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Friday, March 13, 1998

CSD debate on agenda again today

by NICOLE M. WRIGHT
 reporter

President J. Wade Gilley has disapproved a Faculty Senate recommendation to further review administration plans to abolish the computer science and software development program, but in a separate action a Senate committee today will take up the matter again.

Back on Feb. 26, Faculty Senate unanimously voted that the decision to suspend the computer science program be rescinded until further study.

Now, the Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee today is expected to make a recommendation about cutting the computer science and software development program.

As of April 1, new students will not be admitted to the computer science and software development program due to a low number of graduates and similar computer programs on campus.

According to a memorandum sent by Dr. David K. Walker, computer science professor and Dr. Hamid Chahryar, computer science associate professor, one guideline for termination of an existing program is for the University System of West Virginia Board of Trustees to review the program.

Walker said the trustees have not approved the deletion of the program.

Dr. Thomas A. Storch, dean of the College of Science, already has had meetings with the

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Dr. David K. Walker,
 computer science professor

phased out over the next three to four years. Storch said Dr. Robert Hayes, chairman of the CSD department, has been meeting with students regarding the courses they need to take.

Walker said until now no official body has ever recommended termination of the pro-

gram. He said President J. Wade Gilley has chosen an unconstitutional method in his decisions regarding the deletion of the program. "All planning was done behind closed doors. In the process, students and faculty have been ignored," Walker said.

Walker said as of Feb. 4 the plan to phase out the Computer Science and Software Development Program has been under way. "It was announced a done deal and is being implemented in full speed."

He recommends everyone involved to stop and think about the situation. "Some claim other computer programs on campus are similar to computer science, but the five remaining fields are all information technology related."

Storch said, "We are making the plans and phasing out the program. When we do hear from the board of trustees, appropriate action will proceed."

They're getting a taste of college

by ALISHA D. GRASS
 reporter

"Get Set For College" will be the theme Saturday for a program designed to get high school juniors fired up about attending Marshall.

More than 500 students are scheduled to attend Marshall's first open house at the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center. Registration begins at 8:45 a.m. and the program starts at 9:30 a.m.

Randy R. Hatfield, admissions counselor and coordinator of the open house, said they reached the goal of the number of applicants with a first time effort.

The event is an opportunity for juniors to see what to expect as they approach their last year in high school and start dealing with application deadlines and scholarship information for college, Hatfield said.

Dr. James Harless, director of admissions, will begin the day with a broad overview of what juniors can expect when they become seniors, Hatfield said.

Dr. Sarah N. Denman, vice

president for academic affairs, will discuss the Marshall plan of upgraded graduation requirements. Jack L. Toney, director of financial aid, will briefly discuss scholarship information. However, "We don't really want to discuss scholarships and financial aid right now," Hatfield said. "We just want the students to realize how important it is to start taking the ACT and SAT tests earlier."

Dr. Gary D. Anderson, professor of chemistry, and Harry E. Persinger, associate professor of chemistry, have planned a laser show in the Science Building.

"The shows are based on chemistry," Hatfield said. "We want to show the students education can be fun. We also want some interaction with the students. We want them to get involved."

Students can get an idea of what goes on in a college classroom by sitting in a mock classroom. Hatfield said, "It's an chance to see college classes are no different than high school classes."

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Income tax ills Rectified by Students

Anyone who would like tax assistance can come to the program. "We have all the tax forms, but they have to bring W2's and any other sources of incomes," Stepp said. Other sources of income would include unemployment, dividends and interest from savings accounts. The banks mail out information about interest from savings accounts by the first of February, Stepp said. Most student's taxes are fairly simple, but some have been more complicated, Stepp said. The program mainly concentrates on federal tax returns, but they do have one student who will help with West Virginia state forms, Stepp said. For students who are not residents of West Virginia and the federal tax forms are completed, it is fairly simple to complete state tax forms, he said. "Most state returns are based on adjusted gross income, and that is determined for federal taxes," Stepp said. The V.I.T.A. program is a community service project for the accounting club, and is also a way to give experience for its members, Stepp said.

story by MARIA CHAPMAN
 reporter

The program will be offered Saturday March 14, April 4, and April 11 from 10-2 in Corbly Hall room 236. All accounting club members who participate in V.I.T.A. have passed a test administered by the IRS. Eugene Stepp, Chesapeake senior, and member of the V.I.T.A. program, said the test was complex, with different forms, child credits and earned income credits. "It was a pretty hard test," he said. In addition to four accounting students, there is an accounting professor present each time the program happens. The V.I.T.A. program has already taken place on February 14 and 21. There were only about six students each week, so there has not been a problem with long lines, Stepp said.

Diabetes education program interest grows

by MATT ISNER
 reporter

Diabetes is one of the most troublesome diseases and Marshall has a program to help patients that is drawing increased interest and participation.

The Diabetes and Blindness: Control and Prevention Program (DBCCP) allows patients to exercise and learn more about their disease.

The program began six years ago and recently has more than doubled the amount of diabetes patients, from 20 to 50.

Dr. William P. Marley, director of the Human Performance Laboratory, said, "The goal of the program is to intervene with exercise and sensible medication to help the patient develop a sensible lifestyle, helping them to gain control by assuming responsibility for their care."

