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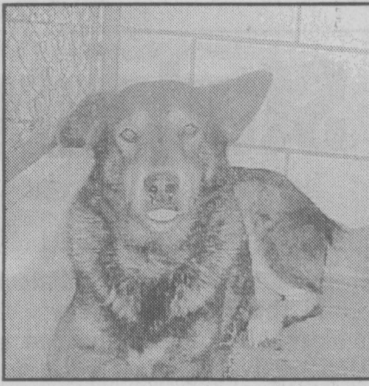
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Thundering Herd football signs 10 recruits

by JACOB MESSER
managing editor

Marshall received letters-of-intent from 10 recruits who signed to play football for the Thundering Herd next season, Coach Bob Pruett announced Wednesday via a press release from the Sports Information Office.

Marshall signed six linemen, one running back, one linebacker, one defensive back and one punter/kicker. Seven of the 10 recruits are high school seniors, while the other three are junior college transfers.

There are two players from both Florida and Kentucky. The other signees are from

West Virginia, Ohio, Mississippi, Alabama, Virginia and California.

"We're tickled to have the recruiting class we have," Pruett said Wednesday. "We helped ourselves on offense and defense with this class."

"I think it could turn out to be an outstanding class," he continued. "Hopefully, the guys will play as good as they look on paper and in film."

Marshall associate head coach Mark Gale agreed.

"We're very happy with the class we have," Gale said. "We wanted to go out and fill our immediate needs. We feel comfortable that we did that."

The Thundering Herd was

12-1 this season. Marshall won its second consecutive Mid-American Conference championship and beat Conference USA opponent Louisville 48-29 in the Motor City Bowl.

Marshall loses nine players from its 12-1 team. Among the losses are wide receivers LaVorn Colclough, Jerrald Long and Tyson Hagale as well as offensive linemen Jamie Rodgers and Brian Baxter.

Also, punt returner Damone Williams, nose guard Ricky Hall, punter Chris Hanson and tight end John White have finished their eligibility.

The Thundering Herd edged out schools from the Atlantic Coast Conference, Conference

USA, Big East Conference and Big 12 Conference in its recruiting battles, Gale said. It also competed with independent schools.

"We want to be the best," Marshall recruiting coordinator Dave Johnson said, "but if we're going to be the best, we have to outrecruit our opponents. You have to go for the very best players when your standards are that high."

"Nothing is easy," Johnson added. "We're competing in a different realm, a different arena. We're butting heads with successful programs and elite conferences."

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THUNDERING HERD SIGNEES

Name	Pos., Ht., Wt.	Hometown
Akia Brown	RB, 6-1, 200	Portsmouth, Ohio
Toriano Brown	DT, 6-3, 265	Batesville, Minn.
Gladstone Coke	DB, 5-11, 187	Moore Haven, Fla.
Steve Content	DT, 6-3.5, 285	Miami, Fla.
Scott Harper	DT, 6-6, 335	Grand Bay, Ala.
Curtis Head	P/K, 5-10, 168	Shelbyville, Ky.
Elmer Holmes	LB, 6-1, 212	Manassas, Va.
Eric Krauss	OG, 6-4, 265	Bluefield
Nathan Leslie	DE, 6-4, 249	Emma, Ky.
James Simons	OT, 6-6, 310	Fresno, Calif.

Policies change for admissions

by GAYLE L. SMITLEY
reporter

Freshmen applying as full-time students for the fall 1999 semester will be affected by the new admissions policies approved by the Faculty Senate and President J. Wade Gilley.

"I believe the new policy is a positive step," said James W. Harless, director of admissions, "because it shows we are trying to get students who will work. We want students to come here who want to succeed."

As freshmen enrollment has continued to increase, the faculty senate and administration have questioned the number of students admitted and the academic standards by which they were accepted to the university, Harless said.

The state does not provide additional resources to help the university meet the needs of additional students, according to the executive committee recommendation.

Herbert J. Karlet, vice president of finance, said the resource allocation policy does not take enrollment growth into consideration when allocating money to institutions.

To assure that the quality of instruction does not diminish, the university must take steps to control its enrollment growth, according to the Executive Committee recommendation.

Beginning with the fall 1999 semester, the number of first-time, full-time freshmen to be admitted to baccalaureate studies will be limited to approximately 1,800 students.

Different guidelines will be used to determine admission of incoming first-time, full-time freshmen.

Students with a 2.0 high school cumulative grade point average (gpa) and an ACT composite of 19 or a 910 SAT score, will be fully admitted for the fall semester.

Last year, fully admitted freshmen were required to have a 2.0 high school gpa and an ACT composite score of 17 or an 810 SAT score.

The Executive Committee said that although students are fully admitted to the university, the students are not guaranteed admission to all programs.

Some programs, including nursing, pre-engineering and legal assisting, require students to request specific information from the department.

Students who do not meet the full admission require-

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...It tolls for thee



photo by John F. Carter

Students pass the bell in the courtyard behind Morrow Library on their way to class Wednesday.

by JOSEPH C. THORNTON
reporter

Official Graduate Record Exam (GRE) scorers, of the paper and pencil version, will soon be looking for something else to do.

For those aspiring to attend graduate school, there is only one more chance to take the GRE with paper and pencil before it is phased out.

