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# The Parthenon

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY

Feb. 17, 1995



**FRIDAY**  
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## More change for I.D. cards

### Operations vice president hopes to add debit feature

By J.R. McMillan  
Reporter

Sometimes resisting change may not be such a bad idea.

Two years ago, Marshall students had to carry separate meal, activity, and student I.D. cards. By this time next year, students may not even need to carry spare change.

This is the hope of Dr. William S. Deel, assistant vice president of operations. "It's all controlled over this little card," Deel said, displaying his own copy of Marshall's newest I.D. card. "It's better for the students and better for the university."

The new card has a digitized photo and two magnetic data stripes on the reverse side to be used for debit. Deel said that there are two possible systems vying for the university contract and each uses a different stripe. "For now we're going to continue putting both stripes on the card."

"It's all based on which system we choose, either or both," Deel said referring to the various applications and advantages of the debit cards. Deel said one system actually writes credit to the card itself, similar to the Vendacards used in the Morrow Library.

The other applies credit to a central account instead, much like the Points program currently offered.

Either system would allow students to credit the card from exchange machines around campus, Deel said.

Deel said the direct debit system, by placing cash value directly on the card, has its problems. "If the card has

actual value, and you lose it or it's stolen, there's not much much we can do. A centralized unit has safeguards," Deel said. "If a student loses his or her card, I can just freeze the account." Deel also said an alarm could be set up to alert security if someone tried to use a stolen card.

"The other problem I've got is door security," Deel said. The card also contains student information that can be used to limit building access to nonresidents after hours.

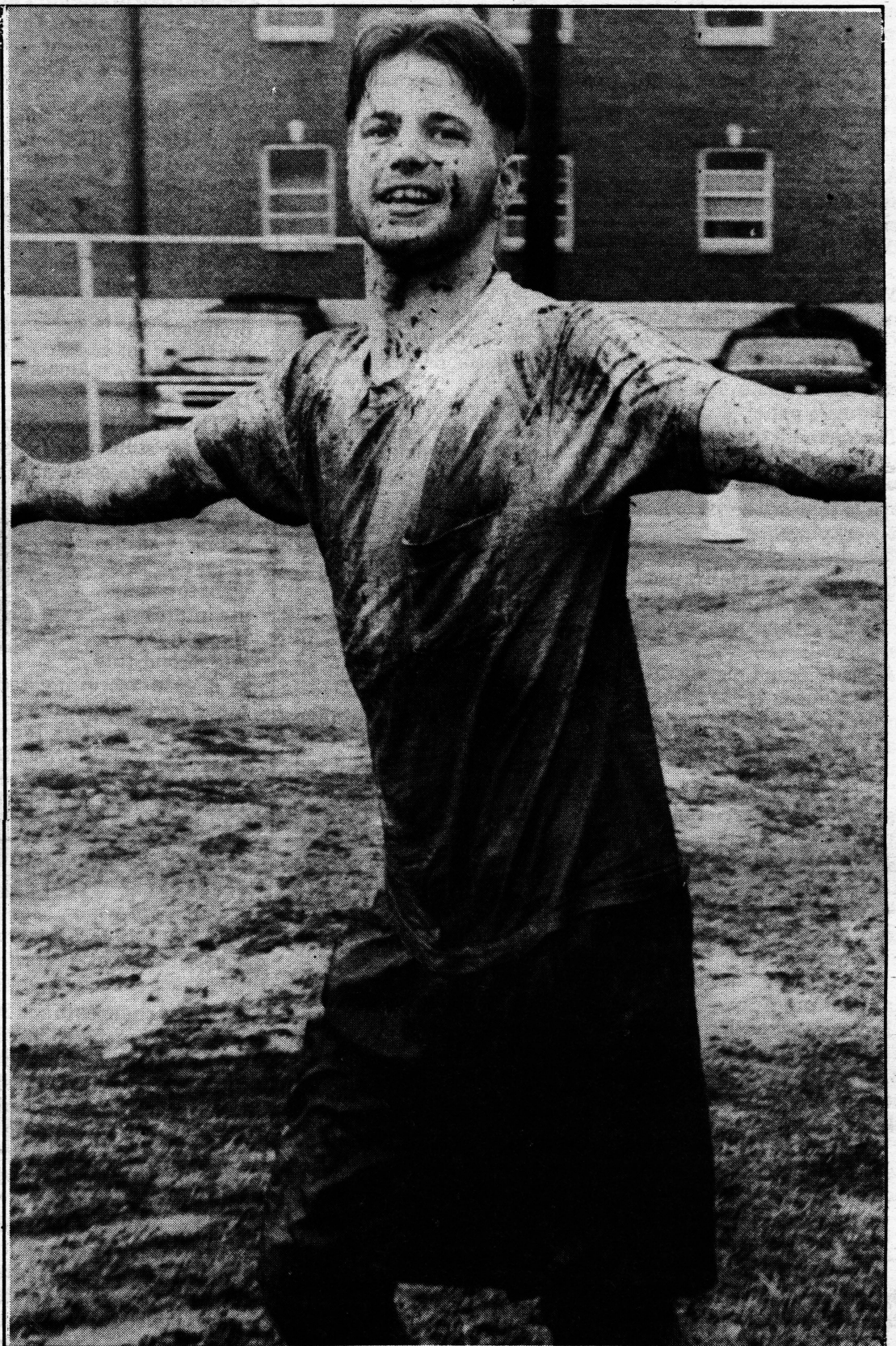
"The projected goal for this time next year is to have card readers at the entrances of Holderby, Towers, and Buskirk," Deel said, noting that students now have to wait at the doors for a resident advisor or security guard to let them in. "It will be a convenience for students and increase security."

