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Promise Scholarship could be key issue in gubernatorial race

by RANDY COLEMAN
The Associated Press

CHARLESTON (AP) — A familiar refrain during this year's gubernatorial race between Gov. Cecil Underwood and Rep. Bob Wise has been: "They're too much alike."

Wise, a nine-term Democratic congressman, has often said he doesn't disagree with his GOP opponent on issues so much as "leadership style."

But on one high-profile issue — a proposed scholarship program for students who maintain a "B" average — the two clearly differ. And Wise hopes

that difference will deliver him the election.

Wise says the state should tax video poker machines and use the money to finance the "Promise Scholarship" program. Law makers approved the program in 1999, and Underwood signed it into law, but it has not been funded.

The governor supports the concept but has made no funding promise. Underwood sees taxing video poker machines

as expanding gambling in West Virginia, something he opposes.

Recognizing their differences on the issue, Wise held a news conference the day before the governor's January State of the State address and challenged Underwood to support the program. Quoting then-state Tax and Revenue Secretary Robin Capehart, Wise said a 6 percent tax on the machines could raise as much

as \$100 million.

The machines are legal but payouts are not.

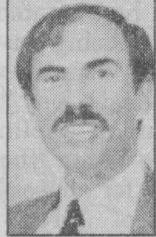
"Under this plan, every child who works hard and earns a 'B' average or better and stays out of trouble would get a full-tuition scholarship to any West Virginia public college or university," Wise said.

The scholarship program would cost about \$25 million, according to a committee assigned to study its implementation. The estimate is based on the roughly 9,500 students currently eligible for the program.

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Underwood



Wise

Freshman killed in accident

by STEPHANIE STURGILL
reporter

Thomas Winter, a 19-year-old freshman, died at Charleston Area Medical Center's General Division after being struck by a vehicle Saturday.

Winter was walking with a group of friends at the intersection of Quarrier and Dickinson streets at approximately 6 p.m. when a Jeep Cherokee going north on Dickinson ran a red light. A Subaru struck the Jeep on its left side.

The impact caused the Cherokee to continue forward onto the north sidewalk, where it hit Winter.

"The crash is still under investigation and no one has

been cited for the accident," said Corporal James Coyner, who is in charge of all fatalities and hit-and-run accidents for the Charleston Police Department. "We will re-interview the drivers and witnesses, get more detailed measurements from the crime scene and look at the vehicles again in more detail."

"The investigation report will be sent to the prosecutors' office and charges will be developed." Winters graduated from Capitol High School, where he played soccer for three years. He was majoring in business at Marshall.

"He was such a decent guy," Monica DeLancey, Charleston freshman, said. "It's such a shame that something like this had to happen."

'I wanna rock and roll all night...'

by LUKE DAMRON
reporter

A rock band having a 24-hour rock-a-thon in the middle of Buskirk Field may seem like an invitation for trouble, but not when it is a contemporary Christian band and they are rocking in old-fashioned rocking chairs.

"This is rocking too," Ryan Anderson, a band member, said.

From 7 p.m. Friday to 7 p.m. Saturday, members of Inspirational Thought sat in rocking chairs in order to raise money for equipment and Baptist Christian Ministries (BCM). The band raised approximately \$900, with 10 percent going to BCM.

Inspirational Thought is comprised of Joshua Gresham, a 21-year-old senior health-care management major from Hurricane; Anderson, a 22-year-old junior nursing major from Charleston; Mike Curry, a 21-year-old junior physical education major from Virginia Beach, Va.; Wally Slawter, a 21-year-old freshman criminal jus-



photo courtesy of Inspirational Thought

Ryan Anderson (left), vocalist for Inspirational Thought, and Mike Curry, guitarist, sing a song to keep themselves awake and warm as they rock through the night to raise money for their band and Baptist Campus Ministries.

tics major from St. Albans; and Jeremy Ayers, a 19-year-old freshman political science major from Huntington.

The band, whose sound Anderson calls a combination of Jars of Clay and Dave Matthews Band, was started when Gresham, Anderson and Curry were counselors at a YMCA day camp in June. They realized they all played instru-

ments, harmonica and guitars, and shared a religious philosophy.

So they started a band. After rounding out the lineup with Slawter, the drummer, and Ayers, a keyboardist, they began practicing in church basements.

The rock-a-thon's start was delayed until 7:15 p.m. as the band waited for the arrival of

Ayers, who was still absent when the rocking began. He arrived at 7:52 p.m. As they settled in, the band went over the rules of the event. They said the chairs should not stop rocking, the band members could not sleep and they could only get up for bathroom breaks.

Please see ROCKING, P5

Bands booked for Buskirk Bash

by CINDY H. LIBERATORE
reporter

The Student Government Association is starting October off with a mid-week pick-me-up.

Oct. 4 is the date set for the Buskirk Bash.

The SGA-sponsored event will include bands such as Bobaflex, Harvest, Vigilantes and the Igniters. The headliner will be Gran Torino, which made its debut on MTV this past week.

Bill Walker, SGA president, said, "They (Gran Torino) have toured then nation and played many venues including campuses, night clubs, and large festivals. We are really excited

to be able to book a band like this."

The funding for the concert is coming from an account that carries over each year.

"Over the years we have accumulated an extra \$40,000 and I feel since it is student fees that go into this account, the money should be spent for the students," Walker said.

"This concert is what everyone has been asking for, so we are going to give it to them," he said.

"I think it is a great opportunity to give something back to the students," Student Senator Kristy Hays said, when addressing SGA for funding.

Any student organization wanting to reserve a tent should call Walker 696-6436.

"I want to encourage all students to attend so we can make an impression for future concerts," Walker said.



Walker

Angel hosts BBQ for faculty

by WILLIAM FREANEY
reporter

Rockets, food and balloons kicked off the agenda for the "Welcome Back Barbecue" Monday evening at the Memorial Student Center Plaza.

The event gave faculty members and their families a chance to get together, eat and have a good time. The event was planned and paid for by Marshall University President Dan Angel.

The faculty members ate and socialized with one another while their children played.

"I decided since I was new I wanted to start off this year with the barbecue rather than at the end of the year," Angel said.

Rockets were launched and balloons were handed out to the kids on hand at the event. A disc jockey provided the music.

Among the items served at the event were barbecue, chips, watermelon and salad.

Angel said he was pleased how the event turned out.

"It is a relaxing evening,"



photo by Mike Andrick

President Dan Angel gives Dr. Sarah N. Denman, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs a helping hand at the "Welcome Back" barbecue.

Angel said, "I wanted this to be a casual event as well as a formal one," he said. "When you see the president, they expect him to say something. With

this evening, I wanted people to be able to approach me in a casual manner. It is a beautiful evening and a perfect day for this."

Job fair coming to Student Center

by JASON THACKER
reporter

Opportunities for part-time and seasonal employment are being offered to students this week at the Part-Time Jobs Fair.

The fair is sponsored by the Career Services Center and is scheduled for 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center.

Patricia G. Gallagher, recruiting coordinator, said the fair is an excellent opportunity for students to meet with employers and discuss future employment.

"The part-time jobs fair is one of our different fairs we sponsor throughout the year," she said. "In the past, this fair has been really popular with both students and employers."

At least 15 local and regional employers will participate

in the fair. Companies such as Amazon.com, Bank One Management Corp., King's Daughters Medical Center and the West Virginia Bureau of Employment Programs will have representatives present.

The opportunity to apply for the numerous jobs at the fair is beneficial for students, said Sue Wright, director of the Career Center.

"The part-time jobs fair helps students learn how to interview and network with people from different companies," she said. "We want to help students learn how to find a job."

Some employers at the fair need both seasonal and full-time help. But Gary Walker, executive director of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Huntington, said he will be looking to fill long-term positions.

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Women's Studies group sponsors voting drive

The Women's Studies Student Association (WSSA) is sponsoring a voting drive today and Wednesday at the Memorial Student Center Plaza.

"It's important that students know they can vote without having to go home," Bethany Cooper, vice president, said. "We want to get students interested in the election and ready to vote."

The event runs from noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday. Speakers will begin at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

"Wednesday, students will hear the different political viewpoints and also be educated about women's issues," Kate Johnson, president said.

The voting drive will also feature free candy, caricature drawings and music.

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Army accused of brutality

U.S. soldiers abused Kosovo citizens, according to report

by ROBERT BURNS
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Army paratroopers abused and beat civilians in Kosovo after their training for a peacekeeping mission failed to tone down their "combat mentality," according to an Army investigative report that also blamed the soldiers' commanders for ignoring signs of trouble in the unit. The commander of the soldiers' battalion, Lt. Col. Michael D. Ellerbe, was faulted for pursuing a task — to "identify and neutralize" Albanian splinter groups — beyond the scope of the peacekeepers' mission, the report said. That created a situation which invited soldiers to "step over the line of acceptable conduct," the report concluded.

Defense Secretary William Cohen issued a statement Monday, while traveling in Asia, that called the incidents described in the report a matter of "grave concern." He endorsed Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric Shinseki's decision to order a high-level review and to take "corrective actions as appropriate."

