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# Parthenon

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## Open house for high school seniors has large response

by **HEATHER B. KEENE**  
reporter

Nearly 1,000 visitors will be on campus Saturday during the university's open house for area high school seniors.

This is the first year Marshall has coordinated such an event, intended to give high school seniors and their parents an opportunity to get to know the university.

"Almost all other universities, including Concord College, West Virginia Tech, and West Virginia University, have open houses," Linda Templeton, director of admissions, said.

The program will begin at 9:30 a.m. with a welcome from Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley.

The day's activities include programs designed to cover nearly every aspect of life at the university.

"Speakers will be present to talk to the students and parents about the Marshall Plan, the Honors Program, residence services, financial aid, admissions, and student activities," Templeton said.

She said students can talk with professors during academic sessions.

Several methods were used by the university to distribute open house invitations to students from West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Maryland and Virginia.

Information about the fair and invitations were given to students during college fairs and high school visits. Also,

students who have already been admitted to Marshall and those who have sent their ACT and SAT scores to the university received invitations.

"We originally expected between 400 and 600 students," Templeton said. "There are now nearly 1,000 coming."

The unexpected response means some changes had to be made in the original itinerary, splitting the group of students in half and running two separate schedules.

Despite the extra work that comes along with the additional numbers, Templeton said she is pleased.

"It's a good marketing tool for the university and a great way to show off our campus," she said.

## Do you see what I see?



photo by Vicente Alcaniz

Geology seniors Tommy Michels from St. Albans and Joan Stull from Huntington surveyed the Morrow library Tuesday.

## Some students remain in temporary housing

by **KELLY DONAHUE**  
reporter

Of the 60 students who were placed in lounges and guest apartments as part of a temporary housing arrangement at the beginning of the semester, eight male students remain.

Winston A. Baker, director of residence halls, said, "We just don't have enough beds to accommodate the students."

JoAnn Wetherhall, supervisor of housing assignments said, "We hope to have them all out before the end of the

semester."

Enrollment of incoming freshman increased from 2,577 last fall to 2,702 this semester, according to a university press release.

Marshall's policy is to overbook because history shows many people do not show up and rooms are left vacant, Baker said. This year 50 to 60 people were anticipated to say they were not coming but only seven did not show up.

Students were presented with alternatives, Baker said. They were allowed to live off campus, in lounges and some

were put in the Up-Towner Inn.

"When we have a problem of an overflow situation we notify the students ahead of time and tell them we have lounges available and that usually rooms do open up after a given amount of time," Baker said. "We will then ask if they still want to come here. It is the students who apply late who get put in the lounges."

Timothy J. Basconi, 18, Oceana freshman, said, "I applied in April and was assigned a room but when I

arrived I was put in a lounge in Holderby Hall."

He said he lived in the lounge for about two weeks and was moved three times before finally being placed in Hodges Hall. "I'm mad because it's just been a lot of hassle."

Michael Koon, 18, Parkersburg freshman, said he was not notified until he arrived. "No one called, I found out at 5:35 p.m.," Koon said who lives in Holderby's fifth floor study lounge with two other people.

He lived with four others

originally in the lounge. But now there is no problem.

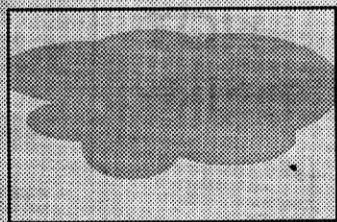
"I love it and I don't want to move," he said. "The worst part of this situation is just not knowing when you are going to have to move."

The situation has not altered his decision to return after this semester. But "It would have been nice to find out before that I was going to be living in a lounge for a semester," he said.

Baker said if the same problem occurs next year, he expects to have more people in the Up-Towner Inn.

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Page edited by Christina Redekopp

## Silence used to observe memorial

by **MELISSA BONZO**  
reporter

Members of the Student Government Association are asking everyone on campus to pause for a moment of silence at 1:30 p.m. today in observance of the twenty-seventh anniversary of the 1970 plane crash.

SGA Public Relations Director Lora M. Kiser, said the two minutes of silence are to respect those who are gone. "It's symbolic for the university and community," she said.

At that time, the traditional placing of the wreaths will take place. Three wreaths will be displayed next to the

Memorial Fountain: One wreath for the city, another for the university, and a third for the football team.

"We want everyone to stop what they're doing and take a moment to reflect on Marshall's great loss," Kiser said.

