to be effective, every member must work together to ensure its success.

This is very true for SGA. The group is here to be a voice for students; not to build the resume of a few power-hungry people.

One should not run for senator, or president, if he or she is not interested in making Marshall University a better institution.

The interfeuding that has surfaced over the past few weeks demonstrates just how separate the executive and legislative branch of SGA really are.

At the Tuesday meeting, one senator alluded to the fact that it was time to put aside everyone's differences and work toward the common goal of helping the students.

Something I think several SGA members have forgotten is who elected them to their positions — the students.

We don't care what problems they may have with their colleagues. All we care about is how they are using our student fees and how they are representing the students in their respective college.

It is time that the right and left hand begin working together. If you can't do it for yourself, do it for the students who elected you.



"WELL AT LEAST THE FRONT DOOR LOOKS NICE."

SGA needs to study constitution

ADAM DEAN

COLUMNIST

The recent row over SGA President Kristin Butcher's travel budget has led me, with much reluctance, to speak out on the student government.

I was reluctant because I served in SGA as a student associate before accepting my current position as a student justice.

Having served with members of SGA I have much respect for all of them and consider myself to be a friend of at least two of them.

Furthermore, I am not about to hurl personal insults at them. That would be beneath us all.

However, after reading about their latest internal dispute, I have two suggestions for SGA to consider.

First, the members of the executive must be more learned about the constitution under which they operate.

No executive member should be able to plea ignorance as a defense

for not following a bylaw of their constitution.

If a person is elected or appointed to the executive, her or she should be well versed in the organization's constitutional laws in order to do his or her job correctly, as well as legally, and to discredit the ever-popular image of an autocratic executive oppressing its noble, yet weak, legislature.

Second, the senators must be more educated in their body's parliamentary procedure and the constitution under which they too operate.

If the senators do not know their legislative rules, they will, regrettably, make themselves and their legislature look foolish.

They may try to pass a motion

that their own rules disallow them to approve. This kind of action would not make them look knowledgeable or professional to the student voters.

If the senators do not know the constitution, three situations might occur.

The executive might do whatever it wants, which is not good for the organization's democracy.

Then again, the senate might check the executive — as it should do — but on a decision which the constitution clearly permits the administration to do.

Or, the senate might check the executive, which is doing something unconstitutional, but use the wrong clause of the constitution.

Hence, the administration's unconstitutional action would still go unchecked.

All of these situations would make the student senate look pretty pitiful.

letters

Graduate senator responds to 'rantings'

To the editor:

I would like to respond to the Dec. 6 rantings of COLA Senator Matt Bromund.

I am one of the "ruthless resume-builders of our SGA" as Senator Bromund put so eloquently.

First of all, I have much better things to do than to sit in two hour long Senate meetings.

I am a full time graduate assistant in the English department. I am assisting with the Graduate Student Council also.

I don't know of too many Ph.D. programs that give a flying flip if I ever served in student government. The reason that I am there is because I believe in public service.

The graduate students on this campus had no voice in SGA before

I was appointed to my seat. I am being an effective voice for my constituents.

At the last meeting, the Senate unanimously passed a resolution sponsored by me to reallocate 1 percent of the total academic budget to the library budget.

My constituents have told me that the improvement of the library is one of their primary concerns, not trying to bring down Student Government.

I will introduce a resolution in the first meeting of the spring semester calling upon the university to impose a \$1 surcharge on every athletic ticket sold at this university in order to raise more money for the library: a resolution which has support from students, faculty and staff.

Also, I have established a student committee that will voice the student's concerns about the library and provide solutions when

we can.

I believe that Marshall students are more concerned about the state of the library, rather than Senator Bromund's personal attacks on his successful opponent from last spring's election.

I would like to state why I abstained on the vote of censure. As I told you Monday, Senator Bromund, I was ready to vote for the resolution before the debate began.

After I heard both sides, I did not feel comfortable voting for the resolution or against it. I am not a coward in any sense of the word. I really resent the name-calling. It is juvenile.

I would like to think that as Yeager Scholar and the president of one of the leading fraternities on campus, you could show a little more maturity.

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Animals need to be treated in ethical way

The most important question when discussing animal rights is not "Are they more important than human beings?" but rather "Are we treating them in an ethical manner which has a honest and decent purpose?"

Why do people get offended and upset at circuses that use animals for stage acts? What's the harm?

Well, the methods used to train them to perform are usually cruel and inhumane, and entertainment does not justify that kind of behavior.

If we allow the torture of

living creatures, we are no better than the Roman Empire with all of its coliseums, laughing at barbarism as long as we don't actually have to see it.

Animals are allowed to be tested on for lipsticks, shaving creams and other cosmetic supplies which are totally unnecessary. It's not as if they are being used for a legitimate purpose like food (which is necessary for survival), or important medical research.

In most cases, however, computers and skin samples can and often do take the place of scientific testing.

JIM MCDERMOTT
COLUMNIST

Pouring fingernail polish into a bunny rabbit's eyes until they bleed (in what is known as the Draize Eye Test) is not necessary.

Call me crazy, but I think it's a horrible form of torture that I wouldn't do to my worst enemy.

It all comes down to a system of personal beliefs — do you think that animals have feelings and are sentient, or do you think they are soulless crea-

tures without any other purpose than for us to use them?

I often hear many people quoting the Bible to justify their treatment of animals: "God gave us the animals for us to use! It's in the Bible!"

Maybe — but the lesson that I learned after twelve years of going to Catholic school was that God entrusted man to use the animals with responsibility. In other words, we are their caretakers.

Native Americans also believe that respecting Mother Earth requires respecting the chain of life, which include all of the lifeforms on the planet. For me, it's a simple issue.

If it's for a good purpose, then okay, use the animals for food, work, or whatever important purpose for which they are required. But treat them with respect and keep them from needless suffering and harm.

There's nothing I hate worse than a bully, and people who abuse animals are nothing but the meanest bullies of all.

We should start being concerned with the life on this planet, and stop being so shortsighted.

We're worried about putting a few lumberjacks out of work rather than about wasting our valuable forests which hold the key to many ecosystems and potential medicines for humanity.

It's hard to believe it all

comes back to whether or not we approve of something as "harmless" as a circus — but it does.

