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Rusted Root headlines Mountain Stage

by JILLIAN GEORGES
reporter

Marshall will host another Mountain Stage radio broadcast one featuring Rusted Root, Steve Earle and the Del McCoury Band and Michelle Lewis at 7 p.m., Sunday.

Dubbed "the billboard for the state of West Virginia" by Gov. Cecil Underwood, Mountain Stage is a radio show that broadcasts live music around the country.

This week's show at the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse is already sold out.

Larry Grose, founder and host of Mountain Stage, said the performance was announced Feb. 18 at the Keith Albee Theatre.

"It never got publicized because it sold out by word of mouth," Grose said.

Grose attributed the fast ticket sales to the appeal that Rusted Root has to the college audience. Tickets were sold for \$15 approximately 500 seats were available.

"The whole thing will be pleasing to the audience," Grose said.

Rusted Root is a soul music

band formed in 1990 in Pittsburgh.

Their self-produced album "When I Woke" sold more than 80,000 copies, and the band then signed with Mercury Records. "Remember," the debut album with Mercury, recently went platinum.

The six member band has toured nationally since 1994 and played with artists such as Jimmy Page and Robert Plant, The Grateful Dead and the Dave Matthews Band.

Two other performances will take the stage along with Rusted Root. Steve Earle and the Del McCoury Band have

teamed up for this week's broadcast. Earle, an alternative country singer, and the Del McCoury Band, a bluegrass style band, have combined to entertain the audience.

"Steve Earle will be just as interesting, but he usually appeals to a slightly different audience than Rusted Root," Grose said.

The other highlighted performance will be Michelle Lewis, a pop singer and songwriter. Fresh off a new record, Lewis comes from New York and will perform on Mountain Stage for the first time.

"It never got publicized because it sold out by word of mouth."

Larry Grose,
founder and host of Mountain Stage

Steve Earle and the Del McCoury Band will open the show and play for about 45 minutes, followed by a 15-20 minute performance by Michelle Lewis. Rusted Root will close



Rusted Root will be headlining Mountain Stage Sunday.

the sold-out show with a slightly longer playing time, Grose said.

Study abroad program offers taste of Poland

by GAYLE L. SMITLEY
reporter

Students, faculty and staff can experience the changing times in Poland through a 10-day summer travel-study program.

Dr. Alina M. Zapalska, associate professor of economics in the Elizabeth McDowell Lewis College of Business, in association with Marshall's International Program is sponsoring the July 1 - 11 trip.

The trip includes visits to Cracow, Warsaw, Wieliczka and Auschwitz. Participants will stay in the student dormitory at the Magiellonian University in Cracow.

Zapalska said she visited Poland last summer and saw how the country had positively changed. After returning, she decided to organize a trip so students could experience those changes.

"Now is an exciting time to visit Poland because the country has been in the process of transition through the past five to six years," she said.

The trip will include on-site visits to Polish museums, exhibitions and monuments. Tours will show the country's growth from the medieval through the modern periods.

"The trip gives students the opportunity to take a magnified look at all of the sights and sounds that are living breathing examples of centuries of history, architecture and folk tale surrounding the Polish kings and post-soviet Polish history," she said.

Most of the emphasis will be given to learning about Polish art, music and history. The history will focus on the Holocaust.

Some of the challenges facing Poland today will be discussed through personal contacts and speaking with the people who live there, Zapalska said.

Before enrolling in the program, students should speak with their advisers to see if the trip will help fulfill credit to their majors, she said.

Students may receive three-credit hours for the fall semester, after completing all the requirements for the trip.

After returning, students must write a term paper discussing the economic, political, financial and historical issues of the Polish economy.

More information is available by contacting Zapalska before March 31 at 696-3234 or by e-mail at zapalska@marshall.edu.

Group takes on diabetes and wins

by JIA HENG
reporter

Exercising, attending lectures, evaluating nutrition plans — Diabetes patients make a lifetime commitment to this lifestyle.

With the support of the Diabetes and Blindness: Control and Prevention Program (DBCPP) at the Human Performance Lab (HPL) in the College of Education and Human Services at Marshall University, diabetes patients are learning to live, and live well, with this disease.

The DBCPP is completing its eighth year of operation with the support of James H. & Alico Teubert Charitable Trust Foundation which supports activities that serve to correct, cure or prevent blindness or alleviate the hardships which result from blindness.

According to Dr. William Marley, professor and director of the HPL, diabetes is the number one cause of blindness and the seventh leading cause of premature death in the United States and West Virginia.

The DBCPP assists diabetes patients in making a lifetime commitment to sensible exercise, good nutrition and informed medication management, which is achieved with supervised exercise sessions, a weekly educational meeting and nutritional advice.

Regular learning sessions are presented to participants by staff members and guest speakers from the medical and health education communities. Supervised exercise is

conducted from 7 - 11 a.m. Monday - Friday. Cardiovascular exercise on stationary bikes, rowing machines, stair masters, tread mills and arm ergometers is emphasized.

"We take it one step further than the physicians," said Beth Dannals, coordinator of the DBCPP. She said it is normally difficult to keep track of the patients to see whether they have done what the physician told them.

"We can maintain better control," she said. "We can see whether they are achieving the goals they are looking for, and whether they are making improvement. We make sure that they improve their overall health and get lifelong change."