Guest speakers at the service will be university President Dr. J. Wade Gilley, Mayor Jean Dean, Athletic Director Lance West, Football Coach Bob Pruett, and Student Body President R. Matt Glover.

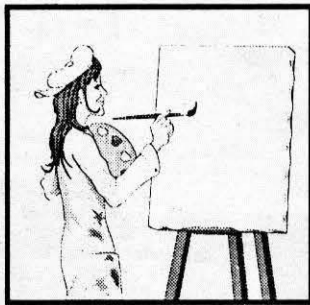
Glover said the service is expected to last about a half an hour and he understands that not all the students will

be able to attend. "Some people have class and this way they can still take part in the ceremony."

He said he plans on sending an audio message to all faculty and staff urging them to take two minutes away from the classroom and remember the victims who lost their lives.

Glover said he thought it was important to add something extra to involve everyone on campus, and that the Marshall community should help students learn more about what the fountain outside the student center represents.





## Senior art exhibition to showcase variety of talent

Seniors will be showing a variety of art, including graphic designs and large-scale paintings, when the Birke Art Gallery kicks off its Fall Senior Art Exhibition Saturday. The exhibit will last through Friday, Nov. 21, and is open to the public. Read more about this event **Tomorrow in Center Stage.**

## Illegal drug usage in high school students increases insignificantly, one study shows

ATLANTA (AP) — Illegal drug use among high school students has stabilized in the last year, but younger students are indulging more often, according to a drug institute survey.

Older students are turning more toward cigarettes and liquor, while use of marijuana and other illegal drugs increased slightly among younger students, according to a survey by the Parents' Resource Institute for Drug Education.

The country's largest survey of adolescent drug use included 141,077 students from junior and senior high schools in 28 states.

They replied to anonymous questionnaires distributed by teachers between September 1996 and June 1997.

High school students reported a statistically insignificant increase in drug use, from 24.2 percent to 24.6 percent, the institute said.

Smoking increased from 33.4 percent to 34.7 percent, while drinking rose from 39.8 percent to 39.9 percent, the survey showed.

Meanwhile, students in the

sixth through eighth grades reported drinking beer and using inhalants less, while use of marijuana, cocaine, uppers, downers, hallucinogens and heroin increased from 10.9 percent to 11.4 percent, the survey said. Drug use was described as once a month.

The New York Times said the institute's findings contradict some major findings in an earlier annual survey for the Department of Health and Human Services.

The government study, called the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse, reported in August that the number of teen-agers using drugs in the previous month had dropped from 10.9 percent in 1995 to 9 percent in 1996.

Rising drug use tends to be reported more accurately than declines, Eric D. Wish, director of the Center for Substance Abuse Research at the University of Maryland, told The Times.

"When you find an increase in these drug surveys, they usually do reflect that something's going on, because the bias is so much towards

under-reporting use," he said.

"It's now literally at age 10 where you can see the onslaught of drugs," survey co-author Gen. Barry R. McCaffrey, director of President Clinton's Office of the National Drug Control Strategy told The Times.

"There's a shred of good news that drug use is stabilizing among older kids."

The Atlanta-based institute is a nonprofit group offering drug prevention programs for parents, youth, schools, businesses and governments.

The group is funded by private donations and by school systems who use their questionnaires to monitor student drug abuse. Institute officials said they were heartened by one statistic in the survey:

The number of students whose parents talked to them about drugs increased from 29.6 percent to 30.8 percent, the first rise in five years.

"Adolescents who have strong role models and positive role models are less likely to be involved in drug use," institute spokesman Andrew Bearman told The Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

## Review of new drug delayed six months

WASHINGTON (AP)—Thousands of Lou Gehrig's disease sufferers must wait up to six more months to learn the fate of a long-awaited experimental drug since its maker made the unusual move Tuesday of buying more review time from the government.

Patients have clamored for Myotrophin since 1996 and recently began protests outside Food and Drug Administration offices to demand the drug.

The FDA has received conflicting studies, one that concluded Myotrophin works modestly and another that found it doesn't work at all.

Unsure which to believe, independent scientific advisers to the FDA told manufacturer Cephalon Inc. to do a tie-breaking study. Cephalon

refused, so the scientists in May urged the FDA to reject the drug.

The FDA's deadline to decide was Tuesday — but at the last minute, Cephalon formally withdrew and then immediately refiled its Myotrophin application.