The last time the paper and pencil format will be offered is April 10. After that, computer only exams will be the standard, but a very important warning goes with it.

Trent Anderson, executive

director of graduate programs for Kaplan, the nation's largest test preparation company, said, "We think students will like the computer test, but they shouldn't assume that it's like a paper test on computer."

Anderson said that if students have a preference, they had better act fast.

"They should get familiar with the computer adaptive test, and if they think they'll do better with paper and pencil, now's their chance," he said.

Vickie Seguin, director of the testing center at Marshall, said the computer version provides students with a variety of options that the pencil and

paper version didn't.

"We give the test six days a week, Monday through Saturday, twice a day and on Tuesday we give it three times a day," she said.

"If you take it on paper and pencil, you're only doing it twice a semester on a Saturday."

For students attempting to determine which option is best for them, Kaplan is offering free paper and pencil practice tests at its centers nationwide.

Students who choose to take the practice test will be given a detailed analysis of their performance to help determine which format is best for them.

"The two formats require dif-

Professors carry fond MU memories upon retirement

by JIA HENG
reporter

Memories of a lifetime may be what retiring professors take with them as they look back on their working experience at Marshall University.

Five professors in the College of Education and Human Services (COEHS) will retire this semester from the university, where all have studied and worked for more than 30 years.

The retirees are Dr. Roscoe Hale Jr., Dr. Danny G. Fulks, Dr. Virginia D. Plumley (photo not available), Dr. Dorothy E. Hicks and Edward J. Prelaz.

In Hicks' 30 years at Marshall she has been Chairwoman of the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, associate athletic director, women's golf coach and volleyball coach. She is now professor of physical education of COEHS.

Hale, director of teaching education, earned his bachelor's and master's degrees at Marshall, and has been teaching at Marshall since 1968 when Marshall was a college.

"I have been teaching several hundreds of high school and college students," Hale said. "I enjoy teaching, instructing and advising my students."

"Enrollment of Marshall has increased greatly. A lot more programs, more students... we've got more forceful programs than years earlier," Hale said.

Hale suggested that Marshall should pay more attention to the quality of the education of students rather than growth of the number of students.

Fulks, professor of education, has been program director of elementary education for 15 years, and a supervisor of stu-

dent teachers.

"Marshall now has many new buildings...resources to athletics...up-to-date in technology...good support for those who are willing to accept their autonomy. Nobody interferes with your teaching style, or your research interests,"

Fulks said.

Marshall still needs to put more resources into full-time professors and emphasis on research.

"My best memories are of students," Fulks said. "They are the very best people I have ever known, full of life, earthy, funny, caring, loving and good-looking."

Plumley, professor of instructional technology in COEHS, said she has been affiliated with Marshall for 39 years, starting with her higher education.

Marshall has changed a lot, Plumley said, especially the growth in numbers of students, faculty members, programs and buildings.

"Departments

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PRELAZ

Final exam on paper ushers in testing format

ferent test taking approaches. Even though most of us are comfortable with computers, the concept of adaptive testing is new.

"It's a different kind of mind game," Anderson said.

Here's the warning. Seguin explained the intricacies of the computer version by saying that once a student has completed and confirmed that particular test question, they can't go back and change the answer.

Paper and pencil is a linear exam where each question is laid out for the student in sequential order. The computer exam routes the student to the next question based on the stu-

dents response to the previous question. If the student answers a question correctly it routes him to a different question than if he had answered it incorrectly.

Seguin said that some of the other advantages to the computer based format are that unofficial scores are reported to the student immediately after the exam. Students don't have to wait on group instructions, allowing them to move at their own pace.

The computer format also offers an individual setting as opposed to a group setting like that for the paper and pencil version.

Students get taste of 'the Big Apple'

by JILLIAN GEORGES
reporter

Forget the Wild Dog Saloon and the Stoned Monkey; 47 Marshall students decided to spend five days last week seeing the sights in New York City.

The art department organized a trip to the Big Apple so the students could visit everything from art museums and galleries to Broadway musicals and the Today Show.

Although the group consisted mostly of art majors, anyone was allowed to go on the trip.

"In New York you can see a

great deal of art first hand, originals. It's much better than in slides," said Michael Cornfeld, art department professor and coordinator of the trip.

The group, gone from Wednesday to Sunday, visited many popular spots including the Metropolitan Museum, the Museum of Modern Art and the galleries in Soho.

An itinerary was set, but most students decided to venture out in the city on their own and see the places that interested them.

Cornfeld said students get a much more realistic view of the art world by seeing the

pieces up close. He said it shows the students the type and amount of work and dedication that are needed to succeed in such a large competitive field.

Terri Plate, who just completed her master's of art and teaching at Marshall, agreed. "Being an artist, you are constantly looking at others' work to get information and ideas," Plate said. Visiting the sights evokes an excitement.

But this trip was not just an educational one.

Some students, including April Gessner, a senior graphic design major from

Williams-town, found time to visit Al Roker on the set of the Today Show. Others went to comedy clubs, to the Rosie O'Donnell Show and to the Late Show starring David Letterman.

"I just loved the entire atmosphere," said Rob Robinson, who just completed his master's degree in art. "It's totally different than Huntington."