Patients in the program have to be referred by a physician and have to take an exercise stress test to see if they can enter the program.

The patient takes the test, which is supervised by a physician, on a tread mill. The speed and grade of the tread mill are gradually increased. During the test, the patient's EKG, blood pressure and heart rate are monitored. The test along with

"We want to make the program fun, not just a chore"

Dr. William P. Marley,
 director of the Human Performance Lab

blood work and a physical examination determine if the person is admitted into the program.

After being admitted, the person must go through a patient orientation, Marley said. In the orientation patients are given information about the proper way to exercise and take their heart rate.

After orientation, the patients begins exercise therapy. An

exercise program is developed for each patient from their exercise stress test. The exercise programs are supervised by a registered nurse.

"The emphasis of the exercise therapy is on cardiovascular conditioning," Marley said. The patients use equipment such as stationary bikes, treadmills and rowing machines.

An educational program is offered to the patients every Wednesday morning. During the program patients listen to speakers and discuss nutrition and medication among other issues.

Patients may also become involved with a support group. The group allows the patients to discuss their interests and concerns. The group also has physicians, nurses and podiatrists talk to the patients.

Patients should come to the program at least three days a week, Marley said. "We want to make the program fun, not just a chore."

Support for DBCCP comes mainly from The James H. and Alice Teubert Charitable Trust. "The principle purpose of the trust is to support activities that serve to correct, cure, prevent or alleviate the hardships resulting from blindness," Marley said.

Media conference recognizes high school journalists

by SHAWN GAINER
reporter

Approximately 160 high school journalism students from Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky will participate in the 1998 United High School Media Conference, today and Saturday.

High school journalists and their advisers have the opportunity to attend workshops and critique sessions conducted by area professional jour-

nalists and professors. The convention has been conducted at Marshall every year since 1927 except for a few years during World War II.

Events include communication workshops conducted by school of journalism faculty members, publication critiques and an awards ceremony for outstanding high school journalists, publications and broadcast programs.

"The purpose of this conference is to encourage and sup-

port high school journalism," Assistant Professor of Journalism Marilyn McClure said. "I think the learning at the workshops and the recognition given at the awards banquet are important because these students spend an entire year on their publications. This is a chance for them to see their work is highly regarded and on track."

Workshop topics include internet research, desktop publishing for beginners and

advanced yearbook design. Media professionals, including employees of the Lexington Herald-Leader, Omaha World-Herald and WVNY TV of Burlington, Vt., judged publications and the work of individual students for the awards ceremony.

Ruby Dyer, Wayne High School newspaper and yearbook adviser, said her students look forward to the conference. "They're use to critiques and are constantly

looking for ways to improve," she said.

She termed the conference one of the important events of the year for teachers and journalism students. "The contest allows their work to be judged by important professionals," she said. "The critiques provide us with immediate information we can apply in newspaper and yearbook work in the future."

Tim Irr, co-anchor of WSAZ-TV's "News Channel 3 at Six"

and "News Channel Three Tonight" will speak at the awards luncheon at noon Saturday in the Memorial Student Center's Don Morris Room. Irr has also worked at television stations in Charleston, Clarksburg and Pittsburgh.

Awards to be presented at the luncheon include Best Newspaper Writing, Best Investigative Reporting and Best Information Graphics.

Communion scheduled for students

by TONIA HOLBROOK
reporter

People Reaching Out With Love (P.R.O.W.L.) will be reaching out to students by serving them communion.

P.R.O.W.L. has scheduled its second communion of the semester for March 17 during its regular 9:15 p.m. meeting in the Campus Christian Center. Other communion services are conducted at the beginning of each semester and during finals.

This is an opportunity Ivy Garrison, Redhouse sophomore and chairwoman of P.R.O.W.L.'s worship committee, said she cannot pass up. "It's nice because many of us can't get to our home churches for communion," she said.

Garrison said this communion is one of P.R.O.W.L.'s many functions that are inclusive to all religions. "It's the most ecumenical session on campus," she said.

P.R.O.W.L. meetings are consistently inclusive, according to Garrison. "It's a place where we can come together to talk about faith in an open way," she said.

The Rev. Robert Bondurant, campus Presbyterian minister, said during regular meetings P.R.O.W.L. members participate in singing, Bible study and meditative sessions. "It's a short time to reflect on things that have happened," he said.

Institute renovation claims to enhance competitiveness

by CASSIUS HARRIS
reporter

The Robert C. Byrd Institute, 1040 4th Avenue, is undergoing a multi-million dollar expansion and renovation effort to its facility and other sites across the state.

The new RCBI facilities in Charleston, Bridgeport and Rocket Center will be operational this spring, said Patrick McDonald, technical assistant. This will allow the RCBI to better serve West Virginia's manufacturing community, he said.

This expansion will serve more manufacturers throughout West Virginia and the surrounding states by providing easier access to the training and support available from RCBI at its new locations, McDonald said.

McDonald said the Huntington facility's facelift includes the expansion of the Technical Services shop,

which was the parking garage beneath the RCBI.

"The expansion of machining capabilities along with those of telecommunications and video-conferencing capabilities will create an atmosphere of a true technical institute," McDonald said.

E.P. Leach & Sons Inc., General Contractors of Huntington and Scheesser, Buckley, Mayfield, Inc. of Uniontown, Ohio, were contracted for the renovations, McDonald said.