The investigation was ordered after Staff Sgt. Frank J. Ronghi — a member of A Company, 3rd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment of the 82nd Airborne Division — was accused of raping and murdering an 11-year-old Kosovo Albanian girl in Virina last January.

Ronghi was convicted and sentenced in August to life in prison.

The investigative report recommended that commanders consider court-martialing an officer, Lt. John Serafini, also of A Company, 3rd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, for assault and conduct unbecoming an officer and

for communicating a threat. He admitted to holding an unloaded gun to the head of a Kosovo Albanian man during an interrogation and told investigators, "I was totally wrong."

At the Fort Bragg, N.C., headquarters of the 82nd Airborne Division, spokesman Maj. Gary Tallman said Monday that ten soldiers received administrative punishment for actions in Kosovo, but no others were court-martialed.

Tallman would not specify soldiers who were punished. During his trial, Ronghi's attorneys read into the court record excerpts from the investigative report, including descriptions of misbehavior by several soldiers from Ronghi's unit.

In a sworn statement to the investigators, Ellerbe defended his actions. He said "neutralizing" Albanian splinter groups was "the only task implied" by the U.S. peacekeeping contingent's overall purpose.

"It was essential to eliminate the corrupt leadership that was suspected of committing all of the violent crime in Vitina," Ellerbe said, referring to the city in southeastern Kosovo for which his unit was responsible. "My view is, to be successful at maintaining security in this area and policing the area, you have to eliminate the people that were causing the problems," he said. The investigative report, conducted by Col. John W. Morgan III of the 1st Infantry Division, interviewed numerous soldiers who said Ellerbe's unit had created the impression of being pro-Serbian. This, coupled with Ellerbe's emphasis on "neutralizing" Albanian splinter groups, made Vitina "the natural focal point for abuses and excessive use of force against the Albanians," Morgan concluded. The report focused attention on whether the 3rd Battalion of the 504th received proper training in peacekeeping tasks before going to Kosovo in September 1999.

Suspect hides in bathroom

SOUTHFIELD, Mich. (AP) — Police chasing a suspected car-jacker got him just where they wanted him, even if it wasn't where they expected him: hiding in a bathroom ceiling. The 16-year-old suspect allegedly approached the owner of a Ford Taurus on Friday afternoon outside a supermarket. He gestured like he had a gun and drove off in the car, police said. Police rushed to the scene and stopped the vehicle. The suspect jumped out and ran to nearby Providence Hospital. At the hospital, the teen made his way into a bathroom, removed a ceiling tile and climbed into the ceiling.

Taco Bell shells may contain illegal protein

by PHILIP BRASHER
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The government is investigating whether taco shells sold in stores under the Taco Bell name contain a variety of biotech corn that isn't approved for human consumption due to questions about whether it could cause allergic reactions.

The crop, which is genetically engineered to kill an insect, is grown on less than 1 percent of the total U.S. corn acreage and approved for use only in animal feed. But tests commissioned by an anti-biotech environmental group found traces of the corn in taco shells that had been purchased in suburban Washington.

Officials with the Environmental Protection Agency and Food and Drug Administration said they were looking into the finding and that FDA may have its own tests done. Kraft Foods Co., which made the taco shells, said it would consider a recall if further testing confirmed the initial results.

"Our concern, of course, is whether or not this product, which is registered for animal feed, is somehow illegally finding its way into food that people eat," said David Cohen, an EPA spokesman.

If the test results are correct, FDA officials said they would consider action to get it out of the food supply.

The corn at issue, which is produced by Aventis Corp. and goes under the trade name StarLink, is the only biotech crop that isn't approved for human consumption. It is one of several varieties of biotech corn that contains a bacterium gene that makes the plant toxic to the European corn borer.

A scientific panel that advises EPA was unable to decide this summer whether the protein in



the corn, Cry9C, should be allowed in food. The protein has shown resistance to digestive juices and heat, signs that it might cause allergic reactions.

Kraft made the taco shells at a plant in Mexico using corn meal purchased from a Texas mill, which in turn got the corn from farmers in five states, said Michael Mudd, the company's vice president for corporate affairs.

The "highest priority right now is to confirm whether or not the protein is indeed present in our product," he said, adding that "if a recall is judged to be the right course, that is something we will do immediately."

Aventis officials denied any wrongdoing and questioned whether the test results were accurate. Anti-biotech activists said the finding showed that the government isn't regulating biotech crops adequately.

"It concerns me and should concern American consumers that this is a glimpse of things to come as genetically engineered products are rushed to store shelves without real mandatory safety testing and labeling programs in place," said Rep. Dennis Kucinich, D-Ohio.

The taco shells were among 23 corn products that representatives of the Friends of the Earth submitted to Iowa-based Genetic ID Inc. for testing for the Cry9C protein. Three sets of tests, performed first in August, all found evidence of the protein in the taco shells. None of the other products, including corn flakes, tested positive.

Sex offenders named on Web

PEARL, Miss. (AP) — Mississippi became the latest Southern state Monday to provide easy access to the names and addresses of sex offenders by blending old-fashioned police work with high-tech communications.

The state launched its new sex offender registry Web site that allows people to track registered sex offenders by name, city, county or ZIP code.

When a match is found, it brings up a photograph, last known address and a listing of the sex crimes committed.

"We're using every available resource to fight crime," said Mississippi Gov. Ronnie Musgrove, who showed off the Web-based registry at the Criminal Information Center in Rankin County.

All 50 states have some type of sexual offender law modeled after the federal "Megan's Law," named for a New Jersey girl who was raped and killed by a released convict who lived in her neighborhood. The federal law requires communities to be notified of the presence of sex offenders.

Mississippi Public Safety Commissioner David Huggins said the database, with more than 1,300 files, is constantly updated by sheriffs in the state's 82 counties. It also tracks individuals who move to Mississippi after committing sex crimes in other states.

The database was paid for with a \$230,000 federal grant, and a bill authorizing its use was passed by the Legislature earlier this year.

Sen. Neely Carlton, D-Greenville, who wrote the legislation, said she wanted to see the site built because of the impact sex crimes have on women and children.

The registry can be found at <http://www.sor.mdps.state.ms.us>.

Clinton urges U.N. to try Iraqi officials for deaths

by BARRY SCHWEID
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration urged the United Nations on Monday to establish a war crimes tribunal to try Saddam Hussein and other Iraqi officials in the deaths of up to 250,000 civilians in Iraq, Iran, Kuwait and elsewhere.

In a speech at the National Press Club, David J. Scheffer, ambassador at large for war crimes, said, "It is beyond any possible doubt that Saddam Hussein and the top leadership around him have brutally and systematically committed war crimes and crimes against humanity for years."

The U.N. Security Council is debating whether to set up an International Criminal Court.

Establishment of the court could take two years, and it would lack jurisdiction over crimes committed earlier, Scheffer said.

That is why, he said, a special court is necessary to judge Iraqi President Saddam's rule.

Special tribunals already are sitting in judgment over war crimes in Rwanda and former Yugoslavia. At the request of the United States, the Yugoslavia panel has indicted Slobodan Milosevic, president of Yugoslavia, for crimes in the Balkans.

In its last months, the Clinton administration has stepped up an already vigorous campaign against Milosevic and Saddam, accusing

the Serbian leader of intimidation and other tactics designed to "steal" Yugoslavia's presidential election in November and alleging countless human rights abuses and crimes by Saddam.

Getting a tribunal to hear charges against the Iraqi will not be easy, as several Security Council members do not share the administration's zeal to punish him.

Scheffer suggested as an alternative that a commission of experts be appointed to judge Saddam and his associates. Or, Scheffer said, courts in various nations may be able to investigate and indict Iraqi government leaders.

"Our primary objective is to see Saddam Hussein and the leadership of the Iraqi regime indicted and prosecuted," Scheffer said.

Detailing what he said the United States knows about Saddam's record, Scheffer said approximately 5,000 Iraqis were killed by chemical weapons between 1983 and 1988 during the Iran-Iraq war, an estimated 5,000 Kurdish civilians died from chemical weapons in the Iraqi town of Halabja in 1988, and poison gas killed an estimated 50,000 to 100,000 Kurds in Iraq in 1987-1988.

Scheffer said during Iraq's occupation of Kuwait in 1990-91 more than 1,000 Kuwaitis and nationals from other countries were killed, and Iraq committed war crimes against American service members.

Many civilians were among 30,000 to 60,000 Iraqis killed

by Iraqi forces in suppressing an uprising that began in the south of the country in 1991, after the end of the Persian Gulf War in February.

In addition, the country's southern marshes were drained, beginning in the early 1990s, to deprive thousands of Iraqi Shiites of their livelihoods, Scheffer said.

The use of poison gas and the draining of the marshes are crimes against humanity, he said.

Scheffer said Saddam has used murder, torture and, lately, rape in a campaign against political opponents. And, he said, Saddam is carrying out a systematic campaign of murder and intimidation of clergy.

"Like Slobodan Milosevic, Saddam Hussein did not commit these crimes on his own," Scheffer said.

"He has built up one of the world's most ruthless police states, using a very small number of associates who share with him responsibility for these criminal actions."

