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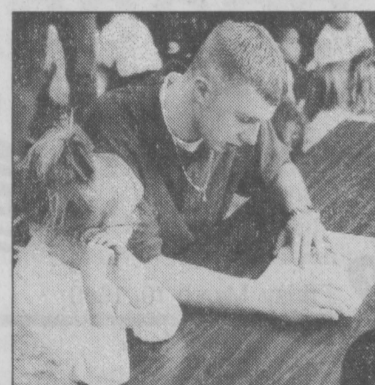
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Marshall University's student newspaper — Celebrating our 100th year!

Page edited by Rebecca Mullins

Better teaching goal of program

by GAYLE L. SMITLEY
reporter

A faculty dedicated to teaching and academics is one aspect that many say distinguishes Marshall from other universities.

Beginning in the fall, the Office of the Vice President of Academic Affairs will begin a new program called the Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) designed to improve teaching. The purpose for establishing

the program is to put resources and energy into promoting good teaching and providing opportunities for faculty to engage in activities related to improved teaching, said Dr. Frances Hensley, associate vice president for academic affairs.

"Although the concept of the program was approved by Dr. Gilley in April 1996, the CTE program has been running without administrative leadership until now," Hensley said.

"We've had many ideas, but until now we had not been able to find someone who had time for long-range planning or to develop and formalize suggested ideas."

She said Dr. Elaine Baker, professor of psychology, will be the interim director and will work with the Faculty Senate committee.

Baker plans to have an advisory committee that consists of at least one representative

from each of the colleges to help plan activities, Hensley said.

CTE, which is located in Old Main 236, will address issues that include mentoring for new faculty, hands-on teaching workshops, new and part-time faculty orientation and discussions about good teaching strategies.

Hensley said many faculty members will be eligible for retirement within the next five to 10 years.

"We need to take advantage

of their knowledge while they are still at MU," she said.

"The program is a practical reason for us to focus on what the university commits to teaching."

She said the CTE will try to utilize the expertise of senior faculty members to benefit the younger faculty members.

Also, the CTE will build on work the Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) program has done. Both programs aim to

promote teaching excellence.

Dr. Sarah Denman, vice president for academic affairs, said the CTE will sponsor a major workshop on learning and teaching topics that will be led by distinguished teaching scholars each semester.

Since the new program was announced, academic affairs has received some calls from faculty who are excited about the CTE and want to actively participate, she said.

Bike, skating law on agenda

by ANNA M. KNIGHTON
reporter

Huntington City Council is considering altering city law to allow use of bicycles, roller blades and other such "human powered" devices in some areas.

Councilman A.F. Bobersky said present law bans riding anything on sidewalks. But it has been proposed to prohibit their use on sidewalks only in certain areas.

Up for second, and final, reading Monday is the change that relates to bicycles, unicycles, tricycles, roller skates, roller blades, skateboards, coasters, wagons, scooters or any device with wheels propelled by human power upon which a person may ride or skate.

Areas where they would be prohibited are sidewalks on the north and south sides of Third, Fourth and Fifth avenues between Seventh Street and Hal Greer Boulevard as well as east and west sides of Seventh and Tenth streets between Third and Fifth avenues.

"Young adults from the area high schools have been coming to the City Council complaining about being harassed by police officers when they are riding or skateboarding in the city of Huntington," he said.

"I offered to rewrite the law

to allow students to ride in the city," Bobersky said. "I wanted it to be allowed everywhere because Marshall students ride their bicycles and roller blades to school, but I realized to get it passed I would have to put some type of restriction in the downtown part of the city. Life is a give-and-take situation."

The downtown area was targeted because it has the most traffic and pedestrians, he said.

Bobersky said he originally proposed restrictions be put only on Eighth and Tenth streets and on Third and Fifth avenues. "I had to compromise to get it passed," he said.

Councilman Calvin A. Kent, who is also the College of Business dean at Marshall, proposed March 8 to include Fourth Avenue in the ban, Bobersky said.

Bobersky said he is against it because students ride their bikes on Fourth Avenue between classes.

"I told Cal that Marshall utilizes Fourth Avenue, but he still felt there are too many pedestrians on Fourth Avenue to permit it," he said.

"I find that not the truth and I was against the amendment."

Kent was unavailable for comment.

Bobersky said three council members voted against the amendment, but the majority voted for it. One council mem-

ber was absent.

"I am almost opposed to passing my ordinance," Bobersky said. "However, it should pass, but I cannot read other council members' minds."

"We wonder why young adults leave the Huntington area," he said. "It is because we do these things, such as taking their bikes away. I think it is ridiculous."

Students Laura M. Powers and Chad C. Bays said they

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Passersby enjoy the liberty of being able to bike down Fourth Avenue.

photo by Anna M. Knighton

Library workshops offered to teach use of scanners

by ANNA M. KNIGHTON
reporter

The John Deaver Drinko Library is offering a second drop-in workshop.

The second series of drop-in workshops sponsored by the library faculty and Marshall Libraries User Education will deal with using book scanners and digital senders to scan as well as saving and emailing images and documents.

Jennifer N. Sias, user education librarian, said, "For this specific workshop, faculty and staff will learn how to scan document images and be able to save it on a disk or email it."

"For instance, they can scan a periodical and walk away with it on a disk or e-mail it for no charge," Sias said. "It is a way to take away information without paying up front."

The workshops will be March 24 from 10 - 10:45 a.m. and from 1 - 1:45 p.m. and March 25 from 10 - 10:45 a.m. and from 2 - 2:45 p.m. They are open to faculty, staff and community members.

The first drop-in workshop was a great success, Sias said. "We had 31 participants and I was very pleased," she said. "Those who responded were very interested in the upcoming workshop."

To register, call Sias at 696-6577 or email her Sias3@marshall.edu.

Participants will meet at the John Deaver Drinko Library

MORE INFO

John Deaver Drinko Library Week

Monday: Check It Out Day
Tours are available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tuesday: Herd Day
Wear Marshall apparel or green and white and receive a free Marshall can cooler.

Seminars will be offered on searching electronic resources at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Wednesday: C. Everett Koop Day

Explore Dr. Koop's career at a display in the library and hear him speak at the Joan C. Edwards Play-house.

Seminars on how to use scanners and multimedia equipment at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Thursday: Free Fine Day
Return overdue books and resources without penalties.

Seminars on using research tools at 10 a.m. and converting materials to html at 1 p.m.

Participate in tours and seminars and register to win a \$75 gift certificate at the Huntington Mall and other prizes.

reference desk on the day they wish to attend, Sias said.

Additional information may be obtained on the internet at <http://www.marshall.edu/libed/u/dropin99.html>.