Deel used the successes of the meal card program to show how patterns of use have helped dining services. "What they learned was how many people were eating each meal and what menus were popular," Deel said. "The word 'eatership' comes to mind. They can tell you how many students to expect or if you have a bad menu."

Deel said the project will let students use the card at laundry, vending, copy machines and virtually anywhere students use change.

"We now have an agreement with Domino's Pizza that allows students to use their Points accounts to pay for orders," Deel said. "The orders are recorded on one invoice at the end of the month."

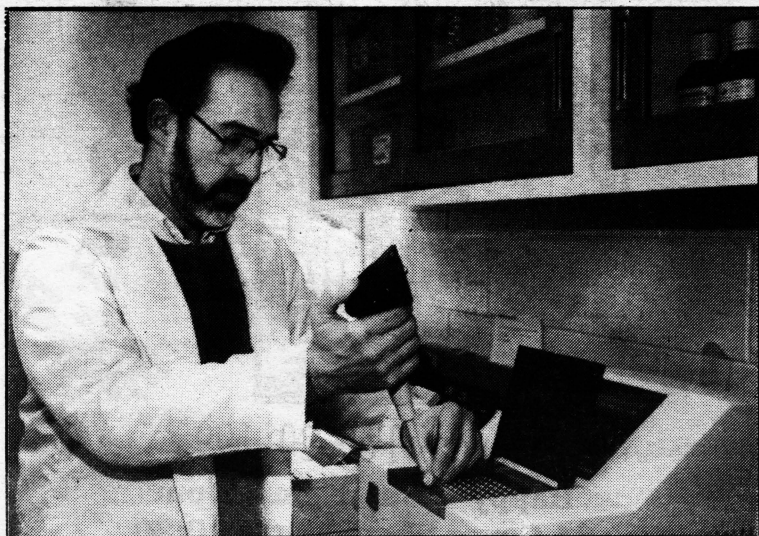
## Mud bowl?



J.R. McMillan/The Parthenon

Varsity players long ago put the football away for basketball, but Justin M. Jack, Wheeling freshman, took advantage of wet weather for "mud football" on campus.

## Bill would let School of Medicine test DNA samples



Dr. Terry Fenger, director of the forensic science program.

By John R. Robinson  
Reporter

The West Virginia House of Delegates is expected to vote today on a bill that would allow Marshall to assist the West Virginia State Police in investigations.

"I anticipate the DNA bill will pass. It appears to be in good shape," said Del. John Pino, vice chairman of the House Judiciary Committee.

Dr. Terry Fenger, director of Marshall's forensic science program, said the bill, sponsored by Speaker Robert "Chuck" Chambers and Sen. Robert Plymale, would allow

the School of Medicine forensic laboratory to research the DNA of blood samples from convicted felons.

Fenger said this legislation would support the nation's new DNA Identification Act.

"The purpose is to DNA profile each convicted felon in prisons of various states, and set up a national database of these DNA profiles," Fenger said. "Thirty-two states have already passed laws to facilitate the process."

When criminals commit crimes such as rape or murder, they leave their own DNA as evidence in samples of hair, blood, or semen, Fenger said.

Investigators test the samples and compare them to the database.

Trooper Ted Smith, supervisor of the state police DNA lab, said, "It is cost-effective to use Marshall because the state won't have to set up another research lab. Marshall would not be doing any criminal work."

Marshall's lab will research the DNA, and the state police lab will use the DNA research in investigations, he said.

If the Legislature does not pass the bill, the state will not qualify for part of \$40 million in grants provided by the federal crime bill, Smith said.



# Panel members call for a change

By Kevin J. McClelland  
Reporter

Huntington's racial climate, diversity and a call for minority involvement were topics during the American Management Association's "Multi-cultural Forum: Voices from the Diverse Workforce."

About 25 people participated in Wednesday's diversity workshop in the Alumni Lounge of the Memorial Student Center.

A national video conference and local panel discussion focusing on cultural differences in the workplace comprised the workshop.

Michael L. Thomas, president of the Huntington chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was a member of the forum's panel.

Thomas said the white male is under stress for various reasons but that whites need to learn to deal with diversity in the workplace.

"The legacy of the white male is one that all people are proud of," he said, "but he doesn't have to be the kingpin to be respected."

Another panel member, Gil V. Montanez, postmaster of Huntington, said he believes that changes must be made from within the system.

"The only changes you can make is by participating," Montanez said. He urged blacks to stay in Huntington and get involved.

The panel also discussed the racial climate in Huntington and how to attract more minority faculty members to Marshall.

Panel member, Dr. Edward L. Piou, director of equal opportunities and affirmative action, said it is the responsibility of the university to look at these problems and take steps to make new minority faculty members feel comfortable in the community.

able in the community.

Piou suggested contacting real estate agencies that would not direct minorities to one section of town, and area banks that would help them establish credit.

Dr. Chong W. Kim, panel member and chairman of the Department of Management, said there is a large demand for minority faculty members.

"It is a matter of demand and supply," Kim said. "We must pay extra money to get them here and that is an issue."

Cynthia L. Richardson, director of human resources for The Herald-Dispatch was also a member of the panel.

Richardson said places that do not already have a diverse workforce still need diversity training.