After the five-day whirlwind of cultural experiences, the group returned on Sunday.

"Just getting around in New York City is a learning experience itself," Cornfeld said.

Herd signs recruits

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The coaches persuade recruits to attend Marshall. They do not dissuade them from going to other colleges.

"We accentuate the positives," Johnson said. "We show the recruits what Marshall has to offer. I think we're successful in that area. That's how we're going to recruit. We're going to use that philosophy."

"We don't have to use any negative recruiting tactics," Johnson said. "The coaches, players, the program, the university and the community sell themselves."

Indeed, Marshall was able to win most of its recruiting battles because of its accomplishments on the field and its fans in the stands.

"Anytime you have a record like Marshall has you have a chance at getting a kid," Johnson said. "One of the inherent needs of a player being successful. They want to be successful and they want to win. We can offer that to them."

"It's like Coach Pruett always says, 'They can leave Marshall with a diploma in one hand and a championship ring on the other.' They will leave Marshall with a very positive experience."

"Plus, they know the community is rallying around them," he added. "They come to the games and see the crowds. They want to be a part of that."

Pruett is the key, though. "He is the key selling point in our recruiting," Johnson said.

"There's no question. He is an image of what Marshall football is all about. Once the recruits meet him they know what we have to offer and they know what he is all about. They see integrity, they see caring."

"They love Coach Pruett. They want to play for him. They know he is concerned about them. He concerns himself with their athletics, with their academics, with every facet of their life."

Johnson supplied a player-by-player rundown of the signing class.

Akia Brown, 6-foot-1, 200-pound running back: "Akia can run the football well, but in our system he will also need to be able to catch it well. We think he's capable of doing that."

Toriano Brown, 6-3, 265-pound defensive tackle: "Toriano reminds us of Ricky Hall. He plays with great leverage, he runs real well, and he's always around the ball."

Gladstone Coke, 5-11, 187-pound defensive back: "Gladstone is going to be a good coverage guy. He could be a cornerback or a safety. He has excellent change of direction and excellent athleticism. His skills are exceptional."

Steve Content, 6-3, 285-pound defensive tackle: "Steve is very mature physically. He's strong. He plays with great strength and plays hard. We recruited him because we knew he would give us immediate help on the defensive line."

Scott Harper, 6-6, 335-pound offensive tackle: "Scott has a huge body. He is one of those kids who can give us immediate help on the offensive line. He's very good athletically."

Curtis Head, 5-10, 168-pound punter/kicker: "Curtis is an outstanding punter. Plus, he's very effective kicking off and kicking field goals. He can do a lot of things. That gives us a lot of options down the road."

Elmer Holmes, 6-1, 212-poundlinebacker: "Elmer comes to Marshall with a lot of accolades. He is a four-time all-state player. In fact, he's one of only two players from Virginia to be named all-state all four years in high school. From the beginning of the play to the end of play, he's always around the ball. We think he'll be an exceptional player."

Eric Krauss, 6-4, 265-pound offensive guard: "We're tickled to get Eric. When you watch him on film he plays with great desire. He's a very strong kid. He plays with great tenacity and effort. He goes as hard in the fourth quarter as he does in the first quarter."

Nathan Leslie, 6-4, 249-pound defensive end: "Nathan has the potential to be an outstanding pass rusher. He gets off the ball well and gets upfield well. He's a great athlete."

James Simons, 6-6, 310-pound offensive tackle: "James is a big boy. We liked him because he played in a system similar to our's in junior college. They ran similar pass plays and run plays. He should be able to help us quickly."

Nitro quarterback J.R. House did not sign with Marshall Wednesday.

The 6-1, 215-pound phenom completed 425-of-610 passes for 5,526 yards and 65 touchdowns this season to lead the Wildcats to the state title in Class AAA.

He completed 1,075-of-1,682 passes for 14,457 yards and 145 touchdowns in his career.

The all-time prep passing leader, House is considering Marshall, Georgia, Tulane and Duke. House, a strong-armed catcher receiving interest from professional baseball teams, is not expected to make a decision until after the Major League Baseball Draft June 4.

No other quarterbacks signed Wednesday, Pruett said. About signing a quarterback later this week, Pruett said, "We'll just have to wait and see."

High school quarterbacks Chuck Spearman, Luis Gonzalez and Ryan Schneider are being recruited by the Thundering Herd.

Nitro receiver Chris Martin, DuPont kicker Gabe Giardina and Man tight end Chad Lusk committed to play for Marshall as walk-ons this fall.

Clarification

Due to an error in Wednesday's paper, Mackenzie Howard, student body president was said to have proposed moving the health services to Third Avenue and Twentieth Street. Steve W. Hensley, associate dean for student affairs, stated at Tuesday's SGA meeting that the plan was in the works, not Howard.

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Policies to change

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ments can still apply and may be conditionally admitted on the basis of seat availability, Harless said.

According to the conditional acceptance letter, only a limited number of admitted students will be permitted to enroll for the fall term.

Acceptance will be determined on a first-come, first-serve basis, as students sign up for the summer orientation program.

Conditionally admitted students are accepted on the basis that they take positive action to improve their chances of succeeding in, and graduating from college, as stated by the acceptance letter.

Students may retake the ACT or SAT test to try to raise their scores. However, depending on the individual math and English scores, a student may

need to take one or more developmental courses.