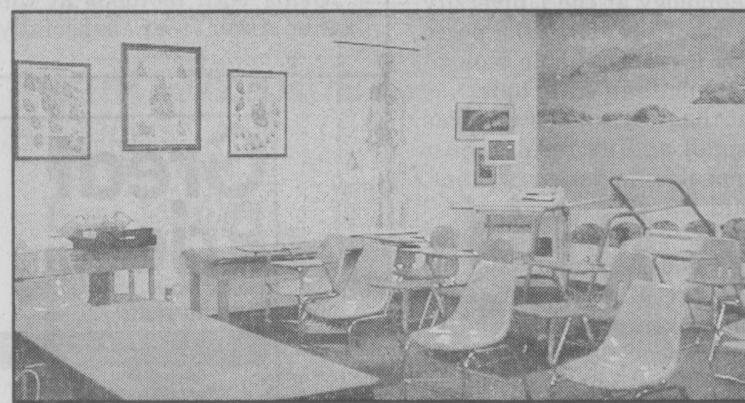
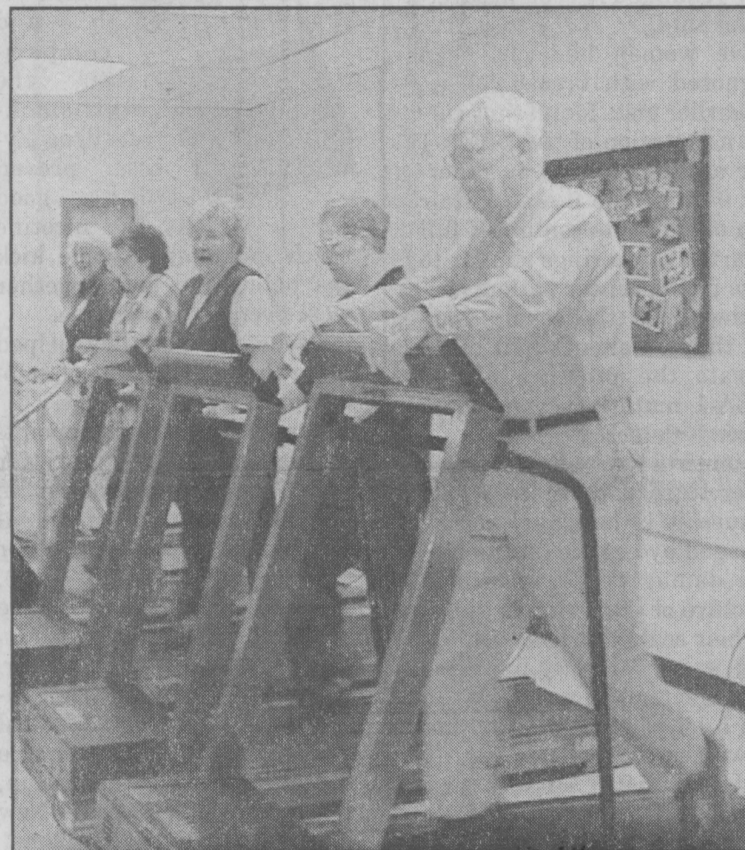
She said the program is also a relief of financial burden.

"The key is the establishment and maintenance of a sensible lifestyle routine, with the ultimate aim of enabling participants to gain more independence, therefore enhancing the quality of their lives," Marley said.

The DBCPP has accepted 40 patients, with an increase of 11 patients from last year and is continuing to expand. "We serve the Tri-State area, mostly the Huntington area," Marley said. "Our mission is to interact and serve the community."

Audrey Huddleston, Huntington resident, has been in the program for three years. "It is the best thing I have ever hoped, and it don't cost you a penny," she said. "They

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photos by Jia Heng

ABOVE: Participants of the program do their regular morning exercise at the Human Performance Lab.
BOTTOM: Lecturing room at the Human Performance Lab, where participants have weekly learning sessions.

Judge temporarily blocks strip mine job

CHARLESTON (AP) — A federal judge said Wednesday there are "serious, substantial ... questions" about the legality of mountaintop removal mining, and he blocked the start of work on the state's largest strip mine until a full trial can be held.

U.S. District Judge Charles Haden issued a preliminary injunction against Arch Coal Inc.'s proposed 3,100-acre Spruce No. 1 mine in Logan County.

"In the face of such serious and complex legal questions presenting imminent and irreversible environmental harm, the public interest favors preservation of the status quo until the court is able to rule finally on the merits at trial," Haden said in a 47-page opinion that accompanied his order.

The lawsuit was filed last year by the West Virginia Highlands Conservancy and a group of coalfield residents,

including James and Sibby Weekly, who live near the proposed mine along a stream earmarked for use as a valley fill for disposal of mining wastes.

Their lawsuit argues that state and federal regulators have been issuing permits for mountaintop removal mines in violation of federal law.

Although Wednesday's injunction applies only to the permit for Arch's Spruce No. 1 mine, a spokeswoman for the conservancy said the ruling ultimately will have a more wide-ranging effect.

"This is of great significance for all the other permits that are waiting in line," said Cindy Rank of Rock Cave, chairwoman of the conservancy's mining committee.

"This sends a strong signal to the permitting agencies that if we're going to continue permitting these kinds of mines, a lot more has to be done to protect the environment and to fully

follow the law," Rank said.

"Total economic losses from the withholding of the permit until September 1999, the approximate time of trial, is over \$20 million," Haden said.

Nevertheless, Haden said, "These harms, however great, are purely temporary economic harms (while) the harms to (the Weekleys) are imminent and irreversible."

"Although the stream quality is not as 'pristine' as some have testified, the harms currently present in the Pigeonroost stream in the form of foreign objects such as a refrigerator and, thus, are easily removable, and thus, reparable."

"This differs dramatically from the permanent destruction of the stream by filling it with tons of rock and fill," Haden said.

State Senate President Earl Ray Tomblin, D-Logan, said the delay is "going to be devastating to our part of the state. The

delay is going to have some dramatic effect on the southern counties."

Tomblin said Logan County's budget already has lost \$200,000 in coal severance taxes in the last two quarters. This decision will make the county's budget problems worse, he said.

The conservancy and four federal agencies reached an out-of-court settlement of the dispute in December. The agencies agreed to tighten restrictions on mountaintop removal mining and to conduct a study to determine how much, if any, permanent damage is caused by the mining method.

But Arch Coal Inc.'s proposed Spruce No. 1 mine was exempted from the settlement. Arch Coal wanted to proceed with the mine under old standards, while environmentalists are hoping Haden will continue the ban on work at the site until the long-term study is completed.

Army plugs MU, itself here and worldwide

by JOSEPH C. THORNTON
reporter

Marshall's name and logo are soon to go worldwide.

The program, termed ConAP for Concurrent Admissions Program, was established as a joint venture by the Army and Marshall. ConAP is designed to assist the Army by helping active duty personnel continue their education, while helping Marshall increase enrollment and spread the name of the university around the world.

Sgt. First Class George Kinchen, U.S. Army recruiter, said the Army is in the process of developing posters to be sent out in the next 30 days and displayed in every education center around the world. Kinchen said posters have already been delivered and are being displayed in more than 68 area Tri-State high schools.

The program's benefits to Marshall include increasing awareness of the university on a national scale.

Dr. Warren Lutz, dean of enrollment management, said while the program will help with enrollment numbers, the biggest benefit is expanding Marshall outside of this region while increasing cultural diversity within the institution.

Jeffery Dodge, U.S. Army recruiter, said, "I think it changes a lot of pre-conceived notions about the military. For the most part I expect it to be very productive for us, helping us get more qualified and educated personnel."