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New dean plans library changes

by **MARTHA SNYDER**
reporter

The John Deaver Drinko Library is getting ready to move into new directions.

The first big change is the new Dean of Libraries Barbara Winters, who was appointed Aug. 1.

"I felt like I was ready to be a dean," Winters said. "I also wanted to be here at Marshall. I never was able to go to college here so I decided to make up for it now."

Winters has worked at many schools in the past including the Virginia Commonwealth University, Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio, and the University of Georgia.

According to Winters, the new changes in the library will start out with a plan to com-

bine all libraries — academic, public and private — together into one network to share information and have better access to resources. That would be much like MILES, the network already at Marshall, except it would be larger.

MILES has had a facelift since last school year. It has become a Web-based interface called Virtua that provides access to more than 4,500 electronic resources.

It will not only make looking for text easier; it will also handle multimedia applications such as RealPlayer and Windows Media Player.

MILES will have Marshall University video clips, archived photographs and oral histories in the online collections.

While Drinko is known for its advanced computer technology, it still has the resources that every library is known for: books.

In 1998-99 the circulation of books at Marshall was 32,000. This does not include all the reference material obtained through MILES or EBSCO.

EBSCO is a search engine that is used to search magazine articles in the library.

At EBSCO alone, more than 300,000 uses have been documented for the 1999-2000 year.

"More print is being published than ever before and computer technology is advancing also. We have to be able to keep up with both," Winters said.

"I see us as a teaching library. Libraries are still the heart of the university," she said.

'Love yourself,' RA says

by **LESLIE C. DANIELS**
reporter

Marshall's Resident Hall Association is having several programs on self-esteem this semester to assist students who want to improve their self-image.

St. Albans sophomore Terri Spurlock, 14th floor resident adviser at Twin Towers West, conducted a self-esteem program for dorm residents Monday night in the study lounge.

"All college students suffer with identity problems," Spurlock said. "I think it is important to love yourself for who you are."

Maureen Mulima, Twin Tower West resident director, was the guest speaker. She talked about the importance of building self-esteem and gave several suggestions on improving self-esteem.

"We need to work on our self-image and self-love, and it is how you look at things,"

"All college students suffer with identity problems. I think it is important to love yourself for who you are."

Terri Spurlock,
14th-floor resident adviser

Mulima said.

She also talked about how a healthy self-esteem can empower a person.

"No one can make you feel what you feel unless you let them," she said.

"Never give anyone that mind power."

Mulima also conducted self-esteem exercises to apply the suggestions for improving self-esteem to each individual.

"Write down some goals you want to accomplish," Mulima

said. "Put things in your room that makes you feel good, like things you won."

She suggested writing self-affirmations. "I like myself. I can do anything," Mulima suggested.

Several students said the program could help them and others.

Millicent Coleman, a communications disorder major from Inez, Ky., said the program was helpful. She said she also plans to use the suggestions that Mulima spoke about.

"I need to accept myself for the way that I am and not worry about what other people think," Coleman said.

Allycia White, a liberal arts freshman from New York City, agreed.

"The workshop gave me more self-esteem, and it made me feel better about myself," White said.

Counseling services gives students an alternative

by **MARTHA SNYDER**
reporter

According to most students, college is not all fun and games. Sometimes classes and other stress can seem to be too much to bear.

Marshall knows that college has its own set of pressures and has counseling services available for all students who need someone to talk to. The services are free and a Marshall ID is the only thing required.

According to the counseling services, one of the main problems seen at the services is depression of one type or another. People who are depressed can feel empty, have trouble sleeping or concentrating and, in extreme cases, even feel suicidal.

"It is hard to feel hopeful when a person is depressed," counselor Linda Stockwell said. "We are here to help them work through their problems."

Counseling is only a small part of the treatment, according to Stockwell. Try not to put too much pressure on yourself by setting goals that are impossible to fulfill.

The services have licensed

psychologists, counselors and other mental health professionals to assist the patients. Appointments are set up on a one-on-one basis.

After the first session, the counselor helps decide if more times are needed for discussion.

The sessions are confidential and nothing discussed between the counselor and student will be repeated outside the office, regardless of the content of the session.

"We set goals in treatment," Stockwell said. "This way the treatment is gradual and it makes it easier for students to say everything they need to say. Sometimes we suggest that changes in the student's lifestyle will help correct the problem."

The counseling office is located in the first floor of Prichard Hall, at the Jenkins Hall side entrance. A counselor is on call 24 hour a day but office hours are from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday.

Students can stop by the office to make an appointment or call 696-3111.

Contest seeks helpful staff

by **NICOLE R. PICKENS**
reporter

Recognizing staff members for their helpfulness may put them in the running for a cash award.

Human Resources Services' "Going the Extra Mile" contest gives students, visitors and other university employees a chance to acknowledge Marshall staff who "go out of their way to assist you and make your life a little bit easier," Judy Blevins, training and development specialist, said.

The employee with the most recommendations each semester receives a \$50 cash award.

The program, launched in 1997, motivates the staff with the award and the expressions of appreciation, Blevins said.

Program to recognize a staff member are available on signs posted on campus bulletin boards or in the Human Resource Services office in Old Main 207.

The contest runs three times a year, from September to December, January to April and May to August.

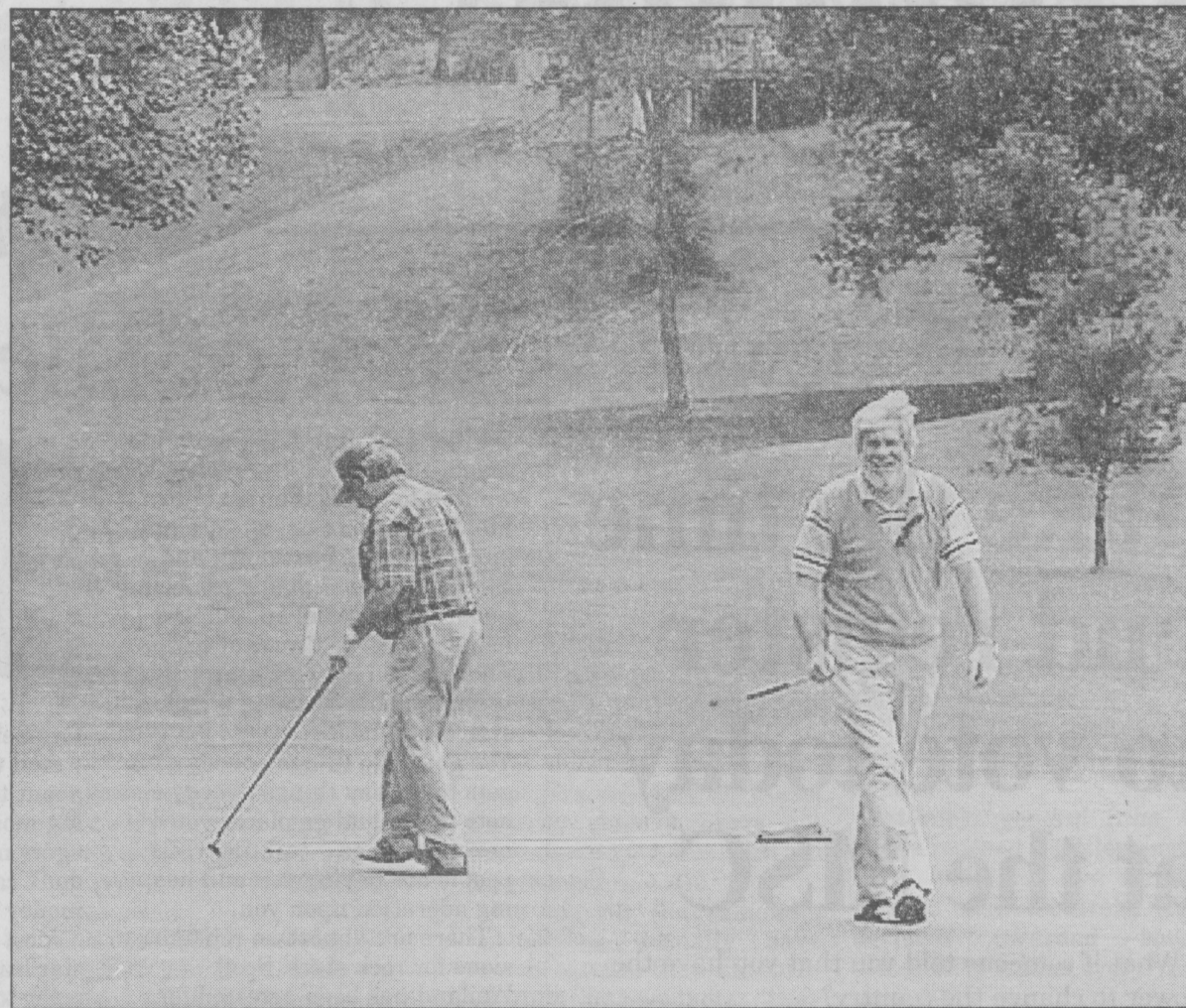


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Journalism professor Dr. Ralph Turner, left, attempts a hole-in-one as colleague Dr. George T. Arnold walks away from the green at the Second Annual W. Page Pitt Memorial Golf Tournament.