The unusual move extended the FDA's deadline six more months, so the agency could perform a more in-depth analysis of Myotrophin data, Cephalon said.

FDA officials declined to comment.

Some 30,000 Americans suffer Lou Gehrig's disease, formally known as amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or ALS. It destroys nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord, causing progressive paralysis and death in three to five years.

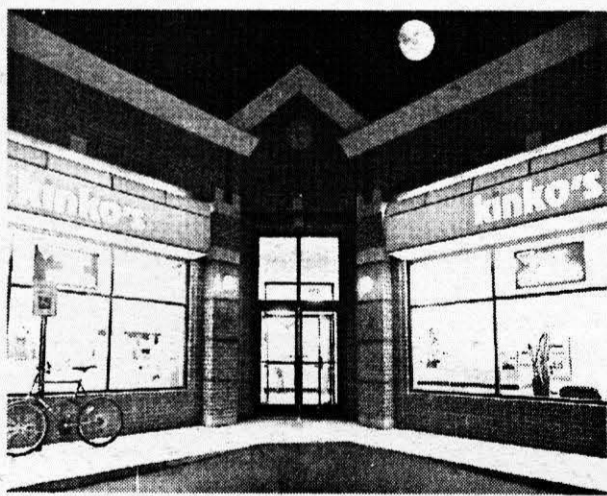
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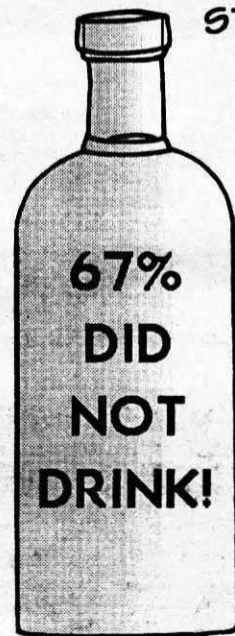
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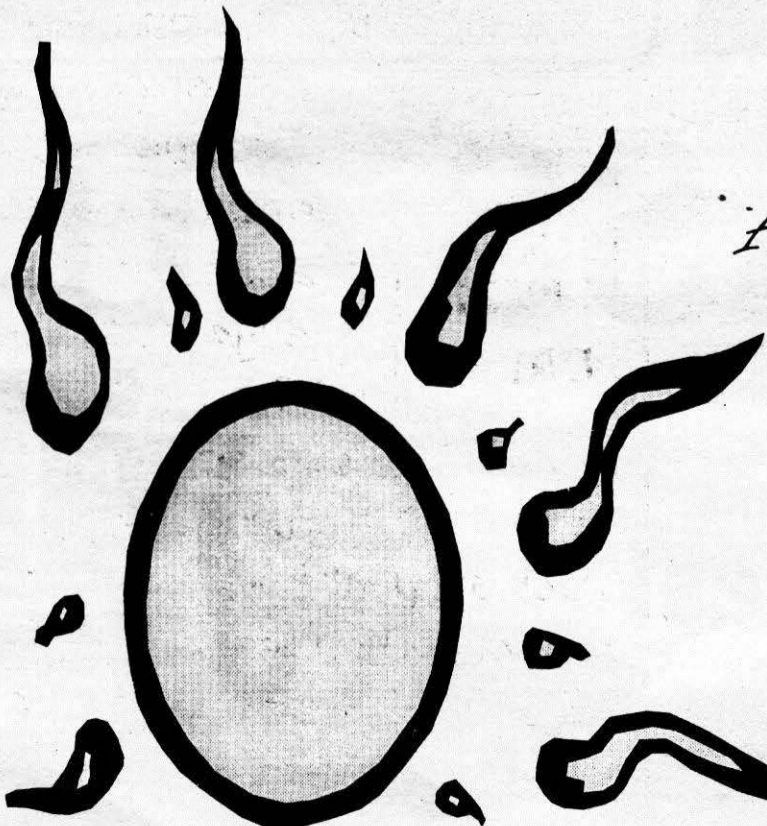
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— Gary Hale  
Parthenon Managing editor

# CCC apologizes Prayer inappropriate action in state graduation ceremonies

We would like to sincerely apologize to those who were offended by last Wednesday night's program on "Satanism and the Occult." We deeply regret some of the things that were said as well as the manner in which they were said.

