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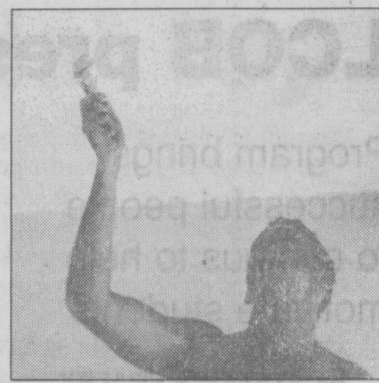


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## Divine Digitals or CELL HELL?

Wireless phones growing in popularity, but buyers should be aware of costs, risks

by JON P. ROGERS  
reporter

When she came to the United States from Macedonia, graduate student Tatjana Gorgievska anticipated many differences between students here and ones at home.

One difference she did not expect was the numerous cell phones.

"They're very expensive in my country and few people can afford them. At Marshall, they're as common as hangovers," she said.

In the past few years, the sight and sound of cellular phones on campus has grown from being a relative rarity to achieving almost omnipresent status, though some might say public nuisance status.

Once a student makes a decision to investigate the various options in services and prices, and the actual phones, the choices may grow astounding.

Prices for monthly service start at as little as \$15 or \$20 per month and rise, depending on the number of minutes included in the package.

Use of time in excess of the number of minutes allowed will be charged on a high, per minute basis, often providing a big surprise for new users.

Although sales clerks may baffle the novice with arcane



photo illustration by Mike Andrick

Andrea Russen, from Moundsville has owned a cell phone since August 1998.

terms and descriptions, the actual differences may be negligible.

A February article in Consumer Reports said its tests demonstrated no appreciable difference in sound quality between the analog and digital types of phones.

Consumer Reports suggested that buyers choose the least expensive service plan that would suit their needs and then select one of the cell phones that performed well in its tests. The preferred instruments included the Motorola StarTAC models, the Ericsson LX line and the Nokia 5100 and 6100 lines.

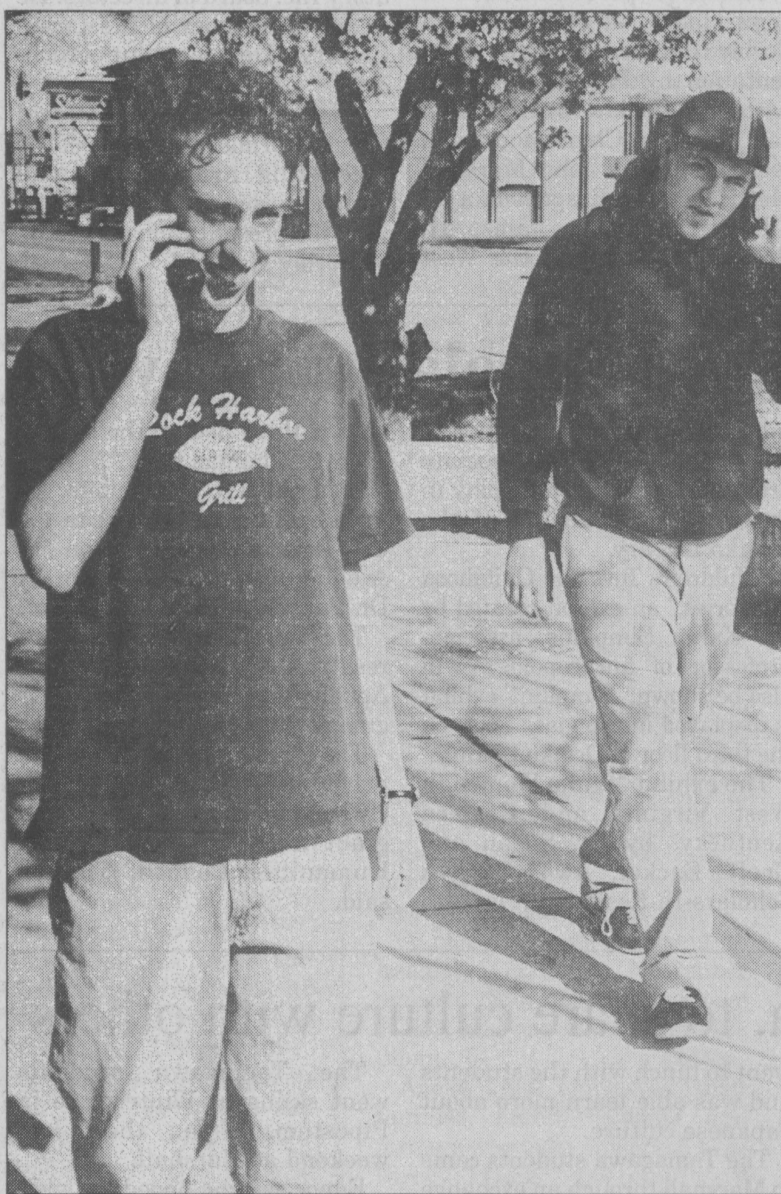


photo illustration by Mike Andrick

Travis Yednak, left, from Clarksburg, and Ryan McCullough, from Wheeling, walk and talk on their cell phones Monday.

The prices for the same model phone can vary extensively depending on where it is purchased.

In general, it is cheaper to purchase the phone from an electronics store which will offer rate plans from one or more of the local service carriers.

Electronics chains such as Circuit City and Radio Shack can buy the phones in bulk. They receive a commission from the service carrier so that, in some cases,

the phone itself may be free.

For example, the StarTAC 3000 is free at Radio Shack when a 12-month contract is signed for service from Alltel. The same model, if bought from Alltel directly, is \$160 plus the contract.

Alltel, AT&T and Intelos provide a prepaid service which has no monthly bill.

This service is expensive (calls could be as much as 50 cents per

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## MU-AFT constitution approval close to unanimous

Union members pick the one treasurer option in 97 percent vote for document

by CARA D. COOPER  
reporter

Ninety-seven percent of members from Marshall University's American Federation of Teachers voted to approve its proposed constitution, Faculty Chairman, Edmund M. Taft said.

The constitution was approved with the one treasurer option, which passed with 56 percent of the vote. The two treasurer option received 41 percent of the vote. And 3 percent voted not to approve the constitution, Taft said.

Taft said the approval of the constitution puts MU-AFT a step closer to being "permanently established, not only in the eyes of the West Virginia American Federation of Teachers but also in the eyes of Marshall University."

Dr. Joseph W. Wyatt, professor of psychology and MU-AFT member said, "I think it is a good constitution and will provide some structure and we have needed that."

Wyatt also said the new constitution will help define responsibilities of members and give equal representation for faculty and staff.

Nominations for executive board members and officers is the next step, Taft said.

Nominations can be made through mail or at a meeting April 11 in the Shawkey Dining Room of the Memorial Student Center, he said. Staff members will meet at 5 p.m. and faculty members at 6:20 p.m.

Each division (faculty and staff), will nominate a chairperson, vice chairperson, secretary and three at-large members to serve on the Executive Board.

The members who are elected will represent each division, ratify decisions, give advice and counsel officers when needed, Taft said.

An election committee made up of two faculty members and two staff members will make the final decision from the nominees, Taft said.

## Students take science lessons to grade schools

by SUMMER L. RUGGLES  
reporter

What do bubbles and ice cream have in common?

With the help of some Marshall students, area elementary and middle school students are using everyday products in science experiments.

