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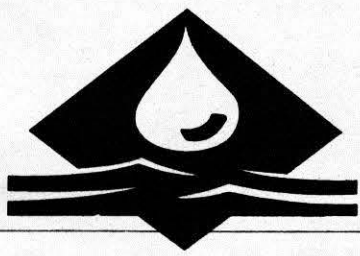
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MARSHALL UNIVERSITY

SGA upset with changes on campus

Parking, library decisions raise questions

By Courtney S. Sisk
Staff Writer

The Student Government Association isn't pleased with some proposed changes at Marshall.

The senators passed a bill Tuesday hoping they'll be told about any future changes the administration wants to make.

The bill, sponsored by College of Liberal Arts Sen. Matt Bromund, states changes such as the one-room schoolhouse, new parking policy, tuition increase, library program, and student athletic ticket policy were implemented without consulting SGA or the Faculty

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Senate.

"These changes and many others substantially affect the community of Marshall University and impact both the faculty and students," the bill states. "We [the SGA] seek to prevent any kind

of major action from occurring in the future without the approval, or at least consultation, from and with legitimate representative bodies of the university."

In other business Tuesday, Sen. Bromund proposed a chronicle of the school year be compiled by a group of student volunteers.

The chronicle would be kept in the library for future reference. The administration discontinued funding for the yearbook, the Chief Justice, because of a lack of interest.

"If we don't do something to have a historical record of the events of this year, no one will," Bromund said. "I think that's a damn shame and stu-

dents shouldn't tolerate it."

Dean of Students Dee Cockrille said a committee should be appointed to determine the feasibility of the project.

"This is a good chance for SGA to do something productive and beneficial to the community," Cockrille said.

Not all senators agreed with Cockrille.

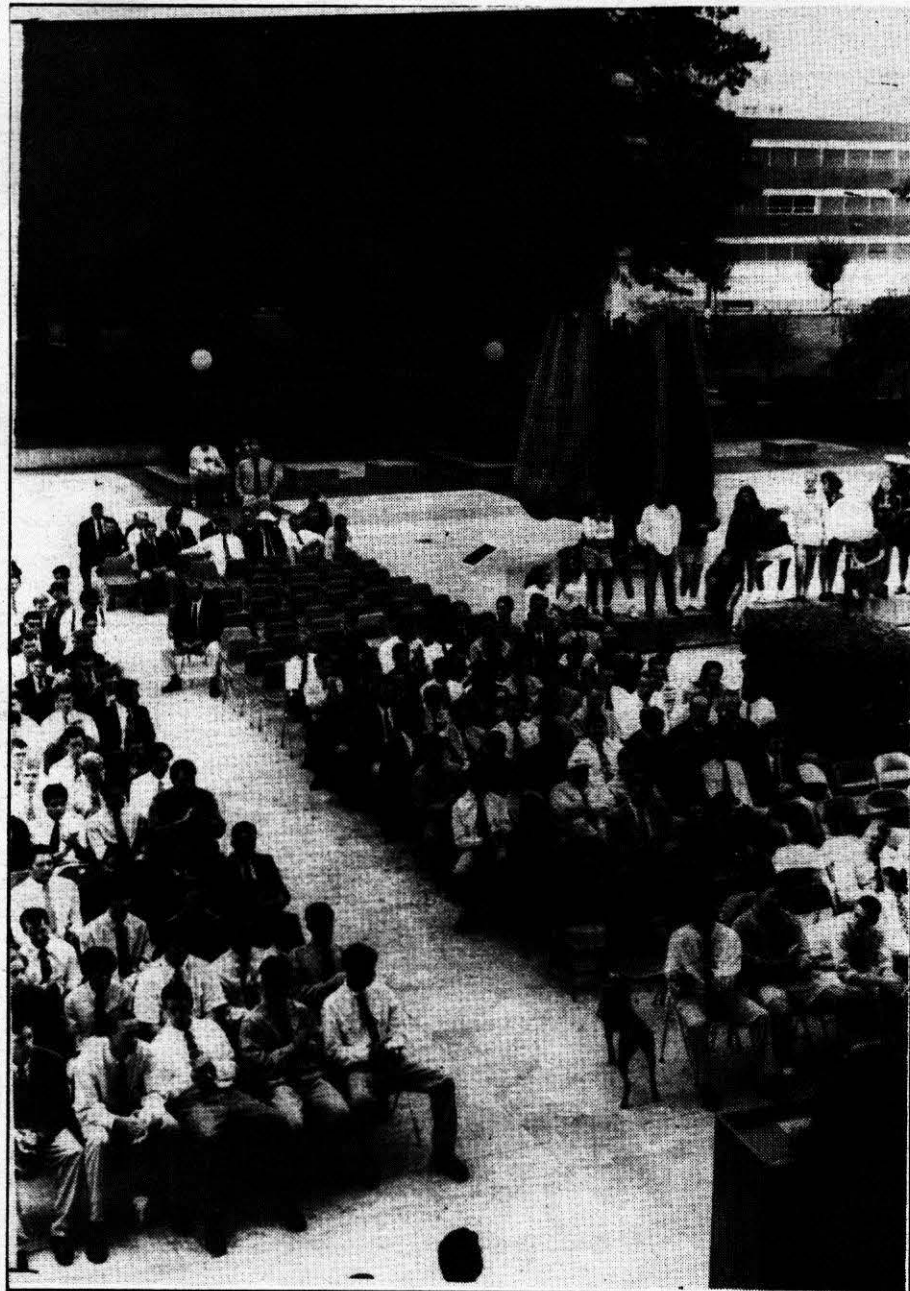
"It would be impossible to cover everything the students at Marshall are interested in, so why attempt?" College of Science Sen. Kareem Shora said.

Senate President pro-tempore Beverly Milam suggested the presidents of campus organizations be contacted to determine interest in the project.