Tournament raises funds

by **LARA K. STREIT**
reporter

"Dr. Arnold is not a very good golfer, but he is a champion cheater," Dr. Ralph Turner said, grinning mischievously as he spoke of colleague and teammate Dr. George Arnold.

Both professors from the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications played golf Friday at the Lavalette Golf Course as part of the Second Annual W. Page Pitt Memorial Golf Tournament.

The idea started after Dr. Hal Shaver, dean of SOJMC, formed the Alumni Advisory Committee two academic years ago. He told the committee that money for scholarships is needed.

Roger Dyer, committee chairman, came up with the golf

scramble idea.

"We wanted to do something that is fun and where everyone could get together to see people they haven't seen in awhile," Dyer said. "And it was successful last year so we're doing it again."

After everyone registered for the tournament, they had a chance to buy only two Mulligans, which granted players one free stroke each. Door prizes and a free subscription to Huntington Quarterly were also part of the deal.

The golf tournament had a shotgun start at noon. This means each team starts at the same time on different holes, then proceeds to the next one. The winning team at the end gets the grand prize.

After the day of golfing, participants were invited to the

clubhouse for dinner, the drawing of prizes and the results of the silent auction. The amount of money collected was about \$5,500.

Participants included Tom Miller, a 1959 graduate who was taught by W. Page Pitt, the journalism school's namesake. He brought a fraternity brother, his son and some people from church.

Kirk Lightner, who graduated in May, was the youngest graduate there and brought along some current students for his team, which won the tournament.

"I might not play well, but at least I look good," Arnold later said, with his golf clubs and other equipment outfitted in Marshall green.

"I think I have the right idea."

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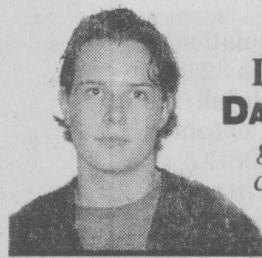
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Buskirk Bash or Buskirk Bust? We'll wait and see

Granted, Marshall University is not known for its rockin' concerts. In the spring of 1997, we had the Verve Pipe before they became well-known, and this past fall, as part of MTV's "Campus Invasion," we had Garbage and Lit at the Huntington Civic Arena. This semester's Student Government Association is bringing us Gran Torino. Who? Good question. According to SGA, the band made its debut on MTV this past week. Popular local bands such as Bobaflex, Vigilantes and the Igniters are joining the Buskirk Bash, which is set for Oct. 4. As for the success of the Bash... we wish SGA well, but we'll just wait and see.

Lack of talent dashes rock star dreams

I just don't know anymore. I mean, I thought I knew what I wanted to do for the rest of my life, but I'm just not so sure anymore. You see, I sat down and thought about it and, sure, being a journalist is cool and all, but I found what I really want to do. I want to be a rock star.



LUKE DAMRON
guest columnist

Think about it, being a rock star would be the coolest job ever. You get to do things nobody else gets to do, say things nobody else gets to say and go places you'd never get to go — all the while people are paying you and heaping adoration upon you.

There are almost no repercussions for rock stars. Scott Weiland has been arrested for drugs like 20 times, and he's still a free man. Johnny Cash killed somebody and he's still running around in his black trench coat. Bands hang out backstage with groupies and do things that you just know have got to break some laws, but they get no punishment. It just makes a good story

for "Behind The Music." And the money, I've heard all about the record companies taking most of the profits and managers mishandling money and I don't care. It would still be more money than I'm making now. Most importantly, a good rock star leaves a legacy. Nobody is going to remember me in history for suggesting that freshmen skip class and get a drug habit, but if I hole myself up in a hotel room with my groupie girlfriend, kill her and then overdose on heroin like Sid Vicious, I become a part of history. I would be a good rock star, too. Let's forget for the moment that I can play only the G-chord on gui-

tar and the last time I was complimented on my voice was by my seventh-grade music teacher. Let's focus on how fun I would be as a public figure.

I am weird. I would take the acceptance of myself as a celebrity as a mandate to let my innate strangeness run wild. I would wear completely outlandish clothing at all times, potentially even women's wear. I would change the color and style of my hair so often it would make Dennis Rodman say "Dude, slow down. You look ridiculous." I would change my name to something like Trent de la Grueber or Johnny Headwound.

During interviews I would show signs of serious mental problems. I would refer to myself in the third-person. I would be infuriatingly cryptic to some interviewers while being very open about things that may or may not have actually happened to others.

I would get into stupid feuds with other stars. I would talk

about how my own music is 10 times better than anything else, all the while knowing I have no real talent. I would do Sinead O'Connor one better and accuse the Dali Llama of being a drug addict.

All right, I'm never going to be a rock star. I don't own a pair of leather pants and don't even know where to go to get some. I think, despite some of the things I hear on the radio, that some talent is required to be a rock star. Try as I might, I don't think I could maintain an addiction and still manage to stumble out on-stage and remember what I am supposed to do.

I guess I am going to have to settle for my second choice, but I will always have the dream. And you never know...

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by James Harris

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HER view

Coffee with Gore a wake-up call

(U-WIRE) NEW YORK — Thursday, after my statistics class, I went out for coffee with Al Gore and Karenna Gore Schiff. The cappuccino was good; the conversation, riveting.

The vice president launched a new initiative Thursday aimed at reaching out to disaffected young voters and bringing them into the political process. The idea, he explained, was to give us a place "At the Table." If it works, it may well permanently alter the landscape of American politics.

If young voters actually turn up at the polls in November, we may finally receive the respect and attention that we deserve. Our issues will rise to the forefront of the political discussion, and politicians will have no choice but to pay attention to our concerns.

As Karenna Gore Schiff pointed out, our generation sets the fashion standards. The television and film industries cater to our tastes. We are the biggest potential voting block, larger than the boomers by more than 10 million. We are active in our communities, and in a wide array of causes. We are the sleeping giant of American politics.

It was Karenna who set the tone for the conversation. Flashing her disarming smile, she condemned the vicious cycle of disengagement between campaigns and young voters. In 1972, she said, half of all eligible voters between the ages of 18 and 24 voted. By 1996, that had dropped to less than a third. The fewer young people vote, the less attention campaigns pay, and the more estranged we feel.

Great. So while acknowledging that youth issues are not presently at the center of the political debate, the Gores would nevertheless like

your vote. Convinced? Perhaps you should be. Al Gore is taking a risk this election by giving our issues a higher priority than they have had in the past. College tuition credits may still lack the sacred-cow status of Social Security, but he has made them an issue again. He has pledged to extend health care to all children. He has laid out an environmental agenda that promises to avoid short-sighted exploitation, and to preserve our natural resources for tomorrow. Our issues are gaining ground.

This election will likely make or break that trend. If Al Gore wins in November by riding the youth vote into the oval office, the pundits will take note. In the next cycle, more politicians will promise tuition breaks, campaign finance reform, better schools, and all of the other things that polls have shown we care about. If the turnout continues to decline, it will be taken as a sign that youth is so disaffected that not even a genuinely committed politician can break through their disenchantment to draw them to the polls.

Al, Tipper, Joe, Hadassah and their children will be crisscrossing the country for the next few weeks, having "Youth at the Table" discussions with students and young adults. We are being presented with an opportunity to grab the respect and attention that we deserve. It would be a shame if we were to allow politics to return to the same uninspiring mess that repelled so many of us before.

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WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

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If you were President Angel for one day, what would you change about Marshall?



"Parking. I'm always late for class because I always have to drive and drive around to find a good place."

— Tara Burton, Milton senior



"Make the lunch and dinner hours a lot longer. I never have time to eat. Like today."

— Aarin Phillips, Charleston freshman



"Incorporate a Taco Bell into the Twin Towers cafeteria."

— Alisa Philabaun, Ironton, Ohio, freshman

— compiled by Elizabeth Lee and Daniel Caldwell

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Students, alumni interact at SOAR

by ELIOT PARKER
reporter

Pizza, chips and drinks attracted a large number of students to a meeting of SOAR, and now the plan is for them to get involved.

That was the message emphasized to 18 students Wednesday during a meeting of the Student Organization for Alumni Relations (SOAR), a group responsible for assisting with alumni events as well as other community and campus service projects.

The theme of the first meeting for the 2000-01 school year was "Be a Part From the Start" and student involvement is an integral part of the organization.

"A big advantage to being in this group is making a big impact in the community," said Jeremy Criss, vice president of SOAR and three-year member. "You can also help with alumni events and also meet some important people."

Community involvement with groups throughout the city of Huntington provides leadership experience and community service hours for students, said Bob Dorado, former SOAR adviser and guest speaker during the meeting.

"This group is involved with lots of community service projects, and this gives students a chance to be a part of an organization and to stay involved," he said.

Some of the past community service projects the group has been involved with include making Easter baskets for the Huntington City Mission and involvement with the Salvation Army's Christmas Charity.