The architect, Edward Tucker of Huntington, plans to include a new hi-tech facade on the building, he said. Construction is now underway and will be complete by May 1, McDonald said.

The RCBI seeks to enhance the competitiveness of West Virginia companies by helping them adopt the most advanced manufacturing technologies and management methods, McDonald said.

Students share '13th' stories

by KRISTI R. ERWIN
reporter

Today is Friday the 13th and some students around campus are taking cover while others aren't even blinking an eye.

Matt Wells, Ravenswood senior, said his mom freaks out about the day. "My family is superstitious about Friday the 13th, but I'm trying to buck the trend," he said.

Wells admitted to having some trouble on Friday the 13th when he was 16. "I hit my own school bus at the end of my road after just getting my license."

Eric Butler, Barboursville sophomore said, "I usually expect something tragic to happen like a tree falling on me or my car breaking down." Butler also said, "People should celebrate the fact of living through another day."

Sylvia Paesani, Chesapeake freshman, said "It doesn't phase me." Evie Davis, Huntington graduate student, agreed with Paesani. "I don't really believe in chance or coincidence," she said.

Vince Quodala, Huntington senior, said he doesn't like the day. "Bad things always happen," he said. Quodala makes sure to avoid three particular things; "ladders, mirrors and black cats," he said. "I almost hit a black cat on Friday the 13th."

Mary Lackey, Logan freshman, said she's very superstitious. Last Friday the 13th she was on her way to Morgantown when her car broke down.

Despite her "bad luck" Lackey keeps telling herself the day will eventually bring some good luck, she said. "Although my family goes about their normal day routines, we don't do anything special."

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Magazine showcases Marshall

by **KAREN LOUDIN**
reporter

A giant magazine cover will be unveiled next week debuting Marshall, a new university magazine.

The full color 18-page magazine will be presented at 12:30 p.m. Thursday in ceremonies at Memorial Student Center Shawkey Room. A six-foot by four-foot replica of the magazine cover will be displayed during the press conference.

The new magazine will be published three times a year — March, July and November. It will replace the former alumni newsletter, Greenline. University contributors as well as business, civic and political leaders in West Virginia will receive the publication.

President J. Wade Gilley said Marshall will improve communication with its constituencies.

In an article featured in the magazine, Gilley said, "The new approach will eliminate one publication, Greenline, and add two new ones — this magazine Marshall, and a newsletter that will offer a new approach to assist alumni in staying in touch with each other."

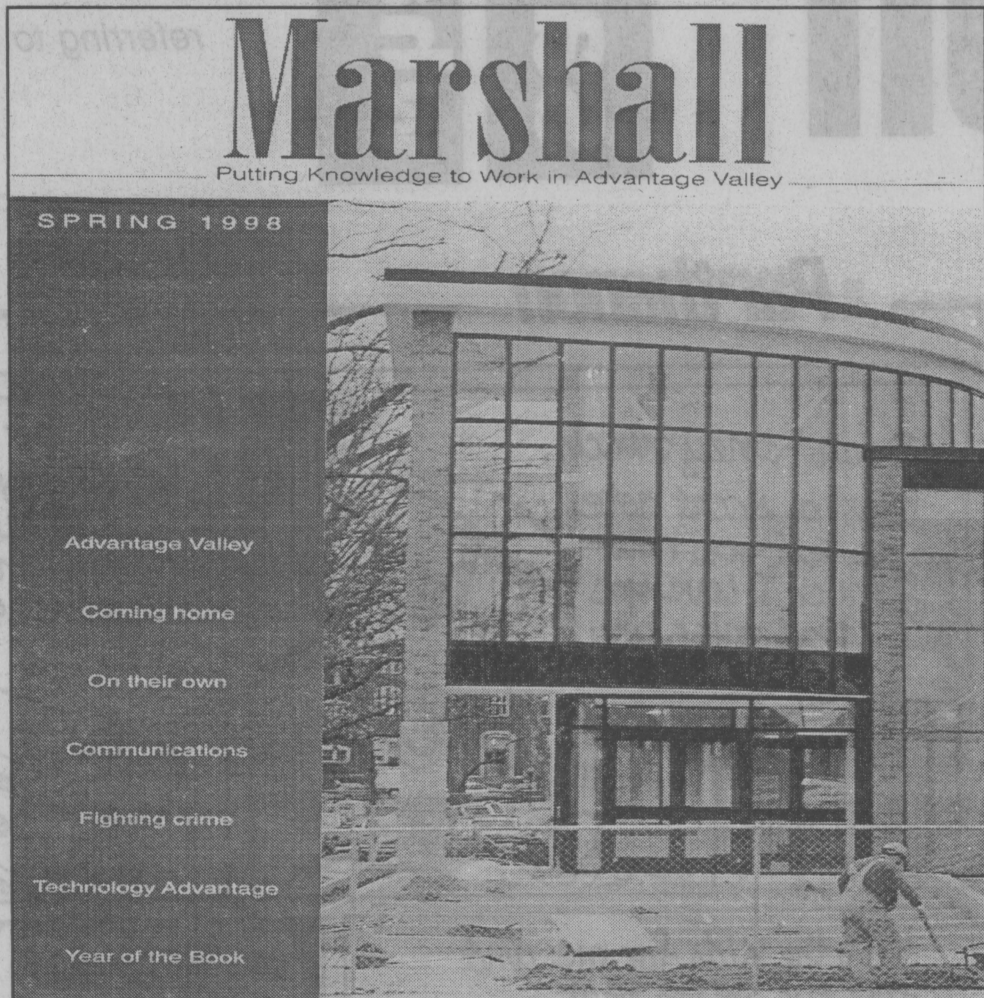
In addition to the magazine, there will be a companion alumni newsletter containing the class notes that will be released twice a year.