The program may have many advantages and its effect on Marshall won't be known for some time, but it does make classes more accessible to regional students who choose to enter the military.

Lutz said the program is limited in its scope as to who it benefits. ConAP applies to a very specific group of people, primarily high school students who entered the military and work on their education while on active duty. If they leave the military and continue their education, the program is very beneficial to them if they attend Marshall.

Lutz and Kinchen said the partnership is one that will continue for some time and continue to help both organizations.

"I believe we can benefit each other," said Kinchen. "For someone just entering college or the Army, it can benefit them throughout their career and throughout their entire cycle of education."

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Smoking kills 90 percent of W.Va. cancer patients

CHARLESTON (AP) — One of every three cancer-related deaths in West Virginia is a lung cancer case, and 90 percent of those cases are caused by smoking, according to a state study.

Lung cancer and bronchus are the state's most common forms of cancer with 1,752 new cases reported in 1996, according to Cancer in West Virginia, the study released this week by the West Virginia Cancer Registry.

The study examines rates of occurrence, death rates and stages of disease for 23 types of cancer. It was conducted by the Cancer Registry for statistical and planning purposes, director Beverly Keener said.

More than 9,000 new cases of cancer were diagnosed in each year of from 1993-1996.

About 4,700 West Virginians died from cancer each year, the study showed.

During the study, 6,107 lung cancer patients died, which ranks third among women and sixth among men in the nation. Nationally, 72 per 100,000 men and 33 per 100,000 women died from lung cancer compared to 89 per 100,000 men and 41 per 100,000 women in West Virginia.

Many of the deaths didn't have to happen, Keener said.

"Ninety percent of lung cancers are preventable," she said. "That's one of the big messages we want to get out to people."

"Many types of cancer can be treated if detected earlier, so going to the doctor regularly ... that's something that's often missed in West Virginia."

Beverly Keener,

director of the Cancer Registry

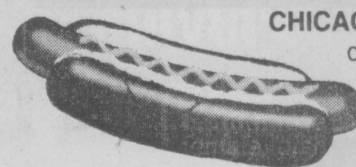
The data was not a surprise to state officials or health advocates because West Virginia is among the nation's leaders in smoking and tobacco use.

Twenty-seven percent of West Virginia's 1.8 million people smoke compared to a 22 percent national rate, said Sara Crickenberger, executive director of the state chapter of the American Lung Association.

Some West Virginia counties have smoking rates as high as 38 percent and the state ranks No. 1 among teen smoking and chewing tobacco use, she said.

"They're absolutely right," Crickenberger said. "Smoking is one of the causes of lung cancer and it's also one of the most preventable diseases and unfortunately we have a lot of difficulty preventing that in this state."

Contaminated meat claims 14 lives



CHICAGO (AP) — The death toll linked to contaminated hot dogs and deli meats made by Sara Lee Corporation's Bil Mar Foods in Michigan has reached 14, the nation's second-deadliest outbreak involving *Listeria* bacteria. In addition, the tainted meat has been blamed for six miscarriages and 97 illnesses in 22 states from early August to Jan. 17, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported Monday. On Dec. 22, Bil Mar began a recall of 15 million pounds of hot dogs and cold cuts produced at its Zeeland, Mich., plant after a rare strain of *Listeria* was found in both opened and unopened packages. *Listeria* can be found in soil, water and various raw foods. The bacteria can cause death or severe illness in women who are pregnant, people with weakened immune systems, newborns and the elderly.

Researchers reveal way to detect breast cancer

(AP) — Australian researchers say they have developed a test for breast cancer that can be done by analyzing a single pubic hair.

Radiologists at the University of New South Wales in Sydney found that microscopic characteristics in the hair may reveal if a woman has breast cancer. They believe the hair may indicate whether a woman is carrying a certain gene mutation that raises the risk of developing the disease.

Other scientists, however, said the study is too small to be conclusive and question if the method is an improvement over existing tests — mammograms and blood tests. The test is not approved for clinical use.

One of the Australian researchers, Veronica James, said the hair test could help women living in poor, remote areas.

"Samples for this test could be posted from anywhere in the world in an envelope," James said.

Researchers used sensitive X-ray equipment to analyze the scalp hair of 23 women who earlier had been diagnosed with breast cancer, and found their hair contained extra rings in the keratin, or protein layer. Of 28 women known to be cancer-free, all but four did not have the extra rings.

The same pattern was found in 12 women whose pubic hair was analyzed.

"We can look at the patterns we are getting from our hair samples and know that the diseased ones are different from

the normal ones because they have changed in structure," James said.

Five women had not been diagnosed with breast cancer, but earlier tests found they carried a mutation of the BRCA-1 gene associated with an inherited form of the disease. Hair from all patients contained full or partial extra rings similar to those in the cancer patients.

James said the results suggest that a woman's hair could indicate the presence of the BRCA-1 mutation even before cancer is detected.

Scientists say pubic hair was easier to read than scalp hair because it is less likely to be damaged by chemicals and sun that damages the molecular structure of the women's hair.

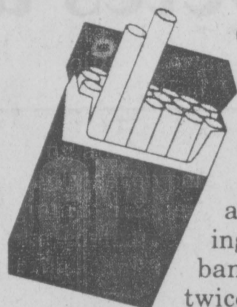
"Their scalp hair was useless until it grew out again three months later," James said. "So with a lot of fun and laughter, the women disappeared behind a curtain with scissors and envelopes."

David Savitz, chairman of epidemiology at the University of North Carolina, said pubic hair is a more reliable biological sample than scalp hair.

But the Australian study was too small and its results must be repeated in larger studies, he said.

Savitz said he questions widespread screening for the rare form of the disease — which accounts for three in 211 breast cancer cases, according to one 1998 study — especially when there is no "useful" way to prevent it.

Smokers quit with drug 'Zyban'; patch fails



(AP) — In the first head-to-head comparison, the anti-smoking drug Zyban proved twice as good as the nicotine

patch in helping people kick the habit, and both together were even more effective.

Used together, they helped more than 35 percent of smokers quit for a year.

The patch had disappointing results, working no better than a dummy pill or patch. But the researchers themselves disagreed over whether the findings were a fluke, because other studies have shown the patch works.

The study, led by Dr. Douglas Jorenby of the University of Wisconsin Medical School's Center for Tobacco Research and Intervention, was reported in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine.