What will happen when we lose the Bengal Tigers, the Marmosets, the Cheetahs and all of the other near-extinct creatures we are accustomed to mistreating?

Where will the lumberjacks be when we cut down the last forest?

What will happen to the whale hunters, when there are no more whales to hunt?

So don't give me the economic argument — it just doesn't hold up. A resource is something that can eventually be used up, hence the term natural resources.

What we need to do right now is stop mistreating the animals and start using them properly and ethically. If you want entertainment, watch Seinfeld.

Start developing your compassion, and realize that humanity is part of the ecosystem and not necessarily above it. Future generations will judge us on how we treat these creatures, and whether or not there are any left in their lifetimes.

Personally, I don't want to belong to the generation that is blamed for making species extinct and mistreating the animals we have. It's not too late, but it is time to act.

LETTER

From Page 4

One final thing.

In an editorial printed in October, Parthenon editors stated, in response to one of their reporters ignoring a campus news event, that this paper is not a public relations tool; something which the incoming editorial staff should remember.

I have to question the time that it took to print Senate President Pro Tempore Beverly Milam's letter which was written in the middle of November

and Senator Bromund's letter which was written either last week or possibly yesterday.

It just seems to me that favoritism may be at play. Maybe this is just my imagination, but I doubt it.

The Parthenon is here to report campus activities, something it does very poorly and not to serve as a platform for any campus politicians.

And Senator Bromund, the next time you attack me in the press, have the guts to state my name and make sure they spell it right.

David L. Wickham

Graduate School Senator

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Cowboy culture spurs American ego

I hate driving...not the experience itself, so much as the annoyance it consistently causes me. Give me an empty schedule and the open road, a few eight-tracks and a bag of Cheetos, and I'd be off to conquer America. But having to drive with other people is another story.

Maybe I never learned to share as a child, as nothing seemed to rile my temper more than to have to share the road with people who have no business congesting the highways.

There are incompetent drivers out there, no one would deny that. Perhaps I just have some innate, cosmic attraction that lures them into my way more often than statistical probability should mandate.

I don't mean to imply that I am the safest or most courteous driver. I speed strategically, often take corners faster than I should, and when someone gets in my way, I share my feelings by pounding the horn, flailing fist, gestures, and sentiments out the window, and roaring by at the earliest opportunity.

Case in point: Everyday on my way to campus, without fail, I get caught behind this driverless 1950's Cadillac. I say driverless, because despite the number of times that I have actually been able to pass this motoring menace I have yet to see the driver.

For those of you unfamiliar with the earlier Cadillacs, this particular model spews thick black smoke, occupies the approximate square footage of a three bedroom house, and has a trunk large enough to park my VW in.

The reason I never see this person is because he or she is so dwarfed by the car, all I catch is the top of a head, likely trapped by the gravitation pull of the vehicle's enormous size. As if the number of dangerous drivers were not enough, the number of categorically unsafe automobiles compounds the problem.

Some cars are just too big to

be allowed on the road. Big cars must just be part of the American mindset. Take for instance the most flagrant offender, the luxury car. When you think of European luxury cars, synonymous thoughts of speed, agility, efficiency, ergonomics and technological superiority come to mind.

Yet American luxury cars, for the most part, are these bloated, gas-guzzling, cheap gadget laden, low-tech, lumbering land-yachts. Despite this, the big three flash commercials at us showing off their cars with images of apple pie, retired couples holding hands, and kids playing baseball on the oversized hood.

It's as though Detroit set out to make a luxury car that was the antithesis of what the rest of the world was doing, succeeded, and continues to do so today.

It is, to be grossly simplistic, yet another symptom of America's growing identity crisis. Some will say it began with the end of World War II, the us-versus-them mentality, a fear of hard times that followed the Great Depression, or America's failure to achieve absolute victory in Korea and Vietnam.

But whatever the root causes, the unraveling of the Soviet Empire has left America's image maintenance specialists head-scratching.

Who's the enemy now? It's always been easy enough to manufacture a few when needed, but we're even starting to run out of petty third-world thugs to inflate. With the wind down of the Cold War, business politicians and congressional moguls have declared covert war on anything un-American.

The irony of course is that most of what we have been told to shun was once ours. Who pioneered the automobile, rock and roll, transistors, television, VCRs, home computers? Once ours, but not anymore. Sold the proverbial farm we did.

And now that we're in a rut, who's fault is it? Theirs, natu-

J.R. MCMILLAN COLUMNIST

rally. It's their fault that their work force is better educated than ours. It's their fault their facilities are keeping pace with emerging technologies. It's their fault we keep buying their products over ours.

Sometime back in the mid-1980s, opinion-shapers finally figured out that we weren't on top anymore.

What resulted was a public relations coup bent on making America feel good again, all that pesky self-esteem jive. After significant thought and energy, they found the one thing that America has that no one else had laid claim to: Country Western Line Dancing. Had anyone even heard of line dancing before 1985? I'm not talking about square dancing either.

I remember having to square dance back in gym class every year, athletic event that it is. (Never did get that Square-Dancing Scholarship.) In assembly line fashion, the Old West, American mythology, has been force fed to the American public like some sort of sacred cow.

I drove through Washington, D.C. over the break and found 11 country radio stations. The closest most of these people get to a horse is the Christmas Parade, and save the gang shootouts, that's as near as any of these urbanites will get to their vicarious cowpoke delusions.

Count the number of westerns that have hit the silver screen in the last five years alone, or television programs with western motifs, or special offers from the Franklin Mint with little bronze figures of your favorite western types. Instead of making a business out of clinging to whatever uniquely American idolatry we can dredge from the past, we should be preparing for a more competitive future. There is no reason America can't outproduce and outsell any other nation in

any market.

But before we can convince the rest of the world that we can be innovators, we have to convince ourselves. So long as we continue to indulge such egocentric fads, we will continue to fall behind. I like my cows between two pieces of bread with lettuce and mayonnaise, and when I put my boots on, it's because I don't want to ruin my good shoes.

We're too old to be playing cowboys and Indians. Western bravado ills me. I'm sick of the silver tipped boots, iridescent

rodeo apparel, and ten gallon hats on five gallon heads. Any self-respecting real cowboys would be quick to tell you'll the life ain't that glamorous and you look like a bunch of sissies.

