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A gathering place



Jon Rogers

The Memorial Student Center offers students a place to study, mingle, rest, grab a bite to eat, or seek refuge from uncooperative weather and professors.

Gilley says out-of-state enrollment is sufficient

by ERIN E. GILKERSON
reporter

Because campus enrollment is not only steady but increasing, President J. Wade Gilley said Governor Cecil Underwood's call for a focus on getting out-of-state students in West Virginia is not applicable to Marshall.

A recent report completed by Underwood's transition committee on higher education encourages West Virginia colleges and universities to concentrate more on recruiting out-of-state students.

Gilley said he does not believe that this committee is addressing Marshall specifically. He said he does believe the university is in a good standing already. "No changes will need to be made."

"I don't know that we are going to be doing anything different from what we have been

doing," Gilley said.

The issue, Gilley explained, is that there is going to be a 20 percent decline in high school graduates, so either the colleges will shrink or they will have to find their enrollment elsewhere.

Gilley said he does not believe Marshall has a problem, as the university enrollment has increased by 700 this year. "I don't think we need to change what we are doing at all."

According to statistics provided by the university, the number of in-state students enrolled at Marshall during the fall was 85.83 percent, while the number of out-of-state students was 14.17 percent.

Gilley said the institutions that need to work on this aspect of out-of-state student enrollment are schools such as West Virginia

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Pool shark to show his trickery on campus

by REGINA FISHER
reporter

"Chef Anton" will perform on campus next week, but he won't be using any frying pans in his "Magical Menu of Wizardry." The tool of his trade is a cue stick.

And challenges from the

audience will be a welcome addition to the show. In fact, Anton will not only accept challenges from the spectators, but he will make some challenges of his own as well.

The current national trick-shot champion will be performing in the basement of the Memorial Student Center

from 11-2 p.m. Tuesday.

Those chosen during the show for a chance to play one-on-one against Anton will have little chance of success, said Andy Hermansdorfer, director of student activities and Greek affairs.

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Bidding for bookstore will start in two weeks

by WHITNEY A. GIBEAUT
reporter

Bids will go out the week after next for construction that eventually will enable students to do one-stop, one-floor shopping at the Marshall Bookstore.

Mike Campbell, general manager of the bookstore, said, "We are bringing the lower level up to the top level and expanding out. The ultimate goal is to bring the levels together to make it easier to shop."

Ray Welty, director of auxiliary services, said Follet and the university are working hard to improve service for students, faculty and staff. He said campus representatives will meet with the Huntington fire marshall next week to discuss plans for the construction.

If all goes well with the fire marshall, bidding will begin Feb. 17, Welty said. He said the tentative date to begin the expansion is March 31.

"From the students' standpoint, it will make life easier to shop," he said.

Campbell said the biggest problem the bookstore faces now is that people perceive it as being two different stores.

Campbell said combining the stores into one might increase sales.

He said students will be able to purchase their books and supplies at the same time.

The new bookstore will include an open stock of books, supplies, health and beauty aids, greeting cards, reference books and groceries.

"We are bringing the lower level up to the top level and expanding out. The ultimate goal is to bring the levels together to make it easier to shop."

— Mike Campbell
bookstore general manager

The new bookstore will have two entrances. One entrance will be directly through the student center and the other will be facing 5th Avenue and Elm Street.

Campbell said he also hopes the expansion of the store will bring more visitors to the bookstore to shop.

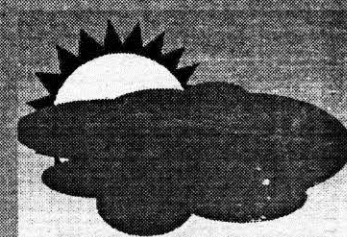
Campbell said if weather permits and all goes as planned, the target date for finishing the expansion is September.

He said the university has set money aside for the cost of the changes and Follet will be contributing \$100,000 following the completion of the expansion.

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V-day greeting cards go online

(AP)—Speak to me, love, in words poetic. With passionate phrases edged in desperation, intellect touched with regret. On this day of romance, let your tender, written words find their way into my heart.