In addition to community projects, the group is involved with campus activities. One of the first campus projects SOAR will participate in is building a float for the Oct. 21 Homecoming Parade.

Hillary Justus, president of SOAR, sees the benefits of the organization as more than com-

munity service hours.

"We have good relations with the alumni and we can be involved with their activities," she said.

The relationship between SOAR and alumni allows members the opportunity to mingle with graduates and share stories about Marshall's past and present.

"Alumni share stories and tell about how things were and they want to know what students do now and what programs they study," Dorado said.

All work and no play is not the philosophy of the club. Interaction among SOAR members in social settings takes place throughout the year, Dorado said.

In the past, members have gone to the movies and bowling.

As students come and go each year, attracting new members for the club is a concern, Justus said. But many students joining SOAR for the first time heard about the group through

friends.

"My friends are in it and I have heard about all the positive things the group does," said Brandon Allen, a freshman from Mount Hope.

Rhonda Mincey, a junior from Washington D.C. joined because of a friend.

"A friend invited me to come and I came because I wanted to gain friendships and experience new opportunities," she said.

Membership in the organization is free and voluntary. SOAR is one of the few student clubs on campus where a fee is not required for membership, Dorado said.

Anyone who is interested in joining SOAR, but did not make the first meeting, is not excluded from the group.

"We have open meetings twice a month, and I am hoping that our group will increase," Justus said.

The next SOAR meeting will be at 9:15 p.m. Sept. 27 in the Erickson Alumni Center.

Smokers economical, Harvard professor says

by JONI E. WEBER
Daily Orange (Syracuse U.)

(U-WIRE) SYRACUSE, N.Y.

— Harvard University professor W. Kip Viscusi visited Syracuse University on Friday to thank smokers for helping the U.S. economy.

"Of course, it is not a good thing that people die sooner because of smoking," said Viscusi, a Cogan professor of law and economics, during a stop at the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. "But from a financial standpoint, it does represent a cost saving for society."

For example, Viscusi said, taxpayers pay less for Social Security since smokers not only die sooner, but rack up larger medical costs.

He argued that smokers themselves actually save money because they die earlier than non-smokers. They

save on Social Security costs as well as nursing and home care, he added.

Viscusi said most people are surprised by his views in the United States, but in other countries, the reaction is more tempered.

"When looking at the United States, the message of how smoking affects society meets a much more hostile reception than Europe," he said. "I have given similar talks in European conferences, and people asked what was the big deal? What is the controversy about?"

"It is not the controversy there as it is in the United States."

Attorneys general from 46 states reached a settlement in 1998 with the five largest tobacco manufacturers. The decision awarded those states \$206 billion every year until 2025.

Rocking

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Gresham came up with the idea, but had some reservations less than an hour into the rock-a-thon.

"We're rocking for 24 hours! This is going to suck!" he said.

The band kept rocking through the night by talking, singing, doing devotionals, which consisted of scripture readings and modern examples of the lessons, tossing footballs and drinking cappuccino and other caffeinated beverages.

"Caffeine is our other god," Gresham said.

By Saturday morning, some of the rules had changed.

During the below 40-degree night the members and their "groupies" had to run around campus to warm up. They also allowed one hour of sleep for each band member.

A bright spot for the band, especially Anderson, was at 11 p.m. when nearly 50 people joined in a devotional and singing.

The upbeat mood of the previous evening faltered in the



photo courtesy of Inspirational Thought

On Saturday morning, Inspirational Thought keyboardist Jeremy Ayers was feeling the effects of the group's all-nighter.

morning light. Helper Shawn Cabell attempted to express the feelings of all involved.

"This is the worst night of our lives."

Gresham added, "You have no idea how bad these guys hate me."

During the day new problems arose for the band. Whereas the night was bitterly cold, the day was clear and sunny which

led to sunburns. Another problem was a swarm of hovering bees.

Although the day was rough on them, by the end of the event the band was excited.

"I wish we could just keep going," Gresham said.

Slawter summed up the sleep-deprived but accomplished feelings of the group.

"I did a lot of sitting."

Jobs

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"We are hoping to add three new employees in addition to some Thanksgiving and Christmas help," he said. "Working for us is a rewarding experience and a chance for students to give back to the community."

Other companies, such as Alliance Research, Inc. and Applied Card Systems, want telemarketing and collections positions.

Pre-registration for the fair is not required and it is open to all students.

A complete list of participants and more information may be obtained by contacting Patricia G. Gallagher at 696-2371.

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Promise

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If funded, it would offer free tuition and fees to students attending public or private colleges or universities in West Virginia. It would be capped at \$2,636 annually, said state Secretary of Education and the Arts David Ice, who served on the implementation committee.

"The costs could actually go up, though, because the program could be an incentive for students to make better grades," Ice said.

If funding were available, the program would likely improve student achievement in West Virginia, which would help the state's credibility nationally.

"If there were a scholarship program, it would probably be an incentive as much for families as for students," West Virginia University Provost Gerald Lang said.

"It could also remove geographic constraints for some students. In some families, for example, resources might be limited and a student would have to live at home to have a chance at attending classes. A scholarship program would minimize the costs associated with a student's room and board, allowing the student to perhaps go to a college or university not so close to home."

West Virginia's program is modeled after Georgia's HOPE Scholarship, which started in 1993. Georgia's program is funded by its state lottery.

During the 1993-94 academic year, 42,807 students earned HOPE scholarships, according to Georgia's Department of Education. The scholarships cost the state \$21.4 million, but the lottery earned \$1.3 billion.

The number of scholarships has grown steadily since. In 1998-99, 141,174 students received HOPE grants.

Underwood spokesman Rod

Blackstone called Wise's proposal "a nice election-year ploy."

"I'm not here to trash the Promise Scholarship program. The truth is, if we could afford the program and get a handle on what promises to be a whole lot of money, we would move in that direction," Blackstone said. "But the governor is dealing with economic realities."

The state annually dedicates "about \$17.5 million" to its West Virginia Higher Education Grant program and another approximately \$7.5 million in tuition and fee waivers. But the grants and some of the waivers are awarded on a financial-need basis, Ice said.

"Right now, economic realities dictate that we provide money where it will do the most good for the most people," Blackstone said.

Wise says "economic reality" is admitting video poker machines are here. And if they're here, Wise thinks they should be regulated, Plante said.

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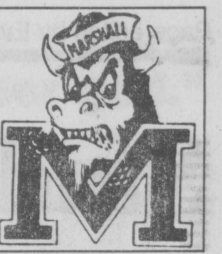
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The Thundering Herd men's soccer team lost its first game Saturday as it fell to Mount St. Mary's, 4-3. Marshall drops to 4-1 with the loss. Marshall returns to action at 3 p.m. Wednesday as it plays host to Winthrop at Sam Hood Field. Admission is free to students with a Marshall ID.

Soccer shoots for MAC win

by MICHAEL S. ADAMS
reporter

Marshall women's soccer team will look to end a two-game skid today as it takes on Mid-American Conference Toledo.

Ohio University spoiled the team's MAC opener Friday night and gave the Thundering Herd, 4-2 overall and 0-1 in MAC conference play, its second straight loss.

Ohio was led by freshman Christel Schlering's one goal and two assists in the Bobcat's 3-2 victory.

"This was one of the better team's in the MAC," Coach Teresa Patterson said of Ohio.

In front of a crowd of 247, freshman midfielder Amanda McMahon scored the game's first goal at the 10:44 mark off a pass from freshman forward Rebekah Tenbroek.

Sophomore standout Lindsay Jayjack went down in the 20th minute of the game when she was tripped by Ohio's Erin McCoy.

Jayjack would leave the game and not return due to an

ankle sprain.

"We hope she will be back by Tuesday, but we will see where she is," Patterson said.

Marshall would keep the Bobcats scoreless until the 36th minute when the Ohio would answer with an unassisted goal from Schlering.

The game remained tied at halftime. Marshall took a total of nine shots on goal in the first half.

"Our kids played with a lot of heart," Patterson said.

In the second half, Ohio answered Marshall's strong first half attack holding them to four shots.

Ohio would break the tie in the 49th minute when Ohio's Jen Barber took a pass from Schlering and shot it pass junior goalkeeper Kayla Johnson.

Ohio would add one more 10 minutes later in the contest to take a 3-1 lead when Ohio's Rachel Najjar would take another pass from Schlering and scored to take a two goal lead.

"We lost our composure after their first score and they really took the momentum," Patterson

said. "We can't afford to lose our composure against quality opponents like Ohio."

Marshall would make a late attempt at a comeback with junior midfielder Erin Stienke leading the way.

Stienke scored an unassisted goal in the 71st minute to bring the Thundering Herd within one of the Bobcats.

Marshall had three opportunities to tie the game. In an attack led by McMahon, the Thundering Herd took the ball down field only to have a shot made by Stienke called offsides.

Marshall would lose two more shot opportunities to off-side calls and Ohio would hold on for the win.

"We played some wonderful soccer," Patterson said. "Erin Stienke played a wonderful game, as did the rest of our girls."

With the loss, Marshall fell to 4-2 overall and 0-1 in MAC play. Marshall will try to even their conference mark and today against Toledo.