But who knows, the Japanese have sure been scarfing up our Cowboy Culture, and whenever we sell something to the Japanese, economists hoot wildly. I figure it's an even trade, our junk for their junk. Maybe now we can feel good about ourselves. But what happens when they have better cowboys than we do?

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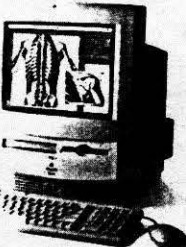
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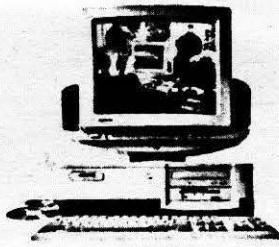
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Japanese student finds friends in Huntington

Homestay program a success

By Alk Wah Leow
Reporter

The first student-family relationship from the homestay program is a success, Eric Spears, student programs coordinator at the Center for International Programs, said.

Satoshi Otani of Osaka, Japan, has stayed with Jim and Leah Colvin of Huntington since October.

Otani is an ESLI (English as a Second Language Institute) student, which means he is in an intensive English study with no major. He was placed through the homestay program coordinated by Spears.

"We've never hosted a student before, and having Satoshi here has been a pleasant surprise and we've really enjoyed it," Leah Colvin said. "I am a very private person, and

I enjoy having full run of the house."

A speech and hearing coordinator for the Wayne County Board of Education, she said, "I enjoy teaching and helping Satoshi with the language."

Jim Colvin echoed that thought. "I am having a great time teaching Satoshi American slang," he said.

"It's cool having Satoshi here. He plays golf with me," he said.

Otani worked in a travel agency in Osaka. His Canadian boss encouraged him to learn English in an English speaking country. He was encouraged to participate in a homestay program to provide him with a better understanding of American culture and an opportunity to improve his conversational English.

Although this is the Colvins'

first experience with an international student in their house, Otani has lived with another family.

He lived with an Australian family in Melbourne.

"It wasn't a good thing," he said. "They tried to be helpful, but they did not give me a lot of choices and did not consider me an adult."

"The Australian family made choices without asking how I feel," he said.

"Satoshi has been great," Mrs. Colvin said. "He is a disciplined young man and very helpful around the house."

The Colvins' 14-year-old son, Evan, said, "We get along great."

"I don't like some of the American food," Otani said. "Root beer, Dr. Pepper, oatmeal, cranberry sauce—they all taste bad. I didn't experience much cul-



Satoshi Otani sets the table with Leah Colvin. He has lived with her family since October as part of the homestay program.

ture shock because many things I read from books and it helps me."

Mrs. Colvin said, "Since Satoshi has been here, it has made us realize that we have a lot more in common than differences."

"We all have the same basic

needs."

Information about the homestay program is available from Spears at the Center for International Programs at 696-6265.

Contracts for homestay are on a semester or yearly basis. Families will be paid room and board.

Young coordinator chosen

By Alk Wah Leow
Reporter

Kimberly A. Walsh is the youngest coordinator for the Women and Returning Students Program.

"I am excited that someone believed in me to give me a chance," Walsh, a Vienna, Va., native, said.

At 24, she graduated in May from Pennsylvania State University with a master's degree in College Student Personnel.

"In this position being young is an asset," Walsh said. "I will be closer to students in terms of personality, my ability to relate to students, establish rapport and offer support."

She said she wants to deal with non-traditional women's issues, non-substance addiction, relationship and violence.

"I want more resident advisers, sororities and fraternities to get involved [in on campus programs]," Walsh said.

She said previous programs

will continue, such as the weekly lunchbag seminars, publication of a newsletter, and the annual leadership retreat.

"I am here to rejuvenate the program that exists," she said. "There is also a need to expand the library that we now have."

"It is a plus to bring someone young into the position because she'll be able to relate to students," Dee Cockrille, dean of student affairs and interim coordinator for the past five months, said.

Art exhibits and conference planned

By Timur M. Dilisiz
Reporter

Two art exhibits and a graphics conference are among activities planned by the Department of Art next semester.

The exhibits will be in Birke Art Gallery in Smith Hall. Peter Massing, gallery director, said the first exhibit will be by artist Joan Earnhart from Washington, D.C., Jan. 13-Feb. 2. "She does very unique, what I would call, combine pieces," he said.

"Most of the work will be like a wall sculpture. They are really interesting boxes and windows and things that have three dimensional objects in

them."

The Annual Juried Student Exhibition will be Feb. 3-22. "The student exhibition is a juried show where the students submit work and we bring in a juror to look at the work and decide which pieces will get in the show," Massing said.

He said awards will be given to outstanding drawings, paintings, sculptures, ceramics and other things students invent.

He said the free exhibition will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday. It will also be open Monday evenings.

"Students and the faculty run the gallery, and the shows rotate. So, every three weeks, we

will bring a new artwork or new artist," Massing said.

"Some of the student activity fees go into programs that we do in the gallery," he said. "Most of the funding for the gallery programs is from the Department of Art, College of Fine Arts, Marshall Foundation money and donations."

"On the average, we will have about 1,200 people go through the show," Massing said.

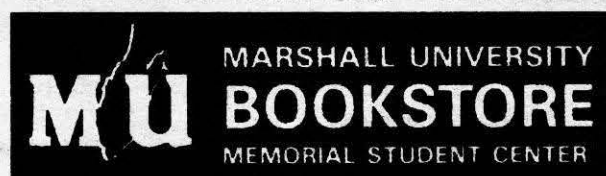
The conference is called "Influences 7—Designing for Interactive Media." It will be Feb. 24-March 23.

A brochure about the conference calls it an exploration of a paradigm shift in communication. "Affordable technology and public acceptance have combined to propel interactive multimedia from being a mere curiosity to a multi-billion dollar industry that is revolutionizing training in business, education and medicine," the brochure states.

Attending "Influences 7" will cost \$25 for Marshall students, \$55 for people from other universities, and \$180 for others, Opal Turner, administrative secretary of the Department of Art, said. After Jan. 20 late fees of \$10 for students and \$15 for others will be charged.

Conference activities will be in Memorial Student Center and the Fine Arts Center.

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Crew to film Republicans

By Brad McElhinny
Staff Writer

News of the campus College Republicans has crossed the ocean and could travel farther after Friday.