"The changes in demographics and what we are going to see in the year 2000 requires diversity training," she said.

The national video conference panel focused on working with Asian-Americans, Latinos and African-Americans.

Hattie Hill-Storks, president of Hattie Hill-Storks and Associates, said the year 2000 will see more women and people of color in the workforce.

"The key is understanding and tolerating differences," Hill-Storks said. She said remarks people make in passing often can alienate others.

The panel also included Renee Blank and Sandra Slipp, authors of "Voices of Diversity: Breaking Through the Communication Barriers in a Workplace Where Everyone Is Not Alike," and Glenna S. Racer, human resources employment representative.

The program was sponsored by Multicultural and International Programs, African-American Students Programs, Department of Management and Marketing and the Department of Continuing Education.

## Students contribute to prof's paper

By Steve L. Grimes  
Reporter

Two Community and Technical College students will receive credit for their contributions to a paper that will be delivered by a faculty member at an international symposium next month.

Merle J. Thomas Jr., associate professor of engineering technology in the CTC, said Sherry A. Wentz, Huntington computer technology major, and Richard A. Pate, Huntington engineering technology major, assisted with the computer-aided drafting and re-

search for two publications.

The students will receive credit in the published proceedings of the conference in New Zealand, where Thomas will deliver the paper.

# Play production geared toward high school students

By Christina R. Dexter  
Reporter

The stage has been set to entertain 16 area high schools.

High school students have been invited to attend "Park Your Car in Harvard Yard," a production presented by the Department of Theatre/Dance.

This is the first time a production has been mounted specifically for high school students, said Eugene J. Anthony,

assistant professor, Department of Theatre/Dance.

"This is an outreach program for students in every corner of the state and its objectives are two-fold," Anthony said. "First, we want to generate interest in live theater, and second, this is a good recruiting technique for the department."

The play, by Israel Horowitz, will be presented Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week. The

event will not be open to Marshall students until Saturday, Feb. 25 at 8 p.m. Tickets for students and the public will be \$25, said Maureen B. Milicia, chairwoman, Department of Theatre/Dance.

"Originally, there were not going to be any performances open to the public," Milicia said, "But we decided to add a Saturday evening benefit for students and the community."

The play is funded by the "Marshall University Greatest Needs Grant" which was presented to the Department of Theatre/Dance.

Anthony said all proceeds from the play will go into the George Abbott Memorial Scholarship Fund, which was created to support the arts. Abbott was a famous director who passed away at age 106.

Anthony, the director and

said.

"Park Your Car in Harvard" is a story about Dr. Jacob Brackish, an 80-year-old retired high school music appreciation and English literature teacher in Massachusetts, Anthony said.

"Many of the students in the community never met his standards, so he failed them, thus alienating much of the community," he said. "When Jacob meets Kathleen O'Hara, played by Lisa Higgins Ritter, major conflicts arise in both characters."

Lisa Higgins Ritter is a faculty member in the Department of Theatre/Dance. She has appeared in other productions at the university, including "A Couple White Chicks Sitting Around and Talking," and "A Shayna Maidel."

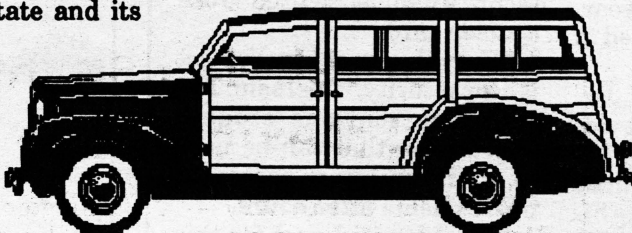
Anthony has appeared in many feature films including, "The Blues Brothers," and "Bad Boys," with Ali

Sheedy.

He has also performed on Broadway as Phil Dolan II in "On Your Toes," and as Porky Thompson in "Broadway."



Anthony



central character in the play, said the principal theme is humankind is inherently good, not evil.

"This production raises a number of significant social, moral and ethical issues," he

## Faculty Senate to consider parking problem

By Lori A. Miller  
Reporter

Proposed changes to add 200 student parking spaces on campus and to allow more flexibility in parking will be considered at the Feb. 23 Faculty Senate meeting, according to the Senate's Executive Committee which announced the agenda this week.

Senators will consider allowing students with a permit to park in any student lot where a space is available, rather than being assigned to a specific lot, said Bertram W. Gross, Senate President. Also, additional student parking spaces would

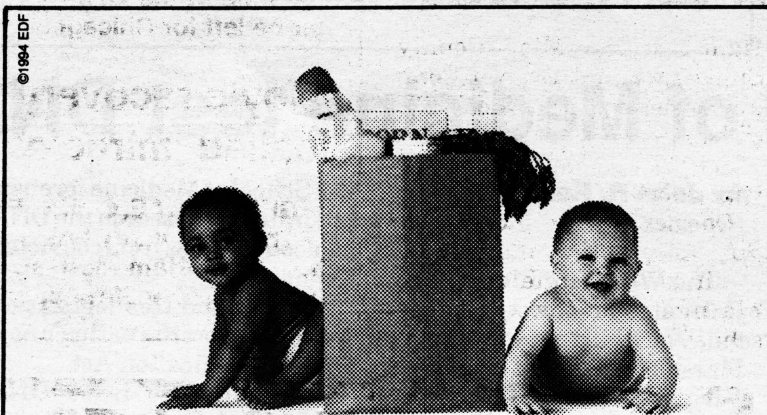
become available by demolition of the 3rd Avenue tennis courts.