Bromund also proposed a revision to

please see Policies page 8

Gather 'round



Vanesa Gijon/The Parthenon

Fraternity members gather together Sept. 15 on the plaza of the Memorial Student Center for bid night.

Course number change confuses some students

Class basics same, with new reference number

By M. Timur Dilsiz
Reporter

Some students who need help in how to succeed with college studies may have missed out on a special studies skill course because of confusion over the course number, an instructor in the Community and Technical College said.

The course number of Independent Study Skills was changed from Reading 148 to Reading 099, according to Elizabeth Bailey, part-time instructor in the Learning Center.

Bailey said some students did not find REA 148, and they were confused about the class.

"In the science department, they thought that the class had been cancelled, but it hadn't been," part-time instructor Cheryl Bradford said.

Bailey said it was a kind of an independent class that the students studied at their own pace.

"The students set their own hours, and they have to complete 20 hours for every hour credit that we have," she said.

"Additionally, we have on-going registration. It is probably the only class that does that," Bailey said.

Bradford said, "At this point in this semester, we are not registering for three credits any more, but we have on-going registration for one credit or two.

"They spend 20 hours here working on our materials and they can study things that they are either interested in or that they need to improve," she said.

The Learning Center provides the

"We develop an individualized program for each student who is in here after going through an extensive interviewing process to find out just where they are, where they want to be, what kinds of things they like to do."

Elizabeth Bailey,
part-time instructor,
Learning Center

computers and video tapes to help the students improve their skills, according to Bradford.

Bailey said the class was mainly for self-improvement.

"Study skills is a big area, particularly for the freshmen. Then, of course, our returning students are nervous about coming back to school after being out of school for 15 to 30 years," Bailey said.

"We develop an individualized program for each student who is in here after going through an extensive interviewing process to find out just where they are, where they want to be, what kinds of things they like to do," Bailey said.

"It's a wonderful program," she said.

The Learning Center, Community and Technical College 138, is open every week day from 8:30 a.m. until 8 p.m. and Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

More information is available by calling 696-3016.

This & That

Garcia given star on walk of fame

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Andy Garcia is no longer an untouchable.

Fans can now touch a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame bearing the Oscar nominee's name.

"I'm truly flattered by the tremendous embrace that I've been given by Hollywood," Garcia said during Tuesday's dedication ceremony in front of the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel.

Garcia, 39, portrayed a rookie cop in "The Untouchables" and more recently starred in "When a Man Loves a Woman." He received an Academy Award nomination for "Godfather III."

He recently finished filming two movies "Steal Big, Steal Little," and "Things to do in Denver When You're Dead." Both were to be released this fall.

Elvis ousted from Tennessee stamp

NASHVILLE (AP) — Tennessee to Elvis: You ain't nothin' but an old tourist attraction.

State officials have decided to replace an ad featuring the King dancing across a Graceland postcard with a commercial focusing on the state's 1996 bicentennial.

During the bicentennial, tourism gurus will debate whether to bring Elvis back in the future.

"Elvis certainly is an important attraction for the state," Pat Ledford, the state's assistant tourism commissioner, said Tuesday.

FYI

United Methodist students weekly meeting will be in the Campus Christian Center Thursday at 9:15 p.m. More information may be obtained by calling Jim McClure 696-3054.

Student Nurses Association will hold a rummage sale in the stadium parking lot Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information contact the Student Nurses Association.

Correction. In the Sept. 20 edition of The Parthenon, the figure for cost of constructing parking spaces was listed as \$800 to \$1,000. The correct figure is \$8,000 to \$10,000, according to Ray Welty, director of auxiliary services.

Pope souvenirs for profit?

JERSEY CITY (AP) — When Pope John Paul II comes to town, followers can sport their pope T-shirts and avoid being late for Mass with their pope watches.

And when that thirst hits from waiting for him with thousands of others, a sip from a pope water bottle should do the trick. Need to call home? Grab a pope phone card.

For some, the pope's four-day visit to New Jersey, New York and Maryland in two weeks has more than spiritual value: There's money to be made

from merchandising. "There's not one item here that's tacky," said Robert Villani, president of Robbi Promotional Advertising in Newark, the official licensee selected by the archdioceses of Newark and New York.

Souvenirs were put on sale Tuesday at a mall here and will be sold at 12 other malls across New Jersey.



The 75-year-old pope originally planned to visit the region last October but was forced to reschedule the trip because of his hip-replacement surgery. He is scheduled to arrive in Newark on Oct. 4 and depart from Baltimore on Oct. 8.