Religions join together in celebration of Unity Week

by TONDREA DAVIS
reporter

Campus religious groups plan to practice what they preach about love and togetherness during a week of denominational unity.

Unity Week is comprised of several religious events sponsored by groups in the Campus Christian Center and the Newman Center.

Unity Week was created to give students the opportunity to fellowship across denominational lines.

"Instead of looking at the differences we have, we want to focus on things we have in com-

mon," said Jerry Losh, American Baptist campus minister.

Unity Week will begin Sunday at the Newman Center with a Rite of Scrutiny service, which is a prayer for forgiveness, purification and enlightenment.

Monday, the featured event is a Christian dramatization of the prodigal son's father performed by Norman Arrington.

"This would be a good way to spend 45 minutes," said Jim Fugate, Southern Baptist campus minister.

Former Marshall student Kevin Harrison will discuss the cross and commitment on

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MORE INFO

Unity Week

Sunday, March 21 - 7 p.m. - Celebration of Mass and Unity at the Newman Center

Monday, March 22 - 9 p.m. - Norm Arrington Christian Dramatist- Campus Christian Center Chapel

Tuesday, March 23 - 9 p.m. - Dr. Henri Rocca - Faith and Healing - Campus Christian Center Chapel

Wednesday, March 24 - 9 p.m. - Chuck Kinder- Knowing Christ- Campus Christian Center Chapel

Thursday, March 25 - Kevin Harrison- The Cross and Commitment- Campus Christian Center Chapel

Friday, March 26 - Putting Faith into Action: Ministry to Needy and Home Repairs. Volunteer Caregivers, Inc.

Greeks spring into action with competition and fun

by STACY TURNER
reporter

Greek Week '99 will start Sunday, March 21 and end Sunday, March 28.

The theme of this year's Greek Week is "The Week Zeus Got Loose."

The week will include events in which the Greeks will compete for a winner to be announced at the end of the week. The week is designed to bring the Greek community together but everyone is invited to attend the events.

Sunday:

Cheli Stover Memorial Walk-A-Thon, 2 p.m. at Ritter Park with a picnic following.

Monday:

Chalk Walk, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., MSC plaza.
Darts, 7-9 p.m., 20th Street Bar and Grill.

Speaker for "Creative Dating," Rick Doyle, 9 p.m., Don Morris Room.

Tuesday:

Bowling Tournament, 9 p.m., MSC basement.
Pool Tournament, 9 p.m., MSC basement.

Ping Pong Tournament, 9 p.m., Laidley and Hodges Hall

Wednesday:

Faculty Brunch, 9-11 a.m., Marco's.



Trivia Contest, 9-11 p.m., Marco's.

Thursday:
Basketball Tournament, 4-7 p.m., courts behind Towers East.

Friday:
Volleyball, 2-6 p.m., Gullickson Gym.

Biathlon, 3 p.m., Henderson Center pool.
Kick ball, 4 p.m., Buskirk Field.

Saturday:
Greek Olympics, 1 p.m., "Lefty" Rawlins Track including limbo, tug of war, football throw and comedy relay.

Sunday:
Greek Sing, 5-8 p.m., Huntington High School, canned food admission. There will be a slide show of all of the week's highlights and events with an awards presentation to follow.

Diversity explored by slate of speakers for Pride Week

by JIA HENG
reporter

Pride Week, which begins Monday, will be a chance for homosexuals and bisexuals to celebrate their identities and be proud of themselves.

"Pride and unity in the 21st Century," is the theme of Pride Week, which is sponsored by the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Outreach (LGBO) office, the Lambda Society and Multicultural and International Affairs Office.

"It's important to be proud of who you are, whether gays or straight people," said Raymie

White, LGBO coordinator and Lambda Society president.

"And it's also important that we work with other minorities whether those differences are based on races or sexual orientation," he said. "We should work together to improve all of our stations and human rights, not only focusing on gay issues."

He said he hopes to raise awareness of gay and lesbian issues on campus, help teach those who are not gays and try to illustrate to heterosexual people what is like to be gays through the Pride Week.

Jimel Beckett, LGBO coordi-

nator and Lambda Society treasurer, said visibility is an important issue.

"That's where the pride comes into," she said. "Based on the idea of not being ashamed of yourselves, and proclaim your identity. The Pride Week gives us a chance to do something positive, not only for ourselves, but also for the community."

During the week, there will be two presentations on various topics daily at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

White said the first presentations on each day will be workshop activities, while the second presentations will be lectures.

Many of the presentations relate to American and world history, Beckett.

"They are the part of the literature that you will not possibly find in your normal literature classes, especially in the secondary level," she said.

"We hope to help educate not only people who are not gay, but also those who are gay but don't know about the history."

Laura Johnston, who refounded the Lambda Society, will present the lecture entitled, "Where are the Women?" March 26.

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Baha'i Faith celebrates New Years

In celebration of the Baha'i New Years, members of the Baha'i Faith will conduct festivities in both Huntington and Charleston.

The Baha'i New Years begins March 21 and marks the end of the month of fasting. Celebrated this year will be New Year 156 Baha'i Era (B.E.).

Ceremonies will be in Char-

leston, Saturday, March 20 at 6 p.m. A talent show is planned.

Ceremonies Sunday, March 21, will be at 1 p.m., in the Huntington Baha'i Center, 1848 Seventh Avenue.

The new center will be showcased.

For more information is available by calling (304) 342-1749 or (304) 697-4500.

Baha'i Association Open House



Anita Evans - Opening Remarks

Baha'i Prayers:

Bahiyah Nezhad - Prayer for America

Billy Adkins - Blessings Prayer

Jeff Ramey - Unity Prayer

Stephanie Walker - Prayer for Mankind

Fareydoon Nezhad - Persian Prayer

Christi Menking - Music

Chris Worth - Poetry

Bash Crofts - The Lord's Prayer (recorded)

Rabbi to lecture Sunday

Presentation based on his 1996 book

Rabbi Stephen M. Wylen of Temple Beth Tikvah in Wayne, N.J. will present the lecture "Jesus, Hillel and the Love Commandment," Sunday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse.

Wylen is the former rabbi of B'nai Shalom Congregation in Huntington.

His presentation will be based on his 1996 book, "The Jews in the Time of Jesus." The Department of Religious Studies and the Federated Jewish Charities of Huntington are sponsoring his visit.

The lecture is part of a scholar-in-residence weekend in which Wylen will also participate in activities at his former congregation, speak to classes at Marshall and speak to the Huntington Rotary Club Monday, March 22.