Science on Wheels is a joint project between Toyota USA Foundation and Marshall University College of Education and Human Services.

The Toyota Foundation granted \$285,000 to Marshall University for the project Marshall University/Toyota Science on Wheels.

"Toyota provided a brand new van, funds for a trailer, and money for supplies and materials," said Larry Froelich, executive dean of



file photo

Marshall students Stephanie Wagoner and Erika Hanna prepare to unload material from the Science on Wheels van last fall at Milton Elementary School.

the College of Education and Human Services.

Toyota Motor Sales Inc. furnished a Toyota Sienna mini van

with custom exterior design and a trailer to carry equipment for

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## Spring Jobs Fest means opportunities

by COURTNEY L. BAILES  
reporter

The Spring Jobs Fest 2000 will offer seniors a chance to find a permanent job for after graduation.

The fair will be 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center, said Patricia Gallagher, recruiting coordinator for the Career Services Center.

"It is designed to bring together employers and students in one setting to make it easier for both," Gallagher said.

The fair will focus on helping seniors and alumni find long-term employment, Gallagher said. Undergraduates also are encouraged to talk to employers about internships and future jobs.

The fair has been offered by the Career Services Center for about 20 years now, Gallagher said.

Last year, more than 300 students attended the fair and Gallagher said she expects at least the same number of stu-

### Companies at the Jobs Fest

Here is a partial list of recruiters signed up to attend, according to a media release from the Career Services Center:

#### In-state companies

- Columbia Natural Resources, Charleston
- Executrain of West Virginia, Charleston
- Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Scott Depot
- West Virginia Division of Personnel, Charleston
- Action Youth Care, Huntington
- Heritage Center (Genesis Eldercare Network), Huntington
- Sitel Corporation, Huntington
- Telespectrum Worldwide Inc., Huntington

#### Out of state companies

- Bob Evans Farms Restaurant's Inc., Columbus, Ohio
- Danko Office Imaging, Marietta, Ohio
- Columbus Ohio Division of Police, Columbus, Ohio
- Naval Career Management Site, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

dents to attend this year.

Students should bring résumés with them, she said.

Gallagher said the Spring Jobs Fest is different from the Summer Jobs Fair, which focuses more on summer and part-

time employment for students while they are still in college.

"The Spring Jobs Fest focuses more on long-term job prospects once they get out," Gallagher said.

About 80 recruiters are scheduled to attend, she said.

## Second library dean candidate wants to keep past, prepare for future

by JON P. ROGERS  
reporter

David Carlson is trying to maintain library services of the past and present and anticipate the needs of the library for the future, he said.

Carlson, director of libraries at Bridgewater State College in Massachusetts, was at Marshall March 16 interviewing for the position of dean of libraries. He spoke to 17 staff and faculty members in the John Deaver Drinko Library auditorium.

"Attempting to preserve the services offered in the past and meet the needs of the future are impossible on a level-funded budget," Carlson said.

"I spend every penny of my budget, and as wisely as I can. Administrators don't want to hear about inflation. They're tired of it and it doesn't work anymore. If you can show a list (to those in power) of the journals to be cut, it's much more effective than just talking about dollars."

"However, the inflation figures in book publishing exceed any other measure of inflation, including oil. We don't need to be carpeting the publishers' hallways."

Carlson said the future lies in electronic resources shared among libraries.

"You can share bytes, a lot easier than paper. We can offer

a huge number of sources online, in full-text format, far in excess of what we have on paper," he said.

One electronic journal source Carlson subscribes to at Bridgewater State is Ethnic News Watch.

"It provides around 225 journals, all full text, from the minority and ethnic press," he said. "It was hard to justify (the subscription): It didn't tie to the curriculum directly, such as an ethnic diversity course. But it's an important resource for a multicultural campus."

Though enthusiastic about electronic information sources, Carlson did not express a desire to eliminate paper resources.

"It's important that neither unit suffer ... (Paper) is important to society, not just libraries. Our recorded history is on paper, so what are the challenges?"

Carlson sees financial woes as the largest challenge facing Marshall's new dean of libraries.

"You're clearly underfunded. The staff and resources are at a critical level of under funding," he said. "I don't know how you compare to others but I can compare Marshall to us. You should be way ahead of us, but you're not."

Carlson was instrumental in obtaining funding for the Moakley Center for Technological

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## AHHH, SPRING!

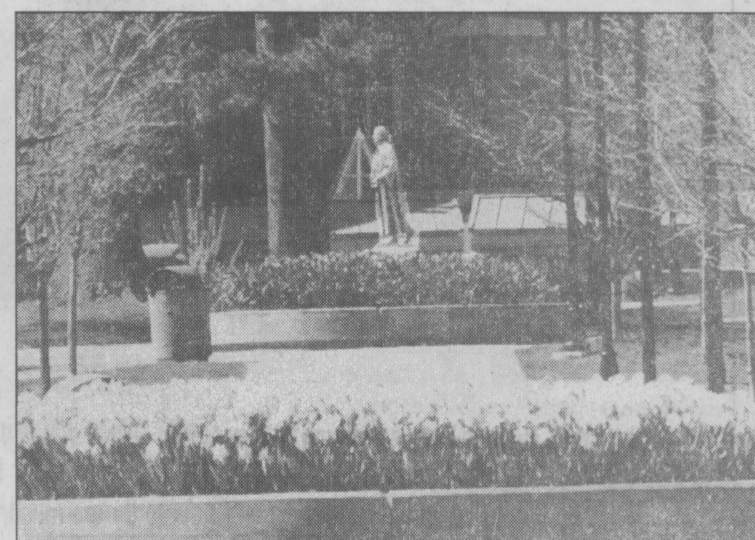


photo by Terri Blair

From this angle, the statue of the university's namesake, John Marshall, appears to be walking in a flower bed Sunday.



## LCOB presents Executives-in-Residence

Program brings successful people to campus to help motivate students

by STEFANIE FRALEY  
reporter

This week Marshall students have the chance to see firsthand that having a college degree can really take them places.

The Elizabeth McDowell Lewis College of Business will present its Executives-in-Residence program.

The program, which is designed to motivate students by showcasing successful individuals

*"This program is a great opportunity for students to meet and talk with real people in the business world. It motivates them to achieve success."*

Dr. Robert Alexander,  
professor of management

als in the business world as well as successful Marshall alumni, is in its 18th year.

This year's program will feature Dr. Angus Peyton, Earl Ray Tomlin and Charles M. White.

"This program is a great opportunity for students to meet and talk with real people in the business world," Dr. Robert Alexander, professor of management, said.

"It motivates them to achieve success."

The first presentation will begin today at 9:30 a.m. in Corbly Hall room 105 with a presentation by Peyton, who is a partner in the law firm of Brown and Peyton in Charleston and a recipient of the John Marshall Medal for Civic Responsibility.

His grandfather, James H. Brown, helped write the West

Virginia Constitution and also served on the First State Supreme Court.

Earl Ray Tomlin, president of the West Virginia State Senate, will speak at the second presentation Wednesday at 10 a.m. in Corbly Hall 105.

Tomlin has served as Chairman of the Southern Legislative Conference, and is former president of the Appalachia Educational Laboratory Inc. board of directors. He is also a member of the Logan County Development Authority.

Charles M. White, Global Chief Information Officer of the accounting firm KPMG, will end the program Thursday with his presentation at 11 a.m. in Corbly Hall 105.