A British film crew will be on campus Friday filming the student group for a portion of a four-part series on American conservatism, said Clint Gillespie, College Republicans president.

Gillespie said producers from Oxford Documentary discovered the College Republicans through "Rush to Us," a book about Rush Limbaugh fans that features the Marshall conservative group for 15 pages.

"They told me we stuck out to them," said Gillespie, an Elkview sophomore.

"I think it will show that youth in politics are important and prominent.

"Ronald Reagan won the youth vote in 1980 and won the election. Bush failed to get the youth vote in 1992 and lost.

Clinton got it and won. The youth may be apathetic, but the youth feature wins elections. They do the grunt work best. They pound the streets."

Producers first contacted the College Republicans several weeks ago on election night. The group has been planning quickly since then.

They tried to get Dan Quayle, Pat Buchanan and G. Gordon Liddy to speak, but all three said they couldn't make it on short notice.

Liddy was the last to drop out, saying he would like to attend, but couldn't.

So the group invited Charleston lawyer Michael Carey, a former U.S. Attorney for the Southern District and Bill Blair, a state Republican gubernatorial candidate.

Carey, who helped indict former Gov. Arch Moore and former state Senate Presidents Dan Tonkovich and Larry Tucker, will discuss West Virginia political corruption at noon Friday in the MSC Alum-

ni Lounge.

Blair, a Wheeling businessman will discuss how students can succeed in the West Virginia market. He will speak at 1 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge.

Then, at 2 p.m., College Republicans will meet with Huntington Mayor Jean Dean to discuss Marshall's effect on the community.

At 3 p.m., they've planned a liberal/conservative debate at the Renaissance bookstore's poetry corner. "It'll be in the liberal environment," Gillespie joked.

Finally, at 7 p.m., the group will meet with state Republican leaders at a reception at a Huntington home.

The group also plans to discuss next semester's activities at the Rush Room lunch — a Rush Limbaugh broadcast — at Chili Willi's Mexican Cantina.

The film crew plans to tape College Republicans working on The Statesman, the campus conservative newspaper.

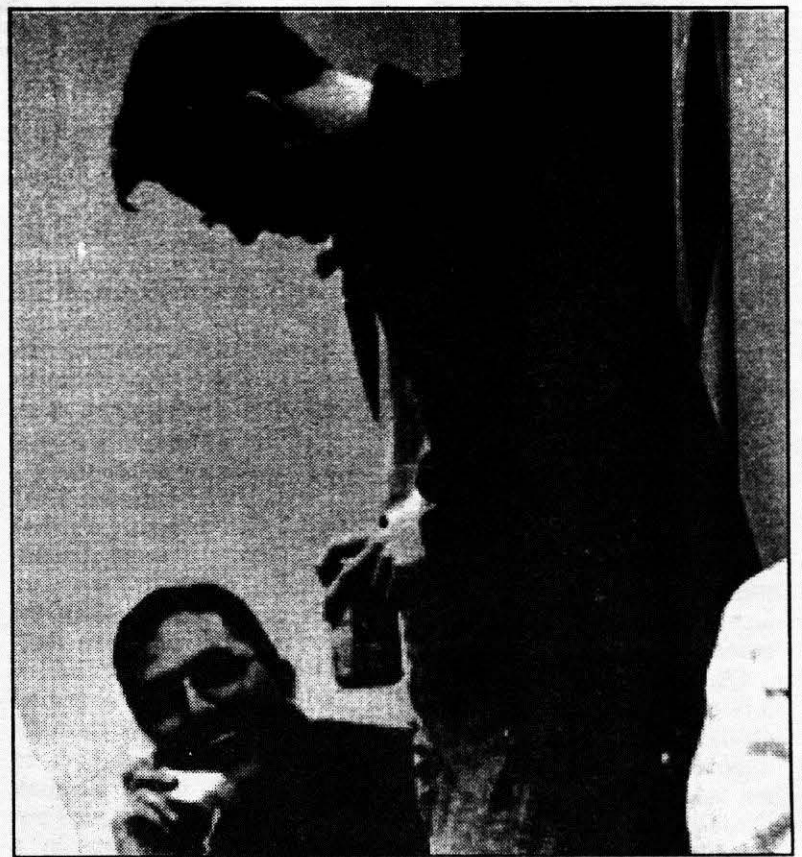


Photo by Brad McElhinny

College Republicans Robert Painter and Clint Gillespie receive word on election night that a British film crew plans to film the group for a series on American conservatism. The group plans a variety of activities for Friday, Dec. 9, when the film crew will visit campus.

Counseling center gives relief

By Shawna Edmonds
Reporter

Everybody gets stressed at one time or another, but students especially get stressed during finals, said Amy Grass, a counselor at the counseling center.

The week before and of finals, many students have feelings of anxiety, increased worries or hopelessness, Grass said.

Sharla Meade, a substance abuse coordinator at the counseling services, said students who coast their way during the semester are likely to be more stressed than others who paced themselves during the semester.

Grass said students can eliminate stress by making a schedule for finals week and knowing the exam schedule and what is

expected. She said students should know the date and time of the exam, the room in which they will take the exam and whether it is multiple choice or essay.

Grass said another factor in elimination of stress, is students need to know their study habits.

They need to know if they study better in silence or with other people. If a student does study with other people, then seeking out study groups is good practice, she said.

Grass said students should avoid additional stress during finals.

She said to not start a new diet, exercise routine or task that can wait until a later date, such as cleaning out your room or packing to leave school.

Doing something enjoyable that involves laughter is an-

other way to avoid stress during finals, Grass said.

Watching a comedy movie or any other form of entertainment is a good way to relieve a student's mind of the worries from finals, she said.

Students should avoid negative self talk, Grass said.

"Students should avoid statements such as 'I can't do this,' or 'I will never make it,' and should prioritize their goals," she said.

Professors can even help eliminate stress for students, Grass said.

"Professors should be clear about what they expect from the students for the final; what materials they will be expected to know," Grass said.

Students needing someone to talk to about any type of stress can call the counseling center at 696-3111.

MUPD BLOTTER

Dec. 1 at 3:14 a.m., a vending machine was discovered damaged in the lobby of Twin Towers East.

Dec. 1 at 2:49 p.m., a university employee reported that his car had been struck in the passenger side while parked in the N lot.