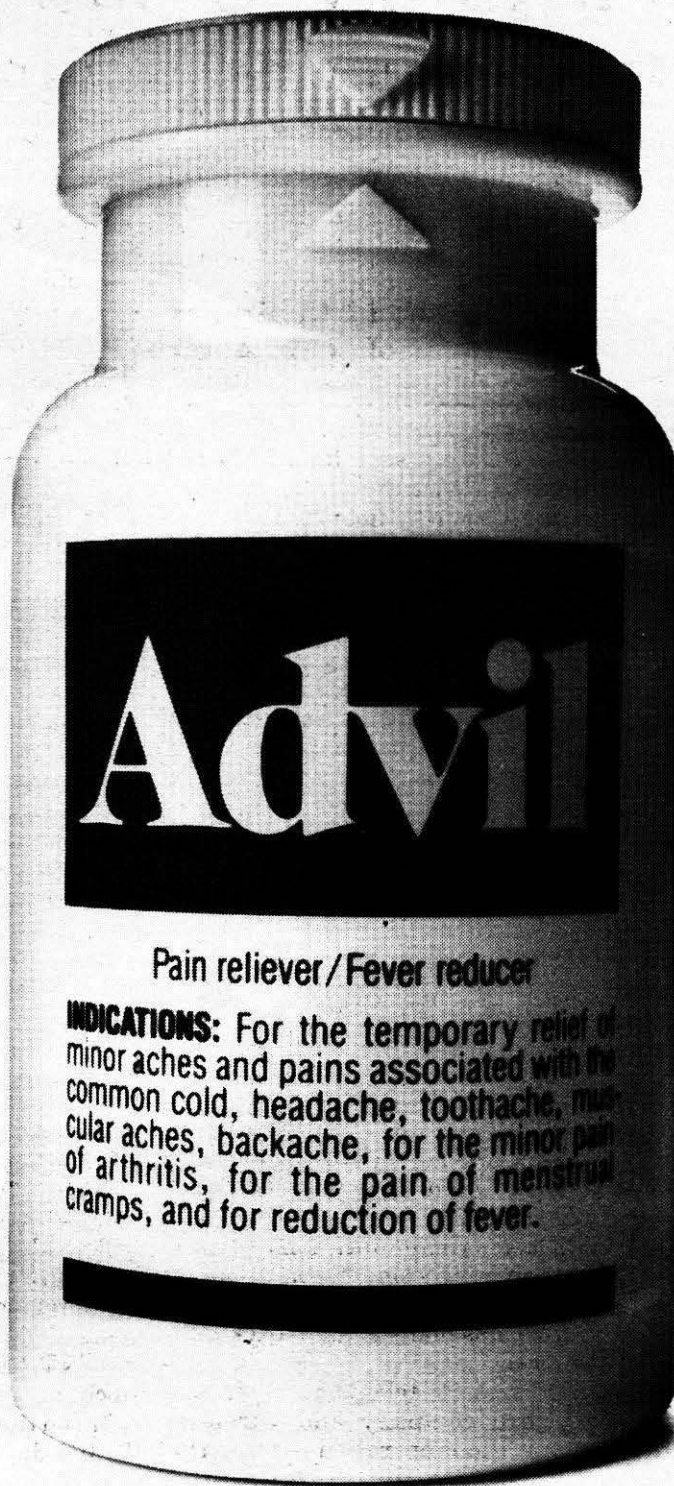
Villani hopes to sell \$7.5 million worth of

merchandise at the New Jersey and New York events. He lost between \$100,000 and \$500,000 when the pope's visit was canceled last year, he said.

The New York Archdiocese has approved all 22 products for Villani to sell, but the Newark Archdiocese has only approved 14.

The Newark and New York archdioceses will get about 20 percent of all sales, officials said.

The Baltimore Archdiocese would not say how much it expects to make from souvenirs.



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Robbers escape with \$59,000

■ Armored car driver robbed en route to Barboursville bank

BARBOURSVILLE (AP)—Two men robbed a Wells Fargo Armored Service Corp. employee of about \$59,000 at gunpoint Wednesday as he came out of a bank at the Huntington Mall, police said.

The Wells Fargo driver left the Huntington Federal Savings & Loan Association branch after his daily pickup about noon when he was approached by two white males, said Barboursville Police Chief Frank J. Simpson.

One suspect approached him outside the bank door. The other came from behind and put an object, possibly a gun, to the employee's head and threatened to kill him if he turned

around, Simpson said.

The suspects took a green bag containing the money and the employee's .38-caliber gun and fled in a maroon Dodge Intrepid headed east, Simpson said.

Police searched for the suspects in Milton, about 9 miles to the east, after a woman reported two white men in a maroon Dodge Intrepid stopped at her home and offered to buy her car, Simpson said. She refused.

The managers of Wells Fargo's Huntington office were not immediately available for comment, according to a woman who answered the telephone.

A telephone message to Wells Fargo headquarters in Atlanta was not

immediately returned Wednesday.

The manager of the Huntington Mall branch of the Huntington Federal Savings & Loan said no one at the bank witnessed the robbery.

"It didn't occur here, it occurred outside the bank," she said, refusing to give her name.

Simpson did not identify the driver, who was unable to describe the suspects' clothing.

His partner was waiting outside in the armored truck and did not see the incident, Simpson said.

One suspect was about 6-foot-2, 250 pounds.

The other was 6-foot, 200 pounds, he said.

Unabomber's prose key to his capture

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Maybe an English teacher will recognize the style, or someone who lived in a collective with him will remember his political rants.

One way or the other, the FBI hopes the Unabomber's distinctive prose will give him away.

The Washington Post circulated the elusive bomber's 35,000-word document nationwide Tuesday, and investigators are waiting for someone, somewhere to get that glimmer of recognition that helps track him down.

Jim Freeman, head of the FBI in San Francisco said extreme cases require extreme measures.

"This case is really unparalleled in the course of law enforcement," he said of the Unabomber, who has killed three people and injured 23 since 1978. "This is a very singular case stretching over 17 years."

"There has to be someone that relates to this philosophy," he said at a Tuesday news conference, and that has investigative value for us."

The FBI, which is offering a \$1 million reward, has received 20,000 calls on its national hot line, and the value of the tips has improved since excerpts of the manuscript were first published, Freeman said.

In June, the Unabomber sent the manuscript to The New York Times and The Washington Post with a demand: If at least one of the newspapers would print his manifesto within three months, he would stop killing.

Five days short of the deadline, the Post published a special, eight-page section Tuesday containing the entire text of the Unabomber's treatise entitled "Industrial Society and Its Future."

The Unabomber, believed to be a white man in his 40s with meticulous habits, has set off 16 increasingly sophisticated bombs since 1978.

Along with pouring over the typewritten manuscript, investigators from the FBI, Postal Inspection Service and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms have interviewed machine shop operators, college instructors, postal workers and hundreds of others.

Laboratory tests of his letters and bomb parts have given few clues, apparently because the Unabomber uses gloves and evidently doesn't even lick the stamps or envelopes.