And if you can't, let the Internet do it for you.

For the romantically impaired, the appearance of red boxes of chocolates and an abrupt rise in the price of roses signal not the approach of the day of love, but the day of dread. It's Valentine's Day, when missives so moving as to melt the hardest heart are called for.

Dread not, oh ye for whom words of love do not leap eagerly from pen to paper. Are computers not meant to aid mankind, free us from labor, allow us to expand our reach? Or, maybe, just to get us out of a serious jam?

If the thought of writing an epistle of love brings terror to your heart and tremors to your hand, if you know you'll say the wrong thing or you can't think of anything to say at all, the Internet has the answers.

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honor of that most persuasive writer of love letters, Cyrano de Bergerac.

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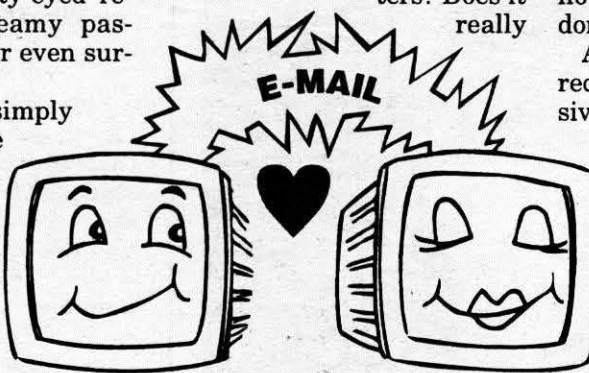
"My wife and I sat around with the original programmer and her husband one night, had a few beers and went at it," said Van Asch, the art director for Nando net, the site's sponsor.

Lest you think that's not a proper qualification, Van Asch hastens to add that his wife was an English major in

college.

"She was always great with words," he said from his Raleigh, N.C., office.

Is it cheating? Shouldn't one write one's own love letters? Does it really



count if you don't do it yourself?

In a word ... no. Pre-written letters turn out to have a long and honorable history, and that's according to the final word of all that is right and proper, Miss Manners herself.

"This, too, has a precedent. I have a shelf full of 19th-century books of model letters, including love letters," says Judith Martin, whose most recent book, "Miss Manner's Basic Training: Communication," deals specifically with the machine age.

"These letters could have

been taken practically word for word from that older genre — though perhaps not the steamy part. It isn't as though we were all bursting with originality in the past and now everything has to be done for people."

And if you find yourself the recipient of a Valentine's missive that seems a wee too polished? Best let romance be your guide, Miss Manners suggests. "After all," she says, "you're welcome to flutter your heart at the thought that he has untold sources of eloquence that you never expected. As long as your best friend didn't get the same letter."

What to do if the passion once so assiduously sought causes only heartbreak and pain?

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Or, as one such carefully worded billet began, "I have enjoyed our relationship for the past few days, but fear

that we have soared to exuberant heights only to alight upon a plateau of happiness. It would have been better to have just remained friends, but alas, our passion prevailed."

There now. Isn't that better than "Dear John"?

The Cyrano Server can be found at <http://www.nando.net/toys/cyrano.html>

SURVEY

Nearly Half of all Marshall students who participated in a recent Survey reported that they Frequently or Always use condoms during sexual activity.

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Rescuers found the bodies of a couple and their 1-year-old daughter Tuesday in the wreckage of a small plane that crashed on a glacier near Mount McKinley.

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Forest protection the issue in California timber debate

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Properties offered by the state as part of a \$380 million trade to protect an ancient redwood forest are unacceptable to timber company officials, who want cash instead.

Pacific Lumber Co. of Scotia and its corporate parent, Texas-based Maxxam Corp., stopped short Tuesday of saying the tentative agreement was dead.

The state properties, valued at more than \$130 million by state appraisers, include vacant pieces of agricultural land, an abandoned rock quarry, a 140-acre conservation camp, a state food testing lab and Department of Motor Vehicle offices in the Northern California cities of Roseville and Redding.

The timber officials' decision was "regrettable but will not deter the efforts ... of the State of California to acquire and

permanently protect Headwaters Forest," state Resources Secretary Douglas Wheeler said.