## CSEGA tours hope to eliminate Appalachian myths

by NICOLE L. JIVIDEN  
reporter

Area elementary and middle school students have the opportunity to come to Marshall and view exhibits that are intended to eliminate the stereotypes associated with Appalachia.

The Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender in Appalachia (CSEGA) will have its last "Pointing the Way" tours from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. today through Friday.

"Pointing the Way" tours are for elementary and middle

school students from counties such as Cabell, Putnam, Wayne and Lincoln, Mary K. Thomas, CSEGA administrative assistant, said.

"It'll offer them (students) a chance to see cutting-edge research in Appalachia," Thomas said.

"It (the tours) will take away myths of Appalachia being homogenous and undiversified."

Students will be divided into small groups in which they will visit three exhibits at the Drinko Library, Thomas said.

"Pointing the Way," an exhibit

by Marshall art students and Dr. Mary Grassell, associate professor of art, is on display in the third floor atrium of the Drinko Library.

"Children's Toys and Childhood Memories," an exhibit created by Dr. Karen Simpkins, associate professor of anthropology, will also be shown. Simpkins' exhibit is displayed in the glass cases on the third floor of Drinko Library.

The exhibit "Banjo Women in West Virginia and Eastern Kentucky" by Dr. Susan and Geoff Eacker, two CSEGA Scholars-In-Residence, is also

on the third floor of the Drinko Library, Thomas said.

In addition to the exhibits, the tours will include a visit to the One-Room School House on 5th Avenue with a presentation by Dr. Paul Lutz, history professor.

The "Pointing the Way" tour is a result of CSEGA's research of Appalachian culture since the group began in 1996, Thomas said.

The exhibits will be open to the public until April 13, Thomas said.

The exhibits are funded by a grant from the West Virginia Humanities Council, Thomas said.

## Japanese students come to W.Va. to share culture with others

by COURTNEY L. BAILES  
reporter

Japanese language students at Marshall had many opportunities to practice their Japanese with 11 students visiting from Tamagawa University of Tokyo, Japan.

"It has been difficult," Sarah Cavendish, Charleston senior, said. "You think you learned it (Japanese) in the classroom but once you try to speak it, it is hard."

Keiko Takiguchi, Japanese language professor, said speak-

ing with the Tamagawa students helped her students a lot.

"My students speak very little Japanese," Takiguchi said. "They (Tamagawa students) speak very little English so they really had to cooperate to communicate."

Cavendish said their visit also benefited her.

"In any class, when you can see the real life application, it really helps," she said.

Cavendish said she spent many hours trying to talk with the Tamagawa students. She

went to lunch with the students and was able learn more about Japanese culture.

The Tamagawa students came to Marshall through an exchange program set up with their university, said Clark Egnor, director of the Learning English for Academic Purposes Program. They were here March 5-24.

The students participated in many different activities while they were here, Egnor said.

They learned folk dances and played softball and soccer, Egnor said.

The Tamagawa students went skiing at Winterplace in Pipestem, W.Va., their last weekend at Marshall.

Egnor said he hoped the visit from the Tamagawa students would help get more interest in the study abroad programs. Students can study in many countries and earn credits that transfer to Marshall.

More information on the study abroad programs is available by calling the Center for International Programs at 696-6265.

## Spring break not just a fond memory for some at Marshall

by J.J. SPICHEK  
reporter

Although classes have only been back in session for two days, many students are already wishing spring break had lasted just a little bit longer. Many were also eager to share their stories and reminisce about what they did on their vacation from classes.

Andy Cohen, Smithfield, W.Va., junior, went to Daytona and Orlando, Fla. "The highlight of my trip was meeting John Rocker and Manny Ramirez, who are professional baseball stars," he said.

Instead of hitting the beaches, Tim Maglowski, Reading, Pa., senior, went home for spring break. While at home, he played 18 holes of golf at the Flying Hills Country Club and saw the Philadelphia 76ers play the Boston Celtics. The game went into two overtimes and the 76ers won, he said.

James See, Mason junior, went to Panama City for spring break.

"We drank non-stop for seven days and saw some students from Marshall University. It was a crazy trip. I saw Playboy Playmates while I was there," he said.

Amanda Nccoi, Charleston

junior, left the country for her break. She and a friend travelled to Greece and stayed at her parents' summer cottage.

"I spent about \$1,500 shopping for clothes, ate some Greek food and laid out on the beach," she said.

Jenny Cook, Hurricane junior, headed west and spent a week in Colorado.

"I went skiing, skydiving, rappelling, mountain biking and hiking. The best part of the trip was meeting Shawn Palmer, who is the World Cross-Country Mountain Bike Champion," she said.

Matt Davis, Charlotte, N.C., senior, got to go home for six days.

"I hung out with my sister, played golf and watched some high school baseball games, then, for three days. My sister and I went skiing at Snowshoe," he said.

Some students weren't so lucky and had to stay in town to work over break.

Craig Daniels, Huntington junior, was one of those students.

"I worked at One Valley Bank from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. But after work, I went to 20th Street Bar and Grill and BW-3 to watch the NCAA basketball games."

## Schedule books release dates set

by DIANE POTTORFF  
reporter

Students who like to pick their classes and plan their schedules early won't have to wait much longer.

The summer schedule books were released Monday and the fall books will be released April 10.

Advance registration for currently enrolled students begins March 27 for the summer and April 17 for the fall.

Newly admitted students and re-admitted students can register April 3 for the summer sessions; May 5 for the fall.

Roberta Ferguson, registrar, said the reason for these dates

was to allow publishing time.

She said the dates for the schedule books are determined by the University Calendar Committee.

Ferguson also said they need one week to do the word processing and The Herald-Dispatch requires two weeks for publication.

"We pushed as hard as we could to get it early," Ferguson said.

The summer schedule is also available on the Milo Web site at [www.marshall.edu/milo](http://www.marshall.edu/milo).

She said students need to click on "Schedule of Courses," then click on "2000 Summer Schedule" and pick the desired session.

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# Army sergeant blamed for giving out White House long distance code

by LARRY NEUMEISTER  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — President Clinton's phone bills rose more than \$50,000 after an Army sergeant gave out the White House long-distance calling code, federal prosecutors said Monday.

The scheme allegedly culminated in the arrest of David Gilmer, 30, of Woodbridge, Va., an Army sergeant assigned to the White House Communications Agency.

In papers filed in federal court in Manhattan, U.S. Attorney Mary Jo White alleged that Gilmer gave the White House phone access number to people in New York and New Jersey, allowing them to make 9,400 unauthorized calls between Dec. 5 and Feb. 8.

The callers were tapping into the same telephone service provided to the president, vice president, White House senior staff, the National Security Council, and U.S. Secret Service, according to court papers.

The computerized telephone system is owned by private companies but operated by the White House Communications



Clinton

at Gilmer's home Monday after he had been released on bail was not immediately returned.

Marvin Smilon, a spokesman for the U.S. attorney, said there was no indication that those who obtained the access codes could have done anything more than make free phone calls.

Federal investigators searched seven locations in New York and one in New Jersey this month to gather evidence. According to the complaint, a person in New Jersey told investigators the code had come from Gilmer.

The individual agreed to let federal agents tape telephone calls with Gilmer, including one in which Gilmer admitted he had provided access codes to others, the complaint said.

In January, "Science of Energy" was introduced to middle schools. The lab visits schools in Cabell, Mingo, Logan, Lincoln, Putnam, Wayne, and Mason counties.