Dr. H. Keith Spears, director of communications and the executive editor for Marshall, said there is no title for the newsletter at this time.

Spears said he wants to give alumni a chance to submit ideas for the title. He said there has also been a discussion to run a contest for students to come up with a title or to design a nameplate for the newsletter. Until a title is found, Spears said they are designing the newsletter around events.

Susan Peyton, editor of developmental communication, said the newsletter will be released before the alumni weekend in the spring and prior to homecoming in the fall. She said the next issue will be called "Alumni Weekend 1998."

Peyton said although all alumni will receive the newsletter, not everyone will receive the magazine. Because the university has over 60,000 correct addresses for alumni, she said it would be too expensive to publish that many



Cover for new Marshall magazine.

magazines.

Peyton said although they will not accept subscriptions, other people who want to receive the magazine can put themselves on the mailing list by making a donation to the university.

The new Marshall magazine will cost the university about \$20,000. That comes out to a dollar an issue.

Spears said the cost is less than most university magazines. Publishing the issues in the university print shop accounts for part of the savings for the magazine, Spears said. He said the university also saved money by not hiring editors and writers.

Spears said he is excited about the magazine. "This gives the university an opportunity to showcase our programs," Spears said. "It is going to be a very interactive piece."

In the first issue, Marshall will contain a feature on DNA analysis in the

Forensic Science Department, an article comparing the past seven student body presidents as well as a story on the university's increased information technology. The magazine also profiles three alumni: Harvey P. White, president and founder of QUALACOMM Inc.; F. Selby Wellman, the vice president of corporate marketing for Cisco Systems Inc.; and Diana Sole, president of MotionMasters.

Spears said, "I want to emphasize the difficulty we had in deciding what will go into the magazine because there are so many neat programs that are offered at this university."

Spears said he hopes that he receives comments on the magazine from alumni and students. "This is our first one out of the chute, so we know there are going to be all kinds of mistakes," Spears said. "Comments will give us the opportunity to improve."

"We have a wide variety of social and honor fraternities and sororities, service and religious organizations, so students can get a feel of what they can get involved in on campus," Hatfield said.

Hatfield said 85 percent of the students are from West Virginia with most of the others from Ohio and Kentucky. A few also are coming from Indiana, Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Any junior who had already taken the ACT or SAT test was invited to the Open House. Invitations were sent to juniors who had requested an application from Marshall. Hatfield said he received about 1,000 applications.

The events of the Open House may have a slight effect on freshman enrollment in the fall, but it is a small factor to include, Hatfield said.

Act could change first amendment

Bill calls for more religious freedom

by **TONIA HOLBROOK**
reporter

Some people say it would protect freedom, but others think it would promote hypocrisy.

Those are the two views about the "Religious Freedom Amendment," under consideration by the U.S. Congress.

As the subject of school prayer resurfaces with the proposed amendment, some students and faculty question its benefits.

The amendment, sponsored by U.S. Rep. Ernest Istook, R-Okla., passed the House Judiciary Committee March 4. It has not been determined when the bill will be presented for a floor vote.

If approved, the amendment would permit such religious expression as student-led prayer and posting of religious documents such as the Ten Commandments. The amendment would also prohibit religious discrimination by the government regarding school funding and benefits.

Despite its controversy, the proposed amendment is not without its supporters. The bill would have a positive effect on religious Americans, Cyndi Clark, Proctorville junior, said.

"This amendment is to protect your individual freedom," she said. "Religious expression extends to all religions, not just Christianity."

But Clark said she understands why some people might be offended by public prayer. "If others are offended by my prayers, that's fine because I have a right to pray," she said. "I may be offended by theirs, but it doesn't mean they don't have a right to do it."

The amendment has more to do with control than religious freedom, said Dr. Richard Bady, professor of physics and physical science. "Jesus said that people who pray in public are hypocrites," he said. "I agree with Jesus."

These people are interested in social control."

Abuse of religious freedom is something that disturbs the Rev. Hubert Harvey, president of the Huntington Ministerial Association and associate pastor of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church. "This bill is a veiled attempt for people with certain agendas to push them," he said.

The Rev. Robert Bondurant, campus Presbyterian minister, said the amendment represents the difference between religion and spirituality. "I think the amendment would polarize groups," he said. "That's not what spirituality is about."

The Istook amendment has no purpose, said Chad Docterman, Huntington senior and president of Rationalists United for Secular Humanism. (R.U.S.H.) "The U.S. already has a religious freedom amendment," he said. "It's called the First Amendment."

Docterman said the First Amendment provides ample protection for religious freedom and religious expression in a public forum. The amendment would have a negative effect on America, he said.

"The proposed amendment could introduce problems of excessive entanglement between the government and religion," he said.