Kickoff is scheduled for 2 p.m. at Sam Hood Field.



photo by Mike Andrick

The Thundering Herd women's soccer team will try to bounce back today from two consecutive losses as it plays host to Mid-American Conference foe Toledo. The game, which is scheduled for a 2 p.m. Kickoff, will be played at Sam Hood Field.

Volleyball team looks for new start

by JILL C. NETTLES
reporter

Marshall's women's volleyball team is ready for a new start.

The team came back from the Denver Invitational this past weekend with no wins.

Coach Steffi Legall said the Thundering Herd will use the losses as a learning experience.

"The outcome was not what we wanted, but we consider

ourselves 0-0 going into conference play," she said.

Marshall fell to the Butler Bulldogs in the first match of the Denver Invitational 15-6, 17-15 and 15-3. The Thundering Herd had 30 attack errors.

Freshman Shannon O'Connor contributed



Legall

six kills and 15 digs.

Sophomore Jodi Fick added 15 digs to the team statistics. "The team played good defense and it was a defensive battle," Fick said of the Thundering Herd's effort.

Marshall played Fresno State losing 15-9, 15-7 and 15-6. Freshman setter Andrea Kastein had 27 assists. Sophomore Heidi Keuthe had eight kills and 13 digs.

The Thundering Herd fell to

host University of Denver 15-12, 15-2 and 15-5. Senior Wendy Williams, an outside hitter, had a team best 11 kills.

So far this season the team has 374 kills, 217 errors, 457 digs and 340 assists.

Marshall starts Mid-American Conference play at 7 p.m. as it plays host to Eastern Michigan.

Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for children 17 and under. Marshall students and faculty are admitted free with a valid Marshall ID.

The Marshall Ticket Office is offering an Olympic Sports Pass Card that will allow fans to attend any Thundering Herd volleyball match, women's basketball game, softball game baseball game or men's or women's soccer games. The cost is \$30 for adults and \$15 for children.

The pass can be purchased through the ticket office at 1-800-THE-HERD.

Tennis impressive in weekend action

by WILLIAM FREANEY
reporter

The Marshall women's tennis team held their own Saturday at the Wyndham Garden Wolfpack

Invitational sponsored by North Carolina State University.

Junior Anna Mitina and senior Anna Ceretto posted a 3-1 record in Flight A doubles competition before losing to Henriette Williams and Christine Schweer of the University of Virginia in the finals. In the Flight C doubles competition, senior Jessie



Mitina

"We looked good, but we have a lot of work to do for the MAC and spring season."

Laurie Mercer,
Marshall tennis coach

Watkins and freshman Megan Skalsky teamed up to win the title.

"Personally, I think I could do better," Mitina said. "I was a little nervous and lacked confidence. In general, I didn't do bad. I think I just need to play more and gain more confidence in my game."

Coach Laurie Mercer was encouraged by the results but knows the team still has a lot to work on before Mid-American Conference play.

"The main thing in the fall is to get in a lot of matches for the spring," Mercer said. "We looked good but we have a lot to work on for the MAC and spring season. We got to see how we look and what we need to work on. We think Tara McGuire is coming back from an injury so that will help."

In other Flight A doubles competition, senior Sheela Cabiling and freshman Alice Sukner finished third.

In Flight A singles, Mitina placed fifth with a win over teammate Sukner. Ceretto posted a ninth place finish in the Flight B singles after defeating Annika Meyerson of High Point.

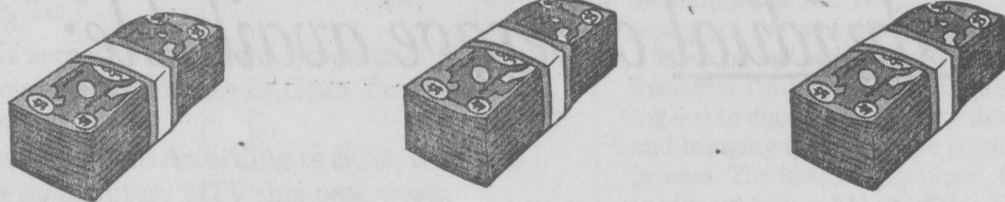
Watkins finished in fifth place after defeating Andrea Terrill of East Carolina in the Flight C singles competition. Cabiling posted an 11th place finish after she defeated Tere Grinstead of Davidson. Skalsky finished 13th by defeating Elisabeth Ericson of High Point.

"It was good for our first tournament," Watkins said. "We have a few kinks to work out. It showed us what we needed to work on."

The next tournament for the team is the National Claycourts on Sept. 19 in Baltimore, Md.

Mitina and Ceretto will travel to California on Oct. 17 to compete in the All-American Tournament.

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Masters extinguishes Collins' blaze at Miller Lite Fight Night II

MU student, area fighters score wins in 9-bout card

by AARON E. RUNYON
news editor

Bret Masters sat on the bottom row of the metal bleachers behind the Veterans Memorial Field House as the evening sun dropped and the temperature began its decline.

With his arms crossed over his turquoise windbreaker, he tilted the brim of his green baseball cap to block the sun's rays.

It was nearly three hours before Masters' scheduled professional bout.

He squinted and fell into a state of deep preparation.

The fighter's face displayed signs of racing thoughts that many athletes may ponder — anxiety, positive thinking, doubts or just general mental preparation.

But for Masters, it was all God's will.

"No words can describe it," Masters recalled. "I knew that all of my strength was from above. I thought that things would work out for a reason, whether the outcome was good or bad. Everything I was asking for, it was His will."

Divine intervention or not, he got what he asked for.

Masters, a Marshall graduate student and lieutenant for the Huntington Fire Department, used precision punching and quick, relentless jabbing to outpoint slugger "Irish" Pat Collins in four rounds Saturday.

The 35-year-old Huntington native received a 40-36 unanimous decision in the fifth of nine bouts to win the first matchup out of the ring's red corner.

The fight was scheduled in the junior middleweight class, but both fighters weighed in at 147 pounds and fought at welterweight for the bout.

Eight other bouts graced the card at Miller Lite Fight Night II on Saturday, as eager fans nearly filled the grandstands.

Jerry Thomas, president of West Virginia Sports Promotions, Inc., was expecting a turnout of about 1,600 spectators.

What he got was about 1,800 roaring fans.

In the dimly lit arena, with the perimeter dressed in Miller Lite and 84 Lumber banners, Masters' fight electrified a crowd that was relatively docile in the previous four bouts.

Masters opened the first round with a steady, piston-like left jab that the first eight boxers lacked. As the round progressed, he increased the frequency of his one-two and graduated to hooking in a sharp body attack.

The tattoo-clad Collins began throwing wide hooks, snapping back Masters' head as he moved in on the offensive.

The "Fighting Fireman" landed a short right hand sending Collins reeling into the ropes midway through the round. Masters drove five mixed jabs through Collins' guard before trading blows in the center of the ring at the bell.

Masters returned to his corner with a one-inch gash under the left side of his jaw.

"The jab helped to set everything else up," Masters said in the locker room following his bout. "If you throw the left you can stay in defensive position. It's a good, reliable punch to size up the guy early in the fight."

Round two began with continued body punching from Masters, who was proving his dominance as the busier, more aggressive fighter. Collins again responded with several winging hooks, bloodying his opponent's nose and mouth.

Masters' trainer Jim Brown yelled instructions to his fighter, asking for right hand leads.

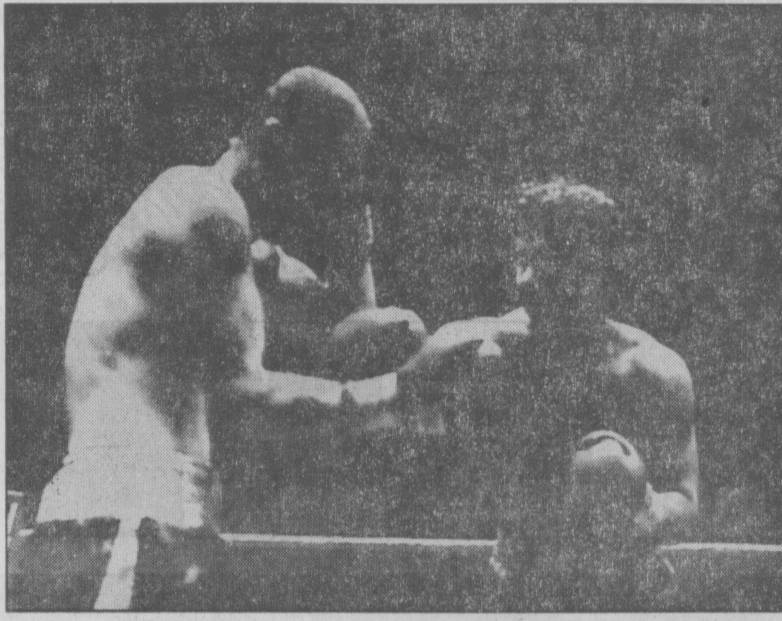


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The "Fighting Fireman" prevailed in the head-on trading, landing more often with shorter punching. In the first round, Masters landed a short right hand, sending Collins through the ropes.