The Executive Committee also discussed a proposal to consider faculty salary according to a standard peer group percentage, said Dr. Dallas Brozik, chairman of the Salary Committee.

The committee must first determine salary for the Community and Technical College which has many different levels of instructor, Brozik said.

A Final Examination Committee has been formed to propose changes in the final exam schedule. A committee is being formed in response to concerns about policy for the academic rights for the disabled.

A proposal to change the St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing diploma to an associate of science in nursing program will be on the agenda after approval from the ASCR committee.



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## Fire in Taiwan kills 64

Officials cite lax fire precautions as factors

TAICHUNG, Taiwan (AP)—Government officials voiced concern Thursday about Taiwan's lax safety standards while authorities worked to identify bodies from a fire that tore through a crowded nightclub, killing 64 people.

The cause of the fire that gutted the Weierkang Club, a karaoke bar and restaurant in Taichung, was unknown. Mayor Lin Po-jung quoted witnesses as saying the three-story building was engulfed in flames in less than a minute.

Police said the decor was made of flammable material, and there was only one exit from each floor. Iron bars on

the windows also prevented many of the estimated 120 people in the building from escaping.

Critics say fire precautions have been neglected in Taiwan's economic boom, which has spawned a thriving but crowded urban nightlife.

Official figures show a steady increase in fatal fires, from 7,742 in 1991 with 250 deaths, to 10,764 and 371 deaths last year.

In 1993 the government drew up a list of public establishments to be checked for hazards. But officials said places like the Weierkang were not high on the list, and therefore

had not yet been checked.

Premier Lien Chan told his Cabinet today the figures suggested the safety regulations were not being rigorously enforced, according to a government statement.

Badly burned bodies from Wednesday night's fire were taken to a makeshift morgue, where relatives tried to identify them. One woman collapsed when she recognized the body of a family member.

Forty bodies were identified by Thursday. Many victims were in their 20s.

Taichung, about 75 miles southwest of Taipei, is Taiwan's third-largest city.

## BRIEFS

from wire reports

### Poll: abortion not a negative

NEW YORK (AP) — Americans overwhelmingly reject the notion that Dr. Henry Foster is unfit to be surgeon general because he performed abortions and gave different accounts of how many, an Associated Press poll finds.

Seventy percent of the 1,008 adults in the poll think the abortions themselves should not disqualify the Tennessee obstetrician from serving as the nation's chief advocate for public health. Twenty-two percent say the abortions should disqualify him; eight percent are not sure.

One-third say the different accounts show a lack of truthfulness on Dr. Foster's part. But more respondents, 43 percent, believe these were innocent misstatements.

### O.J. witness flees country

LOS ANGELES (AP) — One of O.J. Simpson's most important alibi witnesses has fled the country.

The defense told the judge Wednesday Rosa Lopez, a maid who lived next door to Simpson apparently has gone home to El Salvador, perhaps for good, to escape harassment from the media and others.

Lopez had told defense attorneys that she saw Simpson's Bronco in the street outside his estate at the time of the killings after he left for Chicago.

### Boy's recovery called 'miracle'

GREENBRAE, Calif. (AP) — They told Julie Christine her brain-damaged son would die after life support

systems were removed. Instead, the 21-year-old man came out of his coma, squeezed her hand and mouthed "I love you."

"It was the most fantastic feeling ever," Christine said.

Herson, John Martin, was in stable condition Wednesday, said Marin General Hospital spokeswoman Paula Avirett. He had been comatose since being hit by a car Feb. 2.

### Jobless claims go up by 20,000

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of newly laid-off Americans filing claims for jobless benefits shot up by 20,000 last week to the highest level in a month.

The Labor Department reported today that new applications for unemployment insurance totaled a seasonally adjusted 338,000, the most since 339,000 claims were filed during the week ended Jan. 14.

Fifteen states and territories reported increases in claims during the week ended Feb. 4 and 38 registered declines. The state totals lag the national figures by a week and are not seasonally adjusted.

### Anti-Semitism rose last year

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anti-Semitic acts rose 10.6 percent in the United States last year, surpassing 2,000 for the first time, according to an Anti-Defamation League survey.

Reported incidents of assaults, threats and personal harassment of Jews rose to 1,197 from 1,079 in 1993, according to a survey released Wednesday.

The ADL, a Jewish civil rights group, reported 2,066 incidents last year, the highest in the survey's 16-year history.

### Ethics panel to investigate Newt Gingrich

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House ethics committee will begin a thorough examination next week of a defeated political rival's complaint against Speaker Newt Gingrich.

The announcement Wednesday by committee chairman Nancy Johnson, R-Conn., was the first indication the panel of five Republicans and five Democrats was ready to deal with the matter.

Democrats have used the allegations as fodder for a series of floor speeches and news conferences questioning the speaker's ethics.

Gingrich has been accused of improprieties involving fund-raising by his political organizations, the use of his congressional staff, his contract for two books and tax-deductible donations to a Gingrich-taught college course.

"We are discharging our duties with regard to the Gingrich complaint with thoroughness," Johnson said after a private meeting.

## Cyber rebels use Internet to foil Mexican info control

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico's Zapatista rebels operate in the nation's most backward state, where the nearest phone is sometimes 50 miles away. But their supporters are on the technological edge, where worldwide communication is just a modem away.

