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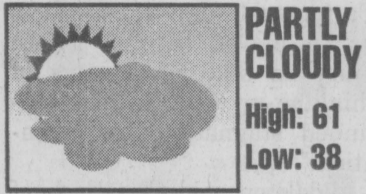
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SGA ends spring semester

Senators amend bylaws to give information about rape counselors to UNI 101 professors

by RHANDA M. FARMER
reporter

The final spring semester meeting of the Student Senate was dominated by the casting aside of technicalities in favor

of working for the students. In back-to-back sessions, the senate approved funding for three student groups and amended senate bylaws.

The bylaws were amended to require the Campus Life com-

mittee chairperson to contact University 101 instructors to provide them with contact information of rape counselors for use in their classes.

"A bill can be passed and then forgotten the next year. I don't want this to be forgotten. It's something that needs to be done every year," Sen. Jacob Scheick, College of Liberal Arts, said.

Sen. Bill Butler, Graduate School, added, "This is a great opportunity for SGA to hand out information and maybe save a life."

"This is a proactive stance that we have to take. This is an action that shows students we actually care rather than us just sitting here and giving out money," Sen. Nate Kuratomi,

College of Liberal Arts, said.

The Society of Physics Students (SPS) received \$500 to help fund a trip to the National Radio Astronomy Observatory.

"Fourteen students and three faculty members will be going to take a tour of the area and building, which houses the largest radio telescope in the world. We will be allowed to stay

there all night one night to collect data," Odysseas Loughklos, president of SPS, said.

The Marshall University Kermos Potters Guild received \$500 to help repay the costs of a trip six members took to a functional ceramics workshop in Wooster, Ohio.

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Lack of diversity 'a terrible waste' for some students

Editor's note: This is the second in a three-part series about the low numbers of African American faculty on campus. The final part will report on possible solutions.

by AARON E. RUNYON
sports editor

The United Negro College Fund's motto says the mind is a terrible thing to waste.

Some Marshall University faculty feel students' minds aren't being put to the test.

"If there are thousands of students taking hundreds of thousands of hours at our university," social work professor Philip Carter said, "a high percentage of those students never receive the benefits of the exchange of ideas and perspectives other than their own kind."

"It's a terrible waste. By not having that experience and exposure then college is a waste of time. It doesn't prepare them for the real world."

According to the Statistical Profile of Higher Education in West Virginia for 1998-99, Marshall employs 17 full-time African American professors of its 466 full-time faculty, representing 3.6 percent of faculty.

Dr. Ernest Middleton, associate vice president for multicultural affairs and international programs, said the lack of African American faculty is detrimental to Marshall students.

"By our students not being exposed to black faculty, it doesn't allow us to prepare them to meet the challenges in the work force," Middleton said. "Things are changing in the United States as well as globally in terms of demographics, and students need the opportunity to be exposed to these professors."

"It is important that they

have exposure to help eradicate and shatter those stereotypical views and misnomers they may have about African Americans."

Middleton said the limited contact that students have with African Americans will cause them to develop apprehensions due to the lack of exposure and experience in dealing with diversity.

"There is a definite lack of black faculty on campus," Middleton said. "This serves as a disadvantage to our minority students because of the lack of people they can go to for advice."

"These students are limited to the information they can receive, and this serves as an impediment in fostering growth and development. This can serve as a great disadvantage."

Dr. Elaine Baker, professor of psychology and director of the Center for Teaching Excellence, said it is important students experience diversity through their relationship with faculty because students are traveling out of West Virginia more often for their careers.

"It makes it harder for Marshall students to deal with colleagues of color when they get out in the work place," Baker said. "It's very hard to adjust when you're not used to dealing with the world as it exists. And since many Marshall students now leave West Virginia for jobs, going anywhere else in the country is going to be a diverse experience."

"If Marshall doesn't provide that diversity then you could get to be 22 years old and have never dealt with anyone except people like you."

Some Marshall students agreed.

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Students, alums to be honored

by TAMARA ENDICOTT
reporter

Marshall University's Alumni Association will honor 16 Distinguished Alumni, the Alumni Club of the Year and the outstanding student-athlete during the 63rd Alumni Awards Banquet at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center.

The banquet is part of Alumni Weekend, which has events scheduled Friday through Sunday.

The honored student-athlete is volleyball player Nicole Frizzo, who will be awarded the Cam Henderson Scholarship.

The Alumni Club of the Year is the Greater Kanawha Valley Chapter.

More information about the banquet or the "We Are ... Marshall" Alumni weekend is available by contacting the association at 696-2523 or online at www.marshall.edu/alumni/scheduleawkend2000.html.

Phone-a-thon breaks 2 records

by TAMARA ENDICOTT
reporter

Marshall University's alumni have something to be proud of this year.

Their financial gifts have broken two records during the 12th annual Alumni Development phone-a-thon that concluded April 19.

The original goal for the 12-week fund-raising drive was \$175,000 and the final tally was \$220,004.75, eclipsing the previous record of \$141,000 in 1993.

The 30 students that made the nationwide phone calls also were able to break the total pledge record, which was previously 3,602.

"This year we had 4,095 pledges," Sue Welty, assistant vice president of marketing for alumni development, said. "New pledges, individuals who have never made a gift to Marshall before, this year numbered 879. It's very exciting. Our goal for pledges was 4,000."

"We are extremely pleased and very proud of each of the students. They put in a lot of long hours and a lot of hard work and obviously it paid off because we exceeded our goal by \$45,000."

The donors were able to specify which college their gifts would benefit and the colleges of education, business and science received the top three largest amounts of donations.