The advice proved effective. Masters followed Brown's game plan and later landed two powerful right hands to open heavy bleeding from the Shinnston native's nose.

"The fight began to change after that," Masters said. "I started hitting him with straight rights and he would say 'good job, try it again,' or he would put his hands down and tell me to 'come on.' But I don't think his taunts came into play."

Collins' bantering continued through the third round as he egged on the "Fighting Fireman."

But Masters took advantage of the relaxed defense. Collins attempted to duck his way in but Masters consistently held him off with a steady diet of body shots and follow-up rights.

Masters also prevailed in the head-on trading, landing more often with short punching. At the end of round three, both fighters wore a mask of blood.

Masters raised his arms to rouse the crowd as the fighters squared off in the final round and went on to steal the judges' cards and an uproar of fan support. Collins rarely returned fire in the final three-minute war and did more taunting than punching. Masters rallied late in the round, landing six consecutive jabs and an overhand right, driving the determined brawler against the ropes.

Collins poured on a hook combination but missed wildly with the desperation punches before the round's close.

"I felt they should have stopped it a couple times," Masters said of his dominating win. "I just hope I did a good job pleasing the crowd."

Brown said he was proud of his fighter's determination.

"He fought a very tough kid," said Brown, owner and operator of Seconds Out Gym in Barboursville. "I think [Collins] forced his will and he brought the best out of Bret."

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In the Miller Lite Fight Night main event, junior middleweight star Jeremy Brown (2-0) defeated Cincinnati's Jason Marcum with a thrilling knockout at 1:05 in the first round.

The 21-year-old Huntington native used superior speed and

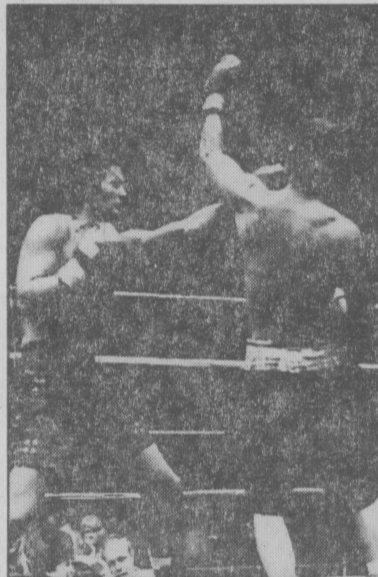


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Masters slips in a left hand counter punch en route to his 40-36 unanimous decision victory over Collins.

power as he opened the fight with a barrage of one-two-three combinations. Brown backed his opponent to the opposite corner and delivered a compact left hook to stall the fighter. Another flashing combination sent Marcum staggering into his own corner, where he clutched the top ring rope to avoid dropping.

Referee Tim Wheeler stepped in and gave the disoriented fighter a standing eight count. When fighting resumed, Brown bombed him with a crashing left hook that dropped Marcum to his knees with a broken nose.

Marcum's corner urged the referee for a stoppage.

"I've coached on championship football teams," said Brown's manager John Johnson, who was an assistant coach for Ohio State and managed James "Buster" Douglas to a title victory over Mike Tyson in 1990. "I recognize talent. Jeremy Brown will be a world champion one day."

Jeremy "The Beast" Bates (4-1) of Ashland, Ky., defeated Cross Lanes' Scott Dixon in the co-feature heavyweight fight on a round four knockout.

After a flash knockout in round one, Bates recovered and steadily pinned Dixon against the ropes, unleashing his punching power on the taller fighter. Bates scored two knockdowns and finished with a TKO one minute into the third round.

Local fan favorite Pearl "Barboursville Bomber" Dotson (1-1) scored a second-round

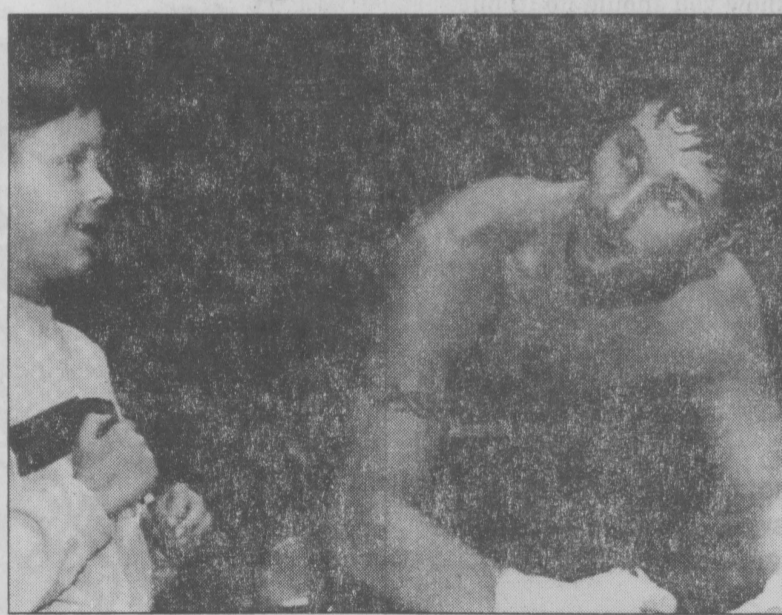


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Huntington native Jeremy Brown (2-0) signs an autograph for a fan Saturday after his victory in the main event. The welterweight fighter defeated Cincinnati's Jason Marcum with a left hook that dropped the fighter at 1:05 in the first round.



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Referee Tim Wheeler raises Bret Masters' hand after the fighter's victory over "Irish" Pat Collins at Saturday's Miller Lite Fight Night II at the Veterans Memorial Field House.

knockout victory over Tom Nichols of Indianapolis, Ind., who filled in for fighter Roy Little. Little's reasons for withdrawing were unknown, Johnson said.

In the third fight, Conley Person (3-4-1) of Covington, Ky., defeated Cabin Creek's Alex Grady when the fight was halted before the start of the fourth round.

Grady (5-2-3), floored the fighter with a left hook in the first

round, but an accumulation of cuts over Grady's eyes caused the ring doctor to stop the fight. According to the judges' score card, Grady was ahead 30-26 before the stoppage.

Chad VanSickle (3-0-1) of Columbus recorded a third-round knockout over Parkersburg's Mike Sheppard (5-3-1) in the heavyweight division.

Daniel Hensley of Chapmanville debuted in the super middleweight division, defeating

Mark Arthur (0-3) of Milton in a unanimous decision.

Point Pleasant's Brian Thacker, also making his professional debut, won a decision over Craig Oxley (1-1) of Nitro.

Columbus' Tim Bove (2-2) scored a TKO over Dave "Death" Rowe (1-1) in the opening bout at 1:45 in the second round.

WHCP-TV will air the bouts Oct. 6-7. Another fight is planned for November at the field house, Johnson said.



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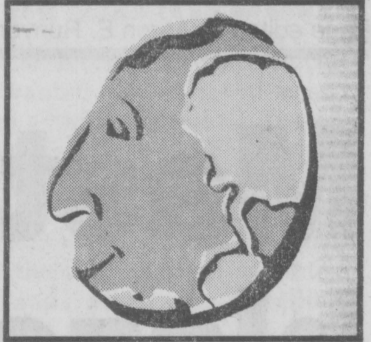
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A pain in the butt

Cigarette cleanup costly for Marshall

by LUKE DAMRON
reporter

"I think the answer lies in people being responsible for themselves."

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chairman of the Physical Environment Committee
of the Classified Staff Council

Johnny took up smoking in high school.

He can't even remember why he started in the first place, but now he does it without thinking.

He does something else without thinking, too.

He tosses his cigarette on the ground.

So Johnny is fictional, but in reality there are a lot of people who do the same thing he does.

In many places around campus there are cigarette butts lying around, tossed by real people.

"Maintenance spends a lot of time picking it up and it seems like we can't keep up,"

Dr. K. Edward Grose, vice president of operations, said.

Andrew Sheetz, supervisor of roads and grounds, said a conservative

estimate would be that at least \$30,000 is spent by his department alone picking up cigarettes and other litter.

He has one employee who does nothing but pick up litter and empty trash from the nearly 100 trash cans around campus, Sheetz said.

The worker's salary alone, not including overtime, benefits or insurance, comes to about \$27,000, Sheetz said.

Three are 30 to 50 smoke urns on campus and Department of Roads and Grounds worker Pete Maxey said that is plenty.

One of the main problems with picking up litter is that people will throw down cigarette butts even when they are next to a smoke urn, Maxey said.

"We could have one guy doing nothing but this [picking up cigarette butts] every day," Maxey said.

Equipment problems have added extra difficulties to his job.

On the first day of classes, two ash cans outside Corbley Hall were vandalized and will have to be replaced, at an estimated cost

of \$200 each.

At least one more ash can and one trash can also have to be replaced, Sheetz said.

Another piece of equipment that is no longer available is the street sweeper the grounds crew had been using.

The 30-year-old machine will no longer run, and now workers have to use backpack blowers to do its job, although the blowers are not as quick or effective as the street sweeper.

The Department of Roads and Grounds spent about \$1,000 on trash bags between June 1 and Sept. 13.