If the ACT math score is below 19 (460 SAT), or the English score is below 18 (450 SAT), the student will need to take developmental courses in those areas.

Students can take developmental courses beginning this summer of and qualify to be fully admitted in the fall.

If admitted, students are required to address deficiencies in English during the first semester and are to be completed by the beginning of the third semester. Deficiencies in math must be removed by the beginning of the fourth semester.

Full admission will occur only after all deficiencies have been completed with a 2.0 gpa. minimum.

"We want to admit as many students as we can," said Sarah N. Denman, vice president for academic affairs, "and provide a quality education to those students. The long term goal is graduation."

Retirees exit with memories

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of education and business have their own college now. And we have a close relationship with the community," Plumley said.

"I love Marshall University, and have a good feeling about it. The university has grown a lot. We now have good leadership," Plumley said.

Plumley also expressed her wish that Marshall could offer the major of library science.

"We have one of the finest libraries in the county," Plumley said, "and no academic program to meet the rising demand for public school librarians."

Most of the five retiring professors will continue to work for the university after retirement.

"Free at last," Plumley said. Plumley will continue to work on a couple of newsletters for students, alumni and senior citizens, though she will live a more leisurely life after retirement.

Hale will continue to teach some middle school courses.

"I wish I could help the college and work with some program development," Hale said.

"I will call my favorite talk show hosts," Fulks said, "play blackjack, hang out at Big Daddy's, go to Alison Krauss' concerts, write Appalachian nonfiction, work with a script writer in Hollywood on a movie, golf, go to outlet malls and Opryland with senior citizen tours, watch Loveline on MTV, and show outrage over the moral decline."

Dr. Larry G. Froehlich, executive dean of COEHS, said, "Each of the five professors has contributed a lot to the college and students over many years." "With their retirement, we will lose a lot of experience and expertise in those areas. It will be difficult to replace the faculty members. But, it also gives us an opportunity to have a group of new faculty."

Once COEHS gets approval from President Gilley, Froehlich said, it will recruit faculty to fill the vacancies as soon as possible.

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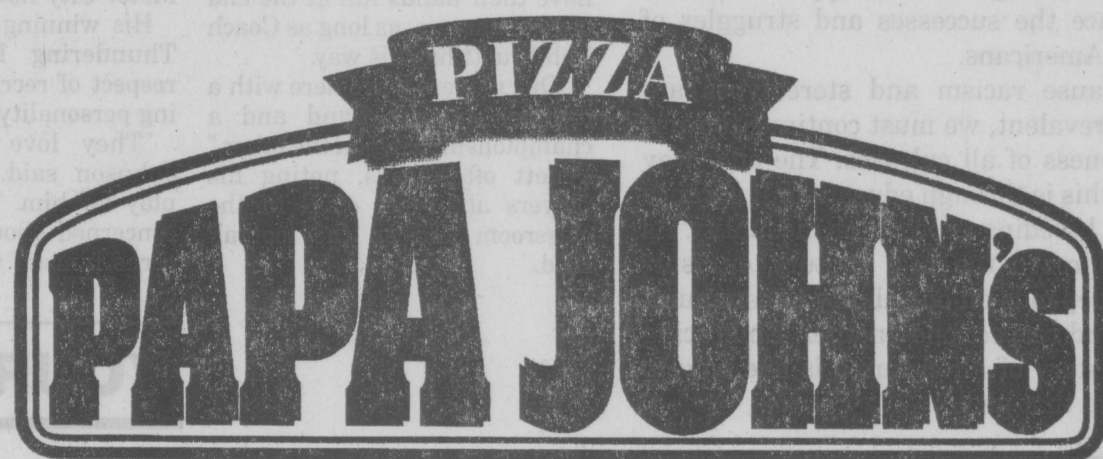
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HOT TOPIC

Black history affects us all

Black History Month is not just for African Americans. It's a time for us all to recognize the accomplishments and noble struggles of black Americans who have contributed to our society.

Without black Americans we would not have many of the daily tools we take for granted — items such as the typewriter, elevator, fountain pen, pencil sharpener and countless other inventions.

This month is also a time to honor those African Americans who excelled despite racism, segregation and pure oppression. Medgar Evers traveled throughout Mississippi during the '50s and '60s to encourage African Americans to register to vote and organized boycotts against firms that practiced racial discrimination. Charlotte Ray became the first black female lawyer in the United States in 1872. Baseball player Josh Gibson, who was kept from the major leagues because of segregation, excelled in the Negro National League and was later inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1972.

These are some of the lesser known great African Americans, the ones that are not included in our history books. Countless others are overlooked. Each year we have a day to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr., and although King is unquestionably deserving of our honor, what about all the other African Americans who our children do not learn about in public schools?

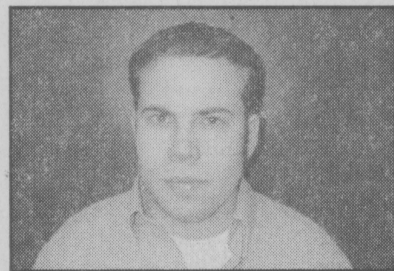
Black History Month should serve as a reminder that we have a responsibility to educate ourselves and others about African Americans. Because it has been overlooked in the past, there is a greater need to study this culture and its people. Regardless of race or ethnicity, we all have benefited from the contributions of black Americans.