Using both methods at the same time was especially

effective in helping people prevent weight gain during the first seven weeks. Those using both the patch and Zyban gained about 2.4 pounds, compared with 3.6 for either method alone and 4.6 on dummy treatments.

"A lot of people say the fear of gaining weight stops them from trying to quit smoking or can sabotage them early in the process," Jorenby said.

About 46 million Americans smoke, and it will eventually kill half of them, at a rate of about 400,000 a year. Three-quarters of smokers want to quit, but at most 5 percent manage to do so on their own.

Zyban is the brand name for the antidepressant bupropion. Since it was approved in 1997, doctors have written 4 million prescriptions for it, according to Glaxo Wellcome Inc., the manufacturer.

"The very high success rate with bupropion is extremely encouraging," said Dr. Alan Leshner, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

It took a habit of at least 15 cigarettes a day to qualify for

"A lot of people say the fear of gaining weight stops them from trying to quit smoking or can sabotage them early in the process,"

Dr. Douglas Jorenby,

University of Wisconsin Medical School Center

the study. Smokers who were depressed were denied. All 893 participants got patches and pills, or dummy treatments.

After four weeks, the patch had significantly better results than the dummy treatments. Bupropion was more effective than the patch, and both treatments were better yet.

After a year, more than 35 percent of the people getting both treatments were still not smoking, compared with nearly 30 percent of those on bupropion alone.

But only 16.4 percent of those on the patch were smoke-free, compared with 15.6 percent of those whose used dummy patches and pills.

Jorenby said the finding

was a fluke. Other studies have shown about a 30 percent success rate for the patch, according to Dr. Neal Benowitz of the University of California at San Francisco.

"People who failed on nicotine once don't do very well if you retreat with nicotine," he said. "My guess is that a fair number of people had tried a nicotine patch or nicotine gum before."

The study did include people who had used patches before, but there wasn't any significant difference in their quit rates, said another researcher, Dr. Michael Fiore, director of the tobacco research center.

"I think the difference between bupropion and the patch is a real one," he said.

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Lincoln County chosen to be regional airport site

HUNTINGTON (AP) — Lincoln County was a late arrival in the regional airport sweepstakes, but came away with the prize as the state port authority voted unanimously to endorse the site along Interstate 64.

The 10 members of the West Virginia Public Port Authority voted unanimously Tuesday to endorse the Lincoln County site as the focus of its feasibility studies for the proposed \$370 million airport.

The site, located at the intersection of Lincoln, Cabell and Putnam counties, was not

included in the original proposals. It was recommended by Sen. Lloyd Jackson, D-Lincoln and other county officials.

"We are very pleased — but just a little bit surprised that the vote was unanimous on the first go-round," said Shelley Huffman, Lincoln County's economic development director.

Public Port Authority Chairman Sam Bonasso said Tuesday's vote was not a final decision to build the airport.

"The question of whether to proceed will be studied for the next couple of years," Bonasso said. "This is only one step in

the process."

The Federal Aviation Administration also will have to give its approval before the project can be finally approved.

The consulting firm hired by the authority initially recommended in August 1997 that the best site for the airport was the so-called Evergreen Church site in Putnam County near the Toyota Motor Corp. manufacturing plant at Buffalo.

But during a re-evaluation, the consulting firm revised its opinion.

Gary Garlow of Kimley-Horn and Associates said engineers

concluded that the Lincoln County location known as the I-64 site was preferable.

"The I-64 site offers the best potential for capturing passenger traffic," Garlow said.

In its report, Kimley-Horn said a change in FAA policy concerning "market service area" was "the most significant change" affecting the consultants' decision to favor the Lincoln County site.

"The FAA lists access (to potential passengers) as the most important in selecting a site for a regional airport," the Kimley-Horn report said.

PEIA proposal to raise premiums has opposition

CHARLESTON (AP) — There is a rift in the Senate between those who want to make public employees pay more for their health insurance by passing a bill this year and those who think such a bill is too much, too soon.

On Tuesday, Sen. Robert Plymale, D-Wayne, proposed a measure that would make several changes in the Public Employees Insurance Agency, which covers about 150,000 West Virginians.

The bill would increase employees' premiums from the current 7 percent to 20 percent by 2004 in 3 percent annual increments. It would prohibit employees hired after July 1

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Sen. Edwin Bowman,
D-Hancock

from using unused sick leave and annual leave to buy insurance coverage when they retire. Currently, retirees can trade unused days for months of premium-free insurance coverage.

The bill also would require the PEIA finance board to make five-year funding plans in addition to annual plans.

"I have a real problem with

supporting this at this time," said Sen. Edwin Bowman, D-Hancock. "I really don't know if it's the right direction to go. I feel like this is a little bit the cart before the horse."

Bowman said the Legislature could wait until it gets more information on ways to lower rising health care costs since the bill's first premium hike

would go into effect in 2001.

The Senate finance subcommittee is trying to find a way to address financial problems of PEIA and to avoid an expected \$48.5 million deficit at the end of the fiscal year starting July 1.

The PEIA finance board, in a plan endorsed by Gov. Cecil Underwood, plans to increase copayments and deductibles starting July 1.

There will be no premium increase then.

The plan calls for the state to pay an additional \$10.7 million in the coming budget year.

Unions want the state to pay the full \$48.5 million deficit so employees do not have to pay any more for health care.

Departments to give comprehensive exams

by TONDREA DAVIS
reporter

Beginning in the fall, 35 departments on campus will be on their own when it comes to administering comprehensive assessments.

Comprehensive assessments are exams that must be taken before receiving a master's degree.

The examinations require students to demonstrate a broad knowledge of information in their major and other courses.

The Graduate College has administered comprehensive assessments for each department in the past.

"For about half a century the Graduate College set everything up," said Dr. Leonard Deutsch, dean of the Graduate College.

"We found the examination room, arranged for computers and monitored the exam."

The Graduate College was also responsible for sending forms to students' examination committee — a group of individuals who read, grade and report examination scores — to make sure they

were members of the Graduate Committee.

Deutsch said the changes were made to emulate the system used at the Graduate College on the South Charleston campus.

Comprehensive exams are already administered by individual departments on that campus, Deutsch said. He said that system seems to work well.

Deutsch said he conducted an internet survey of about 500 graduate deans nationwide to see how their exams were administered.

"I found we're one of the only universities that still follows this method of examination," he said. "This is a major procedural shift in the way we handle comprehensive assessments."