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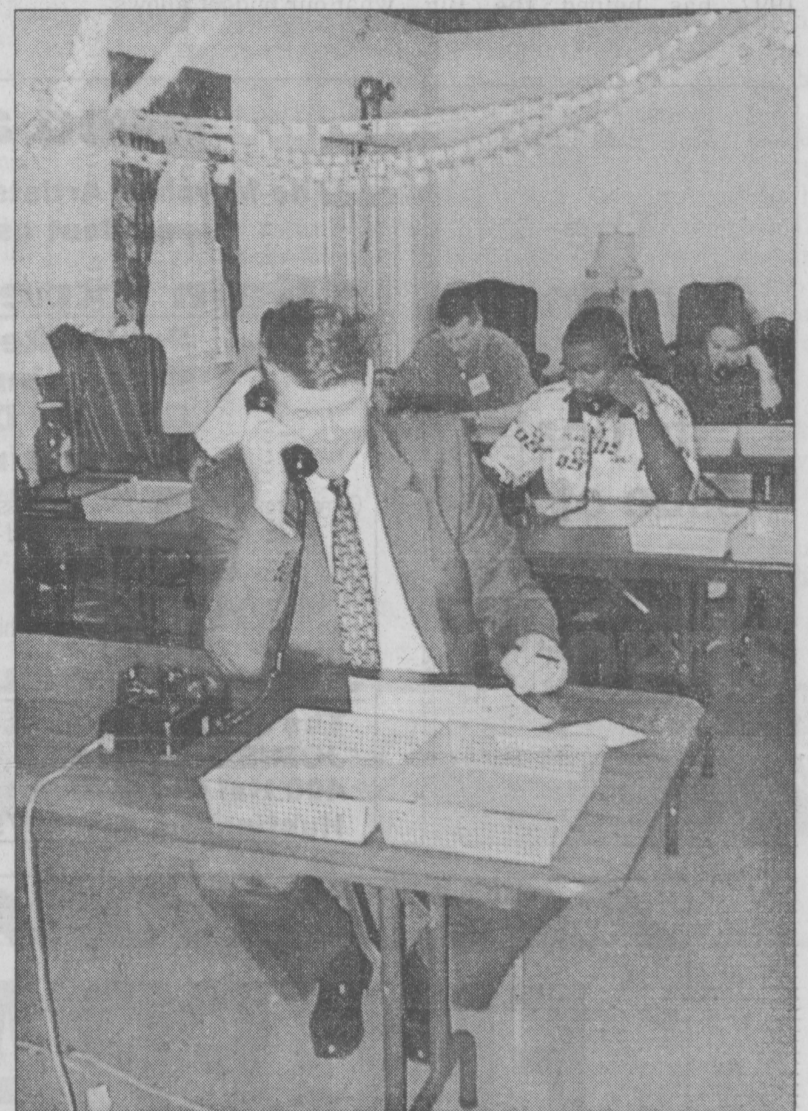
"I am also pleased with Sue Goff's, the phone-a-thon coordinator, effort. She had a wonderful rapport with the students and it was with her motivation and enthusiasm, while working with the students, that enabled us to exceed the goal."

This was the first year that Goff organized the phone-a-thon, and she said the experience was rewarding.

"I am just so thankful for all the support of the alumni and the community," Goff said. "Everyone was just great to work with and I am looking forward to doing the annual drive next year and hopefully we'll raise more money next year."

Welty said, "I would really like to thank the president for his support of the phone-a-thon. He came and spoke to the students and gave them encouragement."

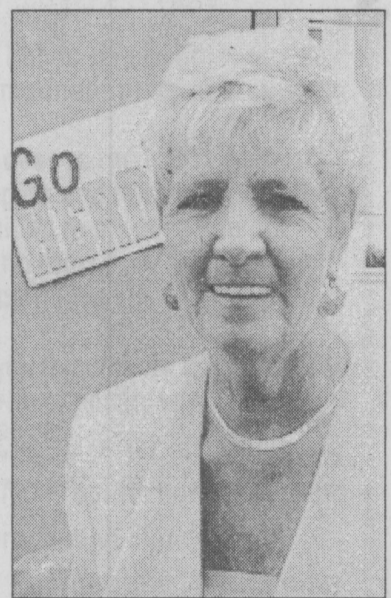
President Dan Angel will honor the Marshall students and staff for their efforts with dinner Wednesday night at his home.



Marshall President Dan Angel calls a graduate in March for the Alumni Development's phone-a-thon. The calls made by him and students brought in \$220,004.75.

Retiree says working at MU was a 'joy'

by ELINE M. LOEFGREN
SKEIDE
reporter



Nancy Davis

Feb. 29 was an important day for Nancy Davis, 63.

It was the day she left her colleagues at the payroll office and her job as a payroll representative.

Tuesday, however, Davis came back, when the people who work in her office and past colleagues had a retirement party for her, honoring her 15 years of work.

"It has been a joy working here," Davis said. "Marshall has a wonderful staff and it is surprising how many students I have met that have become friends."

Davis started working for Marshall in the Department of

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Nancy Davis,
retired payroll representative

Residence Services. A few years later she started working for the payroll office.

Her work mainly consisted of paying all the students at Marshall that have on-campus jobs.

"I really admire students that take the time to work and take their classes at the same time," Davis said.

Sharon Redford, director of

payroll services, gave a personal retiring gift. She made a quilt for Davis to keep as a reminder of her former colleagues. Davis also received a necklace with a charm engraved with her initials and the date of her retirement.

Janet Bricker, payroll representative, attended the party.

"I have known (Davis) for a long time," Bricker said. "She is a very nice lady."

Marshall green brings a different kind of green

Editor's Note: This is the second in a three-part series on the effects of a successful athletic program on a university. Part 1 considered social impact. Part 2 will examine economics and Part 3 will examine academics.

by EVAN BEVINS
for The Parthenon

When the Herd thunders onto the football field, revenue dollars follow.

Glenn's Sporting Goods does a lot of business when the Herd is at home, says its manager, Jim Brumfield.

"Your busiest day is during a home game on Saturday," he said. "Business is heavier at the begin-

ATHLETIC SUCCESS

ning of the season, when fans want something new to show their support of the Herd in the upcoming year. And the fact that the team has lost only four games in Bob Pruet's four years as head coach helps matters as well.

"A successful program builds fans," Brumfield said.

A home football game generates between \$1.5 million to \$2 million for Marshall and the city

of Huntington, Athletic Director Lance West said. Men's basketball is the next most profitable sport, with home games generating an estimated \$100,000 to \$200,000.

Dr. Michael J. Hicks, director of applied research, said Marshall athletics generate more than \$12 million in wages and more than \$22 million in total production for Huntington. "That's a conserva-

tive estimate," he said.

Those figures come from a study of 1998-99 statistics by the Center for Business and Economic Research in the Lewis College of Business. The numbers are conservative because they take into account only people who come to games from outside of Huntington. Hicks said that is because people in Huntington would spend the money on some other activity in the city, such as movies.

According to the study, athletic events at Marshall generate more than 609 jobs. That means enough revenue is generated directly and indirectly to

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Money

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cover the salary and overhead of 609 employees. The events also generate more than \$1.7 million in federal and \$2.9 million in state tax revenues. With average game attendance of 28,207 people, more than all other sports combined, the football team generates the majority of this revenue.

But along with these numbers, Hicks points out, "The Athletic Department is not here to help the economy. That's just a happy by-product of its original purpose."

West said the Athletic Department is an element of the institution. "We want to do as much as we can to encourage our student-athletes to be a part of the campus community and to be exposed to all facets the institution provides," he said.

It takes money for a program to be successful. Dan O'Dowd, president of the Big Green Scholarship Foundation, which raises money for student athletic scholarships, said the foundation provides about one-ninth of the revenue for the Athletic Department. Marshall's move to the Mid-American Conference (MAC) in 1997 has helped the Big

Green's efforts, he said. "We've been more successful," O'Dowd said. "We've won, so we've had people excited. [The Big Green has] been extremely aggressive in our efforts." He said the Big Green has about 2,800 people in the community donating.

West said student fees and university support account for 30 percent of the Athletic Department's budget. The rest comes from contributions, marketing, ticket sales and game guarantees. Game guarantees are revenue dollars generated by games against larger schools, such as the upcoming season's match-ups with Michigan State and North Carolina.

The money goes into a pool for all sports, not just football.