As part of Black History Month, the African American Students' Program has planned several events. We urge you to take advantage of these opportunities to embrace the successes and struggles of black Americans.

Because racism and stereotypes are still prevalent, we must continue to raise awareness of all cultures. The only way to do this is through education. Ignorance is the breeding ground for inequality. As we approach the 21st century, our survival depends on our ability to communicate and respect one another. Embracing the history of all cultures is one way to achieve that goal.



Pruett gets recruits by winning, caring



JACOB
MESSER

Ten recruits have signed their letters-of-intent to play football for the Thundering Herd beginning in the fall.

Their signatures mean the talented athletes will have their hands full during the summer.

They will be running sprints, lifting weights, doing drills and learning plays.

And those 10 recruits will still have their hands full at the end of their careers, as long as Coach Bob Pruett has his way.

"Our players leave here with a diploma in one hand and a championship ring on the other," Pruett often says, noting his players ability to excel in the classroom and on the football field.

The 10 gridiron stars picked Marshall over a variety of colleges for a variety of reasons. But one factor in each of their decisions, presumably, is Pruett, a Marshall alumnus and former Thundering Herd football star.

"He is the key selling point in our recruiting," said Marshall recruiting coordinator Dave Johnson, referring to Pruett. "There's no question. He is an image of what Marshall football is all about."

And that, as Pruett is quick to point out, is winning championships.

In his three seasons as the Thundering Herd's head coach, Pruett has won a Division I-AA national championship and two Mid-American Conference titles. He is 37-4 during that stretch.

Marshall was 12-1 this season and beat Louisville 48-29 in the Motor City Bowl.

His winning ability gives the Thundering Herd coach the respect of recruits. But his caring personality keeps it.

"They love Coach Pruett," Johnson said. "They want to play for him. They know he is concerned about them. He concerns himself with their athletic,

with their academics, with every facet of their life."

Because of that, Pruett, along with the members of his coaching staff, were able to convince those 10 recruits to choose Marshall over nationally-recognized schools like Ohio State, Michigan, Michigan State, West Virginia, Pittsburgh, Washington State and Louisville.

In a span of only three years, Marshall has went from developing unknown diamonds-in-the-rough and accepting leftover hand-me-downs to competing with the top teams from the top conferences.

They are not only competing but winning in some cases, as proven by the talented classes of recruits in the past two seasons.

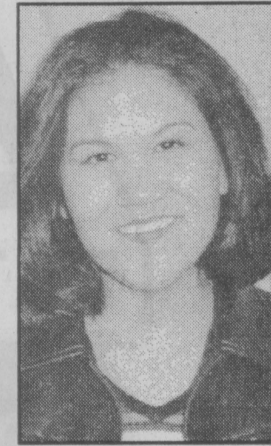
A successful program and a supportive community have played major roles in that progress, but Pruett deserves much of the credit.

Thumbs up, Coach, on a job well done.

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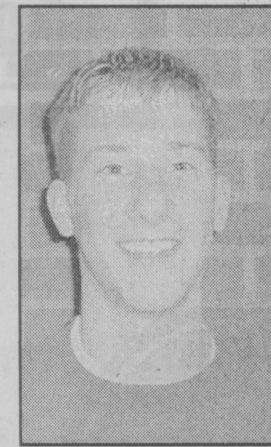
WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

In an informal survey Wednesday, students were asked how they felt knowing MUPD has a warrant for the arrest of a man allegedly involved in a buglary/Peeping Tom incident in Buskirk Hall and whether or not the suspect should be arrested immediately.



"I don't like it that they're waiting. The longer you wait, the more things can happen."

— Denisha Racimo,
Charleston freshman



"I'd say go get him. I have friends who live in Buskirk. It seems ridiculous to know exactly who this guy is and that he may have committed these crimes,

but we're letting him go about his business."

—Homer Dawson,
Savage, Minn. sophomore



"I think they should go ahead now. If they wait, he might do this to somebody else. I don't see the point in waiting if they can go get him now, if they know who he is."

— Don Scalise,
East Bank sophomore

Tell us what's on your mind.

Have an opinion about a campus issue? Is there a story idea you think deserves some coverage? Let us know what you think is important. Send letters or guest columns to The Parthenon. We're waiting to hear your view.

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Hate crime laws are discriminatory

To the editor:

The West Virginia Lesbian and Gay Coalition is asking the Legislature to amend West Virginia's laws to give special consideration for what they refer to as "hate crimes."

What is a "hate crime?" The U.S. Department of Justice reports these are crimes motivated by a "negative bias against persons, property, or organizations based solely on sexual orientation, race, religion, ethnicity/national origin or disability."

If a victim of a crime is chosen primarily because of any of

these characteristics, it is considered a crime motivated by hate. Hate crime laws give greater weight to these offenses. Here is an illustration: Joe is assaulted on one side of town. On the other side of town, John is assaulted.

All else being equal, if it can be proven that Joe was chosen primarily because he belonged to a certain ethnic group or because he was gay, a federal "hate crime" law would favor him, as a victim, over John.