The Unabomber—so named because his initial targets were universities and airlines—mixes his own explosives out of easily obtainable material, making it difficult to trace.

Despite the frustrations, Freeman said investigators are certain they will solve the case.

AT&T splits into three companies

■ 8,500 jobs will be lost from the now-defunct computer business

NEW YORK (AP) — In a stunning turn for one of the nation's best known companies, AT&T Corp. will split into three companies, jumping out of the personal computer business while remaining the largest provider of long distance service.

The action, approved by AT&T's board at a meeting this morning, is the biggest voluntary corporate breakup, eclipsed only by the government-ordered dismantling of AT&T that was arranged in 1982 and took effect in 1984.

It will give AT&T greater flexibility to make future acquisitions, freeing the separated units of financial and regulatory pressures that inhibited the company in the past.

The three new companies will be publicly traded and turned over to AT&T shareholders.

AT&T said 8,500 jobs would be lost from its computer business, but didn't say how many jobs would be cut from its overall payroll of 303,000 employees.

Each of the new businesses would focus on three areas of specialty — communications services, communications equipment manufacturing and computing.

The communications services business, which includes long distance, will retain the AT&T name.

Names for the others have not been decided.

"Changes in customer needs, technology and public policy are radically transforming our industry," said AT&T Chairman Robert E. Allen said after the company's board meeting.

One analyst praised the move. "I think it makes a lot of sense. I think it's stunning to people on the outside. No one believed Bob Allen and his senior executives would do something this bold

"Changes in customer needs, technology and public policy are radically transforming our industry."

**AT&T Chairman
Robert E. Allen**

and this quickly," said James Moore, president of Geopartners, a technology consulting firm in Cambridge, Mass.

Based on the company's 1994 revenue of \$75 billion, the breakup is larger than the 1984 breakup, which settled a government antitrust lawsuit.

AT&T had revenue of \$58 billion in 1981, the year before the settlement, and employed more than 1 million people.

But in terms of assets, AT&T today has about \$80 billion compared to \$138 billion in 1981, when it was the Bell system monopoly.

The government-ordered breakup ended that monopoly by dividing local and long distance service.

It resulted in the formation of seven regional Bell operating companies and opened the door for competition in long distance that turned MCI Communications Corp. and Sprint Inc. into large companies.

Wednesday's action by AT&T comes at a time when it appeared to be rebuilding itself.

With a telecommunications reform bill in Congress, competition appears likely to develop in local phone service and AT&T has plans to jump back into that market.

AT&T said its telephone business, credit card company and wireless communications operation — formerly

McCaw Cellular Communications, will remain one business under the AT&T name.

The operations had revenue of nearly \$50 billion last year.

Another company will be formed from AT&T's phone equipment, network equipment and computer chip operations, which have sales of around \$20 billion.

The third company will be AT&T's Global Information Solutions, the former NCR Corp., which it bought in 1991.

It had sales of around \$5 billion last year.

It will continue making midsize and large computers but will stop making personal computers. It ranked 12th in U.S. sales of personal computers earlier this year.

When it bought NCR, AT&T had hoped to combine communications expertise with computer manufacturing.

But the unit, stung hard by the shift in demand from mainframe computers to networks of smaller machines, has repeatedly failed to meet its revenue and profit targets.

It will undergo a restructuring that will cost AT&T \$1 billion.

About 8,500 of the computer business' 43,000 jobs will be cut, but the company said many employees will have opportunities to find work elsewhere in the company.

AT&T said it doesn't expect the plan will need approval from regulators or the court that oversaw its split into seven regional telephone companies 11 years ago.

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Angry about the bolted windows?

▼ Students have no one to blame but themselves for the status of the dormitory windows.

Locked windows? Well, they are not just locked, but bolted.

Is that wrong? If you listen to the reasoning residence services gives it isn't.

Why would anyone want to bolt the windows of a campus dormitory? Well, the windows weren't closed simply because of the air conditioning units that were installed last summer.

No, they were closed as a direct result of the action of students.

That's right, if you want to complain because you can no longer open your windows in Twin Towers or Buskirk Hall, look to your peers.

The windows were bolted to keep residents of those dorms from throwing objects out the windows.

In the past, things such as a couch, a stolen manhole cover and clothes have been thrown out the windows.

This is dangerous and immature.

We're all college age students and should be adult enough to recognize that this behavior is wrong.

Objects thrown onto the lower roof are dangerous and can lead to severe damage to the building, or persons who happen to be walking along the street.