Kari Velasco, Kennesaw, Ga., senior, is a Marshall athlete who says the football team's success played a small part in her decision to attend Marshall. "It helped, because I'm here running track and I figured if they have a good football team, then it'd probably be a pretty good athletic program, because money's coming in, obviously," she said.

West said, "We want to provide scholarships, recruiting dollars, team travel and equipment to all of the teams sponsored at the highest level permitted by the NCAA and also what our budget allows."

Students

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"I grew up around no black people at all," Sistersville, sophomore Karrie Landes said. "Coming to Marshall has given me exposure to African Americans and given me a chance to see different points of view and different experiences that I didn't see in my own life."

"I think if more black faculty would come to Marshall, it would draw more black students," Landes said. "It would

help in making white students become more well-rounded and all students become more diversified."

Christel Moore, a senior criminal justice major from Beckley, said she believes the lack of diverse faculty discourages some African American students.

"If they don't have mentors to guide them, they often fall astray," Moore said. "It affects the minority student body



Carter



Middleton

because they can't see the diversity in the faculty that gives them a goal to obtain."

Carter and Middleton said they think the lack of that diversity will hinder the growth of the Marshall and Huntington community.

"The lack of African American leadership in the various academic and administrative departments on this campus and in this community is what will kill this community,"

Carter said. "It will not allow us to move forward. There must be additional ways of thinking or there will be continued stagnation and alienation."

Middleton said that "lack of community" is what is making Marshall so uninviting to African Americans.

"We say 'We are Marshall' and we are family," Middleton said. "We have to start to believe in those concepts. This family must be inclusive of all groups and work for the betterment of the whole. That is truly what celebrates diversity."

SGA

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The Marshall University Pan-hellenic Council received \$500 to help assemble a Greek yearbook to distribute to incoming freshmen to promote the Greek system.

The senate accepted David Foye, Scott Jacobs and Ryan Wolfe as applicants for Student Court justices.

C.O.L.A. senior David Foye said he has performed many hours of community service and is a leader in many campus groups.

College of Business senior Scott said, "I've been around politics all my life and I want to get

heavily involved," Jacobs said.

College of Science sophomore Ryan Wolfe said it is time to get involved. "I see this as the best way. I've been to leadership conferences and was involved with student government in high school," Wolfe said.

Student Government Association President Bill Walker presented Kris Parker as his choice for Director of Special Projects.

The senate accepted the nomination.

SGA will sponsor a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

today in the SGA Office, 2W29B, MSC. Free pizza and T-shirts will be given away.

"Today's meeting went extremely well. Cory (Dennison) and I managed to submit three new court justices and they were all approved with no problems," Walker said.

"Today's biggest accomplishment was having Kris Parker unanimously accepted as director of special projects. We're very excited about having Kris here in this position. Now that our staff is complete, SGA can do nothing but skyrocket."

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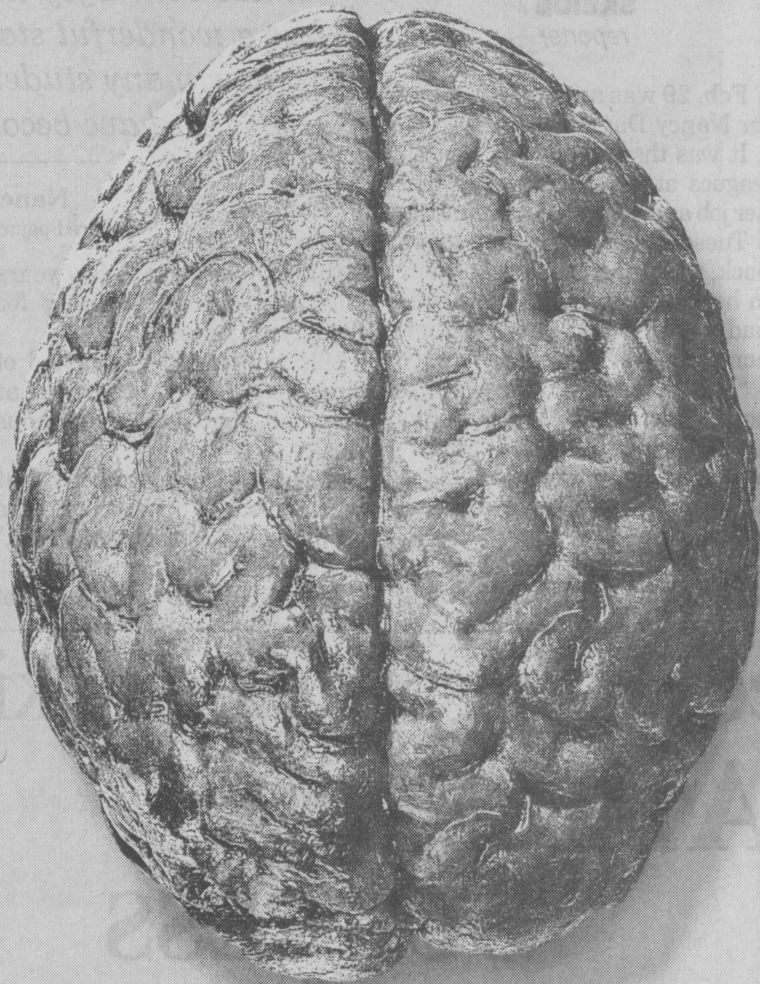
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Do most students get drunk?

Campaign aims to help students make decisions

ELIZABETH SHUMAKER
for The Parthenon

A new campaign on campus is challenging the idea that all college students enjoy alcohol.

Changing the perception students have of alcohol consumption and reducing the percentage of those who drink is the aim of a Social Norms Marketing Campaign. Student Health Education Programs (SHEP) is researching the campaign, which is scheduled to be implemented this fall.

Carla S. Lapelle, SHEP coordinator, says the campaign will make students more aware of the choices they make concerning alcohol.

"Students believe there is more drinking than there actually is and base their decisions on what they believe everyone else is doing," Lapelle said.

The campaign will use two prevention approaches — environmental and individual methods.

The environmental approach includes the enforcement of a no tolerance policy. It also deals with marketing from bars, availability of alcohol and establishing a normative environment.

"This is to show the students that their drinking is not nor-

mal," Lapelle said.

The individual approach incorporates counseling and encourages individuals to become more educated about the environmental aspects.

To find out what students believe about alcohol, SHEP conducted a CORE Alcohol and Drug Survey in November 1999 in Marshall classes. Focus groups were then used to give feedback on the first effort of the campaign, which was posters targeted at students.

Residence Halls Director Tamiko A. Ferrell asked several residence advisers to have students living on their floors participate in the focus groups.

"The groups ordered pizza and talked about drinking responsibly," Ferrell said.

Students answered questions on their feelings about alcohol and how they thought others felt about it.

To test the campaign, posters were placed in Twin Towers East and Twin Towers West for one week. The statement on the posters was "70 percent of MU students take 4 or fewer or 0 drinks a week."

Students were asked at the end of the week what they remembered about the message from the posters and how it affected them.

The feedback from this initial poster will be used when more posters are placed throughout campus this fall.