He said state and federal officials will meet with Maxxam representatives Feb. 10 in Washington to discuss the status of the swap.

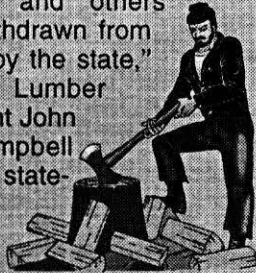
Maxxam spokesman Bob Irelan also said talks would continue.

Pacific Lumber and Maxxam declined to discuss specifics of the properties. They said only that some were legally encumbered and the use of others had sparked public opposition.

Some \$250 million worth of federal properties that were proposed as part of the agreement were not discussed in the companies' statements.

"We seriously considered a number of the properties. However, some of them turned out to have various

encumbrances that would have complicated any transfer and others were withdrawn from the list by the state," Pacific Lumber President John A. Campbell said in a statement.



Pacific Lumber, Maxxam and the state and federal governments, pressured by environmentalists, reached a tentative agreement this past September to protect some 7,500 acres of the Headwaters Forest.

It includes about 3,000 acres of old-growth redwoods about 300 miles north of San Francisco.

The agreement needs approval by Congress and the California Legislature by the summer to go into effect.

briefs

ANAHEIM HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Alycia Busciglio is the waitress with "an attitude that can stop a truck," and it serves her well.

Busciglio takes orders from a wheelchair, and she says sometimes customers are taken aback.

"Customers have called over another waitress to ask if I'm going to be able to do the job, or be as fast as someone else," she said.

She doesn't want their concern, just their tips.

With what she calls "an attitude that can stop a truck," the 21-year-old woman has been dishing up orders at the Chevy's restaurant in this Orange County community for 3 1/2 years.

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A horse thief picked the wrong pony to poach — a policeman's.

After a brief search and chase Tuesday, police arrested a 13-year-old boy who apparently took Nacona for a joyride.

A search party was formed, and the suspect, wearing a camouflage jacket, was spotted on the horse several miles south of downtown about 30 minutes later.

The boy fled from a pursuing officer and later abandoned the horse. He was captured shortly thereafter.

Nacona, a five-year department veteran, was used by Police Chief Thomas Windham during last month's presidential inauguration parade in Washington.

If the boy is found guilty on charges of delinquent conduct and theft, a judge will determine his punishment. Had he been an adult, he could have faced up to two years in jail and a \$10,000 fine.

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our VIEW

How much is a human life really worth?

A jury in California voted to award the plaintiffs charging O.J. Simpson with wrongful death more than \$8 million dollars two nights ago. What does awarding this money accomplish?

Two people are dead— people who once lived, breathed, dreamed, loved. Whether Simpson is responsible for their deaths or not, Ronald Goldman and Nicole Brown Simpson are dead. No amount of money in the world will bring them back.

It is no secret that O.J. Simpson is not at his wealthiest stage in life. Any money that may be earned in the future will go to pay the court settlement and other related costs.