Some people say they doubt the bill will receive the required two-thirds vote of both houses and ratification in 34 states to alter the Constitution.

The Rev. Jim McCune, campus Methodist minister, said he does not think the current ruling on school prayer will ever be overturned. "It's safe to say that if anything passes congress, it will not get past the courts," he said. "School prayer is not coming back. That's the reality in this multicultural society."

McCune said he thinks politicians use the school prayer issue to impress their constituents.

"It's a good vote-getter," he said. "It's one of those hot-but-ton issues, like abortion."

"The U.S. already has a religious freedom amendment. It's called the First Amendment."
— Chad Docterman, R.U.S.H. president

OPEN

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Students and parents can ask questions at an open panel discussion comprised of students in work in orientation.

Student organizations will have tables set up in Memorial Student Center.

CTC offers basic upholstery course

Class to teach basics of upholstery as students learn to cover chairs

by **CASSIUS HARRIS**
reporter

The Community and Technical College is offering a basic upholstery course this spring.

The course is being offered Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m. March 31 to May 19, according to Pat Hamilton, director of

non-credit programs and community services in the college's Division of Continuing Education and Economic Development.

"If you want something done right, do it yourself," Hamilton said. "This class will teach the basics of upholstery as students learn to cover their own chairs."

John Richardson, an experienced MU upholster, will administer the course. Sessions will include tear down, fabric repair, estimating, build up, padding, fabric, etc., Hamilton said.

The course will cost \$99 and will be administered in the Sorrell Maintenance Building Annex on Twentieth Street,

across from Marshall University Stadium.

Pre-registration is required as only 10 students will be accepted into the class, Hamilton said.

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Opinion

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"All planning was done behind closed doors."

—Dr. David Walker
referring to the possible elimination of the computer science program.

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the Parthenon

Page edited by Gary Hale

Checks and balances ignored with program

To the editor:

Dr. Hamid Chahryar and I recently exhibited our real-time environmental monitoring software during an industrial exhibition at the Pittsburgh Conference of Analytical Chemistry and applied Spectroscopy (Pittcon '98), held in New Orleans. The work was partially supported by the NASA - West Virginia Space Grant Consortium and by an industrial partner in the project, ViRoLac Industries. ViRoLac is a small high-tech company involved in environmental air and water monitoring and analysis services.

The conference is one of the largest in the world, attended by over 30,000 scientists, including chemists, engineers, computer scientists and others. From the local area, Ashland Oil and Inco Alloys scientists and engineers were also there. The exhibition featured the newest products from over 1,100 companies displayed in almost six linear miles of booth space. Computers were everywhere because modern instrumentation and manufacturing depends upon them for control and analysis. As an example, in the 10-foot wide ViRoLac booth there were five computers - one of which demonstrated our new software developed right here at Marshall University. There were more than 10,000 computers at this exhibition. The other facet of this exhibition has been the dominance of science by computer science. It was simply fantastic!

As I left the excitement of the conference and drove toward Huntington, a deep sadness returned to me. That sadness came from realizing that in just a few weeks (April 1) Marshall University may no longer have a department of computer science. Marshall may no longer graduate computer scientists who could have helped with these industrial-strength projects and who could have worked at these companies. Such wonderful career opportunities - missed!

It seems unbelievable that at the time when the whole world is getting ready to step into the 21st century with a preeminence of high technology, Marshall University is getting ready to get rid of its computer science.

I am still trying to understand Why? What really happened to computer science? Much of the story is hidden in secrecy. It is a fact that in the evaluation and termination process, nobody sought advice from computer science students and/or faculty. It is a fact that reports were kept confidential. Why? It is a fact that the report of the consultant was confidential. Why? We never had an opportunity to talk with that consultant. Why? Who was she/he? Was she/he even a computer scientist? Who talked to her/him? It is a fact that the decision was announced as if it is a "Done-Deal," without even having the required prior approval of the Board of Trustees. The university constitution and the normal collegial checks and balances were ignored.

The department of computer science asks for your help and support! Please think about it - if we let this happen this time, then which department would be next? Supporting documents can be found on the Web at <http://www.compsci.marshall.edu>

A concerned faculty member,
David K. Walker, Ph.D.
professor of computer science



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First on Gilley's mind should be academics

Travis WILLIAMS
columnist

One of the great educational philosophers of our time Dr. Carter G. Woodson would be thoroughly disgusted with the actions of higher education today. Dr. Carter G. Woodson, God rest his soul saw the role of the university to teach not just to students but the surrounding community. To him the university or college was not just a place to get a degree but instead was a center for self discovery, understanding, and education. Coming from West Virginia State where academics is placed on the highest list and everything else a far second. I've been shocked but not surprised by the wheeling and dealing I see on campus from President Gilley. And the ease at which he announces million dollar spending plans without regard to how students really think about this spending.

You see President Gilley, if you are reading this? West Virginia State College gave me something that football stadiums, and other campus projects that appeal to aesthetics and high spending at the expense of students could not do. It gave me a solid education. One that can stand up against any university you pick. You see, when you see me, I want you to see State and all that it has taught me. Because that institution and the good people who work there cared about my education and made sure when I left that I carried away some

knowledge along with my diploma.