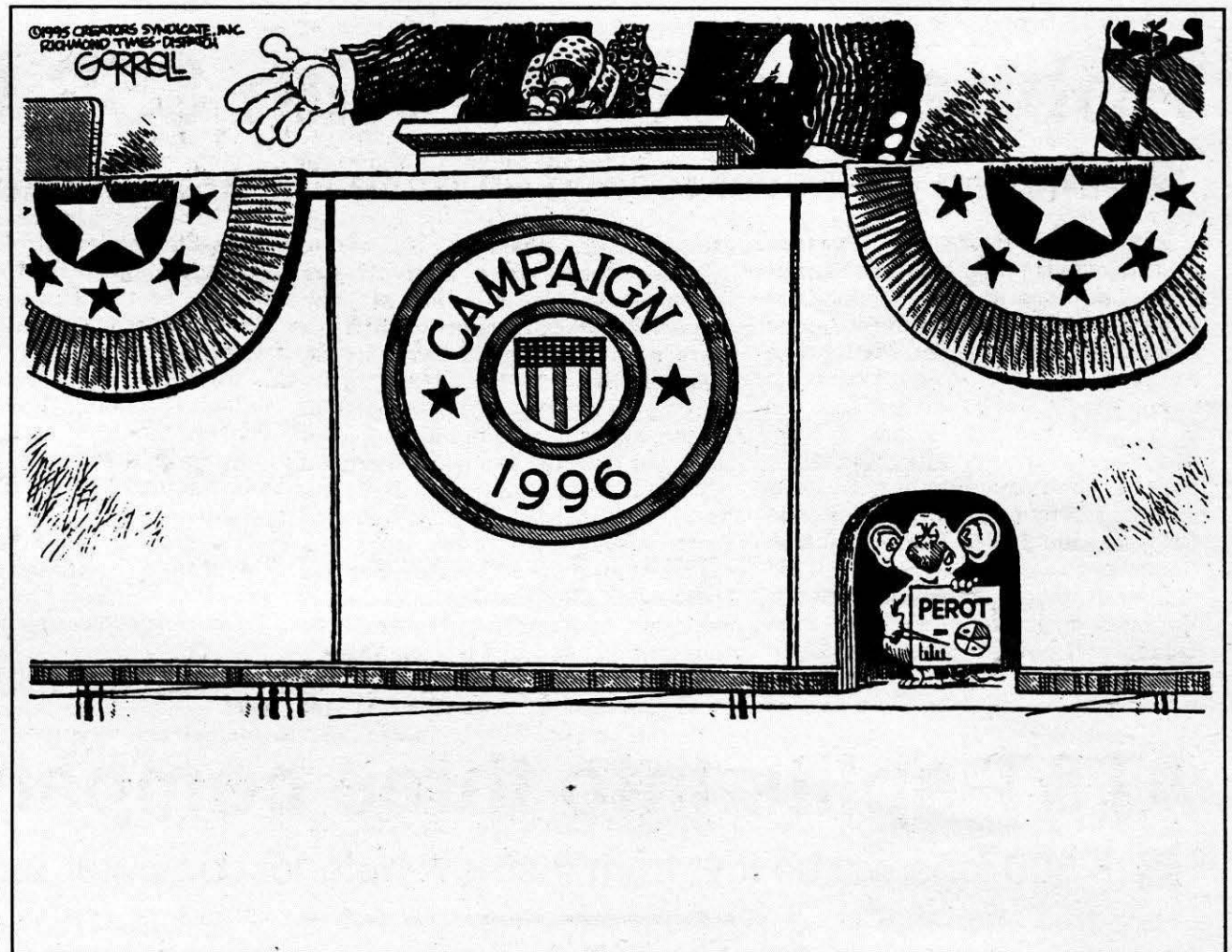
Leaking roofs and broken tiles have had to be repaired in the past as a result of such student actions.

Winston Baker, director of residence services, said that students had nothing to fear from fire hazards in the dorms.

"The fire marshal knows about this and says this is just like a high rise with fixed windows," Baker said.

The windows are bolted now, and there is no going back.

In the future, let's hope students consider the effect of their their actions before doing something as dangerous as this.



It's true, nice guys finish last

In the immortal words of Oscar Wilde, "There are two kinds of women in the world: those that are inherently psycho, and those who only become psychotic after dating J.R. McMillan."

Of course, I'm paraphrasing. Actually, my short but distinguished list of ex-girlfriends contains only a few whom I would deem clinically insane. However, as the entire lot could be counted on one hand, it is safe to say they are certainly the majority.

We're not talking steel plates and rabbits boiling on the stove, but to say they've all been a bit "touched" would be a polite way of putting it.

Don't take this point the wrong way. I find women that are a tad loopy very attractive. But, when they start stalking you or calling at 3 o'clock in the morning to tell you about their collection of Ken dolls and used Band-Aids, that's even a bit too intense for my tastes.

I've come to the unfortunate conclusion that one of two possible evils is afoot. Either I emit from my person, through some strange quirk of biology, a pheromone of sorts that is absolutely irresistible to women with severe mental and/or emotional problems.

Or, more frightening still, at some primal level, these women secrete a potent toxin which grabs hold of my libido, and doesn't let go until I've heard an account of every jerk they've dated.

That's another thing, will someone please tell me if I've been walking around with a sign above my head that reads "Complaining Post." If I've heard one, I've heard a million stories about how rotten to the core all men are,

J.R. McMillan

Columnist

all from women who will confide in me the darkest secrets of every relationship turned sour, but consider me too much of a friend to go out with me.

I've found women quite resistant to a move from friendship to something greater. As explained to me by a young woman whom I "know too well to ever become romantically involved with," she can always find men to go out with, but trusted male friends are harder for a girl to come by.

Like most matters, I've developed a theory which explains this phenomenon. I call it the Lonely Guy Syndrome. The premises are very simple, and the results are very obvious.

Nice guys finish last.

I didn't say it. I'm not sure who did, but whomever it was, the insight contained in that one simple sentence makes Freud sound like Dear Abby. It's never the muscleheads or the boneheads that are lonely, it's the nice guys.

For some inexplicable reason, women would rather starve themselves and Spackle on make up in hopes of turning the head of some ass-patting jock, than go out with a guy that doesn't find anorexia and insecurity sexy. I wouldn't know whether to bring the girl flowers or a sandwich.

I'll take a healthy woman any day over someone I'd be afraid might break in half. And the women that know they're going out with chumps, but continue to go out with them anyway — GET A CLUE! Is this still the 1800s?

Are your egos and self-worth so

dependent upon being "chosen" that you would rather go out with some insensitive schmuck, than be momentarily unattached? If the number of unhappily attached women and America's divorce rate are indication, maybe women's attitudes haven't matured.

In a nutshell, this is part of what makes us lonely guys. We refuse to give in to the preponderance of fickle, plastic, self-loathing bimbos about, yet we don't relish the thought of being any woman's doormat either.

Instead, we rent lots of movies, eat more than our share of macaroni and cheese, and put more hours on the couch than Friday and Saturday nights should allow.