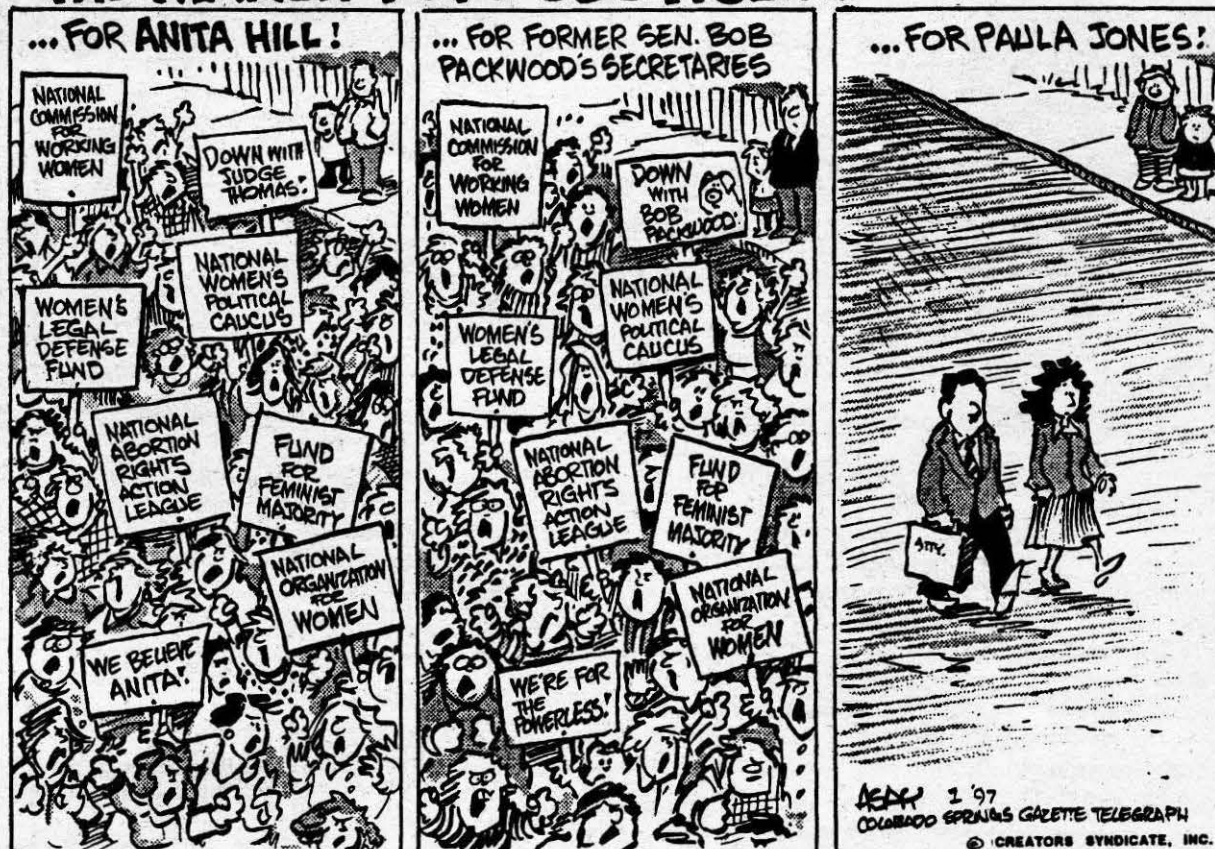
Simpson is a single father of two young children, children who are accustomed to a certain living standard. Will Simpson's future earnings go to support his children today or into a college fund for the future? No, they will go to pay money to the Goldman family (the Brown family did not sue for money).

In Texas, a mother was ordered to pay for the murder of a child. However, her bill will not be paid with money, but her life. It is horrendous to imagine a mother killing her son, but it has happened many times before.

Sometimes death is punishment, sometimes it is monetary compensation the court awards. The real question persists, however, how is value placed on a human life? Does a greater sense of moral victory come when a paycheck arrives? Or, does the loss of another human life install a better feeling of victory?

How can human life be valued in terms of "proper" punishments and then a price tag be put on person's life?

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TTA proposal would succeed

In your recent editorial about the proposal before student government to add \$10 to student fees for unlimited use of the TTA bus system, you note that society often pays for things that will benefit the greater number in order to make life a little better. Let's remember the society pays for things that benefit a minority of the population, too. Folks who suffer a disadvantage like poverty, disability, age, or race come to mind. Unfortunately, you conclude that such a small number of MU students will benefit from the TTA's proposal that it cannot be justified. We ask that you reconsider.

It is certainly a disadvantage in this day and age to be without an automobile. The TTA pass will benefit those who don't have an auto but still need to travel to get to campus or who live on campus and have no car to go anywhere. The TTA plan will also benefit those who do have a car, but can't park it.

TTA learned of the success of bus pass program in solving parking problems from campuses all over the USA. In every case, universal access to a transit pass was the secret to success. Students' use of the transit

system increased dramatically when a semester pass was introduced. In each case, discounts for bus passes and tickets were an ineffective marketing tool. It was not until the passes were included in tuition or student fees that the discount was great enough to produce results. Ridership blossomed and parking problems eased.