For example, federal officials could be utilized to investigate and prosecute in Joe's case, but

not John's. There would also be a likelihood of a more severe punishment for Joe's perpetrator.

I believe in the biblical mandate: to "love your neighbor as yourself," and stand against any form of evil, prejudice, bigotry and violence.

I strongly disagree with any law or policy that discriminates against any victims of crime and believe that every citizen should have equal protection under local, state and federal laws. We should all be equal under the law.

Zara Click,
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The Akron Zips downed the Herd 78-64 in women's basketball action Wednesday. Marshall's Kristina Behnfeldt led all scorers with 32 points. She also led Marshall in rebounds with eight, second only to Akron's Erica Glover who grabbed nine.

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'King'dom come; VanHoose's will be done

by **CHAD PENNINGTON**
reporter

The criteria for winning does not include grace and style. But it does include heart and hustle.

"Keep fighting. Scratch and claw," Marshall coach Greg White said at halftime of the Marshall-Ball State basketball game. "It may not be pretty, but we've got to win tonight."

And win they did. Freshman J.R. VanHoose and senior Carlton King sparked an 18-7 run over a 5:22 span in the second half to lead the men's basketball team to a 73-66 win over Ball State University and end a four-game losing streak. VanHoose and King combined for 16 of the 18 points during the run which boosted

Marshall's lead from 41-40 to 59-47 with 6:41 remaining.

"We wanted to win real bad," King said. "We knocked down our open shots real well."

King netted 16 points on 6-of-9 shooting, while VanHoose finished with a third straight double-double, scoring 24 points and grabbing 14 rebounds.

"I feel a lot more comfortable (on the court) than I did earlier in the season," VanHoose said.

Guard Travis Young added 10 points for the Herd, and sophomore Cornelius Jackson missed a double-double by one point, finishing with nine points and 10 assists.

Ball State was led by its top scorer Duane Clemens, who finished with 16 points. The points did not come easy, though, as Clemens was held to

6-of-17 shooting.

Junior guard Shane Franks added 12 points, and sophomore Jerome Davis recorded 10 points.

"We gave up too many inside baskets," Ball State coach Ray McCallum said. "You have to eliminate easy baskets to win away from home."

Marshall's 18-7 run started at the defensive end which enabled the Herd to get out in transition, McCallum said.

Ball State jumped out to an early 16-5 lead with 11:18 remaining but could not hold on. Marshall tied the score at 27-27 with 42 seconds left, and sophomore Joda Burgess buried a 3-pointer with two seconds remaining to give the Herd a 30-27 halftime advantage.

"(Burgess' shot) was a big confidence builder," King said. "It gave us momentum going into halftime."

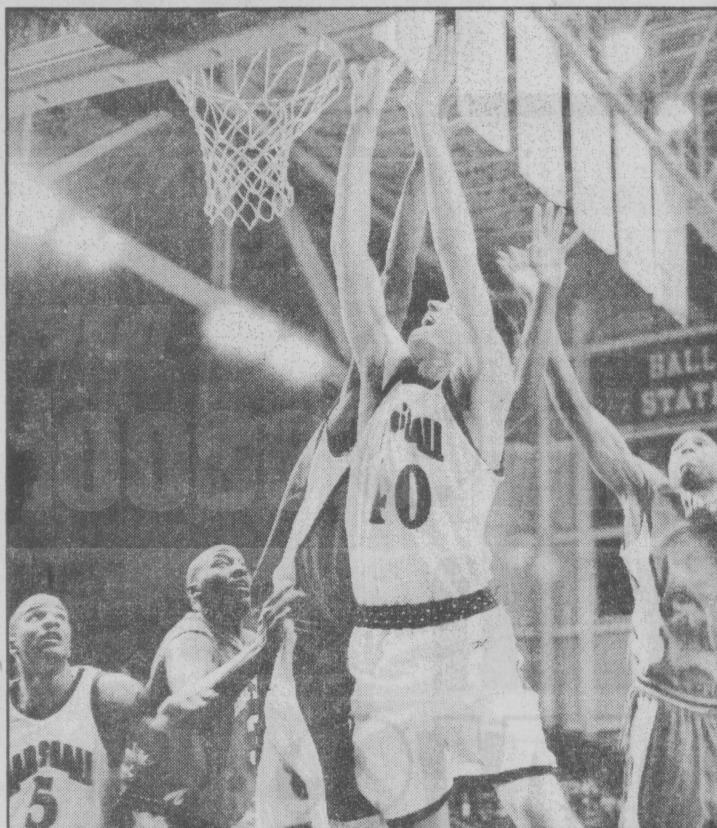


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Freshman J.R. VanHoose led the Herd with 24 points and 14 rebounds against the Ball State Cardinals Wednesday at the Cam Henderson Center.

VanHoose has received more playing time of late due to ankle and knee injuries to starting center Terrell McKelvy. VanHoose goes into Saturday's game with Eastern Michigan riding three consecutive double-doubles (at least 10 points and 10 rebounds in a game).

Herd of tomorrow?

Sweetheart Clinic introduces Marshall athletics to young girls

by **JENNIFER JOHNSON**
reporter

February is the month for sweethearts, so the Athletic Department is putting a different twist on things.

The second annual Sweetheart Clinic has nothing to do with dates, flowers or candy, but does have something to do with athletes, athletic balls and shoes.