Dec. 2 a staff member reported that someone had removed the hood ornament from his 1993 Buick Regal while parked in the F lot.

Dec. 3 a fight between two individuals occurred at the stadium during the game. The fight was provoked when a 17 year old was blocking the view of an individual in a wheelchair. Some comments were exchanged, at which time the

man in the wheelchair stood up and struck the juvenile in the nose. No arrests were made.

Dec. 3 at 4:56 p.m., a woman reported that her wallet and purse were removed from under the scoreboard where she was sitting.

Dec. 4 at 2:21 a.m., a resident of Twin Towers East reported that he returned to his room to discover that someone had sprayed a fire extinguisher under his door.

Dec. 6 at 3:00 a.m., a fight between a resident and a non-resident occurred in an elevator. When a female resident tried to break up the fight, she was struck and pushed against the elevator.

Cab company provides safety service

By Brett A. Smith
Reporter

Finals week is very stressful. After, students may want to relieve some of that stress by going out to a bar.

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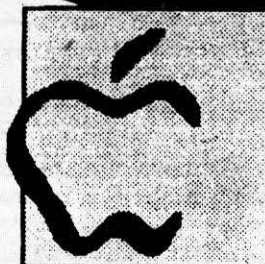
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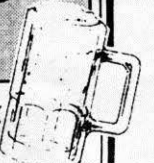
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Group seeks ways to beat deficit

Entitlement taxes, higher retirement age are among the possibilities

WASHINGTON (AP) — A presidential commission looking at ways to keep the federal budget deficit under control is finding a scarcity of easy answers. Some possibilities: Raise the retirement age; tax all entitlement benefits; limit itemized deductions.

Although the deficit in 1995 is projected to decline for the third consecutive year, the Bipartisan Commission on Entitlement and Tax Reform is attempting to cure a long-term problem that is expected to grow serious as the Baby Boom generation draws Social Security and Medicare benefits.

The staff of the 32-member commission presented it with a list of 53 options Monday. The options look painful but, the staff said, reforms can be "structured to take effect after the turn of the century and be phased in gradually."

The panel's goal is to choose enough of the options to keep the deficit at about the same percentage of the national economy as it is now, 2.3 percent, through 2030.

If 20 of the commission's members can agree on a package when they meet Dec. 14, it will make a formal recommendation to President Clinton and

Although the deficit is still declining, a presidential commission is looking into several ways to cure the long-term problem. There appear to be no easy answers.

Congress.

The staff prepared three sample packages. One uses no tax increases, one minimizes benefit reductions and a third blends the two approaches.

The no-tax approach would: —Reduce Social Security,

Medicare, unemployment compensation and veterans' benefits for families with incomes over certain thresholds.

—Cut entitlement programs other than Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid and federal retirement by 25 percent and then allow them to grow only to adjust for inflation and population growth. Programs affected would include welfare and food stamps, farm supports, veteran's benefits and unemployment compensation.

—Order the Labor Department to adjust the way it calculates the Consumer Price Index to produce a lower infla-

tion rate and thus lower cost-of-living increases in many programs.

—Raise the retirement age for full Social Security and Medicare benefits to 70 by 2034.

—Reduce payments to Medicare providers, index Medicare Part B premiums (for doctors' fees and outpatient care) to account for rising medical costs, and add a \$60 premium for Medicare Part A (for hospitalization).

The approach that minimizes benefit reductions would limit itemized deductions to 15 percent, regardless of the taxpayers' bracket.

Treasury secretary candidate doubted by several top congressional leaders

WASHINGTON (AP) — The man expected to become the next Treasury secretary and replace Lloyd Bentsen has the confidence of Wall Street but not the same standing on Capitol Hill, private economists say.

Bentsen is planning to leave the Cabinet early next year and return to Texas, Clinton administration officials said, creating a vacancy that Robert

Rubin is likely to fill.

Plans also were afoot, although they were less definite, to simultaneously announce Clinton's choice of Rubin as Bentsen's replacement, the official said, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

As head of the White House National Economic Council, Rubin has been a key policymaker in the administration and, also like Bentsen, is a

multimillionaire.

Both men are considered skilled negotiators with moderate political views, but there are big differences in their backgrounds.

Bentsen, 73, is regarded highly by former colleagues in Congress.

Rubin, 57, spent nearly three decades at the giant Wall Street investment firm of Goldman, Sachs & Co.

Agencies feeling the thunder as Herders hoard Boise tickets



By Associated Press

Travel agencies have been inundated with calls since Marshall University's football team reached the NCAA Division I-AA semifinals by squeaking past James Madison 28-21 in overtime.

Thundering Herd enthusiasts are looking for ways to get to Boise, Idaho, where the Herd will meet Boise State Saturday.

Two travel agencies chartering planes said they've been swamped with demand.

"We had like 30 people in the waiting room at 8 a.m.," Patty Hanshaw, office manager for Travel Doctors, said Monday.

Fans have been buying up their \$399 same-day package on a 180-seat Boeing 737 jet and only 78 seats were

still available Monday afternoon, she said.

"We're only taking reservations as a walk-in with a check or cash," Hanshaw said.

Uniglobe Lyndon Travel Inc., which offered a \$550 overnight trip, reported its 159-seat Boeing 727 was also half full.

"They're coming in, calling in. Our long-distance requests, they're Fed-Exed," said Debra Johnson, a Uniglobe partner. "No expense is too great for Herd fans."

"The real reason I'm going, it's just too nerve-racking to watch it on TV or listen on the radio," said Tim Leach, a Huntington lawyer and Marshall graduate.

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Gingrich defends tough talk

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House officials don't like Rep. Newt Gingrich's remarks about drug use by aides to President Clinton. But the incoming House speaker and his Republican team have a message for them: Get used to it.

The Georgia Republican defended his earlier accusation that up to one-fourth of the White House staff had used drugs in the four or five years before joining the staff.

A Gingrich ally, Rep. Bob Walker, R-Pa., also jumped in, saying, "This White House is going to have to learn that they no longer have lap dogs on Capitol Hill."

Diet programs out of shape

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans spend more than \$33 billion a year to lose weight and yet a third of adults are still too fat, according to scientists who say the weight-loss industry needs to shape up.