We certainly DO NOT believe that everybody who is not a Christian is a Satanist, nor that all non-believers are demon-possessed. We also do not believe that those suffering from depression and chemical imbalance or those involved in homosexuality are demon-possessed. And in no way do we consider it our place to decide who is and who isn't "going to hell."

Our desire was simply to facilitate honest discus-

sion on various aspects of the occult and Satanism. We do believe that much of the activity associated with this area is destructive to both individuals and to society as a whole, and that those who get involved with such activities are merely being deceived into thinking that such involvement can provide true fulfillment and purpose in life.

We urge you to contact us directly if you have any questions or concerns about Wednesday night's program.

Sincerely,  
Chris Lipp, (lipp@marshall.edu), Campus Director  
Lisa M. Nunn (nunn1@marshall.edu)  
President  
Campus Crusade for Christ

When I attended May's graduation ceremony, I was shocked to discover that, even though Marshall University is a state-sponsored institution and the graduation ceremony is a secular event, there was still prayer, offered twice.

The US Supreme Court has eliminated administration-lead prayers in the graduation ceremonies of high schools. Why is it permitted in a state college's ceremony? Why was I expected to stand and bow my head to a god I do not believe exists simply because 90% of the audience takes such belief for granted? I was not at a church. I was not at a religious college. Prayer offered at one of those institutions is expected and proper. But prayer offered at a civil ceremony is offensive to atheists, agnostics, and freethinkers. Who decides that standing and praying to a biblical "God" is right and proper? Dr. Gilley? The majority of the audience? The Supreme Court ruled that no one gets to make that decision.

Prayer is a private matter. The majority doesn't get to rule over the minority. Critics will now say that the minority is trying to rule over the majority. But theists can always pray, anywhere and

anytime. In quiet. Without insisting that the rest of us join in. Without making the rest of us feel conspicuous because we sit and read the program instead of hypocritically standing and bowing. Protecting the rights and private feelings of the minority is one of the great things about the US constitution.

We want theists to understand that the private obligations they do to fulfill their spiritual/religious desires have no place in a secular gathering. Those private things, when performed in public and where everyone is assumed to want to participate, are uncomfortable and impolite to us.

We seek to open a dialogue over the subject of graduation prayers. We would like to see the prayer substituted with a quiet moment, or with a secular wish of success for all graduates. "We" are Rationalist United for Secular Humanism (RUSH), and we meet every Wednesday night at 9:15 in the MSC on the campus-side balcony. Join us and join the debate.

Linda Mastellone, chair  
RUSH Graduation Prayer Protest Committee

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## Poetry reading set for next week

by **PATRICIA WHITE**  
reporter

Award winning poet Dr. Paula C. Buck will read from her work at 8 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 20 in the Shawkey Room of the Marshall University Student Center.

The Department of English and the College of Liberal Arts is sponsoring her appearance, as part of the Visiting Writers Series.

Art E. Stringer, associate professor of English, said, "The purpose of this series is to get students and faculty to experience contemporary writers and current work in American writing." Buck, teaches at the University of Pittsburgh

**"Her poems are nationally known and show diversity."**

— **Art E. Stringer**  
associate professor  
of English

at Bradford, where she is also the Writing Program Director. She has won numerous awards including the "Shenandoah" magazine's Boatwright Poetry Prize. "This prize award is a nationwide poetry contest which had over 1,000 entries," Stringer said.

Buck was invited to Marshall, because "her poems are nationally known and show diversity," Stringer said.

He said the poetry reading is expected to last about 45

minutes.

More information can be obtained by contacting Stringer at 696-2403. The reading is free to the public.

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## Showing America's musical heritage goal of piano recital

by **ANDREA R. COPLEY**  
reporter

Apple pie and baseball are frequently associated with America.

Famous composers are not, according to Dr. Leslie Petteys, professor of piano.

"It's really sad that most composers on music programs are not American because that is our heritage," she said.

Petteys plans to change that tonight with everything American, from jazz to folk tunes to contemporary pieces, performed in her studio recital.

Among the American composers on the program are Aaron Copland, George Gershwin, Scott Joplin and George Crumb.

"Crumb, a West Virginia native, wrote music that is very unusual and has an eerie sound to it," she said.

Petteys said all of the performers are music majors, but not all are piano majors.