In consideration of the precedent you fear, that area businesses will rush to the gate if TTA's proposal is adopted, let's keep in mind that TTA is a public enterprise and not a private company. The \$10 fee (not \$20 as your editorial suggests) will substitute for revenues lost to current riders who are paying at least \$128 for their transit service each semester; and it will add bus service designed for student needs. It will help solve a parking problem.

Remember, the TTA pass covers paratransit service for disabled students who cannot ride the TTA buses. We hope that you will think of the huge advantage the service can provide to them. They now pay as much as \$3 to \$5 for a round trip. All those trips could cost only \$10 for a whole semester!

There are few solutions to the parking problem that are inexpensive and won't take a long time to accomplish. The TTA pass is economical by comparison and it can be done now.

Affordable access to education via inexpensive transportation will benefit Marshall University. The student market will be expanded. The pressure to spend large sums of money for parking will be lessened. The transit pass is an education, employment and entertainment opportunity to be enjoyed by all Marshall University students. We hope that you will give it your most compassionate and intellectual consideration.

Vickie Shaffer,
Tri-State Transit Authority
general manager

The Parthenon would like to clarify that the Feb. 4 editorial said the TTA proposal would cost \$20 a year, not \$20 a semester.

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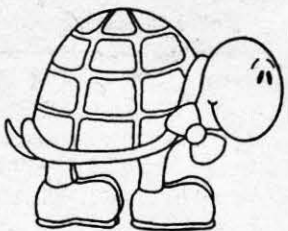
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by **RANDY BURNSIDE**
BRIAN
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reporters

Many people were relieved that the O.J. Simpson civil trial was over, according to a campus poll conducted yesterday.

The jury unanimously found Simpson liable for the deaths of Ronald Goldman and Nicole Brown Simpson. Compensatory damages of \$8.5 million were awarded to the victim's families.

"It's finally over and I'm glad it's over," John E. David, Milton freshman, said. "I hope they made the right decision."

Others also expressed relief that the trial had ended.

"It was a shame that the trial took so long, and also a shame that he was not charged with murder the first time," Kara R. McMellon, Huntington freshman said.

Some students polled were still undecided about Simpson's innocence.

"I do not know if Simpson did it or not, but you can

ON THE STREET

The O.J. Simpson Verdict

Many students and faculty members on campus were polled to find out what they thought about the decision handed down in the O.J. Simpson Civil Trial. Here is what a few of them had to say about Simpson being found liable.

never pay enough for someone's life," Bruce L. Jones, Dunbar junior, said.

Many of those polled made their position clear on the verdict and the trial.

Robert H. Wilhelm, Huntington freshman, said, "I think it's wrong, there should not have been a civil trial."

"I think it certainly was a just verdict," Kim G. Nostran, Ft. Worth, Texas, sophomore, said. "I feel

they saw all the evidence for what it was."

Philip W. Carter, associate professor of social work, said he thinks the jury's decision reflects America's racial situation. "America has a problem and it is a race problem," said.

Christopher S. Adkins, Petersburg, Ind., senior, said, "Well, he got away with murder the first time, so he might as well have to pay for it the second time."

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High school students getting an early start

by WHITNEY A. GIBEAUT
reporter

Many young faces on campus are taking an advanced step and earning college credit as high school students.

The university offers several programs for high school students.

Pat Campbell, special assistant to the dean (of) Adult and extended education, said, "We now offer a dual credit program, which is where high school students take a class or classes at their high school and the classes count toward high school and college credit in the same class."

She said they also offer a program in which the students come to the university and take a course or attend a local technical center and take courses. Campbell said, "We are bringing the college courses to the high schools." Campbell said Wayne, Mason, Putnam and Cabell counties are currently their service area.

According to Campbell, Cabell County is just becoming involved with the dual credit program and Putnam County is strictly involved with the college credit.

Campbell said Wayne and Mason counties are involved in the dual credit program and have been successful with it for about a year.

Homer K. Preece, higher education facilitator of Mason County, said, "Not every high school student is able to participate in these programs. Students are required to have an overall 3.0 grade point average and must score in the 85th percentile on the Stanford test."