"The current system is chaos," said Dr. Arthur Frank of George Washington University, co-author of the guidelines on safe and effective dieting. "None of these programs gives any information."

The Institute of Medicine, an arm of the National Academy of Sciences, assembled a panel of experts to study obesity. The conclusion: 35 percent of women and 31 percent of men are obese, despite spending over \$33 billion a year on weight-loss products and programs.

Strict cigarette labels sought

BETHESDA, Md. (AP) — Would smokers still light up a cigarette if the label said it contained high levels of hydrogen cyanide, formaldehyde and benzene?

"Just as putting saturated fat (content) on cereals is an incentive to some manufacturers to try to lower it, ... this could be a basis for further competition for cigarettes," Dr. Jeffrey Harris of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, said Monday.

Harris presented a mock cigarette label to a panel deliberating whether smokers are being deceived by the measurements of tar and nicotine printed on cigarette packages that imply some brands are healthier than others.

Firm discovers overpayments

SALEM, Va. (AP) — John Hale Sr. thought his medical bills for minor surgery were a bit too major. But they seemed to be written in some indecipherable code, so he grumbled, shook his head and paid up.

Then he heard about Pat Palmer, a Salem woman who makes medical bill blunders her business.

With Palmer's help, Hale, a diesel engine mechanic from Salem, received a refund check of more than \$600 on bills during the past two years.

Palmer's company, Medical Recovery Service, takes 50 percent of each refund as its fee, but collects nothing if she doesn't find errors and get her client a check from a medical provider or insurance company.

Mexico to begin judicial reform

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Tackling one of his nation's most daunting challenges just days after his inauguration, President Ernesto Zedillo has proposed constitutional reforms to overhaul Mexico's notoriously corrupt and inefficient justice system.

The proposal calls for a complete overhaul of the police, new limits on Supreme Court and other judicial nominees, and creates a new agency to look into citizen complaints about prosecutors.

Peacekeepers remain captive



SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Refusing to cancel their insurance policy against further NATO bombings, Serbs kept tight hold over 349 U.N. peacekeepers Tuesday despite earlier pledges to set them free.

But a Bosnian Serb demand that NATO promise no air strikes against Serb positions is "completely unacceptable," a U.N. spokeswoman said Tuesday.

"We do not do deals over the lives and welfare of our peacekeepers on the ground," spokeswoman Claire Grimes said in Zagreb, Croatia.

Peace strategy discussed

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP)

The 52-nation CSCE, the security group that proved helpless to stop the march of war in Bosnia, met for a second day Tuesday to map out a plan to avoid future European wars.

Russia has long sought to make the CSCE the premier security organization in Europe.

The United States favors a more assertive CSCE, though not at the expense of the 16-nation North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Created in 1975, the CSCE was the only institution in which NATO and the Soviet-

led Warsaw Pact came together to discuss security and human rights issues.

Invoking the Bosnian war raging less than 300 miles to the southeast of Budapest, presidents and prime ministers at the summit agreed Monday that increased CSCE powers were necessary.

Because Moscow feels it should have a relatively free hand in regulating unrest in the former Soviet republics, there were disputes over the CSCE's proposed peacekeeping role.

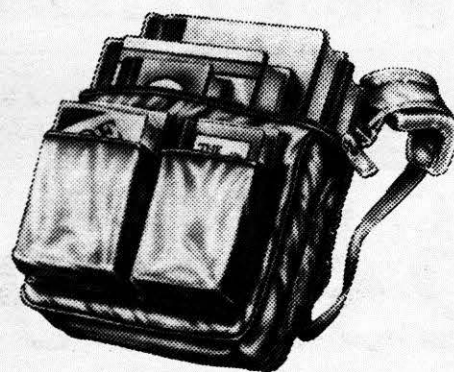
The American officials said agreement was near on send-

ing thousands of peacekeepers to Nagorno-Karabakh, the disputed Armenian enclave in former Soviet Azerbaijan, but details remained to be worked out.

Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic, meanwhile, heaped scorn on the West for doing so little to stop the carnage that has left 200,000 dead and missing in his country.

"What is happening in Bosnia is the weakness of the West," he said in an address to delegates unusual for its bitterness. "It is nothing more than that."

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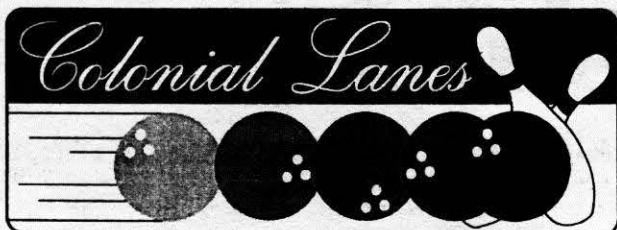
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Track coach impressed with team

Brachna prepares for Saturday's meet

By Mike Taylor and C. Mark Brinkley
Reporters

While Marshall's football team was trying to beat James Madison last Saturday, the track team was gearing up for the coming season.

The track team competed in a non-scored scrimmage with nine other schools. VMI, Liberty University, Hampton University, the Pony Express Track Club and a group from the United States Marines were among the nine schools who competed.

"It was kind of like a scrimmage. There was nine teams there, but not everyone brought their full team," Men's Track Head Coach Dennis Brachna said.

Coach Brachna said he

thought it was the best opening meet the team has ever had.

Brachna said the team meshed well together and he also was impressed with the team's togetherness and unity.

"They were all cheering for one another," Brachna said.

Brachna was also impressed with the team's level of performance at the meet.

"We still have a lot of room for improvement, but I was pleased with the effort," Brachna said.

The first scored meet of the indoor season will be Saturday at the Kentucky Kick-off at the University of Kentucky. Marshall will be the only non-Kentucky team participating in the event.

Six schools will compete in the meet, to be broken up into

two competitions. Brachna said all schools will compete against one another, but the results will be scored separately.

In the first group, Marshall, Morehead State and Kentucky State will be paired, and in the second group, Kentucky, Louisville and Eastern Kentucky will be competing.

"This environment is very conducive to performing well," Brachna said.

He also mentioned that although Marshall won't be scored against Kentucky, Louisville and EKU, he wants to compare the Herd's scores to theirs to see where the team stands against quality competition.

"Kentucky has a new track that is one of the best facilities in the country. It cost about \$6 million and it has a 300-meter



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Dennis Brachna, men's track head coach

track and a practice football field inside," Brachna said.