This unfortunately makes us easy to spot. I'll offer myself as an example. I have two jobs, hold staff positions at the paper and the radio station, do two radio shows, am president of an organization, take 21 credit hours, and still find the time to write this crumbly, weekly column.

Workaholic? Maybe. Obsessive? Sure. Lonely? Without question.

But that's ok. Most guys won't admit when they're lonely — I'm proud to. It means that I don't bend with the prevailing wind, settle for mediocrity, or listen to my critics. It also means I'm not above a little shameless advertising.

Any woman reading this column that (a) doesn't think smoking and vomiting are great ways to stay thin, (b) doesn't believe Cosmo, and (c) can muster enough dignity and self-respect to dump the loser you may be going out with, stop by anytime.

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Group answers concern about higher education

By K. Melinda Cater
Reporter

Faculty, staff and students concerned about West Virginia's leadership and its impact on higher education can find answers in the West Virginia Higher Education Coalition.

The coalition was formed three years ago in response to the lack of attention paid to higher education in the legislature.

"We are a pressure group, lobbying for the betterment of higher education in West Virginia," said Executive

Legislators lack of attention sparks formation of the West Virginia Higher Education Coalition

Director Brendan Leary.

This past summer, the group organized a political action committee for the upcoming governor's race.

"This is the first year we have had a PAC," Leary said. "We recognized that in order to influence the legislative process, we have to be involved in the political process."

Last year, the group sponsored a "Meet the Candidates" forum to give

members an opportunity to hear and ask questions of those running for office.

This year, through the PAC, the group will be endorsing a candidate for governor.

Among its priorities for the next legislative session are equitable pay in light of Senate Bill 547, the higher education bill passed last year.

"Our concern is that we aren't robbing Peter to pay Paul as a response to this bill," Leary

said.

The group also supports right-to-serve legislation allowing university faculty and staff to serve in the legislature and improving student access to higher education through student grants.

The group has 1,200 members statewide, with chapters on every campus.

There are 200 members at Marshall.

The Marshall Chapter of

WVHEC will be meeting today from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 2W37 of the Memorial Student Center.

Formation and membership of the PAC, election of an individual to serve on the PAC board of directors and the endorsement process in the governor's race are topics which will be discussed at the meeting.

"It is critically important that members attend the meeting and get involved in the process," Leary said.

The meeting also is open to students, faculty and staff interested in joining.

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New GRE course to offer help with grad school test

"We have some practice tests that we let students take and then discuss. We actually have old tests that are used for it. The instructors will discuss the answers and the reasoning."

**Richard L. Hensley,
Director of Continuing Education**

By M. Timur Dilsiz
Reporter

Marshall's Office of Continu-
ing Education will sponsor a
preparatory course for people
planning to take the Graduate
Record Examination (GRE),
according to Richard L.
Hensley, director of continu-
ing education in the Commu-
nity and Technical College.

GRE prep runs Oct. 14
through Nov. 18 on Saturdays
from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The classes
will be taught in Harris Hall
402.

Actual past examinations
and simulated material will be
used to teach about specific
types of questions and test
strategies.

"We have some practice tests
that we let students take and
then discuss. We actually have
old tests that are used for it,"
Hensley said. "The instructors
will discuss the answers and

the reasoning."

The six sessions will include
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New registrar takes the helm

By Scott Moren
Reporter

Roberta C. Ferguson of Kenova has been named registrar at Marshall University, according to Dr. Warren G. Lutz, dean of enrollment management.

Ferguson, served as the associate registrar and director of student records before accepting her new position.

Dr. Lutz said he is confident she will continue to provide the best possible service to Marshall faculty, staff, and students.

He added, "Roberta has been responsible for many of the duties associated with the registrar position during her tenure in the office and has done an excellent job."

Ferguson said she will bring experience and new approaches to the registrar position. She said she hopes the registrar's office will continue to modernize with the aid of computers.

She also has been involved in initiatives to improve service to students, such as the MLO phone registration system.

Ferguson joined the MU staff in 1979 as administrative assistant in the Vocational, Technical, and Adult Education Department. She later served as administrative assistant in the Department of Surgery. In 1990, she was named assistant registrar.

She has also served on the board of directors for the MU Alumni Association for six years.

'Let's Learn' program helps autistic children

By Traci Mallett
Reporter

The Autism Training Center is presenting a "Let's Learn" preschool program beginning this month to help children with children in a school environment so they may enter regular kindergarten.

The class will consist of 12 children, 4 with autism. The other children will present leadership qualities.

Dr. Jennifer McFarland, associate director of the autism center, said the program is being co-sponsored by Cabell County and she has invited other counties to attend.

The county has worked in collaboration with the program and is paying the fee for the autism students, McFarland said. The fee for other students is \$180.

McFarland said the program will run for the entire school year in accordance with the Cabell County school calendar.

"Children with autism have problems with communication and social skills," McFarland

said. "Our goal is through interaction with children with leadership ability, the autistic children will better manage their disability."

The program will have a classroom teacher and two preschool handicapped practicum students. McFarland said invitations have also been sent to the psychology department asking for its participation in the program. McFarland said parents are also welcome to join in the program.

"Once a month we will have a parent meeting," she said. "That will be time for parents to get to know one another and talk about the program."

There are still spaces open for children to join the program, McFarland said. She added parents who would like to inquire about the program can visit the classrooms.

The classroom is in the nursery at Corbly Hall and classes take place 1 to 4 p.m. weekdays. To inquire about the program, contact McFarland in Old Main 316, 696-2832.

Police Blotter

MUPD

Sept. 11

• A victim reported purchases were made from Twin Towers East by telephone on his charge card accounts in June, July and August. He was at home for the summer.