More information is available by calling Dr. Lynne Mayer, assistant vice president for Marshall alumni development, at (304) 696-2239.

Poetry reading offers four artists

by BUTCH BARKER
Life! editor

The public can get a "painful, intimate" glimpse into the minds of four poets Friday at Renaissance Book Company and Coffee House.

"The Candiru Review," featuring A.E. Stringer, Terre Thomas, Marged Howley and Ace Boggess, was created by Renaissance manager Mike Koh to bring people together to understand different concepts, according to Boggess.

"We wanted to bring acts together," said Boggess who arranged the reading. "We have four extremely different artists reading to bring a bunch of styles and audiences together."

"Hopefully the reading will allow some to expand their horizons."

The reading starts at 7:30 p.m. and each author will read for approximately 20 minutes, with breaks, Boggess said.

A supplement featuring the works and biographies of each author will be available to the audience, Boggess said.

Stringer, an associate professor of English at Marshall, is featured with five of his poems, three of which have been published in professional publications.

Thomas, co-owner of Calamity Cafe and host of the cafe's annual Poetry Slam, has four poems printed in the book.

Howley, a Marshall student,

will be reading from five of her personal selections.

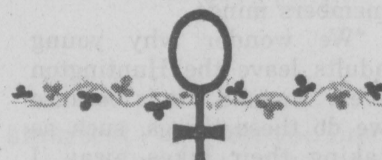
Boggess, who obtained a journalism degree from Marshall, is featured with five of his poems, four of which have been published.

The readings should last until about 9:30 p.m., Boggess said.

He said even though he hopes to make the review a common occurrence, its future is in the hands of the audience.

"Whether the series will continue or not will depend on how many people show up Friday," Boggess said. "We'd like to make it a series — maybe have them once a month or each semester [at Marshall]."

Presentation to focus on Appalachian women



by KRISTA CRAWFORD
reporter

The Marshall University Women's Center and the Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender in Appalachia (CSEGA) are sponsoring a free presentation about women in Appalachian history.

The presentation will be at 7 p.m. Monday, March 22, in the John Deaver Drinko Library Auditorium room 402.

Karaleah Reinchart, the first student affiliate for CSEGA, will present "Walking the Line: Women and Industrial Conflict

in Southern West Virginia Coal Fields."

The presentation is in honor of Women's History Month and is open to the public.

Mary Thomas, administrative assistant to CSEGA, said Reinchart will not only present information about women in Appalachian history, but also discuss her ongoing research about the topic.

Reinchart is currently a doctoral candidate in anthropology at Northwestern University.

The Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender is funded by a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation for the Humanities and is dedicated to filling the void of research about ethnicity and gender in the Appalachian region.

Snowshoe celebrates 25 years

Students who need a vacation before spring break are in luck.

Due to the heavy snowfall that recently stormed across the state, Snowshoe Mountain offers students a vacation of skiing and inches of snow before they hit the beach.

Snowshoe Mountain is celebrating its 25th year of operation Saturday, March 20, in Pocahontas County.

The day will feature on-slope contests, music and birthday cake, and will be capped off with the highest elevated fireworks display in West Virginia, according to a press release from Snowshoe Mountain.

As part of the celebration, skiers and snow boarders can purchase lift tickets for \$12 Monday, March 29 until the

end of the season.

"It's going to be a great day to be at Snowshoe with everything we'll have going on," said Steve Rice, Snowshoe president, according to the press release.

Snowshoe is currently in its value season, according to the press release.

Skiers and snow boarders receive up to 50 percent off lift tickets and 40 percent off lodging.

Courtesy of the fifth major snowstorm this month, Snowshoe Mountain has received more than five feet of snow in March.

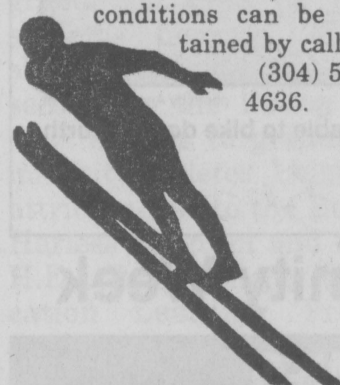
This amount of snow creates excellent slope conditions, according to the press release.

"The snow has capped off a challenging season for us," Rice

said.

Snowshoe Mountain plans to stay open until April 11 or longer if the conditions hold out.

Information on up-to-date conditions can be obtained by calling (304) 572-4636.



Louis Farrakhan 'gravely ill'

CHICAGO (AP) — Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan is gravely ill with an undiagnosed condition, according to the Muslim group's newspaper.

"If it is a virus, several doctors that were working on me have not found that. It's an assumption," The Final Call newspaper quoted Farrakhan, 65, as saying during a Feb. 28 speech in Chicago.

Farrakhan, who has been treated for prostate cancer in the past, has been ill since

early January, the article said.

Farrakhan said in the speech that he lost 20 pounds and most of his muscle mass in less than two weeks.

He also said he had "no appetite, night sweats, dealing with the aftereffects of radiation therapy (for prostate cancer) and other things," according to the newspaper.

Police criticized after altercation

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The American Civil Liberties Union and state Sen. Tom Hayden said police overreacted when they used force to disperse a crowd at a hip-hop festival last month.

ACLU Executive Director Ramona Ripston said Wednesday that the organization will represent Asia Yu, the festival organizer who has been charged with inciting a riot.

"The police treated this as a riot, but there was no riot," Ripston said.

The Feb. 28 scene became chaotic after police marched in wearing riot gear, wielding batons and aiming guns at the seemingly peaceful crowd, she said.

"I would be very frightened if I saw police in riot gear aiming guns at me," said Ripston.

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Honors program gets boost at workshops

by AMY E. BROWNING
reporter

Would you like to fly to the moon and back? Or maybe discover an ancient civilization previously unknown to the rest of the world?

Those interested may just get their chance because proposals for honors courses are being submitted. A workshop for faculty interested in developing new honors seminars was sponsored Tuesday by the MU Honors Program.

Dr. Richard Badenhause, chairman of the MU Honors Council said, "the workshop gives those thinking of proposing ideas for honors classes the chance to hear from those [faculty and students] who have had honors classes."

The workshop emphasized teaching styles and providing students a wide range of choices. Dr. Sarah N. Denman, vice president of Academic Affairs said, "we would like to see more [courses] in the sciences and social sciences."

Most classes can be found in the humanities department. However, with past topics like "How the American Press Works" and "Voices of the American Civil War" as examples, Badenhause hopes a variety of new courses can be developed and available to students.

According to the schedule of courses, any student with a 3.3 gpa or better is eligible to enroll in any honors class. Students are not restricted to honors classes in their major.