It's a honor to be invited," he said.

For some track members, this meet has more significance than others.

"We have a few kids on the team from Kentucky and there will be plenty of people down there to cheer them on," Brachna said.

"The combination of the facility and the level of competition will bring out some strong performances in our guys," he said.

This meet will not include the 35-pound weight throw, in which Marshall's Heath O'Neal finished second at VMI, but Brachna said Heath may compete in the shotput.

Another member looking forward to the meet is Chip Wood. Wood, a Point Pleasant junior, is now a member of Marshall track team after transferring from Louisville.

"We want to come out on top," Brachna said. "After this weekend's performance, we are looking for a victory going into this meet."

CBS, NCAA ink deal

NEW YORK (AP) — CBS Sports and the NCAA signed a deal that will keep the Final Four on CBS through the year 2002 as part of a package costing the network \$1.725 billion.

In a joint announcement made today, CBS and the NCAA said the deal replaces a seven-year, \$1 billion deal that was to have run through 1997.

The deal includes all of the men's basketball tournament as well as other NCAA events.

The \$1.725 billion represents the largest single pricetag ever placed on a TV sports rights deal, breaking the previous record of \$1.58 billion that Fox paid to take the NFC away from CBS in 1993.

Police investigate crash

Seahawks' Frier faces likely permanent paralysis

BELLEVUE, Wash. (AP) — Seattle Seahawk Mike Frier can't move his legs or fingers and probably never will, a neurosurgeon says.

"He has no sensation below his belly button," Dr. Michael Schlitt said Monday at Overlake Medical Center, where Frier and fellow Seahawks Chris Warren and Lamar Smith were brought after the car they were in crashed into a utility pole last Thursday.

"We've not seen any deterioration on the neurological front since the time Frier was admitted," Schlitt said.

"Unfortunately, we have not seen any substantial neurological improvement."

Frier, a third-year defensive tackle, was in serious condition, heavily sedated and with his skull and spine in traction.

He was suffering from pneumonia in his left lung — a complication resulting in part from his inability to cough and clear his lungs — and will probably always be plagued with lung infections, pulmonary specialist Dr. Ronald O'Quin said.

However, Frier, 25, was able to move his biceps in both arms and had some movement in his left tricep muscle, Schlitt said. He likely will be able to breathe

without a respirator as he begins to recover.

Pro Bowl running back Warren broke two ribs and rookie running back Smith injured his foot in the accident near team headquarters in Kirkland.

Still unresolved was the question of who was driving the car when it crashed.

Kirkland police maintain Warren was driving, but they are continuing their investigation.

Police arrested Warren after the crash for investigation of vehicular assault.

They took a blood sample from him to determine whether alcohol played a role in the crash.

But Warren, his agent and Smith's agent all said Smith was driving. The vehicle belonged to Smith. Seattle television station KING also reported that Warren took a lie detector test, and passed.

Police have said they are recontacting crash witnesses. They also sought a search warrant to recover fingerprints from the car, detective Jim O'Toole said.

Police will bring in outside investigators with "just a little more expertise" to search the car, O'Toole said. He would not say who those people were.

"We're moving very slowly, deliberately. We're not going to jump into this," he said. "We don't anticipate pinpointing anything until possibly next week."

Warren's blood sample was dropped off Monday at the state toxicology lab, O'Toole said.

At Seahawks' headquarters Monday, coach Tom Flores said Smith's left foot was sprained and in a cast, not broken as the team had feared.

Warren played Sunday with two cracked ribs when Seattle lost 31-19 to Indianapolis in the Kingdome. Smith did not play.

"I don't think he was in any condition to go to the game," Flores said. "He was pretty sore. And emotionally he's still upset."

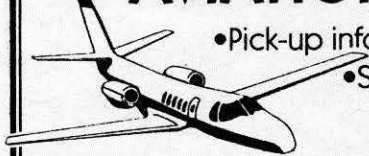
"He wasn't going to play, so there was no reason to go."

Flores said the team seems to have gotten over the initial shock of the accident.

"I think the initial trauma is over and now we try to go on with our lives and obviously with the consideration of the three individuals involved, especially Mike Frier. That's a tragedy."

"But the initial shock ... you never know how anybody is going to react to that."

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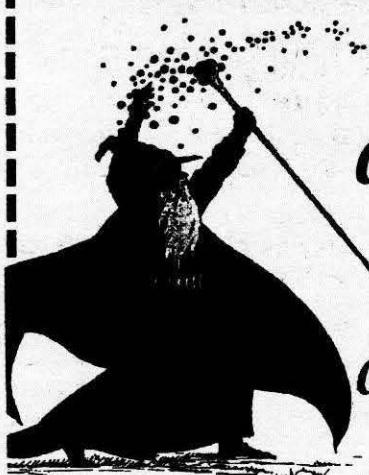
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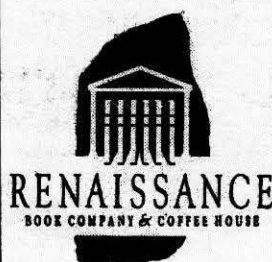
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Thursday, Dec. 8: Penny Perdue speaking on Seasonal Affective Disorder at 6PM.