Sept. 15

• A resident of Twin Towers East reported that 64 CDs were taken from an unlocked room.

Sept. 16

• An unknown vandal broke the driver's side window of a 1993 Saturn with a rock and stole a Sony CD player.

UPDATE

Philip Noel Smith was arrested July 30 for driving under the influence. His court appearance was Sept. 18, and he failed to appear. A warrant was issued for his arrest.

Sept. 17

• Person or persons unknown tried unsuccessfully to pry open a vending machine in Gullickson Hall.

• Joe H. Pigg was arrested at 17th Street and 5th Avenue for public intoxication.

• A harassment was reported in Holderby Hall when the victim's ex-boyfriend showed up. She has not returned MUPD's calls.

Sept. 18

• A theft was reported in Gullickson Hall as a computer disk and \$4 were taken.

• A bathroom was reported damaged on the second floor of Holderby Hall. Two partitions and a stall door were bent.

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



Volleyball team begins league play Saturday

Herd has best overall record in SC

The Marshall volleyball team will play its first conference games this weekend.

The Herd will face its first Southern Conference rival, Western Carolina, Saturday, Sept. 23, at 5 p.m.

The Herd will be back in action Sunday, Sept. 24, with a 2 p.m. match against UT-Chatanooga.

The Herd will enter the WCU match with a 6-5 record, thanks in part to a gutsy performance against Xavier University Tuesday night in Cincinnati.

The Herd defeated the Musketeers in five sets 15-7, 12-15, 18-16, 4-15, and 16-14.

The team was lead by Jessica Braga and Alisha Bable, who both had 16 digs each.

Braga also recorded a team high 19 kills. Others who contributed to the victory were Cristin Williams (11 digs, 12 kills) and Vanessa Grazzini (17 kills).

Coach Susan Steadman said, "Every point that we scored was a struggle. The Xavier match was the most competitive match of the season."

She said she was very proud of her team for the courageous effort against the Musketeers.

She also commended the Xavier team for its performance.

Marshall has the best overall record in the Southern Conference and hasn't played at home since Sept. 4.

The volleyball games are played at the Henderson Center.

Soccer team takes something positive out of loss to Furman

By Mike Taylor
Staff Writer

How can a loss sometimes be good?

Marshall's soccer team is coming off of a loss to conference foe Furman, but the team is confident it can rebound this weekend with a pair of road games.

"We played poorly, but we were still in the game," Head Coach Bob Gray said.

Furman is considered one of the teams to beat in the conference and although MU lost the game, players saw some things the team can store away for the future.

"Furman wasn't very strong. We've got nothing to fear," Herd captain Robert Risley, Romford, England, junior, said. Chan Roush, Cross Lanes, junior, agrees. "They're definitely a beatable team."

Coach Gray said the biggest problems for the team so far is finding the right mix of players and making better decisions on the field.

"We're not winning many 50-50 balls, we aren't being aggressive," Gray said. "We're lacking leadership. We're trying to find the most cohesive 11 we can and a group that takes pride and wants to play hard."

Marshall's team is loaded with youth, but Gray and players on the team know that isn't an excuse.

"We feel we have a good nucleus of five or six players. We then have another big group who are all good, but they are all even. We need some of those players to step it up," Gray said.

Roush said the more the team plays together, the more the team will improve.

"We're not so much worried about losing a few games to good teams. We're trying to work on playing together as a team. We've gotten a lot better

"The more the team plays together, the more the team will improve."

Chan Roush
Midfielder



"Furman wasn't very strong. We've got nothing to fear."

Robert Risley
Defender

since the first game," Roush said.

Roush is one player who has been an offensive threat for the team, but both Gray and Roush admit more can be done.

"He's capable of stepping it up to a higher level that we know he can perform at," Gray said.

Roush agrees. "I think I need to come forward more. I've been a little disappointed with myself."

One freshman who has caught the eye of the players and coaches is Keith Dumas. "He's been real consistent. He's adjusted to the college game already," Roush said.

The team has a 2-4 record now, but Risley sees a few differences from last year's team.

"We have a higher talent level than last year," Risley said. "More importantly, we have more desire than we did last year. We're heading in the right direction."

Coach Gray is also upset with the style of soccer the team has been playing.

"We played a horrible brand of soccer. We fell into their (Furman's) style of ball," Gray said.

The next two weeks are critical for the Herd. The team plays six straight road games. That problem is made worse because the Herd has yet to find a starting lineup that has gelled as an unit.

"We've played six games and haven't used the same starting lineup. I'm more concerned about the way we play rather than the result," Gray said. "If we play a good brand of

soccer, the results will come. We've been doing it backwards."

Roush said he doesn't mind playing on the road because he likes to go and beat a team on its home turf.

Roush also mentioned that its better playing on the road is because the team usually gets to play on grass.

Speaking of grass, Marshall's new soccer stadium is continuing on schedule and Gray said donations are still coming in. The stadium will open next fall and should help the Herd attract more top soccer talent.

The Herd has one injury going into this weekend's contests with Wofford and conference rival Georgia Southern.

Freshman David Husbands, Arlington, Texas, got a second degree concussion at practice Tuesday and will be out this weekend.

He may return by Sept. 26 when the team travels to Morgantown to play West Virginia University.

"David is a very intense, hard-working young man. He needs to slow down a little sometimes, but we can't fault his efforts," Gray said.

The team's goal is to slowly get better as the year progresses, and hopefully, by the time the Southern Conference tournament comes around, the Herd will be ready.

"I'm not used to losing," Gray said. "It doesn't stick well with me. I want to see us play better soccer and hope the wins come."