The elementary and middle school students are guided through educational and entertaining science experiments.

The goal of the program is to demonstrate how fun science experiments can be, Froehlich said.

The graduate students use lessons to reinforce what the children have learned in their science classes, Froehlich said. The graduate students also leave materials with the elementary teachers so the kids can continue doing science experiments after the visit.

## Science on Wheels

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the science demonstrations.

Science on Wheels is staffed by Joe Hill, Teresa Ball and undergraduate volunteers from the College of Education.

"Science on Wheels is used to enhance the curriculum in the elementary and middle schools," said Joe B. Hill, field coordinator of Science on Wheels. "It gives them something to see rather than to read it out of a book."

"Matter Splatters" is in its second year touring elementary schools.

# Techies taken with kids' toy

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (AP) — Tom Stangl looks up from his narrow cubicle and admires the dozens of colorful plastic creations he built from his collection of about a quarter-million pieces of Lego building blocks.

"As a grown man, this is good stress relief and it keeps my imagination going," said Stangl, a 34-year-old technical support engineer for Sun-Netscape Alliance and one of thousands of techies taken with this children's toy.

The Silicon Valley's fascination with the famed Danish interlocking plastic blocks took off in the fall of 1998, when Lego launched Lego Mindstorms — a new generation of Legos that could be manipulated using microcomputers, light and touch sensors, an infrared transmitter and CD ROMs.

*"A lot of kids get rid of their Legos when they're teen-agers. But a friend got me back into them and I'm really having a good time."*

Tom Stangl,  
technical support engineer

Computer programmers quickly hacked the Mindstorms' code and began devising ever-more complex creations: a miniature photocopier, a coin sorter and a variety of robots that can bark like dogs, climb stairs or carry the morning paper.

Programmers have figured out how to control them with everything from their CD players to Palm handheld devices.

"A lot of kids get rid of their Legos when they're teen-agers. But a friend got me back into

them and I'm really having a good time," said Stangl, a member of the Bay Area Lego Users Group, which corresponds online and meets monthly for building sessions.

Lego Mindstorms Vice President Linda Dalton, who works with master builders at the company's colorful Novato, Calif., headquarters, said adult buyers boosted sales 300 percent last year.

"We thought these were going to be for kids, but what we're see-

ing is a huge amount of interest from the high tech community," she said.

Engineering teachers around the country are introducing the toys to their students for projects. "There is something very exciting about making physical objects come alive," said Mitchell Resnick, an assistant professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he uses Mindstorms to teach students in his media laboratory.

"In the past, you had to be a technical wizard, buying parts from Radio Shack, to build your own robot, or to add a sensor to the door of your room. Lego Mindstorms makes it possible for a much larger community of people to create their own computerized contraptions — and the sales figures demonstrate that many adults are interested."

## Dean search

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Applications, an electronic technology training center at Bridgewater State. In addition, he was responsible for all non-construction issues during completion of the facility.

He is also on the academic advising board of the EBSCO Information Services.

Carlson has been the director of libraries at Bridgewater State since 1994. From 1995 to 1997, he was also acting assistant vice president for academic information resources.

The next candidate to be interviewed for dean of libraries is Chris Filstrup from North Carolina State University. He will speak at an open public meeting 2:15-3 p.m. Thursday in the Drinko Auditorium 402.

## Real-life Brockovich case headed to trial

KETTLEMAN HILLS, Calif. (AP) — In the No. 1 hit "Erin Brockovich," many moviegoers are seeing how a brash young legal secretary forced Pacific Gas & Electric Co. to pay a record \$333 million settlement for poisoning the water in a small California desert town.

But the movie's story of environmental villainy is only the beginning of the legal and public relations nightmare Brockovich has created for the utility company.

A bigger, broader lawsuit is headed to trial in November against San Francisco-based PG&E and one of its main suppliers.

About 1,500 employees, their families, other residents and farmers who lived or worked near three PG&E gas-compressor plants contend their water supplies also were contaminated with harmful levels of cancer-causing chromium 6 from the 1950s to the 1970s.

The tough-talking, streetwise Brockovich is trying to find every last person who may have been

exposed. Being portrayed on screen by Julia Roberts hasn't hurt. In the movie's first week, 40 to 50 potential plaintiffs called.

"We won't feel resolved — morally, ethically, or legally — until we have found everyone we were supposed to," said Brockovich, 39. "And I will keep working until we do."

PG&E said little about the accuracy of the movie or its effect on the litigation.

"Our general response with respect to the movie is just that we recognize it's a dramatization. It's an entertainment vehicle," spokesman Greg Pruett said. He added that PG&E officials "don't really have any thoughts" about how the film might affect the company's image or influence jurors.

"I will say this: I do believe that when the case is brought to trial, we will mount a very spirited and vigorous defense," he said. "And we are confident we will be suc-



Brockovich

cessful in that defense."

Brockovich, who was hired by lawyer Ed Masry even though she had no college degree or technical experience, was looking at files for a real estate case in 1992 when she found medical reports about low T-cell counts and other blood problems among residents of the town of Hinkley.

Curious, she drove her beat-up car out to the Mojave Desert town — about 100 miles northwest of Los Angeles — and began a quest that lasted four years.

"Erin did most of the work," Masry, played by Albert Finney in the movie, said of the research that uncovered the Hinkley pollution scandal that brought compensation for 652 Hinkley residents in 1996.

Unlike the lawsuit depicted in the movie, PG&E has not offered binding arbitration, which would bring a swift outcome. Lawyers for the plaintiffs say PG&E is trying to prolong the proceedings so that there will be fewer survivors.

PG&E declined to respond to that allegation.

## To buy or not to buy

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minute) but has the advantage of not involving a credit check. Alltel can apply prepaid minutes to an old, unused cell phone a student may own, but the other services require a digital receiver.

Nechelle A. Holyfield, a Pittsburgh graduate student, bought a phone and prepaid service mainly for emergencies, because her son is in day care.

"I call to check on Elijah, or I use it when I'm shopping. I use it all the time, I guess," she said with a laugh. "This works better for me, though. I just pay every three months instead of every month."

Some plans offer long-distance calls with no toll charges. AT&T, in particular, has promoted its One Rate plan as an alternative to replace the traditional, household wired phone.

*"I call to check on Elijah, or I use it when I'm shopping. I use it all the time, I guess. This (pre-paid services) works better for me, though. I just pay every three months instead of every month."*

Nechelle A. Holyfield,  
Pittsburgh graduate student

Meaghan C. Curran, Willoughby, Ohio, graduate student, said, "This type of plan is cheaper for me. With a regular phone I once got a \$90 bill, just for the long distance. With this, I just pay \$50 a month and my long distance is free."

Anyone contemplating a cell phone, especially to replace a household phone, should be aware of a possible health concern.

A cellular phone is held next to the head and the intense radiation, much stronger than that of a portable home phone, is believed by some researchers

to produce brain tumors, among other problems. A July 1999 article in the Village Voice said several European studies showed a correlation between cell phone use, radio waves and brain tumors.

Caller ID and voice mail are available through all carriers and are free services on the higher-priced monthly plans.

The StarTACs are the smallest and lightest of the models recommended by Consumer Reports, and fold over in a clam-shell design.

The Nokia 5100 series of phones have changeable front covers in colors like bright red and chartreuse, offered as optional accessories.