Preece said sophomores, juniors and seniors are involved in the dual credit program. He said seniors are required to have scores of 18 or higher in math and 19 or higher in English to take college-level courses in those subjects.

Preece said Mason County seniors are graduating from high school with 18 college credits. He also said if sophomores took everything they offered, the students could graduate with 32 credits.

POOL

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"Anton will challenge spectators to compete against him for an opportunity to win prizes," Hermansdorfer said. The prizes will be provided by Anton.

Anton, a two-time winner of the National Trick-shot Championships, will be demonstrating the shots that can be seen on his instructional video, "Chef Anton's Magical

Menu of Pool Ball Wizardry," Hermansdorfer said.

The video instructs viewers on trick shot methods and gives tips on how to successfully complete shots that have a high degree of difficulty.

Anton's performance at the MSC is one stop on his national tour which began Feb. 3 and will continue through Feb. 15.

There will be no admission charge for the event sponsored by Campus Entertainment Unlimited.

GILLEY

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University and West Virginia University of Technology.

"West Virginia University has lost 1,000 full-time students over the past two years. West Virginia Tech has gone down 25 percent in the past three years," he said.

"The committee was thinking about how these schools

can increase enrollment," Gilley said.

"I believe we will continue to do, at Marshall, what we have been doing."

Financially speaking, Gilley explained, out-of-state students have to pay the full tuition cost and in-state students do not.

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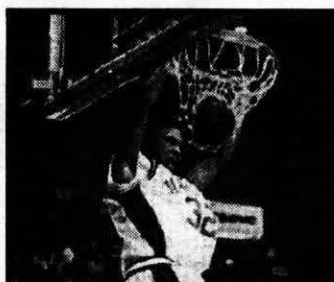
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Sports

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Herd loses on the road

The men's basketball team lost a non-conference game to the Butler Bulldogs, 84-57, last night dropping the team's overall record to 15-6. Sophomore forward Carlton King was the Herd's leading scorer with 16 points. Marshall will be back in action Saturday at 7:30 p.m. against the Georgia Southern Eagles Saturday at the Cam Henderson Center.

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Request to athletic director could be a transfer barrier

A new proposal requires student athletes to obtain the approval of Lance West before transferring schools

by SARAH E. RIFFLE
reporter

Student athletes wanting to give up their scholarship to follow their coach to another university may have more red tape to go through, according to NCAA existing rules and a Marshall University proposed policy.

The Student Athlete Advisory Committee has sponsored a recommendation to the Faculty Senate concerning the transfer of student athletes to other universities.

According to the recommendation, this was adopted as an interim policy in the spring of 1996, following the resignations of both the head football and head basketball coaches to accept positions at larger universities.

The recommendation provides that any student athlete wanting to transfer from Marshall University has to make a request to the athletic director.

The president and the athletic director will consider the interests of the university and of the student.

If the request is denied, the policy also provides the student with the guidelines to follow to complete an appeal of the decision.

"We want to protect Marshall University. We want student athletes to be committed to getting an education and committed to Marshall University."

— Lance West,
athletic director

One provision in the proposal states that requests will usually not be given for a student to attend and play for a university that has employed a coach who coached the student at Marshall University.

The recommendation states that the Marshall proposal is in accordance with the NCAA policy for the transfer of student athletes.

Head football coach Bobby Pruett said this proposal emphasizes to coaches and players an already established NCAA policy.

Also according to NCAA policies, a student athlete must have permission from the university to obtain financial aid from the new univer-

sity during the student's first year at the new university.

Lance West, athletic director, agreed that the Faculty Senate recommendation is an emphasis on the existing NCAA rules.

"Student athletes are bound by letters of intent and scholarship papers," West said. "If students want to be transferred to another university, both institutions must request release forms."

West said the university wants student athletes to remain at Marshall.

"We want to protect Marshall University," he said. "We want student athletes to be committed to getting an education and committed to Marshall University."

Herd signs recruits

Marshall head coach Bob Pruett announced today that 16 student athletes have signed national letters of intent to play football for the Herd beginning this fall.