Deutsch said faculty need not worry. The changes will not go into effect until the fall semester, he said.

"So there's really no need for people to panic," Deutsch said.

More information may be obtained by calling the Graduate College office at 696-6606 or visiting the office at Old Main 113.

Diabetes not unbeatable

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work with you closely and really care about you.

Huddleston said her cholesterol and sugar levels have dropped since beginning the program.

"The program is outstanding," said Bo Copley, Huntington resident and former chief engineer for U.S. Army Corp of Engineers. "It is tailored to individuals, and the exercise program is carefully monitored."

"Beth [Dannals] and her student assistants are very knowledgeable and helpful," he said. "The education program has taught us how to be in better control of our diabetes. And the exercise program aids in learning the risk of complications."

"They have done an outstanding job," he said. "Some of us are getting past 70 years old. We still think that we can do things as if we are 17 years old."

Copley has a goal. "The first one [goal] is to be able to walk diagonally across the campus from the Henderson Center to Corby Hall without having to sit down in the middle," he

said. "Beth and her assistant will do their best to see that I can reach the goal."

Patients are referred by their primary care physician, according to medical guidelines. They undergo a medial profile evaluation that includes a medical history, comprehensive blood work analysis, anthropometric measures, risk factor assessment and a multi-stage exercise test (MSET) before treatment.

"We have shown that when the patients come into the program, and stay with the program, they do improve their blood locus control, self-esteem and quality of life," Marley said.

Army and MU join forces

From page 1

The program is unique. The University of Toledo is the only other university with a

similar program, but it is smaller in scope, Kinchen said.

Lutz said Marshall's program is believed to be the first of its kind in the country.

It provides the opportunity to spread the word about the university.

For those who transfer into Marshall from active duty, all

their credits will still transfer, Lutz said.

How they are applied to graduation is still determined by the individual college, Lutz said.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Kinchen or Dodge at 529-4111 or Lutz at 696-2206.

'Monica's Story' — boom or bust?

Publishers offer sales predictions

NEW YORK (AP) — Monica Lewinsky's memoir may make a big splash on best-seller lists, but many in the publishing world believe the hyped confessional will vanish quickly.

"Monica's Story" will likely ride the wave of Lewinsky media mania, which could peak after Barbara Walters' heavily promoted two-hour interview with the former White House intern on ABC Wednesday.

After that, industry experts say, sales could fall fast.

"It will be very popular for as long as it's being chatted about in the media, and then it will recede," said Bill Curry, spokesman for Amazon.com, the internet book-seller. "That's typical of a book that's kind of in and out of popular discourse."

"I think [the book's] shelf life is somewhere between yogurt and milk," said Lucianne

Goldberg, the literary agent who urged Linda Tripp to tape telephone conversations with Ms. Lewinsky. "It'll probably be about 10 days. There's a great curiosity about her, and I think it will be totally satisfied between the book and the Barbara Walters interview."

The book, which goes on sale today, was No. 5 on the Amazon.com best-seller list Tuesday on the strength of advance orders.

Publisher St. Martin's Press was shipping 450,000 copies to booksellers, and "we're ready to reprint in a second," said Sally Richardson, head of the company's trade division.

But readers claimed to be uninterested in seeing more about the scandal.

"I think it's not worth reading and I wouldn't waste my time," Barbara Dolan said as she

browsed in a Manhattan bookstore. "I find it very sad that there is a market for this."

Greg Tobin, editor in chief and vice president of the Book-of-the-Month Club, said his company decided not to offer "Monica's Story" to its readers.

"Our members get their information on these things from magazines and television and other things than books," he said. "This particular title wouldn't sell well enough to our particular membership."

So who are the people getting ready to plunk down \$24.95 to read Ms. Lewinsky's collaboration with Princess Diana biographer Andrew Morton?

"Everybody says, 'We're all sick of this,' and yet every book and every video has done well," Curry said. "You just know in the industry that certain books are going to be big with a capital 'B.'"

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OUR VIEW

Recreation center not easy issue

With plans for a weight room, climbing walls, basketball courts and an indoor track, the proposal for a new recreation center seems pretty attractive.

So attractive, in fact, that it may seem voting yes for the center is the only reasonable option.

As the last day of student government elections is upon us, we would like to encourage students to look at all sides of this issue.

First, let's consider the positive side. A new recreation center would obviously be an asset to Marshall. Students would have the opportunity to enjoy more athletic activities. Many people, such as Dr. C. Robert Barnett, professor and division chairman of Health Physical Education and Recreation, also say Marshall needs the center to keep up with other schools.

"This seems to be the direction most universities are going," he said. "At almost all of the MAC (Mid-American Conference) schools and at WVU they have voted positively."

Those are reasons why students should have a new recreation center. The decision, however, should not be made hastily. There are a few other points students should consider.

First of all, many students do not use the fitness center we have now. For those students, and even those who are satisfied with the current center, \$75 spent would be \$75 wasted. In any case, \$75 per semester is a pretty significant fee increase. Furthermore, the center would cost approximately \$20 million. A new recreation center would be nice, but do we absolutely need one and is there anything we need more?

Additionally, it is troublesome that no mention is made on the SGA ballot to the location of the center. Many students do not know Glaser Furniture, Mycroft's and Yesterdays, all businesses on Third Avenue, will have to either close or relocate if the university builds the center.

All these points should have been and should be considered today by voters. In any case, if the referendum passes, the university should proceed with its plans because the students themselves will have asked for the center.

Voting yes can be a knee-jerk reaction to proposals that seem flawless. The decision, however, requires careful thought. Twenty million dollars is a lot to spend without looking at all sides of the issue.

Election complaints should be open to all

Although the Student Government Association and chief election commissioner can be commended for following SGA Election Rules, the rules need to be amended.

In a letter to the editor on today's Opinion page, Chief Election Commissioner Jason E. Downey says election rules were created to protect both voters and candidates. For the most part, that is true. Regulations concerning campaign complaints, however, leave voters in the dark.

Complaints should be part of public record and candidates' names should be released. We think the election rules would better serve students if complaints were aired in public and those accused could tell voters their sides of the story.

Releasing the names of the candidates would not necessarily jeopardize the fairness of the election. It is true false allegations can be made, but those who make false allegations often ultimately damage their own campaigns.

Instead of keeping students in the dark, we think a better solution would be to release the names, let candidates speak for themselves and let the voters sort it out in the end.

SAY WHAT?

"There were dead carp everywhere, on the outfield especially."