The clinic is in celebration of National Girls and Women in Sports Day. Girls 12

years of age and younger meet with the athletic coaches and learn about the sports that are offered women at Marshall.

The clinic will be offered Saturday, Feb. 6, at 10:30 a.m. in the Gullickson Gym.

"Last year the clinic was held on Valentine's Day. Hence the name sweetheart. This year, even though it falls earlier, we kept the name," said Beatrice Crane, associate director of athletics.

The clinic is geared at introducing athletics to younger girls who otherwise may

not be introduced to the various sports. "This day is designed to show the achievements in women's athletics," Crane said.

"It is also a way to expose young girls to what Marshall student athletes do."

The clinic will be taught by the individual coaches and players of each sport.

"Each team is sending representatives, depending on the size of the team. They may send as many as 10 or 12 players or as few as four or five," Crane said.

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1:30pm - 2:00pm Pep Rally with MU Cheerleaders

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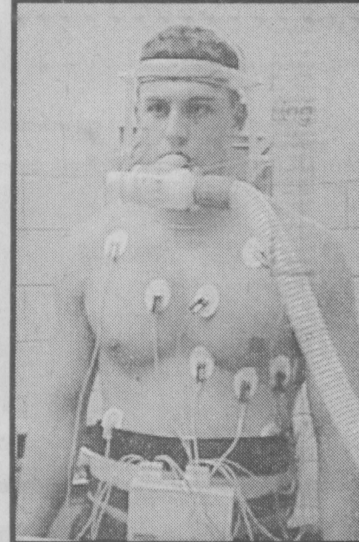


Fine tuning...

Marshall football players work on balance, agility

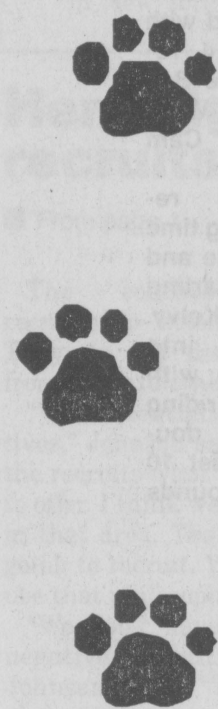
Bruce McAllister, flexibility coach, started his "fine tuning" program to strengthen his bowl champion football team. "It's a new dimension you don't see on most football teams," McAllister said.

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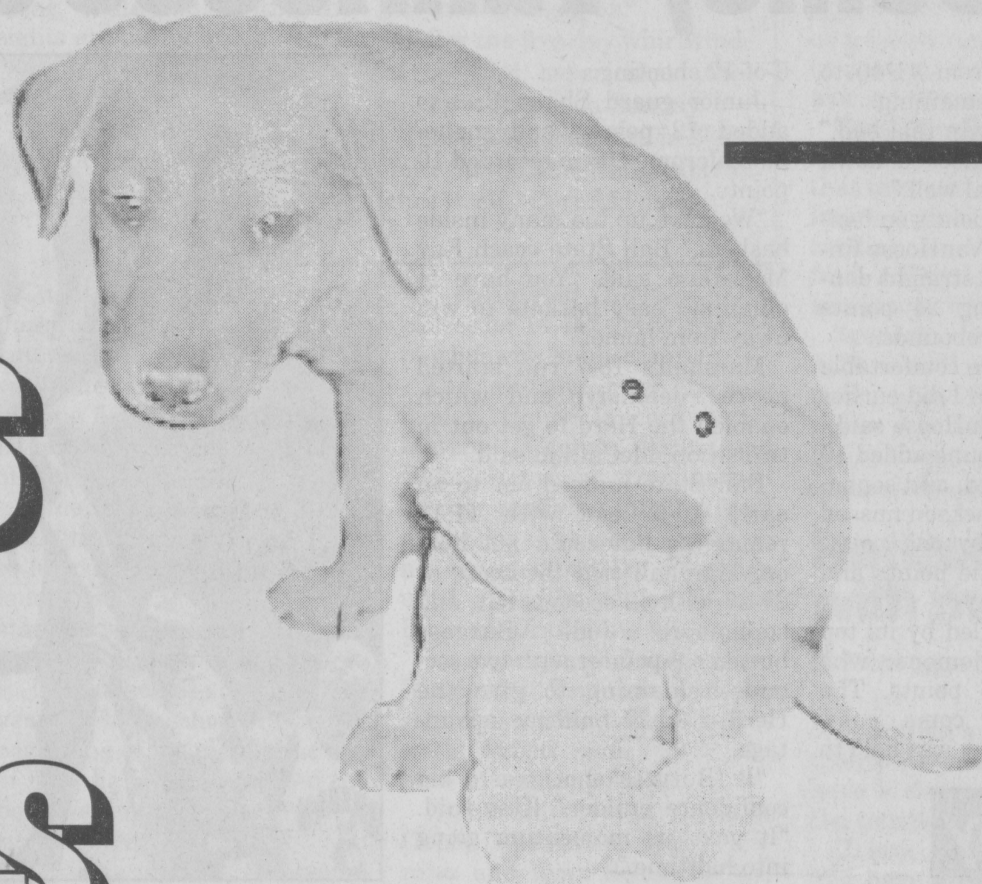


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Pals with Paws



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STEPHANIE M. LeMASTERS



Students have opportunity to adopt pets

Imagine coming home from a long day of class and finding no one there. But just as boredom begins to rear its ugly head, your best friend bounds up to you. No, not a person—your pet.