When I came down here I saw a serious distaste for decisions being made at the top by you and your fellow vice presidents. I wish you could tell me why in the world you want to find 15 million more dollars for the athletic department when there are so many improvements in regards to academics. And please if you do answer, be straight forward. Don't shift the focus of the question from education to more spending like you did when a faculty member pose the same question at the faculty senate meeting.

President Gilley you and President Reagan have some distinct similarities. Spending is seen as having a trickle down effect, I rarely hear about you unless spending is involved, and third you seem to have a safe insulation in the form of people in power on campus i.e. deans and vice presidents taking the heat for decisions that you just seem to come up with. If that is not Reagan I do not know who else would be a better comparison. President Gilley, you know the professors are not behind the decisions you make but they need the work. They have families to take care of just like everyone else. And it really upsets me when I hear "working" faculty members complain about decisions you have made in stone totally disregarding how they think about a proposal. And don't say that you do and if you say you do? Administration personnel that have taught in the past do not count as "working faculty" as far as I am concerned.

President Gilley the deci-

sions you make effects students, faculty and administration. But the last is not negatively effected by the decisions you make and they are in a much better position to fight the proposals for the spending you propose. They like most white collar workers comply with the decisions of those higher up in bureaucratic organizations. They serve as your insulation for the backlash you may get informing departments of changes that you and your close supporters have made. Why would they care they do half the work of faculty and get twice the pay? And if they do care their hands are so tied with red tape I can image many give up thinking that the situation is hopeless.

That is why I see it as a future professor my duty to speak out against the policies you've proposed that are outlandish in nature. I'm sick of hearing millions of dollars being for projects on a whim. As a student and citizen I am disgusted to see Marshall University along with other growing and large universities place more interest in spending than academics. Academics should never be placed anywhere but first on college and university agendas. For example there is one SOC 200 class that has well over 100 people. That is just one class and it is shame that it is that way. And that class in a intro course. How can you learn anything for the first time with over 100 students in a class? That is a shame. We badly need another anthropologist/sociologist in our sociology department. And I have no shame saying, that I hope they find a qualified African

American or other minority to fill that position. But when the subject of more faculty is brought up, my professors are always given the lame excuse that we can't afford it or it will raise tuition. That is a sick excuse. I have a degree but if West Virginia State had the problem of spending (I call anything that takes a students focus off academics a problem) that Marshall has I'm not sure how well I would have been prepared for graduate study.

Undergraduates you need to be the most concerned because all the spending that goes to improve the looks and athletic programs at Marshall takes the attention and funding away from what is truly important i.e. academics. A virtual library and fancy MU networks won't help you that much unless you know how to research in the first place. If we can come how reemphasis the role of classroom instruction like many professors at Marshall University want to do. We will find that classroom instruction is the true trickle down effect in higher education.

Marshall University could learn a lot about the real meaning of education from West Virginia State college. President Gilley you should take a walk with WVSC President Dr. Hazo Carter. You may even see him walking on campus talking with the students and listening to faculty. Have him take you to the Drain Jordan Library and check out some material dealing with Dr. Carter G. Woodson and you'll find the true essence of higher education.

Poetic?

In appreciation of the many types of writing, the Parthenon is accepting original poetry written by students and professors. All submissions must have a name, class rank or title and a phone number for verification.

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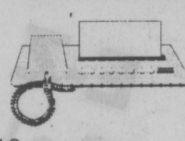
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Marshall's women's soccer team will play its first and only home match of the season Sunday at 12:30 p.m. The Herd will face the West Virginia Rowdies which is an all star soccer club team, according to head coach Teresa Patterson. "The Rowdies were the West Virginia state champions last year," Patterson said. The game will take place at Marshall's Football Stadium.

New coach focuses on speed

by ANDY BALLARD
reporter

The Athletic Department recently acquired a new strength and conditioning coach for the football team.

Mike Jenkins was hired out of Weber State University to replace Scott Bennett, who left for a job at the University of Wyoming.

Jenkins is originally from College Station, Texas, where he graduated from the University of Texas A&M with a degree in secondary education and kinesiology and a master's degree in exercise physiology. He stayed at A&M for two years after he graduated as a full-time assis-

tant with its strength program. He left Texas after accepting a job at Weber State where he was the head strength and conditioning coach for three and a half years.

Now that he's in Huntington, he said he is happy with the move. "The town and the people's hospitality has been terrific so far."

Members of the Athletic Department are also pleased Jenkins is here. Lance West, athletic director, said, "He has a proven track record

"We're going to train for speed and explosiveness"

— Mike Jenkins, football strength coach

and a great deal of vision and foresight, and we're glad to have him."

Head coach Bob Pruett said, "When you lose a good person like Bennett, you try to replace him with a better one, and we hope we have."

Jenkins was pleased with the way Bennett left the program but still thinks there are some areas which he can build upon. He said, "Bennett definitely made my job easier, but I can really improve these guys."

One of the ways he plans on improving the team's performance is changing their workout in the weight room. He said, "We're going to train for speed and explosiveness. You have to be able to move and that's how we're going to train this season."

Steve Rackley, associate athletic director of operations, said he referred Jenkins to the Athletic Department and Coach Pruett. "I knew Mike from when I worked at Weber State," said Rackley. "I watched him work with the teams there and they truly became stronger and faster."

Pruett said, "We want all of our athletes to be stronger, the stronger they are, the better we'll do. I believe Jenkins will do a good job for us."