—Chris Grimes
senior pitcher referring to Marshall's former baseball field St. Cloud's Commons.



YOUR VIEW

Election commissioner following rules

To the editor:

I am writing in response to an "Our View" printed in the Wednesday Parthenon.

In the editorial, The Parthenon claims that "SGA is keeping important information from students." I would have to disagree.

The election rules were created to protect voters and candidates alike. In keeping a complaint confidential, a candidate is allowed time to correct the potential problem before the

Student Court is required to make a ruling.

By definition, a complaint is a concern voiced by someone regarding another's actions. The accused is provided a chance to respond to the complaint, according to the election rules.

Regarding the complaint filed about campaign expenditures, the election rules require all candidates provide information (which includes receipts and a line-item budget) regarding their expenditures within 24 hours of the closing of the polls

on the final day of voting.

The rules have been followed, and the proper parties have been contacted. The Office of the Dean of Student Affairs, as well as advisers of the student government, have informed me that these situations have been handled properly.

If you have any questions, please contact me. I will be glad to provide as much assistance as I am allowed. Be sure to vote!

Jason E. Downey
—chief election commissioner

Candidates remember what you promised us



BUTCH BARKER

The presidential candidates that came out with the most votes tonight will be victorious, but only when they provide the students of Marshall University some improvements and stick to their campaign promises will they be winners in my eyes.

And that is why I urge the newest student leaders to stick to their promises — make us proud of our government.

You can call this a cry for help, but I'm leaning more toward the phrase "lost cause."

I'm not being cynical, but merely skeptical, because the past two elections have been filled with controversy and the past two terms haven't produced anything more than a bad name for the Student Government Association.

Matt Glover and J.J. Spicheck, 1997-98 term, got off to a bad

start when President Glover was issued an arrest citation for buying alcohol for an underage student.

Even though Glover was dismissed as a resident adviser, he wasn't kept from continuing his duties as student body president.

During their term, Glover and Spicheck promised more concerts and after a measly concert, better known as "Thunder in Mountains," they took most of the credit that some say should have gone to the Office of Student Activities.

In the first debate of the 1998 election, current President MacKenzie Howard said he and Vice President Susan Porter wanted to "get in, work real hard and do good things for the university."

I cannot claim they didn't work real hard, but I am confused about where all the good stuff is hiding.

Another weird thing was that they really didn't promise anything too worthwhile. From what I witnessed, Howard and Porter avoided many issues during their campaign. They stuck to phrases like "We plan to strive to have everyone working together." I guess only the voters and non voters were responsible for their win.

One of Howard's promises was to get more public speakers on campus. What was that all

about? You couldn't drag a college student to an educational lecture if it was taking place in Stumblers.

But enough of the bashing — the important thing is the team that comes out on top tonight remembers a few things:

—To Brandi Jacobs and Rogers Beckett, remember you want to work with non-profit organizations to help better the community.

Also, even though improving the relationship with other Mid-American Conference schools sounds like quite a task, you called it.

—To Matt Ladd and Camille Ramsey, don't forget to put the students first "one hundred percent." And Ramsey, good luck with your personal goals of tackling parking, dorm safety and more activities for students. I cannot wait for those improvements.

—To Keenan Rhodes and Gennea Moss, I hope you get that health insurance. There is undoubtedly a lot of people who could benefit from that. As for the parking ticket reduction, I could benefit from that extremely. I'll look forward to it.

—To all the candidates — Good luck and I look forward to calling you winners.

Butch Barker is The Parthenon Life! editor. Comments can be sent to him at barker14@marshall.edu

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

In an informal survey Wednesday students were asked if they were planning to watch ABC's broadcast of the Barbara Walters special featuring an exclusive interview with Monica Lewinsky.



"Actually, I'm going to see The King & I. (If I weren't going out) If there was nothing better to watch, I would."

— Kelli Karlet,
South Point, Ohio junior



"No, I will not watch it. I can't even stand to hear her speak. Nothing she could say would make me want to watch it."

— Traci Fisher,
Ironton, Ohio sophomore

"No, I don't have any interest in watching it. I believe the president's relationship with Ms. Lewinsky was not the business of the public or the media. I don't care about her relationship with the president because I don't know her as a person."

— Robert Kayser,
Huntington sophomore

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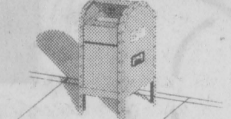
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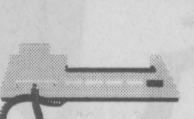
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Rod and reels no longer needed

Opener on renovated baseball field in jeopardy

by JENNIFER L. JOHNSON
reporter

The Thundering Herd baseball team won't have to "go fishing" this year because it has an upgraded field to play on.

In the past, many games were played at St. Cloud Commons in West Huntington. It often flooded.

Since last season, the University Heights field east of the city has been upgraded and all games will be played there.

However, the field is not fully ready and the first game is not scheduled until March 10, but that day may be changed due to weather.

Head Coach Dave Piepenbrink said, "We hired a company out of Maryland to work on the field. Most of the work was on the surface. They completely resurfaced the field, added a new infield and a sprinkler system."

The team has not been on the field yet. "The weather, with snow and rain has made the field too wet for us to work on," Piepenbrink said.

Senior pitcher Chris Grimes is happy the field will

be a permanent home. "It will be nice to play in one place," Grimes said.

Although the Herd has a home for the 1999 season, it would prefer an on-campus location. The baseball team is the only team without one.

Athletic Director Lance West said a committee is working with the city to find a site on campus.

It is unknown how long it will take to find a site. Piepenbrink said, "A new field would definitely help with recruiting but for now, we need to concentrate on the positives."

In previous seasons, the team has had to go from field to field, as St. Cloud to University Heights both had unsatisfactory conditions.

The problem with St. Cloud



"When the field was flooded it really flooded. There was more than four feet of water from the creek behind the field which brought up the carp and the fisherman. There were men in canoes fishing on the field at times."

Dave Piepenbrink,
Marshall baseball coach

was the flooding. Assistant coach Tim Frantz, who also played for the Herd in 1996 and 1997, said, "That wasn't a good field to play on. The weather really hurt us, especially the carp swimming in the outfield."

"There were hundreds of carp everywhere," Piepenbrink said. "When the field was flooded it really flooded. There was more than four feet of water from the creek behind the field which brought up the carp and the fisherman. There were men in canoes fishing on the field at times."

