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## Outside



### Cloudy

Highs in the mid-70s  
Lows in the mid-50s

For Thursday:  
Chance of rain,  
high: 73; low: 45

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Page edited by Brian Fortenbaugh

Wednesday, April 15, 1998

## President seeks input on reorganization

by KAREN LOUDIN  
reporter

President J. Wade Gilley has called on each department in the College of Liberal Arts and College of Science to name representatives to meet with him to discuss proposed reorganization of their colleges.

Gilley asked that representatives be named by Friday. The issue is reorganizing the colleges to have division heads and reducing the responsibilities of department chairpersons.

Deans of both colleges had proposed the reorganization and named division heads. The plan was scheduled to go into effect this fall.

However, Faculty Senate voted against the reorganization at its March 19 meeting.

President Gilley last week said he planned to take a "hands-

"I hated to make any decision without input from the faculty,"

—President J. Wade Gilley

off" approach to the reorganization until the matter had been discussed by the deans and Dr. Sarah N. Denman, vice president for academic affairs.

After meeting with the deans and Denman about the reorganization, Gilley said, he wanted to consult faculty representatives. "I hated to make any decision without input from the fac-

ulty," Gilley said.

Gilley said he will have two meetings. One meeting will be with representatives from each department in the College of Liberal Arts as well as Denman and Dr. Corley F. Dennison, president of the Faculty Senate. The other meeting also will include Denman and Dennison along with College of Science representatives.

Dennison said he hopes the faculty and Gilley exchange ideas at the meeting. "I really believe he wants to hear from the faculty," he said.

Gilley said one possible solution is to combine the two colleges and have one College of Arts and Sciences, but he said he is waiting for input from the faculty.

Gilley said he wants to have these meetings as quickly as possible. He said no further decisions concerning reorganizations will be made until the meetings take place.

## Students attend revival

by TONIA HOLBROOK  
reporter

Some came with tears and others came with smiles. One by one, students followed the alter call at the conclusion of Monday night's S.T.O.M.P., a religious revival on Buskirk Field.

Organizers of the event estimated 250 attended the first night of S.T.O.M.P. (Students Teaching Our Master's Purpose). More than a dozen people went to the alter to begin and renew spiritual relationship beliefs.

The Rev. Bobby Williamson, Crum graduate student and originator of the four-night event, said the turnout Monday shocked him. "I am extremely pleased, but there's always room for improvement," he said.

The revival was scheduled to continue Tuesday night, tonight and Thursday night.

Events began at 9 p.m. at Buskirk Field with music from the S.T.O.M.P. Praise Band and continued with Brand New and Hearts Cry. Other activities included testimonies from students and a skit.

James Harris, Huntington freshman and evangelist, volunteered to counsel those who came to the alter. Harris said the program went "beautifully well."

"It was a blessing. Many more people came than I had thought," he said.

One audience member who went to the alter was Wayne Legg, recent Marshall graduate from Charleston.

"Tonight touched me and caused me to look at how I handle life," he said. Legg said the alter call was uplifting. "I went to alter and asked God to take my life and mold me."

## A ride on the wild side



photo by Missy Young

As part of Springfest '98, a virtual reality ride was offered at the Memorial Student Center Plaza Tuesday.

## Dunked!



photo by Missy Young  
Anni Lee, from Delta Zeta sorority got more than her feet wet at the Dunking Booth Tuesday

## Tasty treats

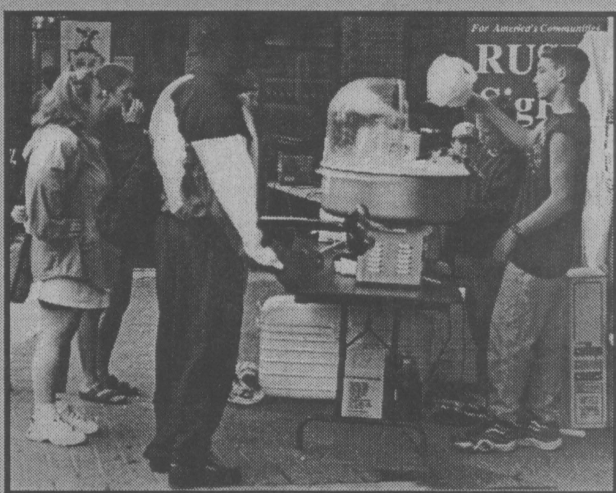


photo by Missy Young

Students walking through the Memorial Student Center Plaza were able to buy cotton candy as part of the Springfest celebration

## It's not your average sale

### Campus clean-up offers 'a little bit of everything'

by AMY SHULTZ  
reporter

Marshall is cleaning out its closets.