The rebels' statements are traveling the information highway, relayed by church and human rights groups. Through the Internet, they are being heard around the globe.

Barbara Pillsbury translates and posts news and analysis on Chiapas on the Internet from her Mexico City office at Equipo Pueblo, a rural development organization.

Her group, like others distributing news of the rebels, is sympathetic to the problems of Mexican peasants but favors a peaceful solution to their struggle.

Some of the news goes to Congressional staffers in

Washington.

"It's clear that a lot of things that affect Mexico get decided in Washington," said Pillsbury, a 24-year-old Yale graduate from New York City who first saw army tanks headed into the Chiapas jungle when she was on a family vacation a year ago.

Pillsbury's boss, Carlos Heredia, says Equipo Pueblo has been subject to harassment — office break-ins, arson, and accusations of rebel links.

"The Mexican government can deal with critics who write newspaper columns, but once you get on Internet and American TV they can't control it," he said.

With soldiers blocking reporters from entering war zones, news within Chiapas travels slowly.

But once the information reaches computers in Mexico City, it moves across the wires within minutes.

## Mingo County Schools sued for 'abuse' of boy

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — A Charleston attorney is seeking monetary damages from school authorities, alleging that an autistic Mingo County student was abused by educators.

Mary Downey filed suit Wednesday in Kanawha County Circuit Court against state Schools Superintendent

Hank Marockie, Mingo County Superintendent Everett Conn and other county school officials.

School officials deny any wrongdoing.

Downey contends Ronnie Lee Spaulding, 8, was illegally restrained and suffered unexplained wounds at three schools.

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## our view

### Thumbs up to some, thumbs down to others

▲ The issue: A little bit of this and a little bit of that.



Thumbs up to the proposal for new parking spaces and universal student lots. It's about time the university realized the dire need for more parking spaces. Everyone will greatly appreciate the move.



Thumbs down to walking on Marshall's campus when it rains. The administration should splurge for some drains. Someone could drown in the puddles in the sidewalk.



Thumbs up to the men's basketball team for its four-game winning streak. They are in second place in the north division of the Southern Conference.



Thumbs down to the inflation rate. Stamp prices, airline prices and everything in between went up during January. The Associated Press reported inflation at its highest rate in two years.



Thumbs up to finally getting the stadium seats that were supposed to be a part of the stadium when it was built. After a \$1 million lawsuit against the company that constructed the stadium, a settlement was reached and 2,200 new seats will be added for the first football game of 1995.



Thumbs down to the new West Virginia license plates. They show little originality. However for an extra \$10, you can buy the more creative design that didn't get chosen. The state probably chose the plain design so it could charge more for the more attractive one.

## GEORGE BUSH TEES OFF!



MONTAGUE

## Letters to the Editor



### Everyone should seek salvation

#### To the Editor:

I feel everyone at Marshall should take the concept of salvation seriously.

I think the following analogy, a criminal trial, is very descriptive.

I am accused of numerous sins by Satan, the prosecutor, who does have the law of Moses on his side, and defended by Jesus Christ, who will defend anybody who receives His forgiveness for sins and believes in Him.

We are in the court of God on Judgement Day.

God: The case against the Creator of the universe versus Christopher Robert Marsh will now begin.

He is charged with millions of violations of the Ten Commandments.

Satan: Even if the accused violated the law of Moses only once, Your Honor, he would still be guilty, and would have to be sentenced to execution in the Lake of Fire.

No human being can beat the rap of failure.

Christopher Robert Marsh is a human being, Your Honor, therefore he must have violated the law of Moses, and must therefore be found guilty and executed.

The prosecution rests, Your Honor.

God: The defense for Christopher Robert Marsh may now come forward.

Jesus: Satan is correct about the law of God as it stood before 33 A.D. on Good Friday, but I can claim a defense for my client and

insist that charges be dropped and he be released immediately into Heaven.

Satan: What defense?

Jesus: No human being could win under the old law since nobody is perfect or ever was.

But I came to Earth as a baby to die as a sacrifice for the sins of every human being who accepted and believed in me, including Christopher Marsh.

Sure, he broke the law of Moses before he was old enough to know what hit him, but if anyone will accept my forgiveness for sin and believe in me, he shall be saved from sin and Hell.

I enter into evidence the Bible: Romans 5: 8, Ephesians 2: 8-9 and John 5: 24.

I call my client to the stand to defend himself.

God: Did you receive forgiveness from sin from Jesus Christ by accepting and believing in Him at any point in your life?

Me: Yes, Your Honor. I'm not sure exactly when I first asked to be saved, but I do remember I was saved specifically at 11:10 a.m. Feb. 10, 1995.

I remember being fully aware that I deserved Hell for being a sinner, and I was almost ready to go, but I wanted to be made perfect and cleaned.

I didn't want to be full of dirty sin for eternity, so I asked Jesus to forgive and cleanse me and allow me to spend eternity in Heaven.

For the rest of my life, I believed and tried to tell everybody else that wasn't saved that they could

also be saved.

God: Under my law of grace, Christopher Robert Marsh must be released immediately to Heaven. Case dismissed.

You can't earn salvation, and nobody did.

But you can ask for forgiveness, cleansing, and the right to spend eternity with God. Please do it today. Ask any fellowship advisor to help you.

Chris Marsh

Hedgesville graduate student

## LETTERS



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# Students should remember guidelines when switching majors and programs

By Kelly M. Lawhorn  
Reporter

Changing majors and academic programs at Marshall may not be as easy as registering for classes.