Marshall signed seven players from West Virginia, three players from Florida and two from Georgia. The Herd also signed one player each from Maryland, Tennessee, Kentucky and Virginia.

Pruett said this year's recruiting class presented some exciting possibilities for the future.

"We feel like we have an outstanding recruiting class on paper," he said. "You really don't know what you have until they get on campus, but we are very excited about the possibilities."

Pruett said some prospects still remain to be signed with the Herd.

"We should be able to improve this class with some signees that we will announce at a later time," he said. "With this class, we have addressed most of our needs."

The team will begin its spring practice at the end of March.

Tennis team travels to VT this weekend

by SHAWN A. HOLMES
reporter

The tennis team will face Virginia Tech Saturday in Blacksburg, Va., in what the coaching staff thinks will be the toughest match of the year.

Head coach Laurie Mercer said the Hokies could provide a major challenge for the Thundering Herd.

"Virginia Tech is the toughest team on our schedule," Mercer said. "This will be a challenge for us."

She said the Hokies return several players from last year's team and is one of the top teams in the East region.

Assistant coach John Mercer said Virginia Tech is number three in Marshall's region.

The Herd is off to a 3-0 start after victories over Akron and Eastern Kentucky, and after

the Herd defeated Eastern Michigan for the first time in school history.

The coaching staff attributed the victories to the team's experience. The coaches believe the team has the confidence that it can win even when it is behind in matches, and that the team's depth and conditioning are also factors in its success.

Last weekend the Herd was behind in matches two, three, and four against Eastern Michigan before coming back to win. Marshall also defeated Eastern Kentucky 7-1 after playing earlier that day.

After the Virginia Tech match, the Herd will face Robert Morris Feb. 22 at the Huntington Tennis Club.

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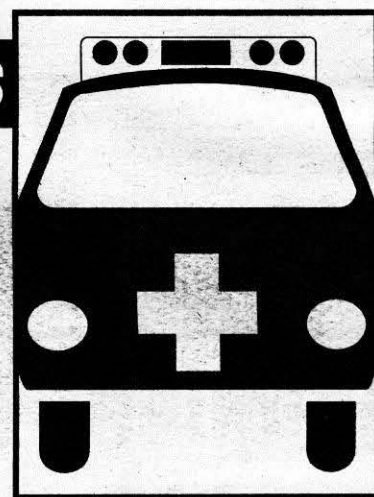


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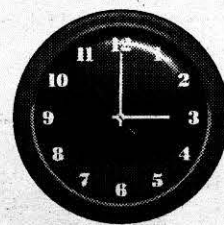


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ON THE CLOCK



How one woman fits teaching, studying, church activities and a personal life into her schedule

Students do more than go to class and turn assignments in on time.

Perhaps you are involved in extra curricular activities. You might even work 20 hours a week, do homework, pay the bills, nurture children and a relationship, all the while trying to find some time called "yours."

Does all this make you feel like super student, super worker, super citizen, super parent, super significant other and just plain super responsible? You are not alone.

Meet Suzanne F. Konieczny, a Huntington higher education administration major and senior analyst in the Department of Institutional Research.

Some people on campus refer to her as colleague. Others see her as classmate. Still others look to her as teacher. Friends in Ashland see Konieczny as parishioner or Mrs. K. Her role depends on the responsibility and time of day.

A wearer of many hats, Konieczny is a full-time university employee, part-time faculty member and a part-time student. She takes classes on campus through a cooperative program.

In addition, Konieczny serves as the volunteer children's minister at Centenary Methodist Church in Ashland where she also sings in the choir.

Each week, she invests at least 60 hours a week in such activities.

A typical day for Konieczny starts at 6:30 a.m. with a buzzing alarm jarring her awake. By 8 a.m. she arrives on campus, prepared to work until 5 p.m. or 5:30 p.m.

The Department of Institutional Research provides information to Marshall

officials to help them make decisions for strategic planning purposes.

In addition to her full-time job, Konieczny teaches a three-hour class once a week. The class requires an additional five to seven hours a week for grading and preparation, she said.