Man's best friend has always been important in some homes, but more and more students are finding they don't have to go far for undeniable friendship.

On the west side of Huntington an animal shelter houses a wide variety of pets in all different shapes and sizes.

Debbie Young, receptionist for Huntington-Cabell-Wayne Animal Control, said there are several pets there waiting for a new home.

"It varies as to how many animals we have here, but we keep them here as long as they are healthy and we have room," Young said. "We also have a variety of pets, not just dogs and cats.

"We sometimes have ferrets, guinea pigs, rabbits, gerbils, snakes and birds."

Elizabeth A. Miller, junior education major from Charleston, just adopted a puppy from the shelter, and said she has never been more excited about a pet.

"This is the first pet I've had that wasn't the 'family' pet," Miller said. "My friend and I went and got a boxer mix named Harley and we couldn't be happier.

"Even though we keep it at my friend's house, I get so excited to go over there every day and play with it. It is so nice to come home to my new puppy greeting me at the door."

R. Bryan Cummings, sophomore political science major from Charleston, agreed.

"I had a dog named Taylor [for eight years] that I got from a shelter," Cummings said. "He recently died, and I really miss his company. I plan on adopting another dog sometime this month, because I don't like the loneliness that a dog leaves behind."

Young said many college students like to adopt pets from an animal shelter to deal with the away-from-home syndrome.

"We adopt (out) the majority of pets as companions," Young explained. "Most students that adopt are new to the area and it's a good way to get rid of some loneliness and make some new friends."

Young said the pets are available at a good price.

"Dogs and puppies are \$25, cats and kittens are \$20 and the other animals vary in price," Young said. "The pets are also spayed and neutered and come with their first of a series of vaccinations needed in the first few weeks."

Included in the adoption are pamphlets explaining ways to praise your pet when it does right, ways to

punish your pet when it does wrong and how to keep your patience when training the pet.

Although thousands of pets are adopted each year, thousands more have to be euthanized because they are sick or because there is no more room, Young said.

"The majority of the animals we have are strays or ones that owners have brought in for a variety of reasons," Young said. "Our rate of adoption is very good, but it seems like for every pet we adopt out, we get ten to twelve more that come in."

According to the State of the Shelter Report for 1998, the shelter handled 7,830 new animals. The report also revealed that 1,980 animals were adopted into new homes, while 5,263 had to be euthanized.

Although the numbers look bad, 1998 was actually a good year for the shelter, Young said.

"These numbers are a direct correlation with the lack of spaying and neutering," Young said. "We can't refuse adoption to anyone [older than 18], but we want college students thinking about adopting a pet to seriously consider it before they jump right into it."

Young offers such advice because of what sometimes happens following an adoption.

"We get a lot of pets back in here because the student graduates at the end of the semester. Sometimes they just set them free to roam," Young added. "These pets can live 15 years sometimes. We want you to think about the long run when adopting, not just the spur of the moment."

Cummings said adopting a pet at the animal shelter is a great way to go.

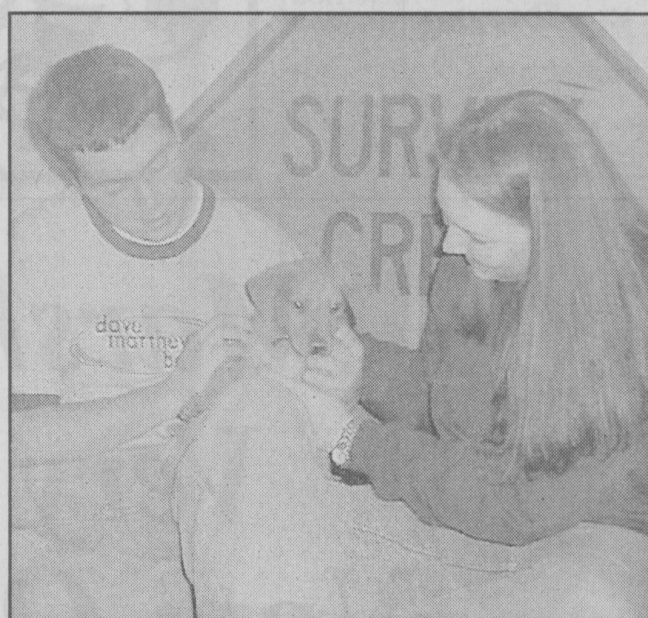
"I've had pedigree dogs, and I've had dogs from the pound, and the ones from the pound are a lot less stuck-up," Cummings said. "They are so grateful to you for saving them that they will stay by your side until the end. I can't wait to get my new dog."

ABOVE RIGHT: Animals are housed in cages until they get better homes.

RIGHT: R. Bryan Cummings and M. Beth Brown play with Harley, a dog that came from the Huntington-Cabell-Wayne Animal Control center.

BELOW RIGHT: Dogs rest inside their kennels at the shelter.

BELOW LEFT: All dogs have received their first vaccinations and have been spayed or neutered.



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