New organization completes the circle

by COURTNEY M. ROSS
reporter

Students who participated in Key Club in high school may have noticed there is nothing like that at Marshall.

Until now. Circle K is a new student organization that began its first semester on campus in late March, said Joey Spadafore, sophomore president from Shinnston.

It was Spadafore's idea to start the organization, along with Holley Barker, the vice president.

"One reason we felt it was needed here at Marshall was to fill the gap in the K family," Spadafore said. "There is Key Club in high school and for adults there is the Kiwanis."

Now there is Circle K for college students to complete the circle."

An organization was also needed that specifically focused on community service to allow Marshall students to make the Huntington community better, Spadafore said.

Though the organization is new, members already are planning events.

"We are planning to participate in the Relay for Life this summer," Spadafore said.

"Nothing is set in stone for next year yet. We plan to help out the Kiwanis Club at their Day Care Center and have other events that interest the members."

The group is welcoming members anytime, Spadafore said. He thinks joining would

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Joey Spadafore,
president of Circle K

benefit students.

"By helping our community, students will get to see how the world is today, and see themselves making a difference," Spadafore said. "They can make friendships and contacts that will last a life time. It will also help students with their resumes. This is our first

year, so now is the time to join."

More information about Circle K is available by contacting Spadafore at 696-4909, or Barker at 697-0466.

The membership chairmen can also be contacted by e-mailing Justin Kingery or Bryan Casto at ckmembershipmu@yahoo.com.

Fraternities surpass service hours goal

by ELINE M. LOEFGREN
SKEIDE
reporter

During the spring 1999 semester, Inter fraternity Council set a goal for the following two semesters — Marshall fraternities would accomplish 10,000 community service hours.

That goal has been achieved. However, a year ago, not everyone believed that goal was a realistic one.

"In past years fraternities at Marshall have never accomplished 10,000 hours," Scott Jacobs, vice president for public relations, said. "People were hesitant to believe that it could be done, but now they see that it could and was done."

Together, the fraternities performed 11,675 hours of

work for the community.

Alpha Sigma Phi worked 3,400 hours, and Pi Kappa Alpha worked 2,725. Both numbers were more than 1,500 hours than any other fraternity.

"To achieve this amount we did a variety of things, such as rummage sales for the Ronald McDonald House and various work for the Boys and Girls Clubs in Huntington," Shaun Nichols, IFC delegate and Alpha Sigma Phi member, said.

Pi Kappa Alpha did work for the Salvation Army during Christmas.

"I think the fraternities should be commended for their efforts in the community," Chris Nourse, graduate adviser for the Greeks, said.

'Grab your jackets: I'm putting you in the freezer'

Police baffled about polite rooftop robber

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Police are trying to catch an elusive robber who always seems to remember his manners during his late-night raids.

The robber — nicknamed "Roofman" by police — cuts a 2-foot wide hole through the roof with hacksaws and drills, drops through the hole and orders employees to hand him the money.

Then he corrals them into a freezer or a back room, and escapes through a door.

"He is very nice. He's so polite. He seems to be very careful of the welfare of the people he is victimizing. Often, before he locks people in the

freezer, he tells them to go get their jackets," said Mike Van Winkle, a spokesman for the California Department of Justice.

Police believe "Roofman" has netted thousands of dollars in 38 robberies since November 1998.

About half of his targets have been McDonald's restaurants, although he has also hit Burger Kings, Toys R Us, Blockbuster video, three groceries and a hardware store in communities scattered across Northern California and several other states.

But it's tough for police to catch him because he has struck so many times over such a wide area.

"Just the sheer logistics of setting him up on this would be impossible," said Lodi police Detective Brian Scott.

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Daily Collegian
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(U-WIRE) UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — A picture says a thousand words. The already famous photograph of a federal agent holding a gun in the direction of Cuban refugee and international custody battle casualty Elian Gonzalez will be talking for months.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service will face, and has already faced, criticism for the way it handled the boy's removal. He had been in the custody of Miami relatives who were taking care of him since he arrived in the United States last fall.

Saturday, INS agents wearing riot gear and brandishing machine guns broke into the home where Elian was staying and forcefully removed him from the custody of his American relatives.

A photographer captured the drama of the moment in a single shot when he photographed an INS agent taking the frightened boy at gunpoint from the arms of the fisherman who pulled him from the water back in November.

Although the INS actions might have unnecessarily escalated the level of conflict in the situation, the other parties involved, including Elian's family and the protesters outside the home, should share a lot of the blame for the unfortunate way the custody situation has unfolded.

The boy's American relatives, unwilling to compromise with the U.S. government, certainly did their part in providing the potential for a violent conclusion.

They had made intimidating remarks about their plans to do whatever was necessary in order to keep custody of the boy, despite rulings that had gone against their wishes.

The love Elian's family feels for him is certainly understandable, but they lost sight of what is best for the boy in its quest to keep sole custody of him. Had the family been willing to at least discuss returning Elian to his father and a way to retain their visitation rights, the entire situation could have ended months ago.

As the demonstrators in the Miami community continue to protest the actions of the INS, they should remember that they also are responsible for the way that the situation unfolded and the extreme steps that were needed to return Elian to his father.

The demonstrators were staging sit-ins outside the family's home, and INS agents were clearly walking into a hostile environment.

The agents had to be prepared for any circumstances, including riots that could have been started by the protesters.

It is understandable that the agents would want to dress in some kind of riot gear — after all, what else is designed to help manage crowds of hundreds of people? By acting in an intimidating manner, the agents may have actually reduced the likelihood of violence from the crowd.

However, the agents should not have wound up with a machine gun pointed anywhere near Elian during their mission.

If the child's welfare and safety are the main concerns if the INS, then it doesn't make much sense for them to take a course of action that winds up with Elian face-to-face with a gun.

Perhaps agents in plain-suits, attempting to negotiate with the family as they entered the house, and only resorting to using force as the last possible means, would have been a less dangerous way to retrieve Elian.

There's plenty of blame to go around in this four-month-long debacle, and its conclusion last weekend offered a chance to spread some blame among all the parties involved.

Sick of stress or sick from stress?

Listen carefully to the sounds of final exams "cough cough, sneeze, cough, clear throat, rustle for a tissue, blow nose, sneeze, cough cough."

The more stress we have and the longer the stress lasts, the less effectively the immune system functions, according to medical and psychological research. It is no wonder that most students are not feeling that well physically by the time they sit down to take their final exams.

Since the midterm crunch, and with final exams being copied all over campus, your bodies are in high gear. Your body is in battle mode against outside invaders — stress (no, the invaders are not your instructors).

Stress prepares us to defend ourselves against outside threats, and in short-term cases, it can be a positive and motivating thing. In chronic, long-term cases, however, stress begins to take its toll on the body. Actually, even before final exam time, you are likely feeling very tired, sick, cranky, anxious, depressed or just overall blah.