Students featured in the recital are Kathy Carr, Poca freshman; Jennifer Stark, Ravenswood freshman; John Jeffrey, Salt Rock sophomore; Scott Morrison, Hurricane senior; Joe Dangerfield, Fayetteville junior; Tanya Kiser, Greenbottom senior; Kelly Smith, Huntington senior; and Rhonda Mizok, Wellsburg junior.

"I think it is very exciting that we are doing an all American composer recital," Mizok said. "American composers are not recognized for their accomplishments, and it will be great to give them some recognition."

The public recital is 8 p.m. today in Smith Recital Hall. Admission is free.

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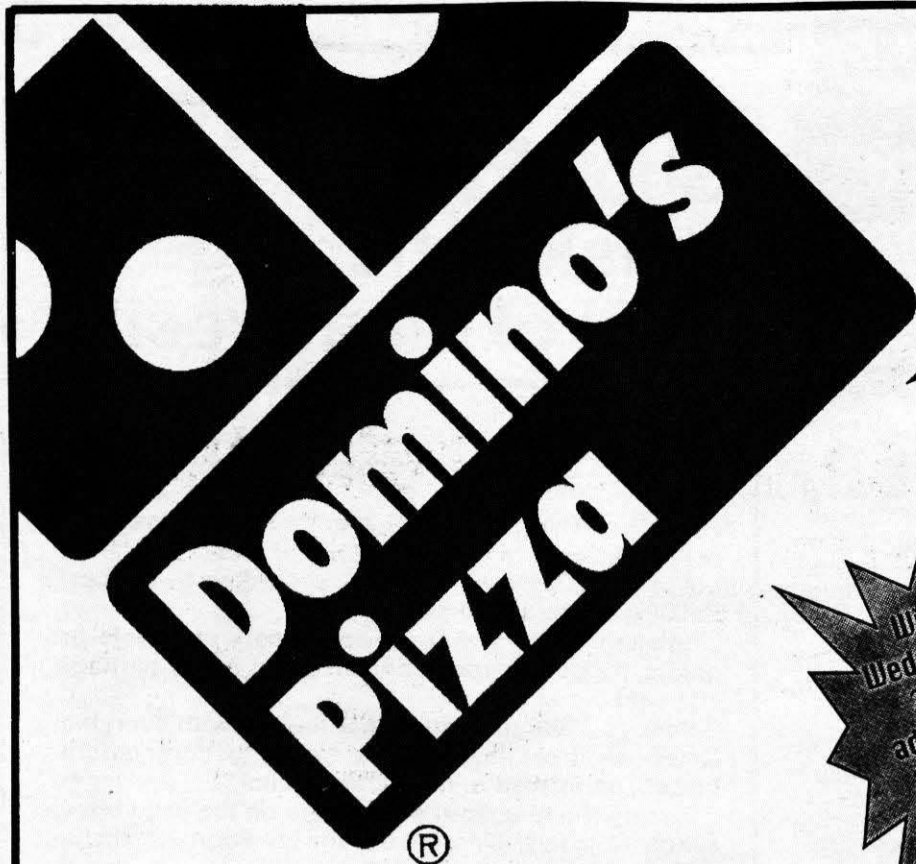
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Many Marshall students have not picked up their tickets for the Marshall-Ohio game, Clark Haptonstall, sports information director, said. "Only 1,500 tickets out of about 4,000 student tickets have been picked up." If students do not pick up tickets by 4:30 p.m. today, they will go on sale to the public Friday morning. Marshall and Ohio play at 3:30 p.m. Saturday at Marshall Stadium in Huntington.

# Arizona acquires first player; Pirates release pair

**PHOENIX (AP)** — Almost as soon as the Arizona Diamondbacks got a look at the names of players left unprotected in the expansion draft, they struck a deal for their first major-league player.

The Diamondbacks acquired right-hander Felix Rodriguez from the Cincinnati Reds on Tuesday for a player to be named later. Next week, Arizona and the Tampa Bay Devil Rays will choose 35 players apiece to stock their rosters.

"After all the months and miles and games watched, we finally got to see the names of the players we'll be working with," Diamondbacks general manager Joe Garagiola Jr. said. "It was just a tremendously exciting moment. There were a lot of names we were happy to see."

Garagiola declined to discuss other potential trades or players who could turn up on Arizona's roster after the draft.

"Now we are dealing with the players who are out there," Garagiola said. "We've studied and mock-drafted and prepped. You can only take that so far."