An even more esoteric phone, the Nokia 8860 is a small, chrome-plated phone whose keypad cover slides down, as opposed to flipping out. It is based on a larger, non-working prototype used in the film "The Matrix." The 8860 could even be considered something of a bargain now: When the phone appeared in October 1999, the retail price at AT&T was \$800, if purchased with a year-long contract for phone service. As sales were not brisk, the price is now \$500 with contract.

A slightly less expensive alternative for those with a Sci-Fi taste in toys, the Motorola Timeport at first glance looks like a silver version of the StarTAC. However, this phone is also designed for wireless Internet service, which is not yet offered in this area and won't be for three to six months. The Timeport is available at Office Depot for \$300, though it will only function as a phone until the Internet service begins.

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## OUR views

### Cell phones: Good or bad?

A story came our way recently that made us think.

Reporter Jon Rogers brought us a story on cell phones and it made it to the front page of today's Parthenon and sparked our lead editorial.

We agree cell phones are worthy inventions. We've all had car troubles or family emergencies, and cell phones have really been lifesavers for some of us.

But, as the Page One story suggests, cell phones aren't always blessings.

We've all heard the William Tell Overture or some other catchy tune screaming from someone's book bag during class. We've seen the man driving on the interstate with a razor in one hand and his mobile phone in the other.

Professors are never too accepting of interruptions and we know how difficult it must be to juggle more than one thought while driving safely.

We say do not abuse cell phones. First of all, it is bad etiquette to subject others to your public phone conversations. Secondly it's dangerous to you and others if you talk and drive.

One more thing. What's with these people who talk on their phones just because they think it's cool?

Well, that's a completely different subject that we'll tackle some other time.

### Was spring break enough of a rest?

Welcome back.

What's that? "Shut up," you say? Yeah so do we.

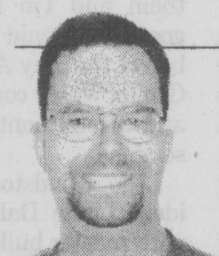
No really, we agree we got a little bit of the much-needed rest and relaxation, but we'd still rather be on the beaches of Cancun or even locked in a room with our favorite book or movie.

But, this is reality and we're back at school. Hang in there though. This semester already has flown by. Before you know it, we'll be off on our summer jobs, vacations or, gulp, summer school.

Whatever the summer plans, just remember it's almost over for the semester.

Don't allow the insanity or truancy to set in. Be brave — it'll pay off April 28.

## Commercials have gone too far



MARK BLEVINS  
columnist

Once again television has influenced the topic of this column. One night I was watching television as usual, when a horrible commercial came on. You've seen commercials where companies use classic rock 'n' roll songs to sell products, right? It's a terrible practice that I wish would end because I don't want to think of Windows 95 when I hear "Start Me Up" by the Rolling Stones. This new commercial went one step further.

I'm sitting there when all of the sudden this catchy melody comes on, along with Smokey Robinson, formerly of the old Motown group The Miracles, and "Ally McBeal" singer Vonda Shepherd. Is it some ad for a new album these two are putting out? Could it be one of those wonderful public service announcements singers love to do? No, Smokey and Vonda are singing an ode to Hardee's, the

fast food chain.

I like fast food as much as anyone does, probably more so if you look at my fast food tummy, but this repulsed me. Does Smokey Robinson need money? I'll donate, but please get those ads off television now! Singing an old hit would be bad enough, but dancing around while singing about how wonderful Hardee's burgers are is even worse. Hardee's may be cooking great today, but I wish Smokey wasn't singing about it.

I'm really surprised Vonda Shepherd is doing the ad. Most artists wait until they haven't a hit for ten years before they do television ads and then they usually don't sing a new song. It's much easier to get money for your old hits, but maybe this is a trend. I guess she doesn't want to be left behind. Smokey wrote many hits when he was with The Miracles, but somehow I doubt he came up with this new one.

Clearly, one would only be doing this ad for the money. I doubt there is much artistic value in singing ads about fast food. And if they aren't doing it for the money then what are they doing it for—all the hamburgers and biscuits they can eat? Hardee's does make a good

biscuit, but that's not enough for me to forgive those involved with these ads.

I am just greatly disturbed that two fairly well known singers are now shilling for a fast food chain. The worst part might be that the song is kind of catchy, in the way that songs in commercials are. It still doesn't excuse any of the parties involved. If Smokey needs money, I'll donate. I don't care about Vonda, but she's got the "Alley McBeal" gig.

It was bad enough when I started hearing classic cuts by The Who in commercials for computer companies, but now the situation is getting out of hand. What will we be faced with next? Michael Bolton singing about Preparation H?

We could have Lisa Loeb singing about Dr. Shoal's corn pads or something. My point is the dam has burst. At least Smokey and Vonda can sing, but can Michael's song for hemorrhoids be far behind? This may not be an issue today, but when Michael's commercial comes on don't say I didn't warn you.

Mark Blevins is a columnist for The Parthenon. Comments can be sent to him at 311 Smith



## States shouldn't outlaw gay marriages

by JEFF WOLF  
The Daily Princetonian  
Princeton University

(U-WIRE) PRINCETON, N.J. — In the spring when the weather is inviting, it is especially difficult to sit down and concentrate on the work at hand. As a result, I found myself zoning in and out of my reading more than usual.

I was reading John Locke's "A Letter Concerning Toleration" for a politics class I'm taking. I was struggling to stay awake when a passage caught my eye: "But Idolatry (say some) is a sin, and therefore not to be tolerated. If they said it were therefore to be avoided, the Inference were good. But it does not follow, that because it is a sin it ought therefore to be punished by the Magistrate. The reason is because they are not prejudicial to other mens Rights, nor do they break the public Peace of Societies."

After reading this, I glanced over at the newspaper. It contained two articles of interest: The first outlined the March 16 decision by the Vermont House of Representatives to approve a bill creating civil unions for gay couples. The second discussed California's controversial Proposition 22, which, in early March, revised the California Family Code to say that "Only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California."

It's easy to convince yourself that a liberal arts education is wholly impractical. I've done it before, and I find it a tempting conclusion. But at their best, works by Locke and other long-

dead writers can form attitudes. They mold our beliefs and shape the way we act.

In my case, I had been struggling with the issue of gay marriage. On the one hand, as a reader wrote to The New York Times on March 4, "Marriage is not a perfect institution, but there is no reason to redefine, confuse and compromise it by legalizing gay marriage; the well-being of our society hinges on the strength of our families."

On the other hand, it is argued, homosexuals should be treated no differently than heterosexuals, and should have the option of marriage under the law. Both sides offer a reasonable view, so how do we decide where to stand? John Locke, writing on the subject of religious tolerance, hints at a solution. If we substitute the phrase "gay marriage" for "Idolatry" in the excerpt from his letter above, we find a very plausible reason to oppose Proposition 22 and applaud the bill in Vermont. Locke would urge us to ignore the question of gay marriages' "sinfulness," (though this judgement underlies much anti-gay rhetoric), and ask whether it would affect the rights of others and whether it would disrupt the stability of society.

The first concern can be dismissed easily. Only the rights of the couples' (adopted) children would be affected by gay marriages. But this is a separate issue. Even if gay marriage were legalized, the rearing of children by gay couples could still be barred.

The second concern is more valid. Isn't it possible that by

allowing gay couples to get married, we are in some way compromising the respected nature of marriage? I hope the word "respected" provokes a chuckle. Nowadays, when divorce seems to be the norm, and single parents are often forced to raise their kids on meager incomes, nuclear families and "sacred" marriages are often the exception to the rule.