Several factors have contributed to this chronic level of stress. Perhaps having the most impact, are your expectations, the tendency to procrastinate, and "real-life" stress, such as work, relationships and family issues. With unrealistic or very high expectations about our grades or schoolwork, we set ourselves up to be anxious, disappointed or discouraged most of



TAWNEY SWAIN
columnist

the time. When we put things off until the last minute or put school and studying on the back burner, we set ourselves up again for high levels of anxiety. Just because we decide to do something later, does not necessarily mean that we forget about it. We still know it needs to be done, and the longer it is put off, the more anxiety we feel.

We certainly have more control over our expectations and our tendency to procrastinate than we do over external factors. We are sometimes at the mercy of our employers, significant others and family members. What may help us feel more in control of the latter is to be clear in our own minds about our priorities, and then be able to act accordingly in front of these other people. Asserting our needs and standing firm in our priorities is difficult for some people, but it can be done.

Controlling two of the three may offer some hope, but right now, stress has already taken its toll and there is sickness all around. As you curse with each cough or sneeze, vow to prepare yourself for next semester's

final exam. By making a few simple changes, you may be sick of school, but will not have the physical symptoms to show for it.

Eat three healthy, well-balanced meals a day consistently. Set a consistent bed and wake schedule that you adhere to 5 of 7 days of the week.

After your finals, write down your priority list and review it monthly. Priorities change and need to be re-evaluated periodically.

After your finals, evaluate your tendency to procrastinate. Ask yourself what things you tend to most often put off, and then figure out why.

After your finals, evaluate your expectations and the way you think about yourself related to school performance as well as to other activities. What do grades mean to you? What will happen if you don't meet expectations? Are your expectations too high, too low, irrational, unrealistic? Whose expectations are they? Yours? Your parents?

Whatever you choose to do, try to remember how you are feeling at this very moment, both physically and emotionally. Remembering this may be the best motivation for changing a few things. Final exam times are not fun, but don't you think it could be a bit better if at least you felt better physically?

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CAMPUS views

Dietetics student offers advice on healthy eating

I am writing in response to the column entitled "Healthy eating didn't work out" that was published on April 11, 2000. As of May 6, 2000, I will have earned my Bachelor of Science degree in dietetics, and I believe that healthy eating can be possible for everyone.

I want to challenge the statements Mark Blevins has made. First, living on frozen meals and snacks, such as Lean Pockets does not constitute healthy eating. A healthy diet has variety, balance and moderation. A healthy diet consists of grains, fruits, vegetables, dairy products such as milk and cheese, meat, fish, and poultry. Also, meat substitutes such as nuts, eggs and soybean products. Rice can be a part of a healthy diet, but should not be the only part; no one food contains all the nutrients needed for good health.

Healthy eating does not necessarily have to be expensive. Grocery stores offer discounts on many items, and offer features such as shoppers' cards, which can be used to obtain even larger discounts. The Kroger Plus Card is one such example. I stock up on lean cuts of meats, such as ground round, when it is offered at a lower price. I usually bake my meat in the oven and then freeze it. That way, my meat is ready to be put in the microwave whenever I want it for a meal. I also stock up on frozen vegetables and non-parishables.

Now that summer is arriving, more fruits and vegetables are coming into season and, as such, will be less expensive, of better quality, and more readily available. Also, which is more expensive: A healthy diet or a heart bypass operation? Last summer, a teacher I had in grade school underwent surgery to remove fat deposits from her arteries. It was painful, expensive and not covered entirely by insurance.

Low-fat food has plenty of taste. Fresh fruits such as kiwis are appealing on their own. Tomato-based sauces, onions, peppers, and lemon and lime juice can also add appeal to low-fat foods.

Exercise is important too. Even a simple walk on a daily basis will do.

—Evangeline Y. Samples

Senator shares his thoughts on Walker

Recently there has been much debate about the newly elected Student Government Association President Bill Walker. Allegations have been made that his team smeared one presidential team, calling him "anti-Greek," that his team promised not to take a salary, and that his team didn't invite the sitting Chief Justice to his inauguration. While these are serious allegations, they are mostly hearsay and will have to be worked out at a later time. However, there is one allegation that has very serious merit and more than a little fact to back it up, and that is that during his campaign, Bill Walker spent more than the \$600 that the elections rules allow.

In the April 14 edition of The Parthenon, Bill Walker wrote, "my team was brought before the court for overspending and was found \$120 under budget." This is clearly a lie. In the budget that was prepared for his defense, he admits to spending \$570. Based on this fact alone, his statement in The Parthenon was clearly erroneous. At least two expenditures were never accounted for.

The first expenditure is connected to his Internet service. During his campaign, Bill Walker had a Web page, hosted by WireFire Internet Service in Parkersburg. The hosting charge for this service is \$19.95, according to WireFire, however this is no where to be found on his expenditures budget. It is known that one of Mr. Walker's campaign staff is a former WireFire employee, and may have been able to get the fee waived. However, according to SGA election rules, all donations to a campaign must be expensed at fair market value. His budget is now up to \$590.

The second expenditure is connected to a banner that was hung in The Union. This 2' x 8' vinyl banner encouraged patrons to vote for Bill Walker and Cory Dennison. This was also nowhere to be seen on his expenditures budget. A check of local companies reveals that this type of banner would cost in the neighborhood of \$40-\$65. Giving Mr. Walker the benefit of the doubt, we'll set the fair market value at \$40. His budget is now up to \$630.

There were other questions about business cards and candy given to students during the two campaign days, however these cannot be quantified and I won't include them in the total. Even so, it appears that Bill Walker spent at least \$30 in excess of the election rules, which is a far cry from spending \$120 under the cap.

Mr. Walker, your commentary was headlined "SGA president sets record straight." I call upon you to do just that, and apologize to the students for misleading them about your campaign spending during the spring elections.

—Bryan J. Casto
senator, Lewis College of Business



CIA not a good model for businesses

by KEITH ANCKER
Daily Evergreen
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(U-WIRE) PULLMAN, Wash. — Those sneaky bastards at the CIA are at it again. Since 1985 the CIA has been lending out agents to a number of universities around the country as part of their Officers in Residence program. What have they been doing? Teaching.

During the 1960s, having a CIA agent on a college campus probably would have started a riot. But it is a different political landscape today. As a country, we have gotten a lot less radical and a whole lot more apathetic.

What does make it confusing is that the general attitude towards the government has been on a downward spiral since Nixon was hunted down and crucified. The past couple generations have had more distrust of the government than any in the past. The attitude of the past decade or so has been

firmly planted in "screw the government" territory.

So why in God's name are we letting CIA agents into our classrooms? Perhaps because they have the experience and knowledge that could be invaluable to those going into the business world. Admittedly, in an era where multinational corporations can and do exercise as much power in the Third World as most governments do, having employees schooled by the CIA might be useful.

On the other hand, do we really want corporations running the way the CIA does? This is the same CIA that has spent much of its spare time in the past 40 years casually overthrowing South American governments to protect the interests of — who else — Big Business.

This is the same CIA that somehow got caught with its pants down when India and Pakistan decided to start setting off nukes. "What nukes? Who set off a nuke? Where? When?"