Dr. Harlan M. Smith, associate professor in the economics department said, "your typical student will not be a major in your program."

When choosing honors classes to take, Christina Keefer, senior John Marshall Scholar and honors student said, "I stay away from anything that looked to difficult for my ability." She said it has not stopped her from venturing into topics outside of her general range of required classes.

Both Keefer and Molly H. Bassett, sophomore Yeager Scholar and honors student, agreed they expect these courses to be chal-

lenging and require a substantial amount of time.

Professors were reminded to challenge their students. Dr. Charles O. Lloyd, professor and chair of classical studies said, "You should be expecting more from them." He suggested professors may need to alter their average teaching style. "You may need to be made aware of some adjustments you need to make," Lloyd said.

Team-teaching, group work and portfolios were other teaching techniques suggested by some of the 18 faculty in attendance. Additional ideas and techniques may be found in future meetings of the Honors Council or in another workshop like this one.

All proposals that may lead to a student discovering a new adventure will be accepted to the Honors Council until Friday, April 16. The council is anxious to receive proposals. Smith said, "We want to say yes to as many courses in as many departments and colleges as possible."

Proposals or additional information may be obtained by contacting Badenhause at 696-6269.

Pride Week to celebrate diversity

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Dr. Richard Garnett, assistant professor of sociology and anthropology, will present a lecture March 22 entitled "Nazi Persecution of Homosexuals," which deals with its causes and effects.

Garnett said Pride Week is a chance to celebrate campus diversity. He said it is an opportunity for gays and les-

bians to feel pride in who they are and express themselves more openly, despite the discrimination and prejudice they encounter.

Beckett said Pride Week is supposed to be a celebration. "It is time for us to educate ourselves to celebrate who we are, to reaffirm ourselves," she said.

"The presentations will be inspirational not just to gays and lesbians but to everyone on campus," White said. "Straight persons who haven't had contact with gays and lesbians should come at least to listen to what they say to get another point of view."

Wheels cause woes

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think the ordinance is unfair.

"It's not fair for students, but I do understand why they do it," said Powers, Middle-bourne junior majoring in park resources and conservation. "People do tear stuff up and it could be dangerous, but not all people do it. They just need to enforce the laws."

Bays, Point Pleasant sophomore, said, "I do not think it is right because students use bikes to get to school."

The Student Government Association passed a resolution to allow devices on Fourth Avenue and asked it to be

added to the ordinance, Bobersky said.

"I would like to have the amendment removed and I will make a motion to remove it," he said.

If the ordinance is passed Monday and someone is found in violation of it, he/she will be warned first and then fined if violating it again. Their vehicle also will be confiscated the second time.

All other public sidewalks within the city of Huntington will be available for public use, he said.

According to the proposed ordinance, parents will be responsible for injuries or property damage by their children under the age of 18. When a person uses these devices he/she must yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian.

Warm weather and hot chili spice up Tri-Sigma Chilifest

by STACY TURNER
reporter

Hot, spicy chili and warm temperatures were the recipe for Sigma Sigma Sigma's annual Chilifest Wednesday.

Tracy Bell, fundraising chairwoman, said the Tri-Sigma's Chilifest had a great turnout this year.

The annual Chilifest is a fundraising event which helps raise money for the Tri-Sigma's general funds, Kathryn File, fundraising chairwoman, said.

Tickets were sold prior to the Chilifest. Each member of Tri-Sigma sold a minimum of five tickets for \$3 and tickets could also be bought at the door for \$4. Mostly students, faculty, parents and alumni purchased the tickets, Bell said.

The chili was prepared by members of the sorority using the recipe that the Tri-Sigma



photo by Stacy Turner

Tri-Sigma members Michelle Robinette, Tracy Bell and Nafisa Doctor add the finishing touches to chili Wednesday at Chilifest. The annual event raises money for the general funds of the sorority.

cook uses. Members of the sorority served the chili working in half hour shifts, five members at a time, Bell said.

"We worked hard to get everything organized for the

Program heads for payroll department

by KRISTA CRAWFORD
reporter

Marshall's payroll department is keeping up with the times.

The office of payroll and sponsored programs is adding two new computer systems, direct deposit and Employees Payroll Information Control System (EPICS).

Sharon Rutherford, director of the payroll and sponsored programs, said direct deposit, the transferring of money to an account instead of writing a check, has been available for three years for full-time staff and faculty. The new direct deposit system will become available to everyone on the MU staff within the next year, she said.

"By the year 2003 the state government will no longer be writing checks," she said. "They will pay all state employees with direct deposit."

Problems arose with the old payroll system, Rutherford said, when an employee stopped working in the university and the payroll office was not informed in a substantial amount of time, direct deposits would continue to be sent and would later have to be wired back to the university account.

"The new program will give us better control," Rutherford said.

EPICS is a payroll system implemented by state auditors. Marshall will start using EPICS on Aug. 1, Rutherford said.

She said the reason for the change is because the old computer system was not Y2K compatible.

Religions unite at MU next week

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Thursday.

Other events planned for Unity Week include speakers

on faith, healing and knowing Christ.

Unity Week will end Friday after a series of events including denominations "Putting Faith into Action."

Volunteers plan to minister to shut-ins, people who are either too sick or elderly to leave their homes. They also plan to do home repairs for the less fortunate.

Father Bill Petro, campus Catholic minister at the New-

man Center, said, "These events are an opportunity for us to share with one another as well as the campus community what we have in common as well as foster mutual respect for the differences."

All events at the Campus Christian Center and the Newman Center are open to anyone who wants to participate, regardless of their religion.

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OUR VIEW

Put a stop to violence



Thumbs up to the staff at Branches, a Huntington domestic violence shelter, and all others who organized today's domestic violence workshop.

The program, "Joining Forces to Confront the Epidemic of Domestic Violence" will be from 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. in the Shawkey Room of the Memorial Student Center.

Speakers will provide information about the cycle of domestic violence, the resources available to victims and their children and how the legal system addresses abuse.

We encourage students, faculty and staff to take this opportunity to educate themselves about one of the most prevalent issues facing our community.

Let's share sidewalks



Thumbs down to the Huntington City Council for proposing that laws should remain prohibiting bicycles and other wheeled devices from the sidewalks along several streets and avenues surrounding campus.

Actually, this should be a side-ways thumb, because there are two sides to this story. According to current city ordinances, bicycles or other devices are not allowed on any city sidewalk. While it is now proposed that bicycles be allowed on most city sidewalks, they would still be banned from downtown areas. That ordinance passed March 8 and will receive a second reading Monday during the city council meeting.