Anyone in the market for some new bunk beds, a computer, a desk or even a piano is in luck.

A Yard Sale is planned for April 27-28 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. in the receiving area of the Sorrell Maintenance Building on Twentieth Street and in the Danco Storage Building, Carol Skagg, supervisor of central receiving, said.

A wide variety of items are for sale, Skagg said. Items include yard furniture and implements to work in yards; dorm furniture, such as bunk beds and dressers; office furniture; large freezers from the cafeterias; computer equipment, calculators, adding machines and cash registers; lights and pianos.

Anyone in the community may come to the Yard Sale and bid on any items, Skagg said. The way the Yard Sale is set up, each person gets a bid sheet and each item has a number. People then write a price they are willing to pay next to the item's number, she said.

"There is a little bit of everything," Skagg said. "A lot of the things you have in your house we have in the university, just in larger quantities."

Some more interesting items that have found their way into the April Yard Sale in past years are vehicles, things from the president of the university's house and a dentist chair, Skagg said.

She said that the dorm furniture usually sells very well, as does the office furniture and computer equipment.

"People come for one thing and see something else they also want."

—Carol Skagg, supervisor of central receiving

Almost everything sells, though, she said.

"People come for one thing and see something else they also want," Skagg said.

The items were contributed from 30-50 departments on campus, and the sale usually makes about \$10,000, Skagg said. The money from the sale is divided among the departments that contribute, the receiving department that organizes and administers the sale as well as the grounds people who set up the sale, she said.

Skagg said that most of the money goes to the contributing departments.

## New program designed to educate potential machinists

by CASSIUS HARRIS  
reporter

The Robert C. Byrd Institute is taking part of an on-going effort to create a Machinist Technology Program.

The RCBI is planning to use this program to educate potential machinists and skilled maintenance people from high school

through college and to increase the skill levels of manufacturers throughout their professional careers, Patrick M. McDonald, technical assistant, said.

Karl Lindsey, Huntington facility manager, is overseeing the program, which will have fully staffed and equipped locations in the Huntington and Bridgeport Technology Facilities, McDonald

said.

"We will work with guidance departments to identify students interested in technical fields, then provide the proper career counseling," Lindsey said. "Our idea is that if a student's attitude, talents and interests match the job they choose, they will be happier in their chosen field and ultimately achieve higher levels of

performance to benefit themselves and their companies."

An associate's degree program is one of the options of the RCBI's program. Applied Science in Technical Studies with an emphasis in manufacturing technology will represent a partnership between the RCBI and West Virginia's statewide community college system, he said. A one-

year-long national certification program for professionals is another option of the program.

"The purpose of the national certification program is to provide a strong foundation of high-tech computer numeric control machining training that can be used as an introduction to several other disciplines," Lindsey said.

McDonald said that the training program is proposed to be certified by the National Institute for Metal Working Skills. In addition to the one-year-long national certification program, RCBI will provide quick, customized training which may require month-long, week-long, day-long or hours of training, he said.



## SGA to fund raise for leukemia cause

by JASON MCALLISTER  
reporter

Student Government Association is launching a campus and community-wide plea for resources to be used in leukemia research.

The event will honor 20-year-old Marshall student Cheli Stover, Teays Valley junior.

Stover was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia just before this semester's spring break.

The money from the fundraiser will be donated for research in Stover's name.

"Originally, the plan was to raise the money for Cheli's medical bills," Special Projects Coordinator Laura Roberts said.

"But the family then asked us to donate the money to research," she said.

Stover was diagnosed before leaving for her spring break vacation.

Student Body President Mackenzie Howard heard

about her illness from one of Stover's friends.

Howard, Toronto, Ontario senior, addressed his hopes for a fundraiser at his inauguration earlier this month.

Resources being collected for a fundraiser include food, furniture, clothing and services.

A food, rummage and clothing sale will be May 2.

Anyone who would like to volunteer to help out or work the sales will be used.

"Organizations can donate

anything to help," Howard said.

"This is something that we can accomplish and I think we should do everything we can to help her."