Furthermore, how exactly does gay marriage "devalue" the institution of marriage? It is foolish to insist that marriage has always been between a man and a woman and is therefore the best arrangement.

Why is it considered a good arrangement? Perhaps because it creates a stable, loving relationship that helps foster values and raise children. But if that's so, what precludes gay couples from achieving those same lofty goals?

We are entitled to disapprove of gay marriage; we may even think it's sinful. But with a nod to Locke, we should acknowledge that there is no good reason to outlaw it. If this is a valid and well-supported conclusion, which I strongly believe it is, then we ought to be worried.

Despite the success in Vermont, more than 30 states have already passed bills that prohibit gay marriage and refuse to recognize gay marriages that were performed elsewhere. This is a troubling form of intolerance. But if there is one lesson Locke tried to teach us, it is that despite our moral objections, we must still embrace tolerance.

## CAMPUS views

Letters sent to Campus View must not exceed 250 words. Opinion pieces longer than 250 words may be used as guest columns and published elsewhere on this page.

### COM meeting did include gay issues discussion

After reading The Parthenon reporter's article, "Agenda at COM altered," it was disconcerting to me that her account of the COM [Committee on

Correction Multiculturalism] meeting on Wednesday, March 16 only slightly

describes what took place and seriously distorts the reality of the situation. The following provides you with an accurate account of the meeting.

■ The commissioners reviewed, discussed and accepted the responses to the LGBT [Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered] recommendations as presented in my March 2 memo to Okey Napier and Jonathan Sutton and covered in the March 14 Parthenon article, "Fraternity's president is pleased."

■ Only "Multicultural Study Circles," (agenda item 3) was not addressed because Okey Napier, the presenter, had a family emergency and was unable to participate in the meeting. This information was shared with the commissioners, and we then moved to the presentations on international programs by Drs. William Edwards and Clair Matz.

— Dr. Betty Jane Cleckley,  
vice president of Multicultural Affairs and  
International Programs

### Custodian sends thanks

I would like to thank each and everyone who sent cards and flowers to me during my illness. It was greatly appreciated. Thank you very much.

— Linda McComas,  
custodian at Marshall University

## THEIR view

### Bush, Gore weak on finance reform

Staff Editorial  
Daily Collegian  
Pennsylvania State University

(U-WIRE) UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — Vice President Al Gore champions, among other things, campaign finance reform. He even recently challenged Texas Gov. George W. Bush to refuse "soft money" campaign contributions. At the same time, Bush has adopted the mantra of being a "reformer with results."

However, according to a Washington Post report, Gore took time off the day after making his declaration to thank donors who contributed a total of \$100,000 to his campaign. The size of Bush's campaign war chest is well documented. This type of behavior is hypocritical at best.

It seems a bit ridiculous that any politician, particularly big-time fund raisers like Gore and Bush, would make campaign finance reform a part of his platform. Voters need to understand the importance of not buying into the campaign rhetoric of those campaigners who pick up popular issues. The fact that any of the presidential candidates would make campaign finance reform a key issue when they are in constant search of new avenues for campaign funds is absurd.

The campaign trail is a harsh realm, with little room for fair play and maintaining high moral standards. Realistically speaking, there is no way a politician with a real shot at office would turn down campaign donations, including "soft money." If they were to do so, they would stand the risk of allowing the opposition to pull ahead in the race. What savvy campaigner would do that?

The point is that Gore and Bush need to drop the issue. But that isn't to say that campaign finance reform isn't important.

If Bush or Gore really cares about campaign finance reform, then he should do something about it if elected to office, not just talk about it during the campaign period. Saying the right things about reform in March probably won't equal doing the right things in January.

Voters should be wary of the campaign finance reform torch picked up by Gore and Bush since John McCain all but bowed out of the presidential race. It is unlikely that either man has the character or intention to finish the marathon to reform.

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## No vacation for Herd

Marshall goes 3-2, improves to 10-10 during spring break

by KIRK D. LIGHTNER  
reporter

Most students may have considered last week a break. But that was not the case for Marshall baseball players.

The Thundering Herd was 3-2 during spring break to improve to 10-10, marking the first time since 1994 the team has been at .500 this far into the season.

The Thundering Herd opened play against Liberty University March 18-19 in Lynchburg, Va.

The teams split a double-header Saturday as Marshall won the first game 5-1 and lost the second game 6-5.

The Thundering Herd was led by senior first baseman Eric Pinkerton, who was 5-for-8 with three doubles in the two games.

"I hit the ball pretty well," Pinkerton said. "I have been hitting the ball better over the last couple of weeks."

Freshman starting pitcher Chris Wean threw 5 2/3 innings in the first game, allowing only four hits, to pick up the win and improve to 2-3 on the season.

The Thundering Herd didn't fare so well in the second game. Mickey Plymale received the start and lasted 4 innings, giving up four runs on six hits.

Steve Fowler came on to pitch the final 2 1/3 innings, allowing two runs on four hits, to suffer the loss and fall to 1-2.

Matt Eldridge led Marshall's offense by going 3-for-4. Bryan Colley also had two hits.



photo by Terri Blair  
Marty Rini slides into third base Saturday during Marshall's 15-7 win against Youngstown State. Rini was 4-for-5 with two home runs.

"We have to learn how to win the close games," Marshall Coach Dave Piepenbrink said in a press release.

"Right now we are pretty good at beating teams but we need to get to where we can win the one-run games."

In the final game of the series, Liberty came from behind to beat the Thundering Herd 6-5. Marshall took a quick 5-0 lead but could not hold on.

Marshall senior Sean Reeder (4-4) took the loss, giving up 12 hits and six runs in 8 innings.

Marshall returned home March 24-25 to face Youngstown State University and took both games from the Penguins.

Marshall took advantage of a dropped fly ball by the Penguins in the bottom of the ninth inning to pull out a 7-6

win in the first game Friday. Jason Brooks and Marty Rini led the Herd's 10-hit attack with two hits each.

Steve Fowler (2-2) came on in relief in the ninth inning to pick up the win for the Thundering Herd.

The Thundering Herd hit seven home runs in its 15-7 win Saturday.

Rini hit a pair of home runs — his seventh and eighth of the season — and was 4-for-5. Pinkerton was 3-for-5 with a pair of home runs.

"We have been hitting the ball very well as a team," Pinkerton said. "Our pitching has been doing a good job and hopefully this will continue for us. If we continue to hit and play solid defense then I see nothing but positive results in our future."

Reeder pitched 7 innings, allowing six runs on 12 hits, to pick up the win.

Marshall returns to action at 3 p.m. Tuesday as it plays host Morehead State at University Heights.

## Warm weather cooks tennis

by MICHELLE JAMES  
reporter

After being cooked in the sun by North Carolina State and Florida International in Miami last week, Marshall's tennis team rejoined the rest of the clothes-wearing population and opened up Mid-American Conference play this past weekend.

The Thundering Herd defeated rivals Ball State and Bowling Green.

Marshall Coach Laurie Mercer said the losses in Miami were partially to blame on the playing conditions.

"N.C. State is a good team from the ACC (Atlantic Coast Conference) and we just struggled," Mercer said of the team's 7-2 loss. "We played them the morning after we got to Florida. It was windy and hot and we didn't handle it very well. It took us a while to adjust and by the time we did, it was too late."