Dr. Warren Lutz, dean of enrollment management and registrar, warns students to be cautious of new catalog requirements when transferring from one college to another or declaring a new major within a department, even though the program is part of the same college.

Lutz said many students are unaware of the curriculum changes occurring within different schools or departments during certain academic years.

The policy says a student has ten years to complete a degree before new academic requirements will take place, Lutz said.

The only exception would be the College of Education because its requirements change according to state teacher certification requirements.

However, because a student begins to take specific academic classes during their first year at Marshall that student is not under any specific catalogue until he or she declares a major, Lutz said.

If a student declares a major and then changes academic programs that student will be advised according to the current catalog of that school year, Lutz said.

This creates some confusion to students because many think they are under the old academic requirements of the catalog they used during their first semester at Marshall, Lutz said.

It is the student's responsibility to keep informed on quality point standing and degree and/or certificate requirements.

This information can be obtained from the dean of the college in which the student is registered.

Roberta Ferguson, associate registrar suggests students should talk with an advisor in the program or school they want to attend so they know what is expected of them.

## Spring graduation to include nearly 230 graduate students

By Steve L. Grimes  
Reporter

As of Wednesday, 231 graduate students have applied to receive degrees during May's graduation ceremony, according to Charlene R. Hawkins, records officer for the Office of the Graduate School.

The May graduation list consists of 117 candidates for the master of arts degree, 13 for the master of journalism and mass communications, seven

for the master of arts in teaching, 19 for the master of business administration, 63 for the master of science, and nine for the master of science in nursing.

Also included are three candidates for the doctorate in bio-medical science.

Hawkins said the list includes all who have applied for graduation. The number of person's who actually graduate depends on the persons completion of all requirements.

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## NFL star searches for recognition

By Kevin J. McClelland  
Reporter

One of the most famous football players in Marshall history returned to campus this week and questioned why he has not received at least a little recognition here.

Carl Lee III, who played for the Herd from 1979 to 1982 before being drafted by the Minnesota Vikings, said he came back to Marshall to be his own historian because the university does not choose to remember him.

He said there is nothing on campus that has his name on it or says he was here.

A group of about 125 people gathered Wednesday evening to hear a former Marshall football star speak as part of the university's Black History Month activities.

"I have a key to this city,"

Lee said, "but it has yet to open a door."

He said that his career in the National Football League and his appearance in the Pro Bowl probably makes him the most famous football player from Marshall.

"I'm not asking for a boulevard," he said, in reference to Hal Greer Boulevard.

Lee said he wants to speak not as an athlete but as an individual. He said when he came to Marshall, his goal was to become a pro athlete.

"If there was an education in it, too, so be it," he said.

Lee said he wants people to remember him not only as someone who played a good game of football but also as a person.

He went on to talk about role models, such as Snoop Doggy Dogg and Dr. Dre, and the image these rappers portray.

"Are we searching for an identity that's not realistic?" he asked.

Lee said blacks have to find out where their roots are. He said history is not of any color, but he is tired of hearing about the Boston Tea Party.

"I'm not interested in tea; I'm looking for roots," he said.

Lee said he chose to speak for Black History Month because he wants to pass the message on to others.

"I need to know somebody black did something," Lee said. "I don't want it in February. I want it January through December."

Kim R. Bess, Charleston sophomore, said she had heard Lee speak before and came to hear him again because his talks are motivational.

"He's down to earth and relates to young blacks," Bess said.

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# Electronic library works for Vanderbilt

By Kara Litteral  
Staff writer

One of the libraries at Vanderbilt University—a library cited by President J. Wade Gilley in a Feb. 1 interview as “just like” Marshall’s proposed library—has been open to students nearly a year now with few problems, its associate director said.

Frances Lynch said the Eskind Biomedical Library at the school in Nashville, Tenn., was built to bridge the gap between books and the electronic information age.

Josephine Fidler, director of libraries at Marshall, has said nearly the same thing about Marshall’s proposed library.

In a telephone interview, Lynch said, “We’re trying to achieve a balance of both.”

The similarities between the library at Vanderbilt and Marshall’s proposed library could ease the fears about plans for the new facility.

“We haven’t really had problems except there are too many who want to use seats to study,” Lynch said. “The computers work great.”

The Eskind Biomedical Library is just one division of the library system at Vanderbilt, Lynch said.

Plans call for Marshall’s library to house 200,000 volumes. Half the collection will remain in accessible storage in the James E. Morrow library.

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**Frances Lynch,  
associate director,  
Vanderbilt Library**

Fidler has said she expects the facility to be highly computerized. She said computers will be “all over the library.” A lab with study space and 120 computers will be open 24 hours a day

for student use.

Lynch said one mistake they had made in planning the Eskind Library was not enough space for students to study. Gilley said space for students won’t be a problem at Marshall’s proposed library.

“I went through the library two years ago with a group of students and it’s clear that we desperately need more computers, more space for students to study and we need a different type of space,” Gilley said. “There’s so much collaborative and team projects part of the education process today and most traditional libraries just don’t have collaborative study space. This library will have that.”

## FYI

**International Students** will host an International Round Table today from 5 to 7 p.m. at Retriever’s on 4th Ave. For more information call 696-2379.

**American Society of Safety Engineers**, student chapter, will have a safety conference Saturday from 9 to 4 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge. For more information call 696-4664.