On Wednesdays, she leaves campus at the end of the work day and travels to Ashland. There, she serves as children's minister and choir member.

"The children's program focuses on worship, service to others, Christian fellowship and Bible study," she said.

Of course, her church activities require preparation, which adds up to four to six hours a week.

By 9:30 p.m., Konieczny quietly rolls her car into the driveway. She puts the car into park and turns off the ignition. The car's day is done, but not Konieczny's.

She promptly walks into her house. Konieczny tosses aside her work hat, her church hat and her student hat - but only temporarily. Now she puts on her wife/cooking/cleaning/studying/relaxing hat.

Konieczny stays awake until about 1 a.m. every night straightening the house and preparing for church-related activities or class.

She plans to earn her educational doctorate degree by 2000.

Konieczny participates in a cooperative program between Marshall, West Virginia University and West Virginia Graduate College, allowing her to pursue her doctoral degree.

"I like being in academia," she said. "I like the feeling of helping people and putting them on the road to success."

Konieczny received her bachelor's degree in computer science in 1988 and her mas-

ter's degree in business administration in 1992. She earned both degrees from Marshall.

"I chose these majors because I thought they were marketable," she said.

Konieczny said continuing her education was never a difficult decision.

"It was a given," she said. "I always wanted to achieve the next highest level. Education is a life-long process and I just want to keep on growing."

She is a firm believer that education at Marshall changed her life.

"I grow as a person when I grow educationally . . . not just my critical think-

ing, but

spiritual issues, too."

Campus produced more than academic benefits.

Konieczny met her husband on campus.

"My whole life is Marshall," she said. "I wanted to work at Marshall, not only because of the academic environment, but I felt compelled to give something back to them since they helped me."

Konieczny talked about classes on campus.

"I teach one and take one," she said. "Last semester I taught two classes, plus continuing education courses."

Konieczny said she decided to give herself a break, so she could work on starting a business, have more time at church and spend more time with her husband Steve.

"And try to be more sane," she said with a chuckle.

Other people recognize how busy Konieczny is.

"She does too much," said Arissa Prichard, analyst for the Department of Institutional Research. "She's wearing too many hats."

Prichard said just the volunteer work Konieczny does would be too much for her.

"But even though she wears all those hats, she does a really good job," Prichard said. "She's always willing and she is never too busy. She always does, does, does for everybody."

Prichard said she teases Konieczny and calls her "the girl who can't say no."

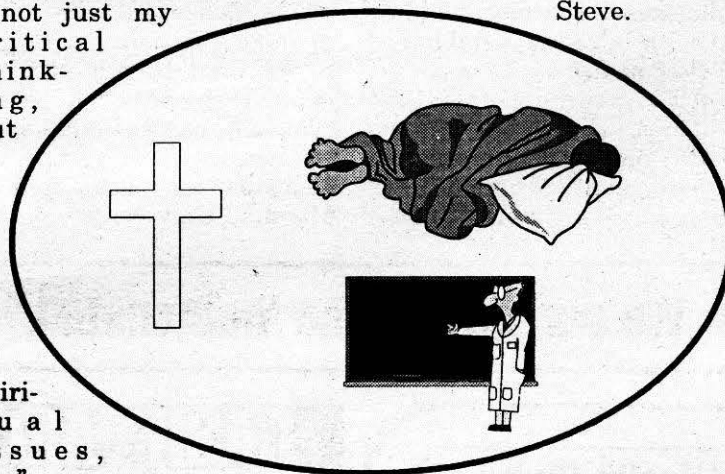
Billie L. Weis, project coordinator for the Department of Continuing Education, had words of praise for Konieczny.

"She's tireless and enthusiastic," Weis said. "I have worked with her before and after classes. She has endless enthusiasm."

Weis said Konieczny is an excellent instructor.

"She always smiles, she always smiles," Weis said. "If she feels bad, you don't know."

Konieczny's life is filled with helping others in her constant pursuit to grow.



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Suzanne F. Konieczny switches roles throughout the day. She works in an office, teaches classes, takes classes, plus has church and home responsibilities. Oh yes, all this and she also has to make time for sleep.