We would like to give a Thumbs up, however, to Councilman A.F. Bobersky, who had originally proposed that bicycles and other human-powered wheel contraptions be allowed in all areas. Councilman Calvin A. Kent, who is also the dean of the College of Business, proposed that the ban remain active for downtown streets, including Fourth Avenue. For someone connected to our campus, Kent surely was not thinking of students when he made that suggestion.

Riding bicycles is an alternative form of transportation that is beneficial to some students. Not only are bikes cheaper, but they are also easier to park. If this ordinance is passed, laws will remain inconvenient for students who ride their bicycles to class. We ask that the council rethink this proposed ordinance and allow bicycles and other devices on all city sidewalks.

Huntington is not a metropolis. No reason exists why pedestrians and cyclists cannot share the sidewalks.

Editorial policy

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SAY WHAT?

"We wonder why young adults leave the Huntington area. It is because we do these things, such as taking their bikes away...."

—A.F. Bobersky
Huntington city councilman

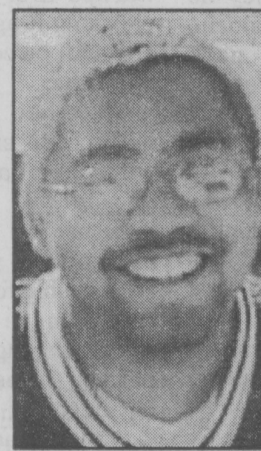
WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

In an informal survey Thursday students were asked if they could declare a special week what it would be and



"I would make a travel week with travel agencies represented here at Marshall advertising different trips and packages for students with all the rates and discounts available."

— Steven Ghareeb,
Charleston sophomore



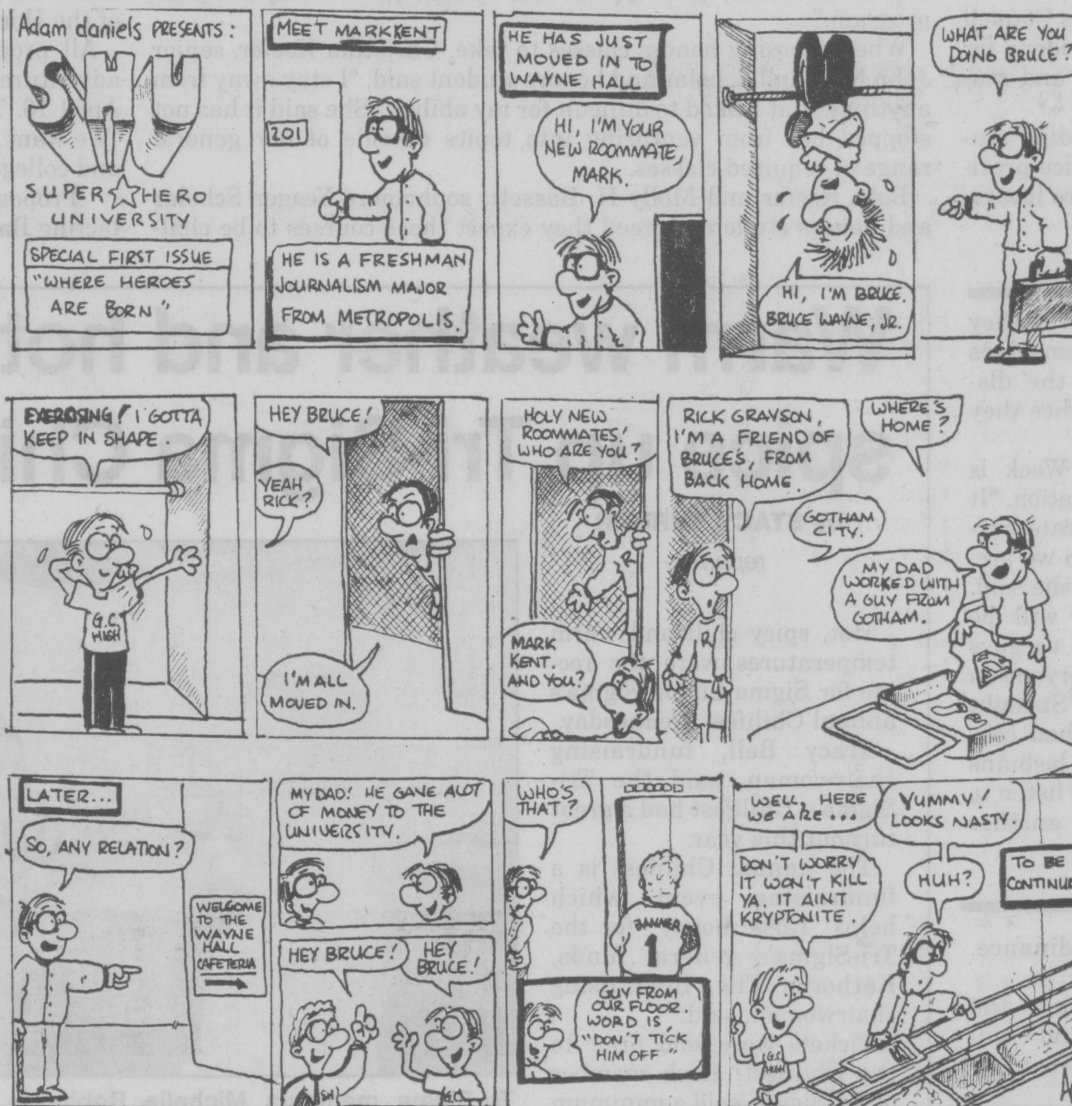
"I would have a peace week where everyone loves and doesn't hate anyone."

— Todd Redmon,
Moorefield senior



"I would have a national shopping and sale week where all department stores were having huge sales."

— Yukari Takahata,
Japan freshman



YOUR VIEW

Many share blame for mining demise

To the editor:

As a southern West Virginian with a coal-mining heritage, I am heartbroken by miners being laid off due to the mountaintop removal controversy. The coal companies want us to blame a few environmentalists. Yet, other parties must share that burden.

Blame House Speaker Bob Kiss and the Legislature who last year passed the stream mitigation bill. The EPA and certain coal companies warned this would bring added scrutiny to this issue.

Blame Gov. Underwood for appointing ex-coal official Mike Miano as director of the DEP, again bringing additional scrutiny as federal law prohibits ex-coal officials from having a share authority over state water quality protection.

Blame the DEP and OSM for failure to enforce the 1977 Federal Surface Mine Act, specifically in regard to those provisions that deal with approximate original contour (AOC) and post mining land use.