This is also the same CIA that, depending on who you choose to believe, either helped the Contras move tons of cocaine into Southern California or had no idea that its guerrilla puppets were funneling tons of cocaine into Southern California.

The CIA was either helping them out or didn't know. Neither possibility is all that pleasant. If you believe the second possibility — that they didn't know — it raises the question of why not.

The only two answers are they didn't care enough to find out or they were so phenomenally stupid and incompetent they missed the tons of coke their buddies were unloading in front of them.

Any way you cut it, the CIA wasn't doing what it was supposed to. Regardless of how you frame it, I'm not sure how comfortable I am with the idea of CIA employees molding the future business leaders of this country.

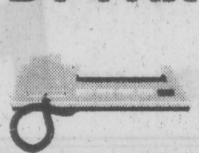
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Coaches selective in taking partials, nons

Baseball

The Thundering Herd baseball team plays host to former Southern Conference opponent VMI at 2 p.m. today at University Heights.

Marshall, 12-25-1 overall and 1-14 Mid-American Conference, will face its first non-conference opponent since its April 5 doubleheader at UNC-Ashville, where the Thundering Herd recorded its last victory.

Marshall has lost its last 14 conference games since its April 1 victory against Western Michigan.

The Thundering Herd leads 41-32 in the all-time series against the Keydets.

Editor's note: This is the second of a three-part series on partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers in Division I-A college football. This part looks at Marshall's policies and practices. The first part revealed the policies regarding recruiting and accepting partials and nons at all 114 Division I-A programs. The third part will focus on Thundering Herd defensive back and former nonqualifier Danny Derricott.

by JACOB MESSER
Life! editor

Marshall football is about winning championships, according to its oft-used slogan.

It also is about helping young men, Coach Bob Pruett says.

That's one reason Pruett said he is open to accepting partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers to the football team.

"Intercollegiate sports were started to help young people grow and mature," Pruett said, "and that's why I'm in coaching. I'm concerned with their athletic, academic and social endeavors. I emphasize all three equally."

"So when you talk about partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers, I don't look at it as taking a risk on those guys; I look at it as giving them a chance to succeed."

Some media and coaches claim Marshall's success is due largely to the partials and nons in its program.

Pruett disagrees, noting that Marshall had only two former nonqualifiers in the starting lineup in 1998 and three in 1999.

"So that's certainly not the case," he said. "Every player we have has helped in our success, not just partials and nons."

Recruiting coordinator Dave Johnson said Marshall takes 5 to 7 partials or nons in its recruiting class each year.



Pruett

"We've taken as many as nine, but we try to stay around a half dozen," Johnson said. "And we're going to try to get the number lower each year because of the time and effort that has to be put into managing those kids and working with them."

David Ridpath, assistant athletic director for compliance, said partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers must apply for admission to Marshall. If they are accepted, coaches and Athletic Department officials decide to accept them to the program or not, he said.

Like the other 113 Division I-A programs, Marshall must follow NCAA rules when dealing with partials and nons, Ridpath said.

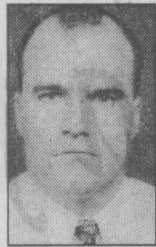
Those rules say partials can receive financial aid and can practice, but they cannot compete in intercollegiate activities. Nons cannot receive financial aid, practice or compete in intercollegiate activities.

The Athletic Department puts some partials and nons into its "prop program," Ridpath said.

"We track them academically and treat them like our other student-athletes," he said. "They're on our eligibility lists and they're part of our athletic department."

Pruett said Marshall is selective because partials and nons must pass 24 hours of credit and have a minimum 1.8 grade point average in their first year to gain their eligibility. Plus, student-athletes must have a minimum 2.0 gpa to be eligible to play in the Mid-American Conference, he said.

"We have to be careful," the coach said. "That's part of our success — researching guys and determining who has the best



Ridpath

chance of being successful."

Much work goes into that research, Johnson said.

"We do as much background and research as we can," he said. "We talk to their principals, their teachers, their coaches and their guidance counselors. We look at their home lives and their backgrounds to see how much baggage they are going to bring with them."

"We have to determine their chances of being successful academically. Then, we determine what they can contribute athletically. For us to take a chance, those kids have to be game-breakers — exceptional, exceptional players."

Partials and nons in Marshall's "prop program" receive the same academic support services as the other student-athletes.

"We have 400 student-athletes, and we want to be able to give them all the maximum attention we can," Ridpath said. "So we have to limit the number of partials and nons who receive those services because we don't want to spread ourselves too thin."

One of those services is access to the Buck Harless Student-Athlete Program, which provides schedule advising, tutoring, career counseling and mentoring.

"Those are the basic services we provide," said program director Michelle Duncan, "and they are available to all our student-athletes — qualifiers, partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers."

Ridpath said partials and nons admitted to Marshall University, University College or Community and Technical College.

"They are not put into special classes as some people have claimed before," Ridpath said.



photo courtesy of the Office of Sports Information

Former Marshall quarterback Chad Pennington works with academic counselor Laurie Fox. Thundering Herd athletes receive academic services from the Buck Harless Student-Athlete Program.

"Where they are placed within the university depends on their high school transcripts and their test scores. It's up to the university, not the Athletic Department."

Critics say Marshall has an "on-campus junior college" in its University College, a program for first-time, full-time freshmen who are conditionally-admitted to Marshall. University College students score less than 19 on the ACT and/or have less than a 2.0 cumulative gpa in high school.

They claim it is used to house partials and nons and help them gain their eligibility.

"That's ludicrous," said Dr. Corley Dennison, assistant dean of University College. "We are taking students — not just student-athletes — who have a legitimate chance to succeed and giving them a chance to do that."

Dennison said 25 of the 502 University College students are athletes from Marshall's 14 team sports. Thirteen are football players.

He said University College students are working on four-year degrees. They are given three semesters to address their deficiencies.

Dennison said the help student-athletes get at University College is no different from the help they get at the Buck Harless Student-Athlete Program.

"We have the same relationship with them," he said. "We have no special arrangement with the Athletic Department."

The criticisms of Marshall, Ridpath said, are "sour grapes." Partial and nons do not receive special treatment, he said.

"We give them an opportunity. It's up to them to take that opportunity," Ridpath said. "We're not going to coddle them or walk them through it. They have to do their work and go to their classes."

"If they don't do that, they've failed themselves. If they take advantage of our programs, they can achieve many of their academic and athletic goals."

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A minister and a friend

Baptist Campus Ministry director says the Lord called him to his job

Story and photos
by J.J. SPICHEK
reporter

Jerry Losh, American Baptist Campus Minister, head of Bible Christian Ministry (BCM) in the Campus Christian Center and the state director of BCM, came to Marshall University in 1995. "I am an encourager and a friend to the students and try to have an outreach on cam-

pus," Losh said. "BCM doesn't push their denomination on students, or about being Baptist, but just by being there for students, making them feel welcomed and accepted.

"I love my job because I get to work with young adults. I feel that I was called by the Lord to do this job. It's great to get paid for a job that you dearly love to do."