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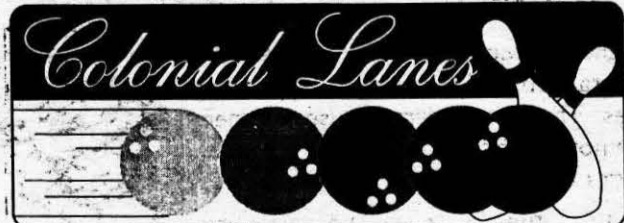
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Students can get tips to ease 'homesickness'

By Megan Fields
Reporter

Friday nights in a college town ought to be sweeter than warm cotton candy, tantalizing the weary student with the promise of movie dates, fraternity parties, and moonlit walks in the park.

But Jeanie A. Hull, Winfield freshman, has other plans, and they don't include staying on campus.

"I've been home, like, six times in the last three weeks," Hull said.

Like countless other students away from home for the first time, Hull is suffering from homesickness. After frustrating weeks of deciphering financial aid information, compromising with a new roommate, and trying to find books that are no longer in stock, the thought of mom waiting sympathetically by the front door is an attractive prospect to many.

Most people hit by homesickness are freshmen living on their own for the first time, but they are not the only ones who have difficulties adjusting. Kris D. Raynes, a Buffalo senior and resident adviser in Twin Towers West, said it can happen "to

just about anybody," though it usually seems to strike those very close to their parents, or those who left a special boyfriend or girlfriend back home.

Raynes has seen numerous cases of homesickness in her two years as an RA. She said these students are easy to identify, because they usually isolate themselves in their rooms.

Most residents prefer to cry on the shoulder of a friend or family member, but the RAs are trained in dealing with homesick students.

Before residents arrived, Raynes and other RAs listened to counselors from the University Counseling Center describe how to help these students and participated in role reversal exercises to practice comforting them.

Raynes tries to help her residents get involved in campus life. She urges them to attend her organized floor programs and includes them in her passive programs.

"The passive programs are just spending time with (students) in kind of an unorganized way," Raynes said. "We'll watch a movie with them, or knock on the door and invite them to dinner."

Linda M. Stockwell, coun-

selor in the counseling center, also encourages students to get involved in the campus scene. She said it is important students recognize the lonely, "down in the dumps" feelings are transitional emotions and will usually go away on their own after a few weeks.

Stockwell believes going home every weekend is the worst way to deal with the problem because students who frequently leave deny themselves a large part of the college experience. She said these people are trying to keep their main base at home, instead of focusing on their campus life.

Instead, Stockwell recommended setting aside a specific time to call their parents or writing a letter every night. Planned activities such as these remind students they have not been completely cut off from home.

There are people on campus who can help students still suffering from homesickness after a month or two. Free sessions are available at the counseling center, located on the first floor of Prichard Hall.

"There's no reason to live with (homesickness) when someone can help them deal with it," Stockwell said.

'Friendliness of school' impresses freshmen

By Miyuki Katsuki
Reporter

After one month of school life, what comes to freshmen's minds? Sixteen freshmen gave their impressions of Marshall.

Nine said they like the campus, saying:

The campus is, "pretty", "compact" and has a "nice atmosphere".

"I really liked the university because of the size. It was not too big nor too small. Everything was close to get to," Mindy Marcinko said.

Sara Welty said, "The campus makes me feel like I'm back home because of trees and squirrels even though I'm five hours away from home."

Four freshmen said "friendliness of students and university employees."

"I have been impressed by the friendliness of the university employees. I have attended two other colleges where students were treated as if they had no common sense," Pamela Virgin said.

Two said that Marshall offers a variety of classes.

Freedom and responsibility are also attractive to them.

"I like the feeling of being on my own and having 100% full responsibility of myself and my actions," Kimberly Maring said.

The things they dislike most is "poor parking situations", six said.

Three said they do not like the large amount of studying and papers they are assigned.

Two didn't like the fact that the university is so close to home while two others don't like being several hours from home.

The others points students had problems with are: living on campus, using the computers and campus food.

What they are said they are looking for centers on socialization, their occupation, sports and more experiences.

"I would like to gain a good education and meet a lot of people," Jarred Lazear said.

Jason Riggs said, "I would enjoy being a part of the criminal justice department."

POLICIES

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SGA's election rules during Tuesday's meeting.

"Last year it took two elections to choose an SGA president," Bromund said.

"The election commission thought they had the power to reschedule elections, curtail campaigning and decide which votes to count, which isn't the case," he said.

Bromund said the revision would make the election process smoother and more orga-

nized.

"It creates rules governing what the commission can do and what they can't, loosens the sign policy, and streamlines the complaint process," Bromund said.

"Instead of the commission investigating complaints, the Student Court would decide the validity of them," he said.

Both proposals will be voted on at next Tuesday's meeting.

Bowling lanes may soon see renovation

By Stanford E. Angion
Reporter

Forty-one years old and worn out, the campus bowling lanes in the basement of the Memorial Student Center may soon be renovated.

"We will interview three architect firms the week of Sept. 25. Once a firm is selected, then we can establish a completion date for the renovation," Raymond Welty, director of auxiliary services, said.

Welty said, "the renovation will cost approximately \$180,000. The money to pay for

the renovation will come from bond funds, which were established in 1969 when the student center was constructed. The building will be paid off in year 2009."

Each student pays \$18 a semester in fees for bonds to pay off the building and cover the cost of major replacements and repairs.

Bernie Elliott, bowling alley manager, said he is excited about the renovation project.

Elliott said he began working at Marshall in 1977 and became manager of the bowling alley in 1980.

"The bowling lanes were 17 years old in 1971 when they were put in," Elliott said. He also said the "pin sets were made between 1952 and 1954 and were declared obsolete by Brunswick in 1981."

"Brunswick is the company which manufactured parts and supplies for our bowling alley and could possibly do our renovation work," Elliott said.

Welty said renovations will include new pin setters, an electronic scoring system, accessibility for the disabled, new ball returns, and new synthetic surface lanes.

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