Seniors prepare for NFL scouts

by ERIN DOWNARD
reporter

Marshall senior football players are ready, willing and able to perform today for National Football League (NFL) Scouts.

Scouts from three NFL teams will be at Marshall Stadium to determine if Marshall players have a future in the pros.

Scouts from the New Orleans Saints, Chicago Bears and Dallas Cowboys will have the opportunity to see all 18 senior football players and former West Virginia Quarterback Major Harris today.

"I hope that a dream will come true," Larry McCloud, senior line-backer, said.

Showing off their talents will be defensive backs B.J. Cohen, McCloud and Larry Moore, wide receiver Randy Moss and center John Wade. Scouts will

see players run a 40-yard sprint, jump and bench press. Height and weight will also be checked.

"Getting injured and not being able to drill is my biggest worry," McCloud said. "I'm not nervous. I'm really looking forward to this."

Seniors will have another opportunity to showcase their talent to more scouts Wednesday, March 18, when more scouts will be on campus.

"Twelve to 15 pro teams should be here by next Wednesday," Head Coach Bob Pruett said. "The (Greenbay) Packers will be here next Wednesday and most everybody has called to say they would be coming."

Fans will be able to watch players, coaches and scouts today from the stands but they will not be allowed on the field. Tryouts start at 1 p.m.

Track team gets ready for season

by CHRIS HAGY
reporter

Coach Jeff Small and his track team prepare for the opening of the outdoor season with a dual home meet against Eastern Kentucky University tomorrow.

The meet will commence with field events at 11:30 a.m. and running events starting at 12:30 p.m. All competitions will be scored except for throwing events

due to EKU's ineligibility. To provide competition for Marshall's throwers, Small said competitors from the University of Kentucky have been invited to participate.

"This is a great season starter for outdoor meets," Small said. "It's very low key and several team members who were ineligible for the indoor season are back and ready to compete." Cynthia Dawson and Adrienne Hundemer, sprinters and hurdlers, as well as Beth Reck, thrower,

have returned to the women's team, Small said. Danny Ritchey, decathlete and pole vaulter, as well as Kevin Sowers, discus thrower, have returned to the men's team, he said.

"It's good that most of the team has experience with MAC competition," Small said. "It will help them in this meet. The only problem I see is that EKU's kids start spring break right after the meet," he said. "So, we really don't know where their heads are going to be."

Rugby team practices for Ohio

by CHIP TUCKER
reporter

West Virginia's only women's rugby team has nearly a month to practice for its next opponent.

Marshall will travel to Athens, Ohio, April 4, to meet its next challenger, Ohio University.

The Herd is a few steps ahead of its competition, because the Bobcats have not even started practicing, Marshall's head coach, Scott Lewis said.

The women will be seeking their first victory. They have one tie against the combined team of Virginia Tech and Radford.

"This team has the biggest heart and drive that I have ever seen."

— Scott Lewis, women's rugby coach

The women Herd played two games against the University of Dayton last

Saturday. Marshall lost the first game 7-0 and the second 7-5.

Both Dayton games were defensive struggles.

"We had a 10-minute try line stance going in the first half of the first game," Lewis said.

"The girls are really working hard," Lewis said. Ohio scored in the second half and won the game.

Marshall had a chance to tie the score in the second game when Megan Perry scored a try late in the second half. A failed conversion kick kept the Herd from tying the Bobcats.

"This team has the biggest heart and drive that I have ever seen. They refuse to give up no matter who they play," Lewis said.

Henderson Center renovations begin; Stadium turf replacement next on agenda

by MARIA CHAPMAN
reporter

Renovation of the Cam Henderson Center officially began this week.

G & G Builders, Inc. of Hurricane is the contractor in charge of the project.

Dr. K. Edward Grose, vice presi-

dent for operations, said the companies first task will be demolition.

"They will be mobilizing this week, and they're going to be fencing off some area," Grose said.

The crew will be replacing the floor first, which will probably be noisy, but Grose said the construction will only be an inconvenience for those whose offices are in the Henderson

Center.

"People won't necessarily be able to go right in the door that they've always used," he said. "They'll be inconvenienced and they'll have to stay out of the work area, but other than that it won't be a problem."

Another project for Marshall athletic facilities is replacing the artificial turf at the football stadium.

"We hope to start the latter part of April, or the first part of May," Grose said, "it will probably take a month or so to get it done, so it will be ready for the fall."

Grose said the only company that makes the kind of turf Marshall wanted, is AstroTurf. The new turf is the same kind used at Mountaineer Field in Morgantown.

It has a rubber base, which is poured first, followed by a new section which is a piece of foam that goes in between the rubber base and turf.

The new turf will cost \$727,000, which includes removal of the old turf and installation by AstroTurf. The money will be obtained through a state financing program.

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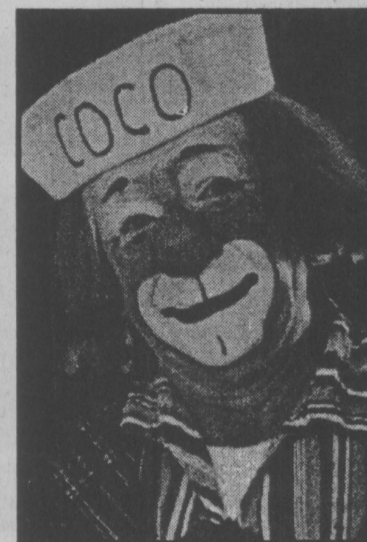
Life!