"In summary, a few environmentalists can't be blamed for this controversy. This is about the greed of the coal companies and their attempt to divide West Virginians into either citizens for coal or citizens against coal."

According to Congressman Rahall, post mining land uses were permitted that were a violation of the letter, or certainly the intent of the law.

Finally blame coal companies whose greed has done the most harm in terms of job losses to miners. In 1977, 61,815 miners produced 95,405,977 tons of coal. Thus coal production and profits increased 190 percent while employment decreased 346 percent. Coal companies have exerted tremendous political pressure on government to ignore the AOC variance. If companies were required to follow federal law, more miners would have jobs reclaiming the land to approximate original contour. Miners are paid good money to haul away the overburden and they would be paid good money

to put it back. Blame Arch Coal, not Judge Haden. This clear violation of the letter of the law left Judge Haden with little, if any, choice but to rule against the coal company.

In summary, a few environmentalists can't be blamed for this controversy. This is about the greed of the coal companies, and their attempt to divide West Virginians into either citizens for coal or citizens against coal.

The truth is, we are all mountaineers and we all have ties to coal mining. We need to stop letting coal companies control us, our politicians and our state. We need to open a dialogue, respect each other's concerns and solve this issue ourselves.

—Randy Boyd,
Edmond, W.Va.

Television serving its role to entertain

To the editor:

I am writing in regard to the column written on Feb. 24 by Jacob Scheick. This article made me angry. Shakespeare was a very intelligent and respected artist. CNN is a great place to premier the commercial for a movie about him.

Of course, television stations are trying anything so they do not have to show news on the Clinton scandal. I think I speak for a lot of people when I say, "Who cares anymore?"

All TV stations are in competition for ratings. They are not going to show boring and unimportant information everyone already knows.

Television's main purpose is entertainment. Newspapers are

for the news. Hard Copy and Entertainment Tonight inform us of celebrity life, not tell us what is going on with Mr. Clinton. 20/20 and 60 minutes should not even be compared to E.T. and Hard Copy.

It is only his opinion that these shows are "garbage." Next time he needs to think more about a situation before writing an article like this in The Parthenon.

—Nicole Allman,
Mineral Wells freshman

Laws should treat all groups equally

To the editor:

I am responding to the article that was issued in the Feb. 26 edition of your newspaper, "Group addresses hate crimes

on campus." The article concerned students forming a Hate Crimes Task Force, which would abolish crimes regarding race, religion, sexual orientation, etc. Reporter Connie Nichols wrote this article.

I agree with the article in the way that there is hate crimes on this campus.

I have witnessed and been a victim of racial slurs here on campus.

I know that there is a lot of racial, religious and sexual orientation prejudice on the campus of Marshall University.

However, I do not feel any race, religion or sexual preference should have any special rights.

I simply feel we should all be treated equally.

—Aaron Honaker,
Sissonville freshman

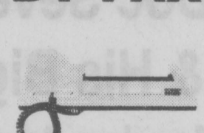
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Practice did not make perfect

Herd baseball team riddled with defensive errors as team falls to WV State

by CHAD PENNINGTON
reporter

Coach Dave Piepenbrink has found one word for his team's lack of success.

Defense.

"If we play error-free, we win," Piepenbrink said after the Marshall baseball team lost to West Virginia State Thursday 5-4 at Boyd County High School. "We didn't, and we lost."

Marshall lost its fifth consecutive game and fell to 3-10 overall, while West Virginia State, ranked No. 15 in Division II, improved its record to 4-0 overall.

The Thundering Herd led 4-2

going into the bottom of the seventh and final inning.

But with the bases loaded and one out, Yellow Jacket senior John Brouse hit a single allowing senior Joe Payne and junior Wil Sow-ers to score.

Two batters later, Brouse scored the winning run after Marshall junior first baseman Eric Pinkerton misjudged a ground ball hit by junior Davey Potter.

The error by Pinkerton was Marshall's third of the day. The three errors allowed West Virginia State to score three unearned runs.

Freshman pitcher J.J. Thomas received his second loss of

the season, allowing two earned runs in 2 2/3 innings.

"You have to play defense to win," Thomas said. "And the pitching didn't survive at the end."

Junior Chris Chambers got the win for the Yellow Jackets improving his record to 1-0.

Marshall was led by Pinkerton and freshman Aaron Amburgey. Pinkerton went 3-for-4 with an RBI, while Amburgey collected two hits and three RBIs.



PIEPENBRINK

Senior Justin Graham and sophomore Jamil Allie both went 2-for-3 at the plate to lead West Virginia State.

Although Marshall outhit the Yellow Jackets, collecting 11 hits to their eight, the Herd committed three errors to West Virginia State's one.

"Good teams find ways to win," Piepenbrink said. "And that's what they did."

Thomas added, "We didn't have a good practice yesterday. We have to practice hard to win."

Marshall scored the first two runs of the game in the second inning.

Amburgey hit a single to

"You have to play defense to win. And the pitching didn't survive at the end ... We didn't have a good practice yesterday. We have to practice hard to win."

J.J. Thomas
freshman pitcher

right field allowing Radford-transfer Jimmy Thomas and freshman Amos Stevenson to score.

West Virginia State tied the game at 2-2 in the fifth inning.

Two Herd errors allowed Payne and junior John Withrow to score the two runs.

Marshall will face Virginia Tech Saturday at 2 p.m. in Blacksburg, Va.

The Herd will play the Hokies again Sunday at 2 p.m. The location of the game has not been determined because of field conditions at University Heights.

Site for baseball facility was former editor's idea



SCOTT PARSONS

I had a litter of kittens when I read the headline. OK, so maybe I didn't literally have a litter of kittens, but it sure felt like it.

Wednesday's Parthenon had the story about a site on Third Avenue being selected for a baseball facility. If I may have a moment to toot my own horn, that was my idea.

When I was sports editor of the Parthenon last spring, I was asked by Athletic Director Lance West where I thought a good spot for the baseball facil-

ity would be.

I said tear down the lot where Ropers once stood and put a nice facility there.

Like most of my suggestions, I didn't think it was taken very seriously, but, lo and behold, there it was. In bold print. On the sports page.

This isn't the only thing that frustrates me about this whole situation. Dr. K. Edward Grose was quoted in the story as saying "Marshall is trying to work out a deal so that the city will build the field and Marshall would lease it ..."

Marshall wants the city to build the field? Why not put it to a vote and ask the students to pay for it?

It didn't seem to bother them when it came to the Athletics Facility Building. They didn't blink an eye when they suggested \$150 increase in our activity fee and the majority of the voters bought the notion that the average student will

actually get to use it.