Marshall went to Miami with a No. 72 national ranking, which is its first time in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's Top 75.

Marshall's other loss in Miami was an 8-1 loss to No. 32 Florida International.

The team's next match was its conference-opener at Ball State, where the Thundering Herd walked away with a 6-1 victory.

The weekend would continue to get better for Marshall as it defeated Xavier and MAC foe Bowling Green at home.

Mercer said the loss to North Carolina State helped prepare Marshall for its match with Bowling Green.

"Playing the match against N.C. State really helped us because when we played Bowling Green it was really windy," she said. "We started off struggling, but playing in those hot, windy conditions really helped us get ready for conference play."

Mercer said she hopes the league wins will bode well for the team in its remaining matches.

"The first weekend of conference play is always a big weekend," she said. "We probably competed the best of the season against Ball State and Bowling Green. Hopefully those wins



photo by Terri Blair  
Marshall's Anna Mitina returns a serve Sunday against Xavier.

will give us good momentum for the rest of the season and set us up to do well in the MAC."

Marshall plays host to MAC foe Northern Illinois on Friday.

## Softball team ready to 'bury' past, begin conference play after four straight losses

by MICHELLE JAMES  
reporter

After finishing its spring road trip with four straight losses at the Buzz Classic in Atlanta this weekend, Marshall's softball team (9-17) will try to bounce back Wednesday in its home-opener against Virginia Tech.

Although the disappointing final leg of the trip was not what the team had hoped for, the first leg was the complete opposite as the Thundering Herd won its first four games in the Winthrop Classic at Rock Hill, S.C.

Despite Marshall's early sea-

son offensive struggles, its bats came to life in the team's first game of round robin play in the tournament as they knocked in a season best 15 hits en route to an 8-0 victory over Illinois.

The Thundering Herd ended round-robin play by defeating Radford 2-1 and North Carolina A&T 7-0. It destroyed Morgan State 13-0 in the first round of single-elimination play before suffering a 2-1 second-round loss to Cleveland State.

"Overall I was extremely pleased with our performance at the plate at the Winthrop Tournament," Marshall Coach Shonda Stanton said. "It was great to be able to go out there and explode like that offensively. We needed that."

Before traveling to Atlanta to compete in the Buzz Classic, Marshall beat UNC-Charlotte 2-0 to improve to 5-1 on the road trip.

Stanton said success in the first part of the trip gave the team confidence it lacked earlier in the season.

"After the Winthrop Tourna-

ment we gained the much needed confidence and we felt things were really on the rise," she said. "Going into the Buzz Classic we felt good about ourselves because we had the training and now we had the success."

That new-found confidence did not last long, though, as the Thundering Herd dropped its final four games of the trip.

"The minute our opposing teams would come up with a big hit, we did not have the confidence that we could respond," Stanton said. "We didn't respond well to adversity and challenges at the Buzz Classic."

Marshall returns to action at 4 p.m. Wednesday when it plays host to Virginia Tech in the first game of a doubleheader.

"After Wednesday's game we're going to go out on the field with the stats from all of our games so far and we're going to take a shovel and bury them," Stanton said. "It's a whole new season once we start MAC play. At that point, none of the other numbers matter."

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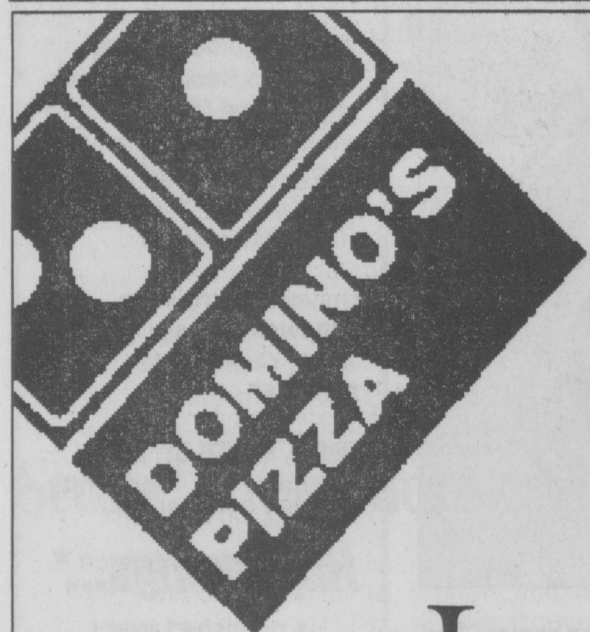
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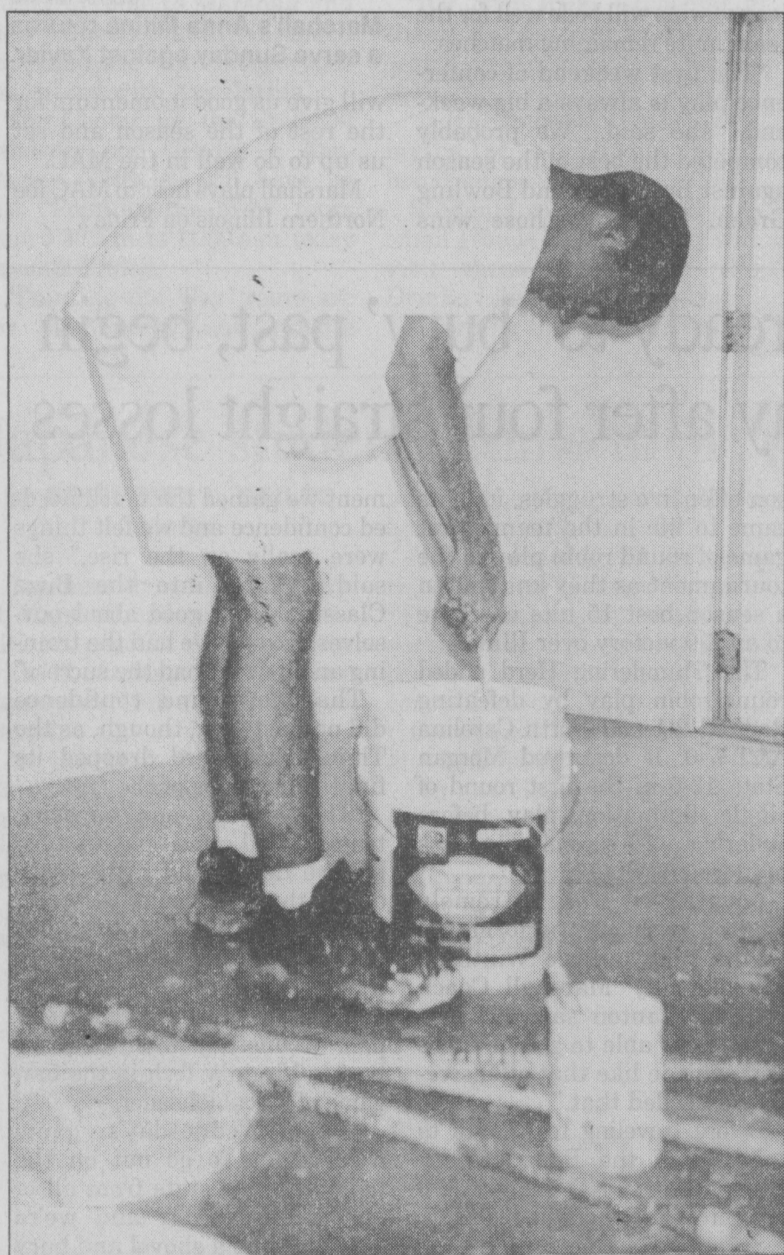
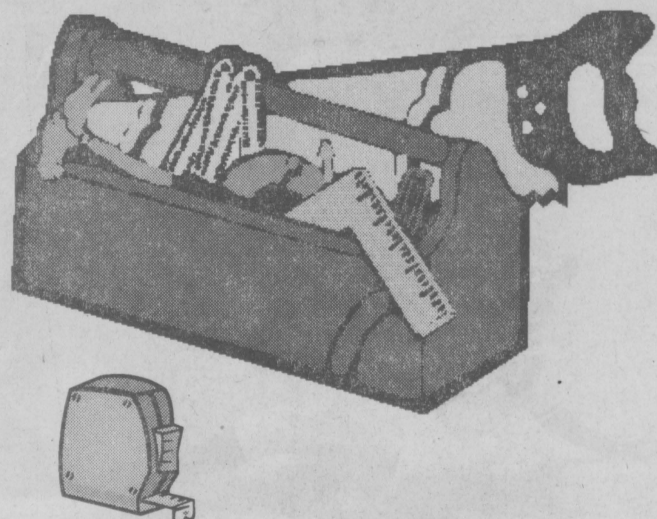
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# Lending a helping hand