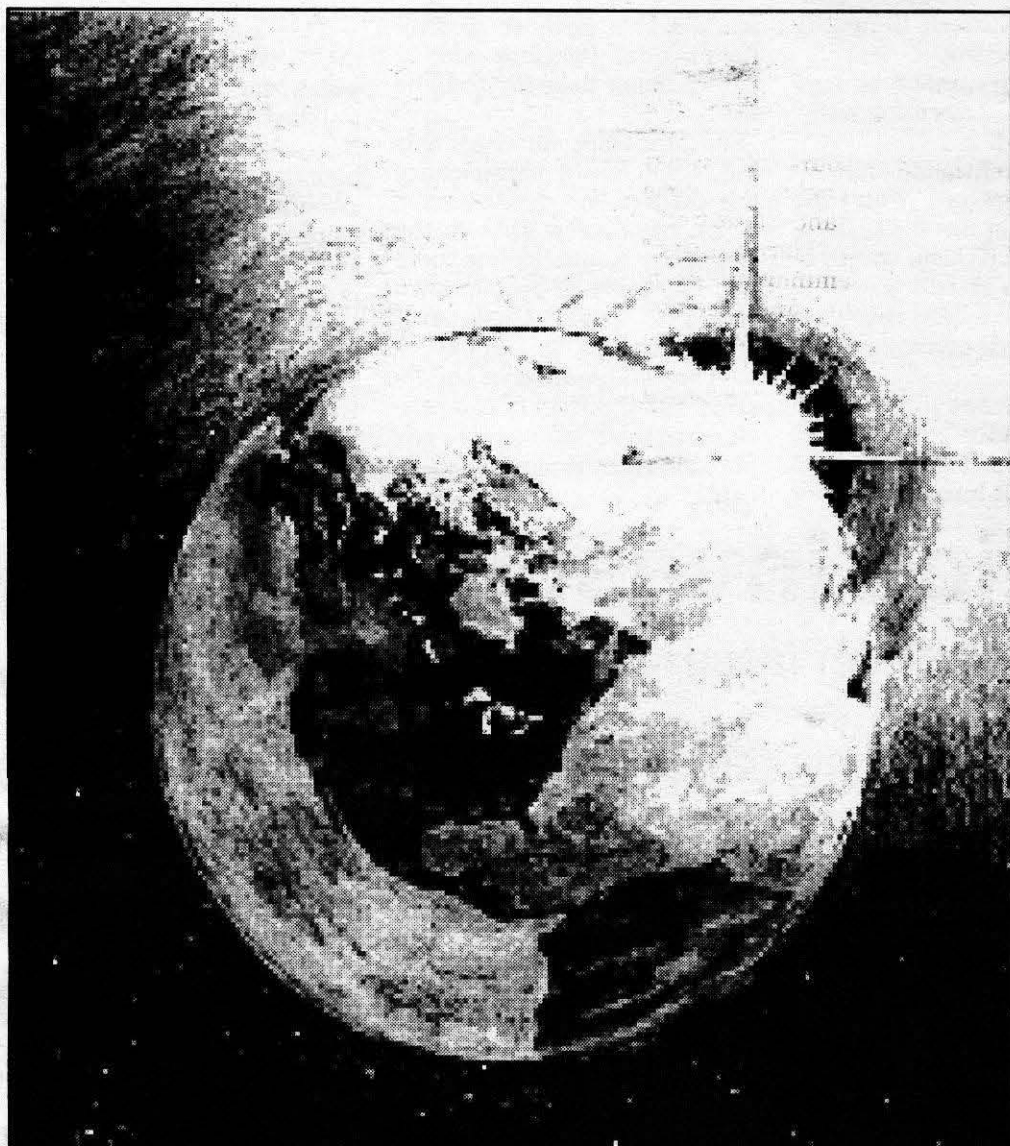
Friday, Dec. 9: Terranova Jazz Band at 8:30PM. \$3.00 cover.

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Making a difference



Julia G. Lilkendey
Reporter



Global Volunteers invites you to make the most of your school breaks.

If you ever thought of joining the Peace Corps but didn't

have enough time to commit, this organization, which is geared for a few weeks, may be the answer.

"For 11 years, this organization has helped the people of developing countries to help themselves," said Burnham J. Philbrook, president of Global Volunteers.

Philbrook took his first journey with another organization in 1974; it was his first time outside of North America.

"This trip to India is what started my thought process," Burnham said. "It was a life changing experience. It makes you feel whole."

Each year more than 700 new volunteers help communities by sharing their skills and talents with those who need help.

According to Philbrook, whether it be infrastructure, teaching, or personal services, everyone involved will create a mutual international understanding.

"It is a true exchange of ideas, cultures and hopes for the future," Philbrook said. "Most any open-minded individual can benefit from and contribute to such an adventure."

Past projects include: building, repairing and painting community centers, schools, libraries, health care clinics, rain shelters and private residences.

The volunteers have helped in the rain forest, constructed clean water systems and planted community gardens.

"No construction skills are needed," said Julie Fredricks, recruiter for Global Volunteers, of St. Paul, Minn. "Men and women of all ages and backgrounds can assist with these projects."

Judy Holt, from Harpers Ferry, went to Jonestown, Miss. in March 1993. She, along with her group of about 12 from Global Volunteers, helped Habitat for Humanity with construction work.

"It was an enlightening experience," Holt said. "We worked in a very poor area of town and we were greatly accepted. Just getting to know the people in the community was special."

Children of these countries also need to learn the basic studies. Professional experience in the two-week teaching program is not required.

The participants will be assigned

to teach four small groups of elementary and high school students four hours a day. The lessons are mainly in conversational English, but courses in basic science, math, computer literacy, geography and public health are also taught.

Health care professionals are also needed. Physicians dentists, and nurses are given an opportunity to use their skills in an unconventional setting.

Their services have provided screenings and examinations of newborns, extracting teeth and performing blood pressure screenings.

Sue Warren, from Charleston, took her husband and three children on a journey to Guatemala during the summer of 1993.

"I feel very privileged to be able to have had this experience," Warren said. "It makes you think about our very materialistic society. You realize this because they make so much out of so little."

Sue and her husband Stafford are physicians. They used their expertise to conduct screening clinics in the village.

"We didn't want to encourage a situation where they were expecting material things," Warren said. "We lived at their level."

Other professionals, such as hydrologists, soil scientists, carpenters and electricians, are requested for volunteer programs and specific projects.

There is a lot of demand for business men and women for the Free Enterprise Institute program. A team of five successful business people will teach about 30 to 50 local aspiring entrepreneurs in a week long conference.

"This is a perfect opportunity for business men and women to teach how Americans run their business successfully in a free market society," Fredricks said.

"It was positive reinforcement," Warren said. "My children learned lessons in a way that I could never teach them in this country. They often ask to go back."

The trip fees range from \$300 to \$1,500 and include lodging, meals, local transportation, project materials and administrative fees. Discounted rates are available for groups of eight or more.

There are openings for the next team which will be in Costa Rica from Dec. 17-31. Participants will work with local people on connecting water pipes and repairing buildings.

"Volunteers will be free on weekends to join holiday celebrations and religious services," Fredricks said. "They can also use the time to explore nearby cultural attractions."

Additional information is available from Global Volunteers at (800) 487-1074.