Garagiola declined to discuss what

player the Diamondbacks gave up for Rodriguez, 24, who had one start and 25 relief appearances for the Reds in 1997, going 0-0 with a 4.30 ERA.

His previous major-league experience came in 1995, when he was 1-1 with a 2.53 ERA for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

A native of the Dominican Republic, Rodriguez was a catcher in the Dodgers farm system until 1993, when he switched to the mound.

After spending 1996 with Triple-A Albuquerque Dukes, he signed with the Reds last Dec. 23.

Rodriguez has a 4.13 ERA in 37 career appearances, allowing 59 hits in 56 2-3 innings with 39 strikeouts and 33 walks.

"He has a good young arm," Garagiola said.

**PITTSBURGH (AP)** — The Pittsburgh Pirates had hoped to see Lou Collier and Kevin Polcovich battle it out for their regular shortstop job next spring.

Instead, both players may soon be heading to either Arizona or Florida after they failed to make the Pirates' list of 15 players who cannot be drafted by the expansion teams.

Centerfielder Jermaine Alenworth, third baseman Joe Randa and pitcher Steve Cooke are among the team's other top players not protected in Tuesday's expansion draft.

Each of the 28 major league teams submitted lists of their non-draftable personnel on Tuesday.

"I think we're going to lose a good player," said Pirates manager Gene Lamont.

"But I'm more worried about us losing two or three good players," Lamont said.

Teams can protect an additional three players after each of the first two draft rounds.

The draft ends when each expansion team has chosen 35 players.

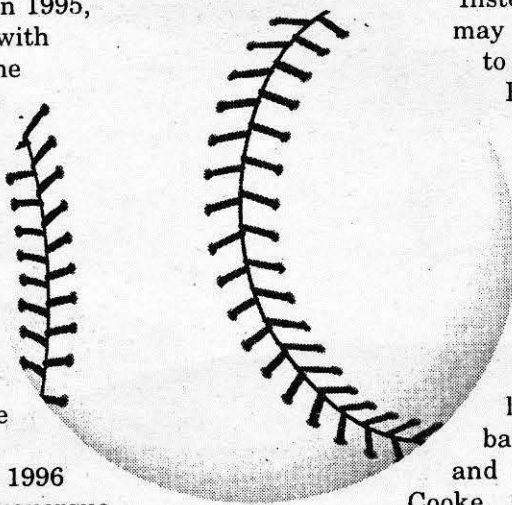
The Pirates' protected list includes outfielders Jose Guillen and Al Martin and infielders Kevin Young, Tony Womack, Abraham Nunez and Ron Wright.

Pitchers Francisco Cordova, Jason Schmidt, Esteban Loaiza, Jon Lieber, Rich Loiselle, Ricardo Rincon, Jeff Wallace and Jose Silva were also protected by Pittsburgh.

"I think we kept a real solid pitching corps and a real solid corps of position players," Lamont said.

Other players left off Pittsburgh's list include third baseman Freddy Garcia, catcher Keith Osik and center fielder Adrian Brown.

Outfielders Emil Brown and Mark Smith and pitchers Jimmy Anderson, Jason Johnson and Marc Wilkins were also absent from the list and will be eligible for the draft.



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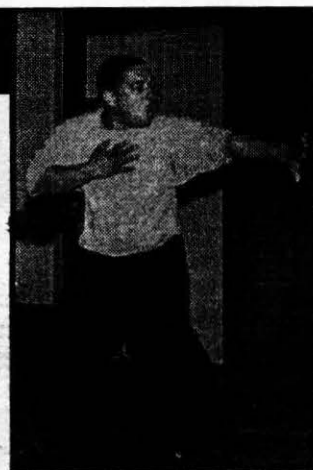


## Step by step...

### Preserving their heritage

The National Pan-Hellenic Council sponsored a stepshow Saturday. Find out about the history of it, the Pan-Hellenic system, and what happened Saturday.

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## the Parthenon

# Natural Energy?

### Some believe natural supplements are the key to energetic living.

Humans do not function like the Energizer Bunny. They do not keep going and going no matter what brand of battery.

But alternative medicine supporters say there are some natural products that can help charge the body's energy.

Brent Reed, owner of the New Earth Resource Company, a store that sells medicinal herbs and extracts, says lack of energy can be

related to depletion of enzymes in the body.

Enzymes come in foods we eat. However, we destroy most of these enzymes when we cook food, he said.