Pick-up sticks, metal rods with scoops on the end used for collecting garbage and cigarette butts, are \$27 each.

Another cost is replacing plants and mulch destroyed by people throwing lit cigarettes into the bushes.

Maxey quickly points out it is not just the roads and grounds crew that pick up.

"It's not just a one-man show," he said.

Custodians and resident services workers also do a lot of picking up.

One of those extra helpers is Delbert Harless, who has been a Marshall custodian for 26 years.

Delbert Harless has even created a special tool made of screen and duct tape for sifting cigarettes out of the smoke urns around campus.

"It's a full-time job," he said.

A former smoker, Delbert Harless said "I didn't realize when I smoked how dirty and nasty it was."

He said he believes it begins in the home.

"Parents ought to teach their kids not to smoke, not to drink and not to do drugs," he said.

Delbert Harless said he believes the biggest problem with cigarettes is the environmental aspect.

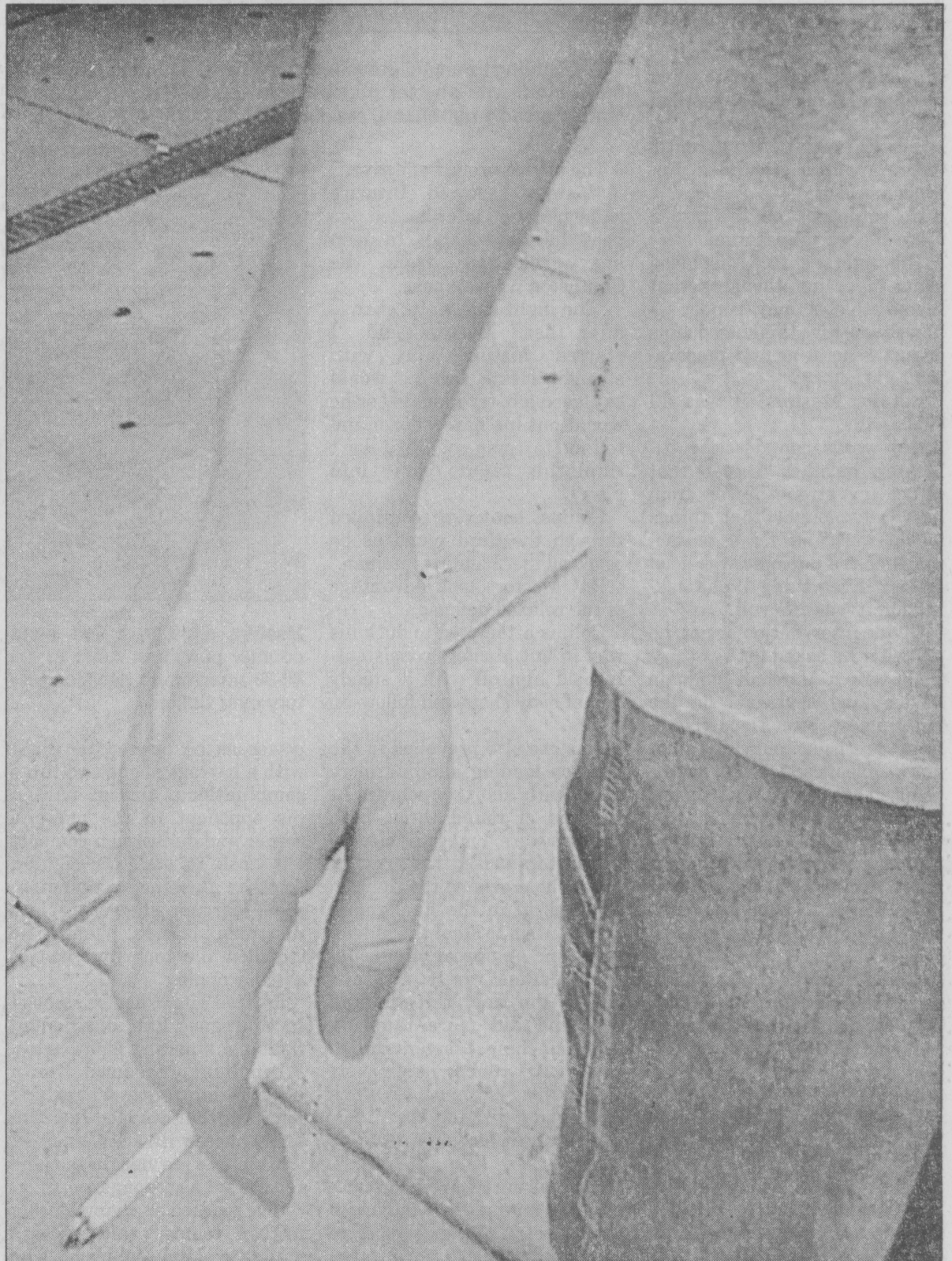
Filter tips don't decay.

"If we didn't pick them up, they'd be there for a lifetime," he said.

Charlie Harless is the chairman of the Physical Environment Committee of the Classified Staff Council.

He has been a custodian at Marshall for 28 years.

He estimated 20 to 30 minutes are spent picking up cigarette litter every day by custodians, whose main jobs are cleaning the inside of buildings and just outside doorways.



A smoker flicks ash outside Smith Hall. Despite having 30-50 smoke urns around campus, many students still throw their cigarettes to the ground once they're finished smoking.

Charlie Harless said he walks 22 blocks to work every day and has noticed people have lost respect for their environment.

"I think the answer lies in people being responsible for themselves," he said.

What about those upon whom the responsibility lies?

For most of them, the answer to that question is it is easier to throw cigarettes on the ground.

One smoker chalked it up to the ever-present battle between convenience and responsibility.

"It's like recycling. You know you should do it, but

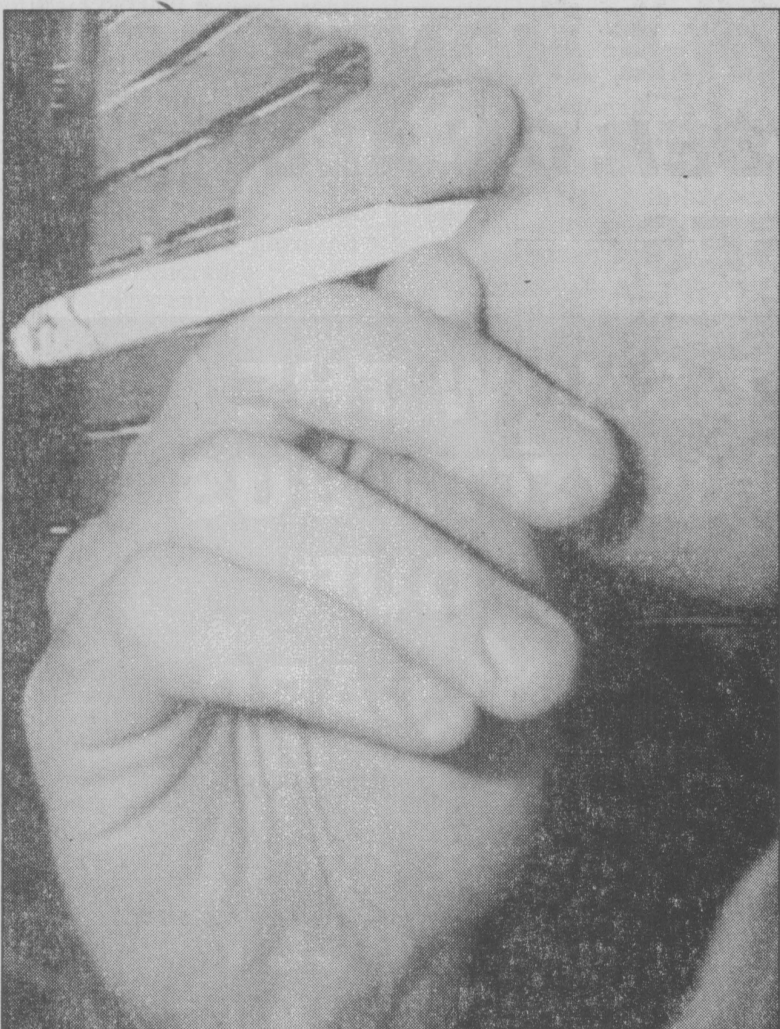
you have to go to a lot of trouble to do something good like that," she said.

Another smoker said he has always heard because tobacco is a plant it is not considered

littering.

Two smokers, though, had the most straightforward and, perhaps, honest answer.

"We didn't feel like getting up."



Ash cans are \$200, pick-up sticks are \$27 each according to the roads and grounds department.

MORE INFO

Smoking-related Web sites for your surfing pleasure.

<http://www.thetruth.com> You've seen their commercials (ripping out magazine ads, the bodybags, the bullhorns), now check out their Web site.

<http://www.cancer.org/smokeout> The anti-smoking resource for students. Find answers to frequently asked questions about teen smoking and learn about smokeout pledges.

<http://www.library.ucsf.edu/tobacco/cigpapers> Read the first chapter of "The Cigarette Papers," a report of secret internal tobacco industry documents, for free.



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