BCM meets at 7:45 p.m. every Wednesday for prayer. At

8:15 p.m., students can choose what Bible studies they want to be a part of and the main meeting is at 9:15 p.m., which contains music, skits and a devotion to Christians on campus.

"A lot of people who attend BCM are not Baptist, the whole intention is to get Christians together, no matter what denomination they are," Losh said.

"I'm from Clarksburg, where I met my wife Kathy at the age of 12, she is the only girl that I ever dated," he said of his wife of 35 years. "I got a job at Union Carbide at 18 years old and got married to Kathy.

"After I got married, I was drafted into the U.S. Army for two years during the Vietnam War. Luckily, I didn't have to go to Vietnam, I stayed stateside."

After getting out of the U.S. Army, Losh returned to Union Carbide but was not content with his job. He then decided to go to Fairmont State College, where the G.I. Bill paid for my college tuition. During his senior year, Losh decided to go into seminary work.

After getting out of the Army, Losh went back to Union Carbide, but he decided to enroll at Fairmont State College through the GI Bill. During his senior year, Losh decided to go into seminary work.

After graduating from Fairmont State College, Losh attended Eastern Baptist Theological

Seminary in Philadelphia, taking along his wife, daughter Debby and son Jeff.

When his seminary work was completed, Losh became the associate pastor and youth minister at First Baptist Church in Hurricane, where he has served for 20 years. After he was there for a year, his wife had the couple's third child, Greg.

Losh's wife works for Putnam County Hospital and his daughter teaches at West Virginia Wesleyan College.

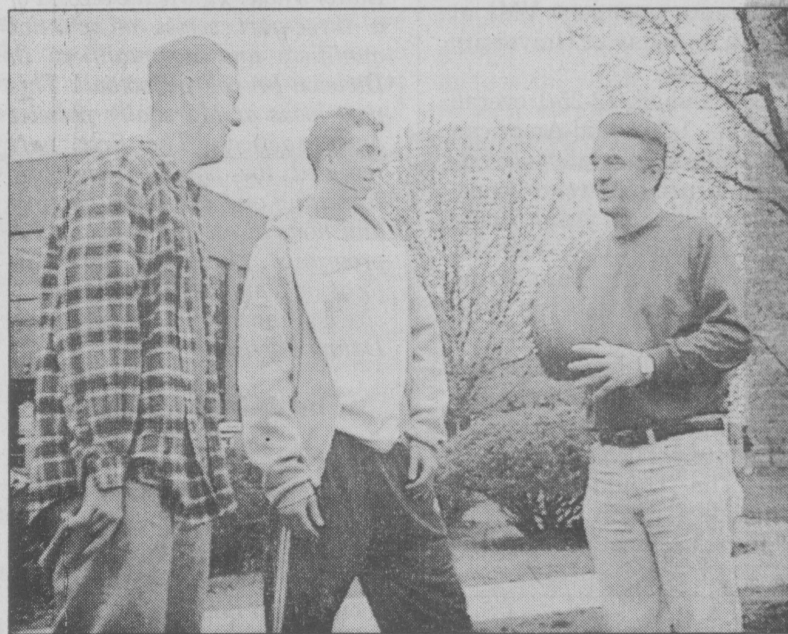
His oldest son Jeff is a West Virginia State Trooper stationed in Teays Valley. His youngest son Greg, also a West Virginia State Trooper, is stationed in Point Pleasant.

"My hobbies include playing church league softball, watching football and reading. I enjoy playing softball now," Losh said, "because when I was younger, I didn't have the opportunity to play because I got married at an early age and I had to help raise three children."

"On Sundays, three times a month, my wife and I travel to different American Baptist Churches throughout the state of West Virginia, where there are 500 American Baptist Churches."

When visiting these churches, Losh promotes BCM.

During all of the Thundering Herd home football games, BCM holds a non-alcoholic tailgate party that is open to all students.



ABOVE: Eric Hayslett, left, and Ryan Anderson talk to Jerry Losh during a Baptist Campus Ministry picnic.

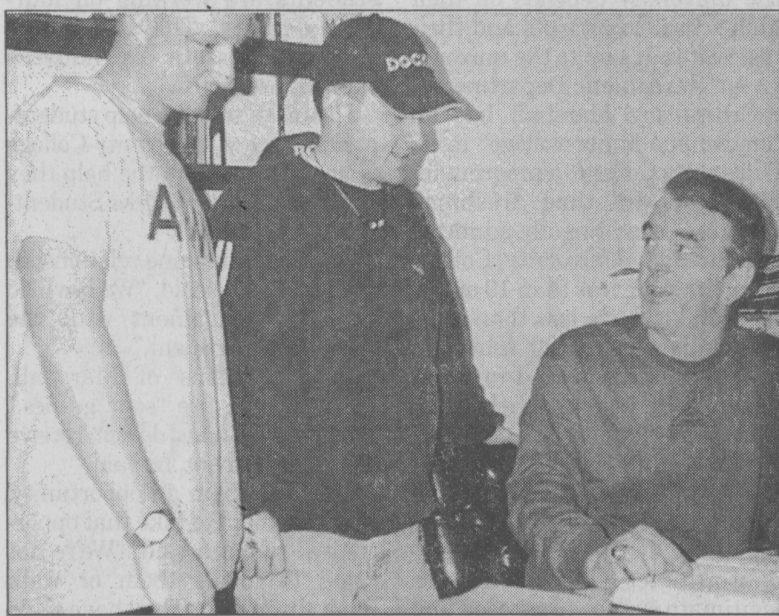
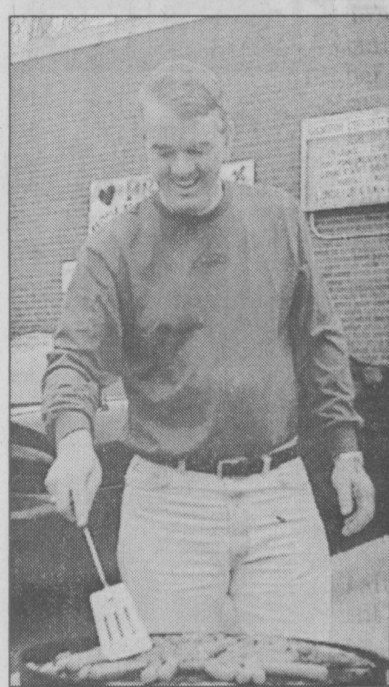
BELOW: Losh grills hot dogs for the picnic.

Each year since he has been here, BCM has gone on a mission trip. Two years ago, BCM went to an Indian reservation.