Roberts, Elizabeth junior, stressed that hopes for the fundraiser are not limited to the campus, but include the community as well.

Anyone who wants to help out or donate can contact the SGA office, Memorial Student Center, 2W29B.



Stover

## New group promotes gun rights

by CASSIUS HARRIS  
reporter

A new campus group with the goal of educating students about their right to bear arms will meet 9 p.m. April 21 in Marco's in the Memorial Student Center.

John Gore, president of the Second Amendment Students Association, said officers will be elected for next school year.

The group hopes to educate students on their Second Amendment right to bear arms, Gore said.

The group also will have speakers and social events, Gore said.

"The right to keep and bear arms is a basic fundamental right for citizens of this country and I want to make sure this right is preserved," he said.

## Auto thefts up on WVU campus

MORGANTOWN (AP) — Campus police at West Virginia University are closing in on a record for auto thefts this year.

Since December, 12 vehicles have been stolen from WVU property, most of them late-model, four-wheel drive trucks and sport-utility vehicles. The record of 13 was set in 1996, Cpl. Randy Friend said.

Thieves this year are tar-

geting the Ruby Memorial Hospital and Towers residence hall parking lots, he said.

Thieves target expensive four-wheel drives "mostly for after-market parts," he said. "If you spend \$30,000 on a four-wheel drive, thieves can turn around and sell the parts for \$50,000 to \$90,000."

Drivers are being urged to park in well-lit areas and to lock their doors.

## Senators honored for attendance

by KRISTI R. ERWIN  
reporter

Some lawmakers in the mountain state are being honored for having perfect attendance.

The names of 24 of West Virginia's 34 Senators appear on a list of those who answered a total of 907 roll call votes called during the recently adjourned regular session of the 73rd Senate.

The most important job of any senator is to be present to cast votes, said Senate President Earl Ray Tomblin, D-Logan.

"While members of the Senate have a great many duties to perform in addition

to representing their constituents, the aspect of being present to cast votes sometimes gets lost in the huge amount of work and media attention they face each day," he said.

Tomblin congratulates senators who were able to be present for every single roll call vote, he said.

"It's very difficult to be present for every vote," Tomblin said. "There are a great many reasons why some senators honestly, and for legitimate reasons, cannot be here for those votes every time one is called."

"But for those who have been able to be here, I believe it is deserving of special recognition since the effort is one of

dedication to service and to the people who sent him or her to Charleston."

While not all members of the Senate were able to post perfect attendance, the Senate has an overall attendance percentage of more than 95 percent," Tomblin said.

"I believe that speaks well of the type of individuals we have serving in the Senate, because they are here every day getting the job done for the citizens back home. Helping constituents, attending committee meetings and meeting with the many people interested in particular pieces of legislation are important parts of the daily activities of senators," Tomblin said.

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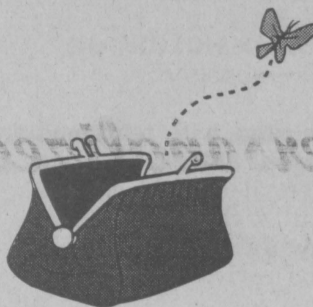
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## Strawberry fundraiser to benefit Mom's club

by AMANDA TERRY  
reporter

Strawberries are in season it is time for the annual "Strawberry Breakfast." The Alpha Xi Delta sorority is sponsoring the breakfast Thursday April 16 from 7 to 11 a.m. The house is located at 1645 5th avenue.

Students and faculty can savor the taste of scrambled eggs, biscuits, sausage links, fresh strawberries and strawberry butter. Tickets to the event are \$3.50. The money goes to benefit the Alpha Xi Delta Mother's Club.

The mother's club is very beneficial to the sorority, Rachel M. Elias, Letart sophomore and Alpha Xi Delta member, said.

"The mother's club helps out with things around the house," Elias said. "If something breaks in the house then they pay to fix it. They also help us buy things we need. We have a word processor that they helped us buy." Tickets can be purchased from Alpha Xi Delta members or at the door.

# Resident adviser search narrows

by ALISHA D. GRASS  
reporter

Students who will have major responsibilities in helping run the residence halls next year will be observed Saturday to see if they are qualified for the job.

Selection for next year's 15 resident advisers will take place at Harris Hall from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. when 61 applicants go through the final interviewing stage.