It's no secret that I am dealing with a few issues. This whole baseball field thing is really chapping my crack. Can I say that? Oh well, I just did.

The fact that the field is being built doesn't bother me. The fact that it really was my idea in the first place is just a funny side note.

The fact that Marshall thinks it is going to get the city of Huntington to build a facility for their use is the problem.

How about asking the city to buy a renovated science building? What about a parking garage? Or maybe they could buy a real card catalog for the library to use when the server goes down? While we're at it, how about asking the city to buy me a new truck?

Just a few thoughts to pass along to anyone who cares.

In the words of my hero Dennis Miller, "That's just my opinion. I could be wrong."

briefly...

Injured player helps Xavier to semifinals

CINCINNATI (AP) — The court was covered with joyous students as Xavier player, James Posey was hoisted above the crowd and the song "New York, New York" filled Cincinnati Gardens.

The Musketeers reached the NIT semifinals with one of their most stirring comebacks of the season Wednesday night, setting off the big celebration. Posey played through back spasms and Xavier overcame a 16-point deficit to beat Princeton 65-58. The Musketeers (24-10), who won the NIT in 1958, will play either Butler or Clemson at Madison Square Garden on Tuesday.

Xavier's comeback featured a gritty performance by Posey, who led the Musketeers in scoring in all three NIT games. The Musketeers fell behind by 16 points in the first

half as Princeton (22-8) ran its motion offense with precision.

After making only four turnovers in the first half, the Tigers had 10 in the second half, fueling Xavier's 22-7 spurt. Posey, who fell hard on his back early in the second half, had to leave the game because of lower back spasms in the middle of the comeback.

He later returned and made the biggest plays down the stretch even though the back pain forced him to limp severely and move carefully. His tip-in put Xavier ahead 50-49 and his steal off Young set up a layup that pushed the lead to five points.

Posey got two rebounds and hit three free throws in the final 49 seconds to clinch it. He finished with 19 point and 11 rebounds. The team will now play two games in New York.

Torre recovering from prostate surgery

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Doctors removed Joe Torre's cancerous prostate gland Thursday morning, and the prognosis for the New York Yankees' manager appeared to be "excellent," according to the lead surgeon, Dr. William Catalona.

Catalona said he thought Torre had an early prostate cancer and the procedure went well.

Lab tests on the removed gland won't be complete for a few days, said Catalona, but indications are the cancer had not spread.

Torre, 58, underwent the 2 1/2-hour surgery at Barnes-Jewish Hospital, where he is expected to remain for 3-4 days. His wife, Ali, was with him at the hospital. Torre will recuperate in Florida.

Lewis: Be a man, admit you were beaten

LONDON (AP) — Lennox Lewis returned home Thursday, endorsing the investigations into his disputed draw with Evander Holyfield in their heavyweight title fight.

After landing in London, Lewis maintained he was the victim of a "conspiracy" and the judges had been "incompetent."

Saturday's Holyfield-Lewis showdown at Madison Square Garden in New York created an outcry when called a draw. Most in the sell-out crowd felt Lewis had won comfortably.

Referee Arthur Mercante Jr. agreed and so did most boxing writers who covered the 12-rounder.

Each of the three judges saw the outcome differently. South African Stan Christodoulou scored it 116-113 for Lewis, Eugenia Williams of Atlantic City, N.J., voted 115-113 for Holyfield and Britain's Larry O'Connell scored it 115-115.

Investigations by state authorities are being held in New York, and the Manhattan district attorney is looking into possible criminal activity regarding the bout.

"If Evander's a man, he should admit that he got beat and give me my belts," said Lewis, who is the WBC champion. "But he's not that kind of character."

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Local poets read at Renaissance

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Next week in Life!

Friday, March 19, 1999

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the Parthenon

Herd athletes are expected to excel on the field, in the classroom and in the community. When the demands seem too tough to face, the Student Athlete Program is

Helping them COPE



As part of community service, sophomore basketball player Joda Burgess, of Kenova, reads to an elementary school student.

by JENNIFER L. JOHNSON
reporter

The life of a student athlete is more than smiling for photos and signing autographs.

There is also the student part of classes, homework and exams.

At Marshall, student athletes receive the support they need.

"Some athletes get homesick, some have alcohol problems and some just want someone to talk to," said Michelle Duncan, director of the student athlete program.

The Buck Harless Student Athlete Program is designed to help athletes succeed in college.

Multi-millionaire James "Buck" Harless, from Gilbert in Mingo County, contributes to Marshall University and West Virginia University.

The program was started in 1981 to help student athletes because of the extra demands that are placed on them.

Services provided from the program's office in Gullickson Hall include counseling and tutoring. The office also has a study area and computer lab.

Duncan, who has been with the program three years, oversees the entire

operation.

Laurie Fox counsels football and baseball players and helps with their studies.

Steven Pasternak works with athletes who have learning disabilities and monitors the Olympic-type sports.

Administrative assistant Barbara McKittrick keeps eligibility files in order.

Graduate assistants who work with the program include Aisha Byrd, Cindy Dawson, Jayson Grayson, Stephanie Hayes, Jennifer Jerome, Corey Layne and Laura McLaurin.

Career development is one area of the program. When the athletes come in as freshmen and sophomores, counselors help them choose a major.

Freshmen and sophomore athletes, as well as learning disabled students, receive advance registration privileges but juniors and seniors register with their class in alphabetical order, according to the Student Athlete Handbook.

Student athletes are informed when internships or job openings become available. The program assists in preparing a resume and teaches interview lessons. In the

spring, workshops on dinner etiquette and how to dress are presented.

The Buck Harless Program is not just about counseling, it also involves athletes in community service.

Athletes participate in numerous projects, such as visiting sick children in hospitals, reading to children in local grade schools and working with the area's Habitat For Humanity to build houses for low income families.

Head football coach Bob Pruett said he thinks the program is very important and has a big impact on the success of the teams.

"We have one of the top graduation rates for our athletes here at Marshall," he said. "We are second in the nation of bowl schools to graduate minority athletes. I highly attribute this to the Buck Harless Program and the H.E.L.P. [Higher Education Learning Program] Program."

Striving to reach maximum potential in academics, athletics and personal development is what Harless considers important. The Buck Harless Award is given to the student who meets those qualifications.

The award is not given to the best athlete or the

smartest or even the one who participates in the most community service.