**Correction**  
In the Feb. 15 issue, the end zones

were transposed in both the story and the outline about the addition of 2,200 seats to the Marshall University Stadium. The seats will be added to the south end zone and an auxiliary scoreboard will be added above the north end zone.

## The Parthenon Classifieds

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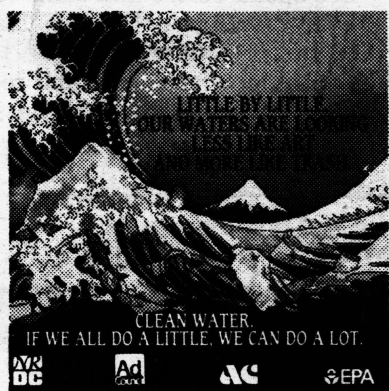
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by Bill Watterson



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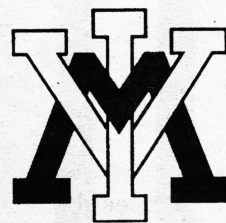
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## Herd takes aim at Keydets



By Penny K. Copen  
Staff Writer

Some people might tend to overlook the Virginia Military Institute basketball team. Do not count head coach Billy Donovan among their ranks.

"They do not get enough respect and everyone looks upon them as one of the bottom teams in the league," Donovan said. "That's the farthest from the truth."

Donovan's players said they are not looking past VMI, ei-

ther. Senior guard Malik Hightower said VMI is a team to be taken seriously.

"They're playing great basketball. They upset Chattanooga, beat East Tennessee State and Western Carolina and we can't underestimate them," Hightower said.

Sophomore forward Thad Bonapart agrees.

"I think I fear playing them more than anybody else in the conference because they will get up and down the court with you," Bonapart said. "They're

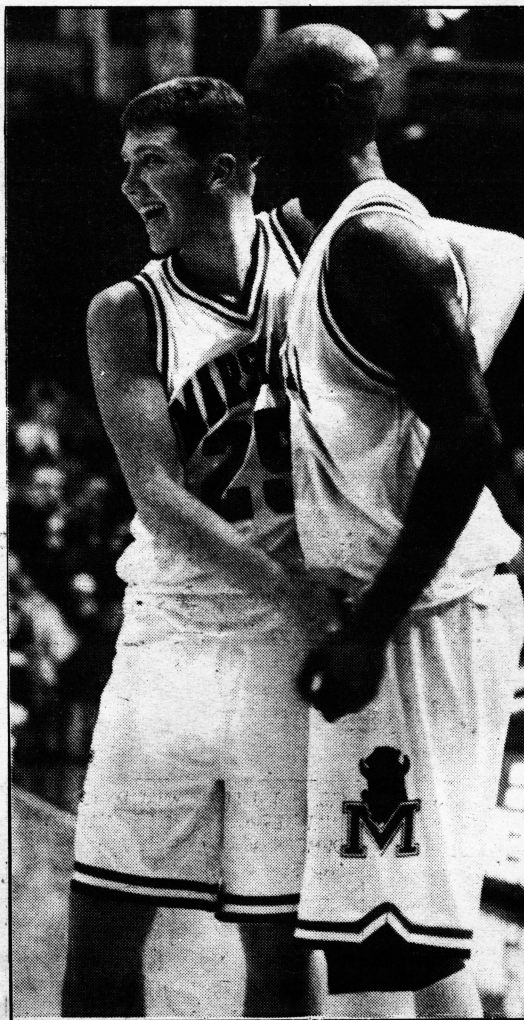
very much like us."

The Herd, 14-8 overall, is on a four game winning streak — a rebound from five consecutive losses.

Donovan looks for another crowd pleaser Saturday night when the Keydets bring their 3-point offensive attack to the Henderson Center.

"Because they take so many 3-point shots they're a dangerous team," Donovan said.

Tip-off is set for 7:30 Saturday night at the Cam Henderson Center.



Brett Hall/The Parthenon

First-year Thundering Herd players Jason Hammond (25) and Thad Bonapart are enjoying the team's current four-game winning streak much more than the preceeding five straight losses. The Herd men play VMI at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, following a game between the Thundering Herd women and Western Carolina at 5:15 p.m.

## Walk-on gives Marshall boost

Crowd favorite Hammond turns in quality playing time

By Penny K. Copen  
Staff Writer

Opportunity knocked. Jason Hammond answered.

The freshman from Ashland, Ky., the ninth man on a nine-man team, has made himself a factor in the Herd's current four-game winning streak.

"Jason has really stepped up and done a lot of good things for our basketball team," head coach Billy Donovan said of his lone walk on.

After appearing in only four games, for a total of 10 minutes, before Marshall played at The Citadel two weeks ago, he played 12 minutes and scored his first collegiate points to help the Herd beat the Bulldogs. He also contributed a rebound and an assist as Marshall snapped a five-game losing streak.

The buck doesn't stop there.

In the Herd's 103-53 win over Georgia Southern last Saturday, Hammond scored 11 points and grabbed four rebounds.

"One of the great things about Jason is he really understands his role and what makes him look good," Donovan said. "He knows what a good shot is what a bad shot is and he has a

very good feel for the game."

How does Hammond feel about all of this?

"It feels great," the freshman said. "It really shows the confidence coach has gained in me."

"At the beginning it was frustrating but I kept a positive attitude. I just came out, worked hard every day at practice and it finally paid off."

The versatile freshman has played four of the five positions for the Herd, and said he considers himself a role player.

"I play where they need me," Hammond said. "I come out, do the basics, make the extra pass, play good defense and if the shot is there I'll take it."