Gabrielle A. Sulzbach, residence hall coordinator, said these interviews are more like group meetings. "The applicants will be divided into several groups and will have to react to several situations which may later take place in the dorms," she said.

After the meeting, Molly McClennen, supervisor of residence halls, Sulzbach and several resident directors will review the students' applications to make final decisions.

The applicants should know whether they have gotten the position no later than the first week of May, Sulzbach said.

The deadline to apply for a resident adviser position has passed and students only needed a few qualifications to apply, Sulzbach said. One year of college is needed and a cumulative grade point average of a 2.3 is required. Sulzbach prefers applicants have lived on campus, but it is not a require-

**"Each resident adviser serves as a peer helper, enforces dorm policies, counsels and acts as a reference person."**

— Gabrielle A Sulzbach, residence hall coordinator

"Each resident adviser serves as a peer helper, enforces dorm policies, counsels and acts as a reference person," she said.

During training week, resident advisers learn how to cope with problems that may occur during the year, Sulzbach said.

"We try to prepare our leaders the best we can," she said. "We train them how to be assertive. We show them around campus so when residents ask questions, they will know the answers."

The term lasts for one year and resident advisers receive benefits, Sulzbach said.

Resident advisers do not have to pay for room and board and receive \$30 a month, Sulzbach said.

Sulzbach thinks resident advisers receive other benefits as well, she said. Work experience, challenges in leadership, counseling and organizational skills are also beneficial.

Shae M. Powers, Buffalo senior and communication disorders major, has been a resident adviser on the fourth floor of Buskirk for two years.

Powers lives 30 minutes from home but loves the benefits of living on campus and being a resident adviser, she said.

Powers likes all the people she gets to meet. "I meet new people every year," she said. "There is always someone here to talk to and you are never lonely. That's the best part about it."

# Change to be theme of CTC event

by BUTCH BARKER  
reporter

Marshall's Community and Technical College will be giving university secretaries some tips for job success next week.

The annual Conference for Secretaries and Administrative Assistants will be from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 22, at the Memorial Student Center Don Morris Room.

Dealing with change will be a key focus of the session, said

**"We will focus on celebrating change instead of resisting it."**

— Pamela Casto Hamilton, director of non-credit programs and community services

Pamela Casto Hamilton, director of noncredit programs and community services. Support staff members will also be recognized for their contributions and workplace skills will be discussed.

"April 22 is National Secretaries Day and we will host our conference for a local celebration," Hamilton said.

"We will focus on celebrating change instead of resisting it."

The day will include workshops on how to deal with changes in one's life, lectures

and special programs.

The featured speaker will be H. Keith Spears, director of communications at Marshall University.

Spears will present his lecture "Maintaining the Personal Touch in the Impersonal World" at 8:30 a.m. Spears has been at Marshall since 1979 and has served as a professor of communications and faculty manager of WMUL Radio.

Other speakers scheduled are Jim Stephens, associate director of Human Resources; David Harris, director of Equity Programs; Patty Dickey of Health South Rehabilitation Center; Delores Johnson, assistant professor of English and Rhonda Scragg, coordinator of computer technology program.

Students from Marshall's Center for Academic Excellence will present a fashion show at 1 p.m., Hamilton said.

The show, "Sixty Years of Career Dressing," will focus on the past, present and future of dressing for the job.

A cast of "change experts" will gather to discuss their personal ideas on change at 1:30 p.m., Hamilton said.

That panel will include Kathy Brown of WSAZ Television; Arlinda Broady, regional editor of The Herald-Dispatch; Renee Mass of St. Mary's Hospital and Joyce Sayre, vice president of First Century Bank.

There will be a \$20 registration fee for Marshall employees and a \$60 fee for non-employees.

The fee will cover lunch, refreshments and a continuing education certificate, Hamilton said.

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# Too few graduates cited as reason for computer program elimination

by NICOLE M. WRIGHT  
reporter

The recommendation to phase out the computer science and software development program over the next three years was approved at the March 19 Faculty Senate meeting.

The final decision to abolish the computer science and software development program is expected to be announced in May or June by the University System of West Virginia Board of Trustees.

College of Science Dean Dr. Thomas A. Storch said the Department of Computer Science and Software Development (CSD) program was not producing a significant number of graduates. Only three to four CSD students graduate per year, he said.