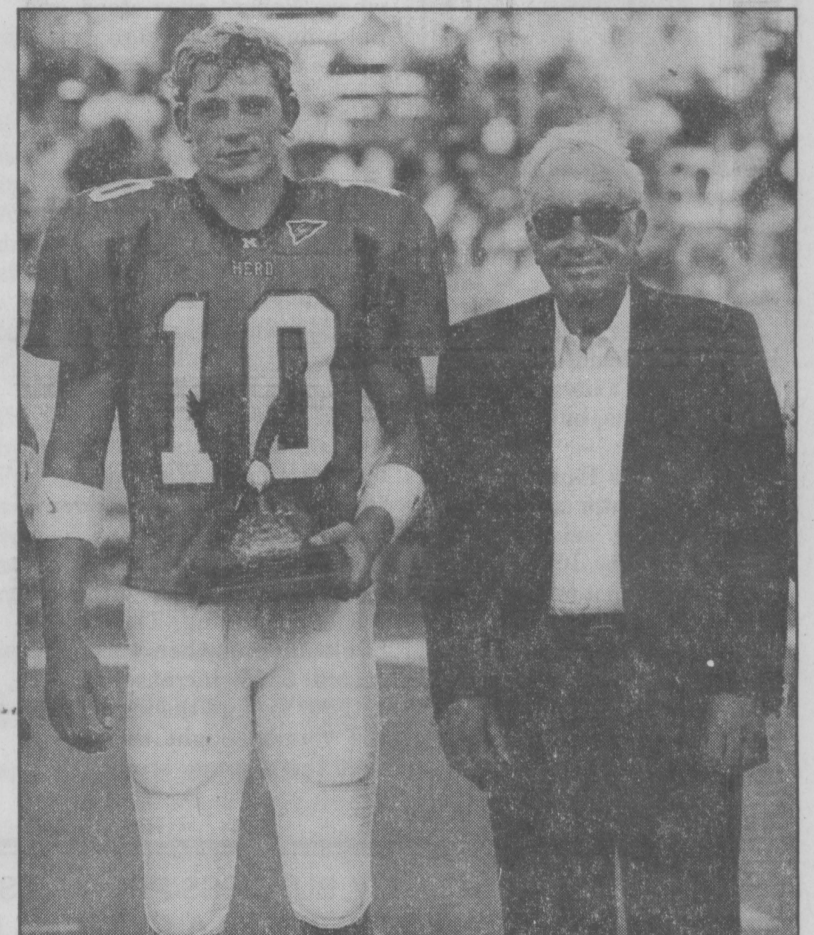
Duncan said Harless presents the award, though he is not involved in the selection of the athlete.

For the award selection process, each team chooses one member. Then those names are sent to the Student Athlete Program.

The names are forwarded to the athletic department and sports information for a vote.

The voting takes place in May and June, but the award is not presented until half-time at a football game.

Nominees and the winner are presented with plaques during the ceremony. The 1997-1998 Buck Harless Student Athlete of the Year was quarterback Chad Pennington.



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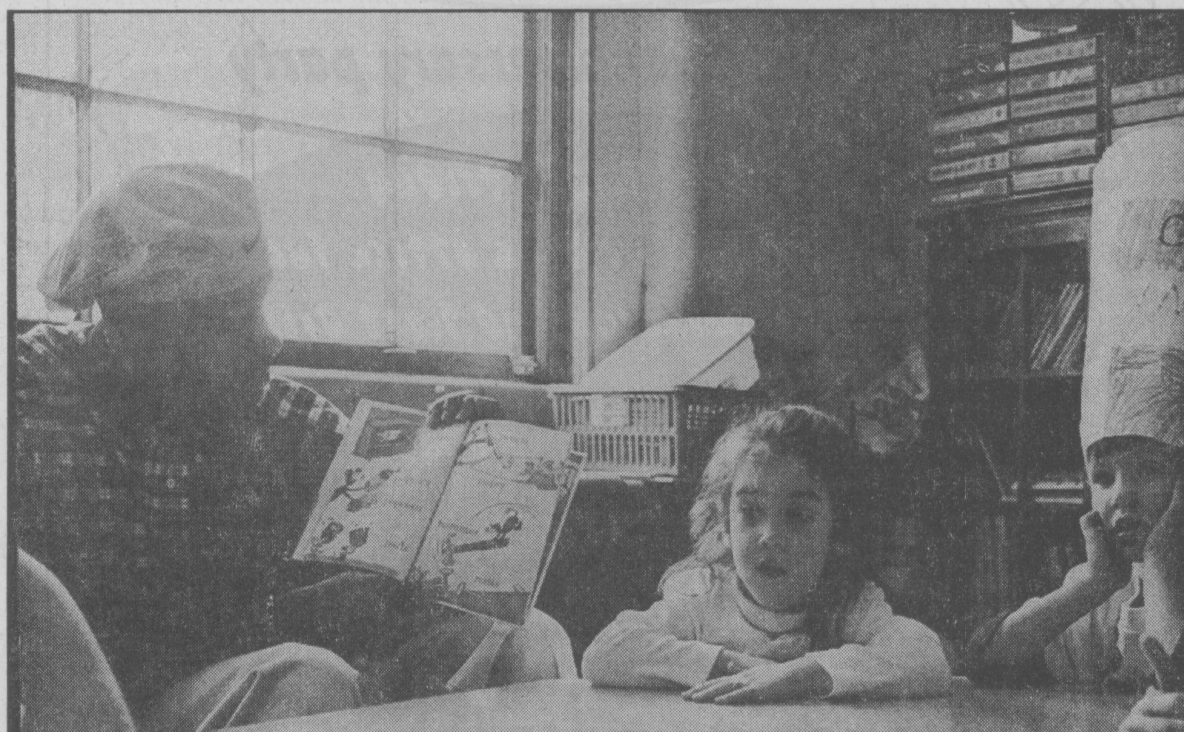
The Buck Harless Award is presented to the student athlete who shows dedication in academics, athletics and personal development. Quarterback Chad Pennington poses with the award's namesake after being named the 1997-1998 winner.

Buck Harless Award nominees from 1998



- Football:** Chris Hanson, graphics design major from Senoia, Ga.
- Women's track:** Maureen Hackett, chemistry major from Worthington, Ohio.
- Men's track:** Scott Johnson, biological science education major from Martinsburg, W.Va.
- Golf:** Steven Shrawder, sports management major from Millersburg, Penn.
- Tennis:** Kelly Peller, physics major from Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Women's basketball:** Michelle Lenhart, accounting major from Altoona, Penn.
- Men's basketball:** Derrick Wright, business major from Norcross, Ga.
- Softball:** Cristy Waring, English education major from LaMiranda, Calif.
- Baseball:** Joseph Hahn, pre-med graduate from Huntington, W.Va.

list provided by the Student Athlete Program



Meadows Elementary School students listen as basketball player VonDale Morton reads a book.