"Jason is very cerebral," Donovan said. "He understands the system and he's one of those guys who really pays attention and tries to listen and learn."

According to sophomore forward Thad Bonapart, it is no coincidence that Hammond's increased playing time coincides with the Herd's current winning streak.

"It's great because I get tired and need a break," Bonapart said. "I know I'm comfortable with Jason in there because he can get the job done."

## Herd women take on WCU

By Jenelle B. Roberts  
Reporter

The women's basketball team hopes to play better defense when Western Carolina comes to town Saturday.

Marshall is coming off two road losses in which the opposition outscored the Herd 164-127.

"The defense was good at times and bad at others," assistant coach Bret McCormick said after returning from the road trip. "The players get tired because we're not very deep and then fatigue becomes a factor on defense and in our 3-

point attack."

Earlier this season, Marshall defeated Western Carolina, 72-69, in Cullowee, N. C. Since then, Western Carolina, 7-15 overall, 2-8 in the conference, has lost five of its last six contests.

"We must win against Western," McCormick said. "They always offer up a challenge, but if we play hard, we'll win."

Marshall finishes out its regular season home schedule Monday when it plays Appalachian State.

Tipoff for the Western Carolina game will be at 5:15 p.m. Saturday.

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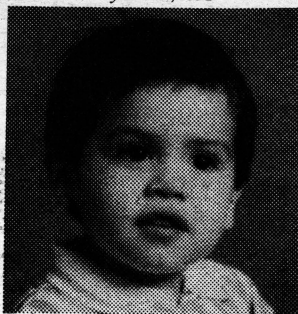
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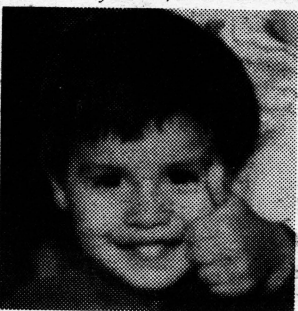
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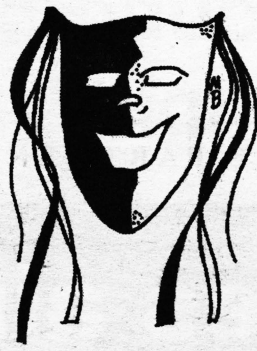
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said. "I am adamantly opposed to riverboat gambling, the idea is to spread money to downtown Huntington businesses.

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Mountain State Murder Mysteries is theme party entertainment that specializes in offering travel packages aboard Amtrak trains and The Jewell City Sternwheeler.

"We've become the nation's only rail and river murder mystery," Bishop said.

Uniglobe Lyndon Travel Inc., Huntington, handles all the travel arrangements for the mysteries. "All performances are catered to the clientele," said Debra L. Johnson, travel consultant for Uniglobe.

There are three upcoming Amtrak excursions in February and March with romantic themes. The two in March are overnight trips to the Greenbrier Hotel and the Homestead Resort including breakfast, lunch and dinner, along with tours of each of the facilities.

Bishop said some mysteries do stay in Huntington.

"A typical Saturday murder mystery would begin at 4 p.m. with tea at the Renaissance [Book Company and Coffee House], leave at 5 p.m. and go to a local watering hole for appetizers, then from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. have dinner at a local restaurant, and from 7:30 to 10 p.m. be aboard the Jewell City Sternwheeler to conclude the play and have the awards ceremony," Bishop said.

Certificates are awarded at the end of each performance to the guests who successfully solve the mystery.

Participants choose between playing a suspect or a detective.

"Usually when people call and purchase a ticket we ask them if they want to be a suspect or a detective, and then we send them a description of their character," Johnson said. "We do encourage them to dress accordingly."

Bishop said it's important to note that these mysteries provide clean wholesome entertainment and are not perceived as murder and mayhem.

"We absolutely do not condone violence."

Mountain State Murder Mysteries also does fundraisers that are handled on a per occurrence basis with prices determined by a guaranteed number of participants, Bishop said.

Bishop, who attended Marshall before graduating from Salem College with an engineering degree, began writing the mysteries in November 1993. A minor in English and a love for creative writing helps facilitate the process. There are 18 scripts with three in production.

To date, nearly 2,000 people have seen the performances, and each mystery has been a wonderful success, Bishop said.

"Think of us as an alternative form of entertainment for that special occasion, either with a date or a group of friends," Bishop said.

"We always get feedback and we've always gotten really good reviews," Johnson said.

More information can be obtained by calling Mountain State Murder Mysteries at 529-6412. Reservations can be made with Uniglobe Lyndon Travel Inc. at 525-1231.

Story by

Julie A. Parsons

**W**hat began as a 7-year-old boy's request to get his father to spend more time with him has become Huntington's newest form of entertainment.

John F. Bishop, now 10, has a character named after him in the scripts for Mountain State Murder Mysteries, a.k.a. Huntington Homicide Theater his father said. Terry L. Bishop is the national marketing and sales director for Mountain State Murder Mysteries.

Bishop, who writes the scripts, said the productions are improvisational plays performed with the help of the audience.

The mysteries offer suspense and fun with exciting action sequences and audience participation that lets everyone get into the act. This new entertainment was developed not only for fun, but also with a goal in mind.

"Our goal is to direct people's tourism to West Virginia in general and to Huntington specifically," Bishop said.

"I developed this concept to fill the void left by the West Virginia Belle," Bishop