The solution is to replace these enzymes through either fresh foods or enzyme pills, he said. His store offers a digestive enzyme pill that is intended to be taken with every meal.

"You will be amazed that you will no longer be sleepy,

unless your sleepiness is caused by lack of sleep," Reed said.

By the mid-twenties a person's body cannot deal with enzyme loss, so organs become abnormally large and require more energy, he said.

This causes organs such as the brain not to function optimally, Reed said.

Darrell Samples, physician of natural pathic and oriental medicine and medical school professor, said energy boosters should only be used for short term needs.

Samples also instructs the medical school's first alternative medicine course.

"The materials themselves don't have the energy, but they help release stored energy. There is such thing as using energy up," Samples said.

Bee pollen, a natural material collected by bees, and ginseng, a plant extract, are other examples of energy boosters, he said.

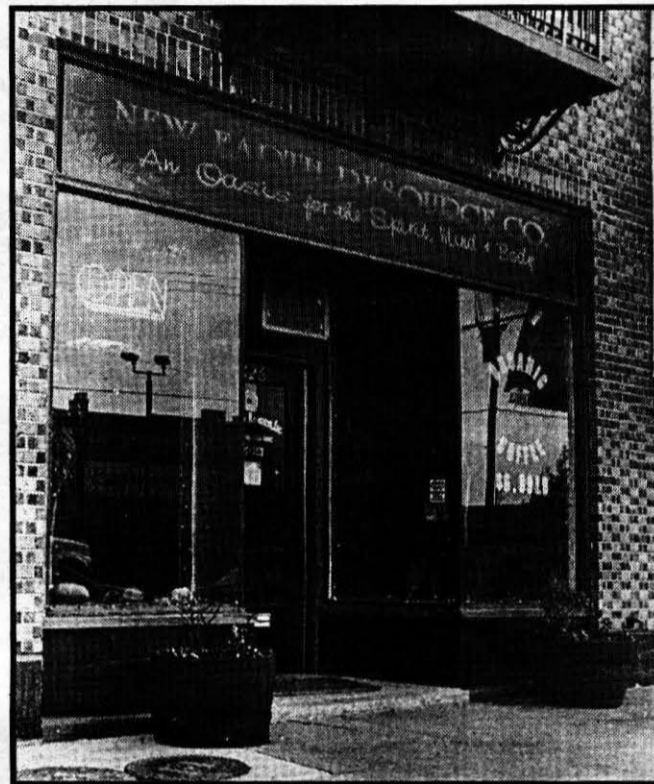
Energy boosters are useful when cramming for a test or trying to get a paper done, but he would not recommend use over a prolonged period of time, Samples said.

Gary L. Hick, Huntington sophomore and supporter of alternative medicine practices, said, "Too much of anything is a bad thing."

He uses Ginkobiloba to help stimulate brain activity. He said it helps him retain more of what he reads and studies.

He purchases the product from the River Cities Natural Health run by Samples, he said.

"It just depends on what



your body is ready and willing to accept. If you are feeling exhausted all the time, you have to look at your lifestyle."

Hick said he has also used ginseng. "However, if you keep on boosting your energy on ginseng, your body will be

Reed said he believes this condition stems from "plain old enzyme deficiency."

He, too, was drawn to alternative methods after traditional methods did not work.

"I used to eat breakfast and would go to my eight o'clock class and could not stay awake. I went to doctors and they could not tell me anything."

Growing up in the Greenbottom area, Reed would spend time pulling up plants to learn their benefits. His self-taught techniques and other work in the natural health industry helped him diagnose his own enzyme deficiency, he said.

The enzyme pill solved his problem, he said. "It can make a difference in a 3.0 to 4.0 [GPA]."

Reed said the enzyme pill is very safe. It costs \$8 to \$10 for a monthly supply.

Samples said most of these products are considered safe. "There is still nothing better than good nutrition, exercise,

*"The materials themselves don't have energy, but they help release stored energy."*

*- Darrell Samples  
physician and  
medical school  
professor*

hyped up so much it will fall into a period of needed rest which could be debilitating."

Julie Baisden, Elkins senior, said she heard about ginseng from friends. She tried it and uses it occasionally when she is trying to stay up late.

"I took a few and was able to tell a difference. It wasn't a major difference. It wasn't even like drinking coffee," she said.

Hick said he turned to alternative medicine after traditional medicine failed. He currently takes an energy booster for his chronic fatigue syndrome.



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