**Left:** Kermit freshman Roger Justice stirs paint before he painted walls inside a Habitat for Humanity house during spring break. "If you give faithfully and give yourself to people, God will surely reward you," Justice said, referring to lessons learned during the trip to Miami.

**Above:** Charleston junior Amanda Toler cuts tile to fit into the floor of a closet inside one of the Habitat for Humanity houses the Marshall chapter made repairs to during spring break last week.

## Students spend spring break repairing houses, aiding others

**Story and photos by COURTNEY L. BAILES reporter**

While some students were lying on the beach during spring break, others were laying tile.

Eleven students went to Miami last week to participate in Habitat for Humanity's Collegiate Challenge 2000.

"It is a good thing to do to help people," Logan senior Brent Thacker said. "It was my last chance to do something like this before I graduate."

East Bank senior Adam Goodwin said he went on the trip to see if the positive things he heard about Habitat were true.

The students went to Miami expecting to help build new houses. Instead, they were sent to help repair houses that were built by Habitat for Humanity chapters six years ago.

The houses were built during the first Collegiate Challenge, said Dennis Roberts, site superintendent of rehab. The owners of the houses moved and sold the houses back to Habitat for Humanity to be sold to new families.

The students tiled, painted and cleaned three homes.

"I thought the work was going to be harder," Oceana freshman Lena Spratt said. "I didn't expect it to be fun."

Chapmanville junior Whitney Bagshaw said the work was fun because it was a time for the students to get to know each other.

"The work was challenging enough that it was not easy, but it was not over our heads," Huntington senior Shelly Beever said.

Goodwin said at first he was disappointed he would not be

building new houses, but then he realized "a house is not a house until you do the little stuff."

Logan Alley also was excited. "I looked forward to work because it was a work-in-progress," said Alley, a senior from Evansville, Ind. "It was always changing."

Some of the students had the opportunity to meet one of the homeowners.

"Once you can put a face to what you are doing, it really helps," Winfield junior Megan Goff said. "It makes you want to work harder."

Spratt said the homeowner was "very pleased" with the progress the group had made on the house.

Roberts, who has worked with Habitat for Humanity for three years, said he was especially pleased with the work the group did, noting that the houses were ahead of schedule at the end of the week.

Roberts also said he was impressed with the students and their work.

"They're the best I've had, the very best," Roberts said. "Not necessarily just the workmanship, but the personalities."

The homeowners were not the only ones who benefited from the students' work.

"I grew more as a person," Bagshaw said. "Knowing I helped somebody made me feel good about myself."

Charleston senior Chad Beam said, "It gives me time to see how lucky I really am."

Goodwin agreed, adding "It was very humbling. I saw how fortunate I am, having the things I do and living where I do. I definitely came back a better person."

Kermit freshman Roger Justice

said he also got something out of the trip.

"For once I volunteered to help others and asked for nothing in return," Justice said. "If you give faithfully and give yourself to the people, God will surely reward you."

The trip was not all work for the students; they also had time to enjoy Miami and the surrounding areas.

"It is a big change from the hustle and bustle of school," Beam said. "You have a chance to sit back and reflect."

The students went snorkeling in Key Largo one afternoon.

"It was something I had never done," Charleston junior Amanda Toler said. "It was really cool to be that close to the coral and the fish."

The group also spent an evening at the Everglades.

"My best experience was having an alligator walk 10 feet in front of us," Thacker said.

On their day off, the students went to South Beach and enjoyed the cultures there.

On the way home, the group took a tour of St. Augustine, Fla., and Flagler College.

The students agreed the trip was a great experience.

"I had an absolute blast," Beever said. "It was all I expected it would be. I really enjoyed growing closer to the people I came with and closer to God."

Justice said the trip was better than he expected it would be.

"It was beyond what I thought because I made new friends," Justice said. "I had a great experience."

Goff added, "It was a really good way to spend spring break. We got to have fun and help people."



**Above:** Charleston senior Chad Beam attaches a door knob in a house built by Habitat for Humanity six years ago. Eleven students from the Marshall chapter of the nationwide group went to Miami during spring break to repair homes for those less fortunate than them.

**Left:** Chapmanville junior Whitney Bagshaw paints the trim on one of the houses built by Habitat for Humanity. Bagshaw and 10 other Marshall students spent their spring breaks working on houses instead of lying on beaches.

## Happenings...

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

### On Campus

**TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2000**

**Marriot Food Services,** Marriot Annual Food Show, Memorial Student Center Don Morris Room, 11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**American Society of Safety Engineers,** meeting, Safety Office, 3 p.m. Contact: 696-4664.

**Student Activities Programming Board,** meeting, MSC 2W37, 3:15 p.m. Contact: 696-2290.

**Student Government Association,** meeting, MSC 2W29B, 4 p.m. Contact: 696-6435.

**Student Activities Programming Board, Big Ass Bingo, Marco's,** 9 p.m. Contact: 696-2290.

**Residence Services,** Huntington School of Beauty, Twin Towers West, 9:15 p.m. Contact: Tamiko Ferrell 696-3193.

**Residence Services,** Coping With Crisis, Laidley Hall, 9:30 p.m. Contact: Tamiko Ferrell 696-3193.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2000**

**Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society,** meeting, MSC 2W37, 7 p.m. Contact: Linda Rowe 696-2495.

**Baptist Campus Ministry,** meeting, Campus Christian Center, 9:15 p.m. Contact: Jerry Losh 696-3053.

**SOAR,** meeting, Erickson Alumni Center, 9:15 p.m. Contact: Bob Dorado 696-6633.

**Lambda Society,** meeting, MSC Alumni Lounge, 9:15 p.m. Contact: Raymie White 696-6623.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2000** Graduate Student Council, meeting, Harris Hall 430, 4:30 p.m. Contact: Nadir Mirza (304) 744-9505.

**Student Judiciary and Advocate Society,** information meeting for prospective student justices and advocates, MSC 2W29B, 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. Contact: Linda Rowe 696-2495.

**University Christian Fellowship,** meeting, CCC, 7 p.m. Contact: Mark Mills 696-3057.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2000** Habitat for Humanity, meeting, CCC, 1 p.m.

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