After the waters went down

the team had some "smelly" work. Grimes said, "There were dead carp everywhere, on the outfield especially, we had to pick them up and throw them over the fence."

Grimes also recalled another bad situation.

"One day while we were taking batting practice the wooden fence that surrounded the outfield at St. Cloud flew in," he said. "We had to deal with a big hole in the fence that game."

Because of the amount of games that were canceled each year because of field conditions, Marshall decided to renovate University Heights.

Mark of a champion

Herd hurdler hurdles MAC

by CHAD PENNINGTON
reporter

When junior Tara Lee entered the starting blocks, she knew five hurdles stood in her way.

Little did she know that 8.58 seconds later nothing — or no one — would stand in her way as she crossed the finish line first.

"When I crossed the line, I didn't know if I had won or not," Lee said. "When I found out, I was in shock."

Lee found out she was the 1999 Mid-American Conference champion in the 60-meter hurdles, and the first individual conference champion since Marshall rejoined the league. Her school-record time of 8.58 edged Pamela Grayer of Eastern Michigan by one hundredth of a second.

Lee and the rest of the Thundering Herd track team finished the indoor season Friday and Saturday at the Mid-American Conference Indoor Championships in Bowling Green, Ohio.

The women's team had a 10th-place finish with 13 points, while the men's team finished ninth with 24 points.

Host school Bowling Green captured the women's title, edging Ball State 110-109.5. Eastern Michigan won the men's championship, scoring 188 points during the two-day event.

Coach Jeff Small said the meet brought the best out of his team.

"Probably 90 percent of our athletes had their best meet and times," Small said. "The indoor season ended on a real

"When I crossed the line, I didn't know if I had won or not. When I found out, I was in shock."

Tara Lee,
Marshall hurdler

positive note."

Lee scored all 13 points for the women's team. In addition to winning the 60-meter hurdles, she also placed sixth in the pole vault with a school-record jump of 10-6.

"I was impressed with everybody's performance," Lee said. "But I think we'll do a lot better outdoors."

Junior Cassandra Hearn set a school record in the pentathlon. Hearn scored 3,068 points finishing 13th in the meet.

Sophomore Casey Batey led the men's team finishing second in the mile and fourth in the 800-meter run. Batey set a school record in the mile with a time of 4-minutes, 10.36 seconds. Sophomore James Kneeland scored for the Herd in the 800 with an eighth-place finish.

Junior Andrew Blair set a new school mark in the 60-meter dash. Blair broke the old record by one tenth of a second finishing sixth with a time of 6.84 seconds. Sophomore Marlon Little had an eighth-place finish in the race at 6.91.

Senior Floyd Johnson and sophomore Aaron Trammel recorded ninth-place finishes in the field events. Johnson jumped 46-8 in the triple jump, while Trammel had a throw of 50-9 1/4 in the shot put.

Small said his team could use the meet as motivation for the outdoor season.

"We're looking forward to it," Small said. "Our kids really felt like they belonged this year, and it gives them hope that they can score in the outdoor meets."

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Life!

Religion University

Students keep religion in schedules

Many students keep religion in their hearts when coming to college and several clubs help provide that. David L. Barnes, Barboursville senior, said "College is tough, but religion is something that you know in your heart and no one can take that away from you."

Read more Friday in Life!



Thursday, March 4, 1999
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Milton Bradley had a good idea when they came up with their popular family game "Life." Many of us like to think our lives are exciting and through that game we could accomplish much more than we could ever imagine.

Although that game may fit a lifetime of achievements, some impossible, into an hour of playing, its not that unrealistic. Many of us have accomplishments, or even dark secrets, that make our lives thrilling.

So Parthenon staff members conjured up a quiz to allow you to test your life — to find out if you are a winner at the game of (real) life.

GREAT ADVENTURES

Have you ever gone:

- ___ parachuting? (15 PTS.)
- ___ hand gliding? (15 PTS.)
- ___ bungee jumping (20 PTS.)
- ___ white water rafting? (10 PTS.)
- ___ Scuba diving? (10 PTS.)
- ___ mountain climbing? (10 PTS.)

Have you ever:

- ___ wrestled a live animal? (10 PTS.)
- ___ worked for a fair or circus? (5 PTS.)
- ___ worked as a clown? (5 PTS.)
- ___ set a sports record? (20 PTS.)
- ___ run a marathon? (10 PTS.)
- ___ competed in a sporting event witnessed by more than 1,000 people? (10 PTS.)

MEDALS OF HONOR

Have you ever:

- ___ worked as a police officer, fire fighter, EMT? (20 PTS.)
- ___ won a major award? (5 PTS. if local; 10 PTS. if statewide; 20 PTS. if national)
- ___ done volunteer work? (20 PTS.)
- ___ saved anybody's life? (20 PTS.)
- ___ rescued an animal in any way? (15 PTS.)

OUT AND ABOUT

Have you ever:

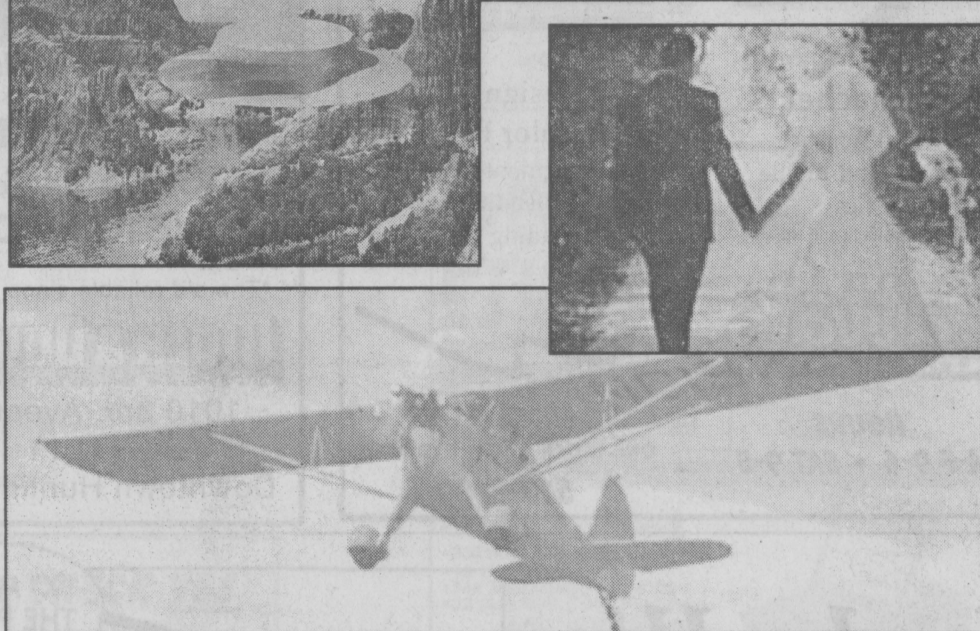
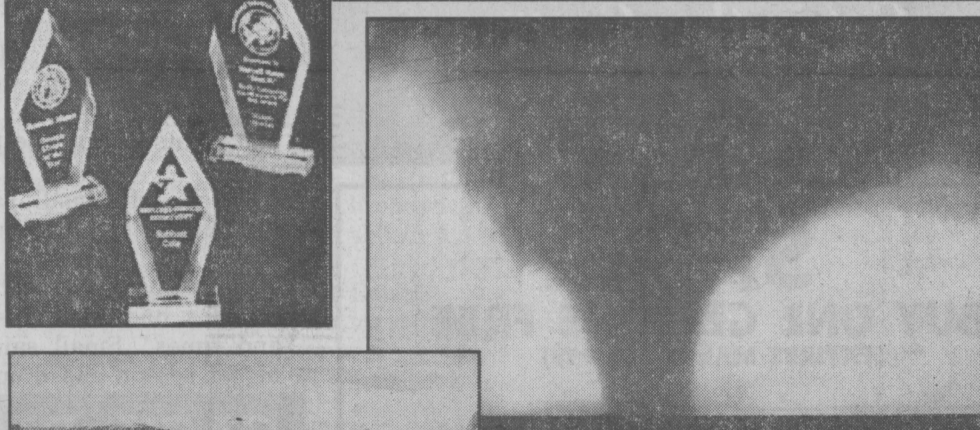
- ___ piloted an airplane or helicopter? (10 PTS.)
- ___ hitchhiked? (15 PTS. if cross country; 10 PTS. otherwise)
- ___ hiked, walked or biked more than 25 miles at one time? (10 PTS.)
- ___ captained a boat? (10 PTS.)
- ___ visited a foreign country? (2 PTS. for each country)
- ___ BONUS: add 1 PT. for every city you've lived in: 5 PTS. for every country.

ENVY ME ... OR NOT

Have you ever:

- ___ won the lottery? (5 PTS. for \$100+; 10 PTS. for \$1,000+)
- ___ been homeless? (20 PTS.)

Are you a winner at the game of LIFE?



- ___ been on TV? (10 PTS.)
- ___ been in a movie? (15 PTS.)
- ___ performed on stage before more than 500 people? (20 PTS.)
- ___ been the subject of a news story? (10 PTS.)
- ___ are a namesake of any thing? (10 PTS.)
- ___ met someone famous? (10 PTS.)
- ___ met Jesco White? (10 PTS.; 15 points if you've danced with him)
- ___ been close friends with someone famous? (15 PTS.)
- ___ serious car accident? (10 PTS.)
- ___ work strike? (20 PTS.)

Have you ever:

- ___ overcome a serious disease or illness? (20 PTS.)
- ___ been attacked by an animal? (10 PTS.)
- ___ been the victim of a felony? (5 PTS.)

THE OUTER LIMITS

Have you ever:

- ___ seen a ghost? (10 PTS.)
- ___ seen a UFO? (10 PTS.)
- ___ been abducted by an alien? (50 PTS.)
- ___ died then came back to life? (25 PTS.)
- ___ been a member of a cult? (10 PTS.)
- ___ had an extreme religious experience? (20 PTS.)

- ___ displayed psychic or telekinetic powers? (20 PTS.)
- ___ saw the "Mothman"? (20 PTS.)

SKELETONS

IN CLOSETS

Have you ever:

- ___ been arrested? (5 PTS.)
- ___ been in prison? (10 PTS.)
- ___ committed a crime and got away with it? (5 PTS.)
- ___ been in a fight or rumble? (10 PTS.)
- ___ participated in a riot? (10 PTS.)
- ___ had anybody try to kill you? (15 PTS.)
- ___ stripped? (15 PTS. if for money; 10 PTS. otherwise)
- ___ visited a nude bath or colony? (10 PTS.)
- ___ skinny dipped? (1 PT. if alone or with one other person; 5 PTS. with more than two)
- ___ had an affair? (5 PTS.)
- ___ been in a gang? (10 PTS.)

EVERYDAY LIFE

Have you ever:

- ___ been married? (10 PTS. for each)
- ___ given birth? (20 PTS. for each)
- ___ quit your job without notice? (5 PTS.)
- ___ been fired? (5 PTS.)
- ___ been sued? (5 PTS.)

NOT SO FAST...

For every hour you watch television, deduct 2 PTS.

If you go shopping more than once a week, take off 5 PTS.

If you own a Nintendo or Playstation deduct 5 PTS. and 1 PT. for each game that accompanies either.

Take off 5 PTS. if you sleep after noon on any day of the week.

Total your points (be sure to take off points from the penalty section) and examine the list below.

0-50 points — Whoa! Get off your lazy butt and do something with yourself.

50-100 points — I hope you've only just begun ... keep trying.

101-200 points — Not too bad. Your worthy of a news brief.

201-300 points — Good job. You could be in a TV mini-series.

301 and above — Right on! You are worthy of a full newspaper feature, a motion picture and a book.

For the 300 - above club

Now that you know you have been a winner, take one step further ...

Send your results, name, phone number and a brief summary of why you think your life is worthy of a story by March 12 to The Parthenon, 311 Smith Hall or email barker14@marshall.edu. The person who we think has been a true winner will be featured on the Life! page in a full story in the future.

One thing ...if your life is that exciting, we hope you have pictures of some of these activities, so be prepared to have proof (which doubles as art for your Life! feature).

Happenings...



***your entertainment guide for activities and events at and outside of Marshall.**

On Campus

THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1999

Campus Light Ministries, weekly meeting, Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge, 18 p.m.

"Prime Time," weekly meeting of Campus Crusade, Marco's, 9:11 p.m.

A Women's Read In, Drinko Library atrium, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 1999

Baptist Student Union, prayer time, Campus Christian Center, 8 - 10 a.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1999

Lunch for a Buck, noon, Campus Christian Center.

In Huntington

FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 1999

BOBA FLEX, concert, Stoned Monkey.

SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 1999

Supafuzz, concert, Stoned Monkey.

Happenings...

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