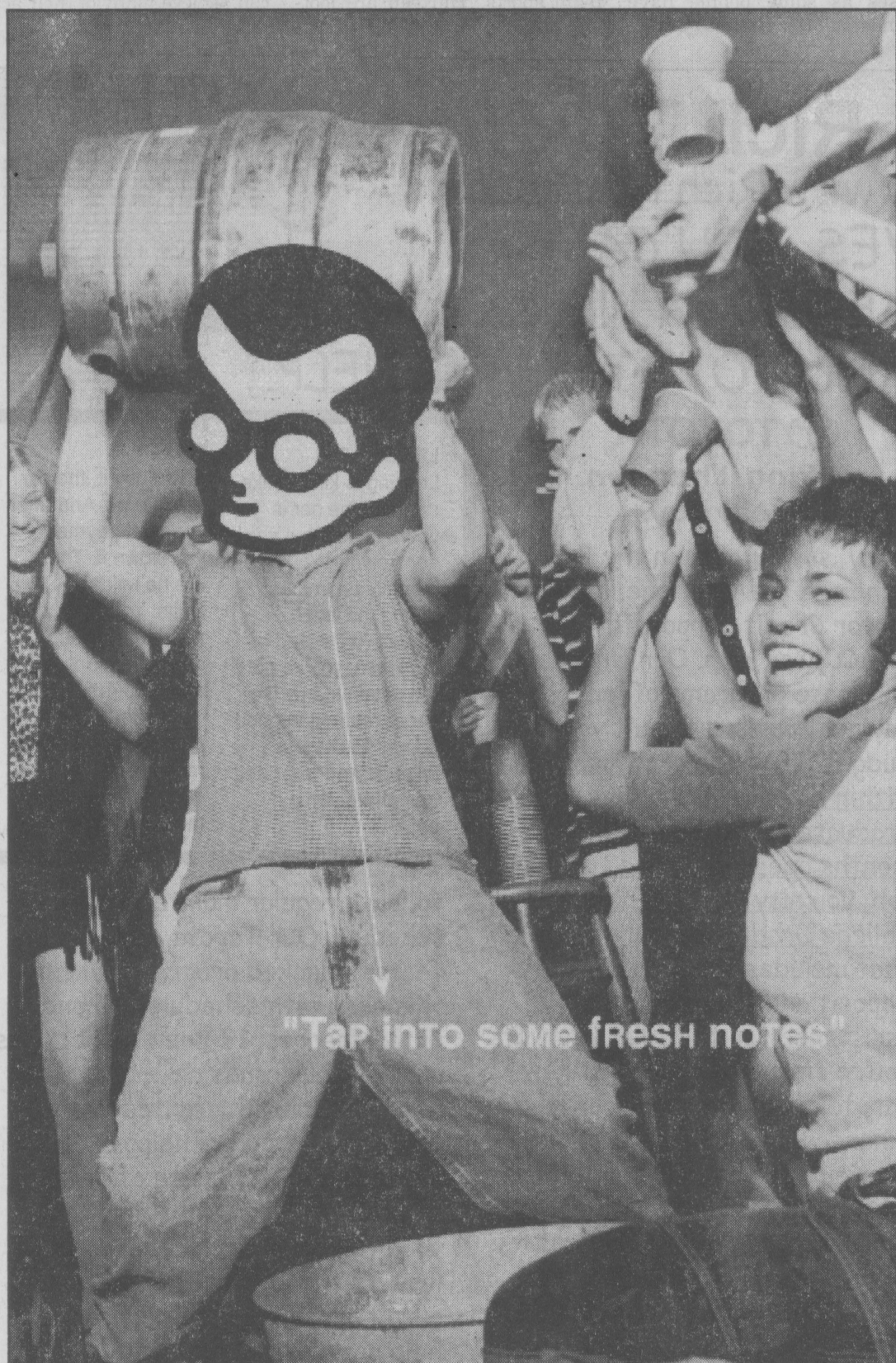
This year, BCM travelled to Boston to help in a soup kitchen and to Miami to help with Habitat for Humanity. Next year, BCM is travelling to Maine, Losh said.

"During the spring of 1996, BCM went to Alderson to help repair homes because of flood relief. The next year, BCM went to the Weirton, Christian Center to do work for the center," he said.

In addition, BCM sponsors a blood drive at the Campus Christian Center with the American Red Cross twice during each semester. Each month, BCM visits a local nursing home.



Adam Goodwin, left, and Donald Holcomb discuss a Bible verse with Baptist Campus Ministry director Jerry Losh in his office.



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Changes to original screenplay doom 'Rules of Engagement'

by TIM ROBERSON
The Crimson White
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(U-WIRE) TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — I remember a scene in the "Lethal Weapon" parody movie "National Lampoon's Loaded Weapon 1" in which Samuel L. Jackson gives a heartfelt speech to Emilio Estevez.

During the speech, Jackson tears up and the words "Oscar Moment" flash on the screen.

Who would have thought that seven years later Jackson himself would be making the same sort of cliché-ridden speeches that he lampooned years before?

For all its macho Americanism and bravado, "Rules of Engagement" falls flat on its face because it's not brave enough to tackle anything complex.

Sure, Jackson's Colonel Terry L. Childers is so fiercely passionate and hotheaded that you could scramble some eggs on his forehead. Sure, Tommy Lee Jones delivers lines without moving his mouth and with a rapidity matched only by that guy in the old FedEx commercials. So why is the movie so stale?

My theory is that the original screenplay by former Secretary of the Navy James Webb was watered down by screenwriter Stephen Gaghan to make the film more accessible to mainstream audiences. The result of Gaghan's rewrite is less than satisfactory.

Webb himself was reported by the Wall Street Journal to have said in an interview for a naval magazine that he was so unhappy with the changes made to his script that he demanded his name be removed from the movie's credits.

"Rules of Engagement" looks to be a great movie full of action and drama.

On paper, it appears to be a solid script that will engage the audience with action and suspense while also giving them something to think about.

What I kept thinking about, however, was the plot holes Jones and Jackson kept stepping in.

The movie starts with a bloody battle in 1968 Vietnam



photo courtesy of www.yahoo.com

Holes in the plot keep Tommy Lee Jones and his fellow cast members from delivering a powerful drama in "Rules of Engagement."

in which Col. Hayes Hodges (Tommy Lee Jones) has his whole squad killed.

Childers saves his life, but in the process, he executes an unarmed Vietnamese radio operator. The movie then leaps forward 28 years and shows Col. Childers leading a young group of soldiers into Yemen on an evacuation mission at the US Embassy.

There is no explanation as to why there are thousands of protesters throwing rocks and throwing molotov cocktails at the embassy, and there is even less explanation as to why the Marines on the top of the embassy do not fire at the snipers who are killing them.

After three of his men are killed Childers orders his troops to open fire on the crowd.

With a huge public outcry over the massacre across the world, the State Department and the powers that be in the military put Childers on trial

for murder and thus begins a long, drawn-out trial in which many questions are asked, but not all of them answered.

One may view "Rules of Engagement" as a hard-driving military drama that explores the idea of defending one's country and making crucial decisions in the heat of combat.

To some extent, the movie succeeds at this. The entire embassy scene is well choreographed and really creates a chaotic and in-your-face combat zone.

However, the energy from the first half of the movie simmers during the last hour. Jones plays a good character, but he never gets the attention he deserves.

Jackson stares and screams in his usual fashion in the courtroom scenes, but who hasn't seen him do that in every one of his movies?

Save \$5.50 and just wait until "Rules of Engagement" comes to Blockbuster.