Clownin' Around...

Daughter of famous clown shares experiences under the big top

Dodging circus elephants and meeting celebrities was just part of Graduate Student Michelle Polakovs childhood life. Her father is COCO, the world-famous Ringling Bros., Barnum & Bailey Circus clown, and her brother was COCONUT, his clown sidekick, from the time he was 18-months-old until he started first grade. Read more about her experiences underneath the big top...

Next Week in Life!



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New Day Shine



The four-member band from Morgantown, Karl Shuman & New Day Shine are scheduled to play at the Stoned Monkey in downtown Huntington Saturday.

Morgantown band to take stage at Stoned Monkey

by AMY DURRAH
reporter

Huntington will have the opportunity to experience the sounds of a Morgantown band this weekend.

Karl Shuman & New Day Shine will play Saturday at the Stoned Monkey, 2202 Third Ave., Huntington. Tickets are \$3 and may be purchased at the door. The show begins at 10:30 p.m.

The four member band from Morgantown produce a softer, alternative sound. Members include Mark Dinaldo, drums; Jeff Narkiewicz, bass and vocals; Kurt Papenhausen, electric guitar and vocals; and Karl Shuman, acoustic 12-string guitar and lead vocals.

Shuman said the members attended West Virginia University. None of them have a formal music education but collectively have a varied experience, he said.

The band has played 12 states and shared the stage with popular recording artists Juliana Hatfield, Dave Matthews Band, Jimmy's Chicken Shack, Rusted Root and The Spin Doctors.

Karl Shuman & New Day Shine released its first compact disc "Cue the Rain" in January and has been described as "an alliance of Counting Crows and Dave Matthews Band," Shuman said. "Our music is very full, very rhythmic, very passionate."

For the past eight months the band has played states of the northeast: Delaware,

Pennsylvania, New York and Virginia. Playing in Philadelphia has been exciting for us," Shuman said.

"We got a break in a club because a band had canceled. We were told that we would only make about \$50 for the show, and now when we return, we have lines out the door."

Shuman said the band still plays shows in Morgantown about once a month.

"We are booked solid until July," Shuman said.

"We are usually three to four months ahead of the game."

Looking to the future, Shuman said, he thinks that band will sign with a major record label.

"We've really got close to the deals. We have had a major interest with major labels and were very close to signing with Mercury last year, but the president resigned," he said.

"A label now would be great. At the same time, you can do better yourself, gathering your own following. We look to be a long term band."

There are so many bands



"I have heard lots of positive things about Huntington. I am excited to play and I'm looking forward to working there."

— Karl Shuman,
lead singer

who sign with a major label, produce an album and are never heard from again," Shuman said. "Toad the Wet Sprocket has done it," he said.

They created their own following, he said, and now have about six albums.

For now, "We are going to keep doing what we're doing, creating new music," Shuman said. "I truly believe that a deal will happen."

Karl Shuman & New Day Shine has played in Huntington at the Calamity Cafe, a city restaurant popular with the college community, and at the Drop Shop, a local coffee house and bar.

Shuman said that almost

every date they attempted to play in Huntington coincided with a Marshall break.

One of the shows was scheduled for the last day of Marshall's spring semester. Most of the students had gone home," Shuman said.

"To go somewhere for the first time with no radio play, no one knows you. It can be hard to get people to come to a show without label support."

Despite the conflicts in the past, Shuman is optimistic.

"I have heard lots of positive things about Huntington. I am excited to play, and I'm looking forward to working there," Shuman said.



Karl Shuman & New Day Shine's CD release, "Cue The Rain," hit music stores in January. The band, from Morgantown, will be in town Saturday.

'Dark City' delivers appropriate bizarreness and humanity



Keifer Sutherland stars in the dark science-fiction movie, Dark City, directed by Alex Proyas.

Today's review is by
CHRISTINA REDEKOPP,
news editor

In the tradition of Dr. Who and The Crow, Dark City delivers all the bizarreness of great science fiction and fantasy movies past yet maintains its humanity while dealing with problems and questions of morality.

Keifer Sutherland and Rufus Sewell portray the two sides of humanity: one that is willing to

betray the human race and the other who ironically is using alien powers to save the human race.

I would like to praise this movie for being the type of science fiction that strays from the usual Star Wars/Star Trek type flicks.

I would also like to commend Alex Proyas on a script that challenges the mind and leaves one wondering about the state of the universe, such as if there really are "strangers" who suck the memories

out of people in order to steal from their humanity.

That's what a true science fiction movie, like Dark City, should do — leave the viewer wondering whether we are really the only ones in this universe and if we even have control over our own lives and who is chosen to be a part of our lives.

However, for those who do not like the bizarre, strange and even the spooky, Dark City is definitely not for you.

Also, for those who are expecting Keifer Sutherland in a strong and brilliant role may be a little disappointed. For his role he does a nice job, but it does not coincide with roles he is generally cast for.

Intelligent yet meek, Keifer seems stuck in Sewell's shadow as the main character.

★★★★

'Dark City,' rated R, is now playing at the Keith-Albee.