Dr. Robert B. Hayes, Department of Computer Science and Software Development chairman, said in a six-year period surveyed, only 20 students graduated. It has been a department with difficulty in produc-

ing graduates since 1992 when it separated from the College of Business, Hayes said.

"We draw a large number of students and lose them quickly," Hayes said. As of fall 1997, only 41 of the 67 students that enrolled as CSD majors are still in the program and even less are expected to stay, Hayes said.

The students who enroll in the program are not educationally prepared for the required 21 hours of mathematics, Hayes said. The first mathematics class they are supposed to take is calculus which requires a 27 on the ACT, he said.

"Most students do not have a score that high so they have to take remedial courses in the Community and Technical College," Hayes said. "It is wrong to attract students when they don't know how math intensive the program is."

He said reorganization of CSD department was considered, but did not appear to be a good option. "We gave President J. Wade Gilley the

options considered and he asked a consultant what options would be best."

Fred Siff, associate vice chancellor of Communications and Technology Services at the University of California-Santa Cruz, was the consultant that recommended to consolidate computer related programs and make use of scarce resources. He said consolidation would provide better focus and depth for the students, according to an e-mail message from Siff provided by Gilley.

Gilley said Siff has a doctorate in computer science and has worked previously in the computer field.

"An evaluation of the CSD program was submitted to Siff and he recommended to concentrate resources where students can get jobs in the local area when they graduate," Gilley said.

Hayes said he considered closing the department or revising the curriculum but a nationwide drop in computer science and software development jobs was a deciding factor in

closing the department, Hayes said.

Associate Professor of Computer Science Dr. Hisham M. Al-Haddad said the CSD program has a narrow focus on the development of software.

He said most openings in the job market want the users of the software programs and packages, not the developers of software programs.

"Very few software companies in the region do software development," Al-Haddad said.

"The current program presents a significant mismatch with the needs of the local region and does not focus on the skills required by the local job market." Most locally employed graduates are working in non-software jobs, Al-Haddad said.

The other computer related options are relevant to the local job market, such as management information systems in the College of Business, computer technology in the Community and Technical College and integrated science and technology in the COS, Al-Haddad said.

## 10K walk scheduled for May

### Walkers to raise money to cure cystic fibrosis

by AMY DURRAH  
reporter

The sixth annual Tri-Cities Great Strides walk to cure cystic fibrosis will draw walkers to Ritter Park in May.

Kathy Sturgeon, chairperson of the Great Strides walk to cure cystic fibrosis and mother of a child with cystic fibrosis, said walkers will register and turn in sponsor money for the 10K [6.2 miles] walk from 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on May 16 at the 12th Street shelter. The walk will begin promptly at 8:30 a.m.

"Our challenge is to raise the research dollars through Great Strides to fund this landmark research and give the children and young adults with cystic fibrosis the quality of life and the future they deserve," Sturgeon said.

Those planning to register are to collect sponsor money the day before the walk, Sturgeon said. Sponsorship money is donated to walkers for participating in the event, not per mile walked, she said.

The number one genetic killer of children and young adults in America is cystic fibrosis, said Sturgeon.

"A defective gene causes the body to produce an abnormally thick, sticky mucus and this mucus leads to chronic and fatal lung infections and impairs digestion," Sturgeon said.

Although there is no cure, several new clinical approaches to treat cystic fibrosis are now being developed by scientists supported by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Sturgeon said.

"My daughter has cystic fibrosis and walked last year and she was only in kindergarten," Sturgeon said. "Her group raised over \$3,000."

Each walker who collects \$50 or more in sponsorship money will be given a Foundation t-shirt and additional prizes are also available.

Those interested in participating in the May 16 event, may call (304) 733-3801 or (800) 526-8126 to receive a sponsor form.

## Professor: CSD termination 'rotten'

### Proper elimination procedures skipped, proceedings done behind closed doors, Walker says

by NICOLE M. WRIGHT  
reporter

Appropriate procedures were not followed in plans to phase out the Department of Computer Science and Software Development over the next three to four years, one of the department's professors said.

Dr. David K. Walker said steps in eliminating the program were skipped.

He said the plan to terminate the program was done behind closed doors and implemented without the University System of West Virginia Board of Trustees approval.

"What was done is illegal and it is a rotten way to do it," Walker said.

Walker compared the actions of the university to delete the program with a dysfunctional third world country

ruled by a dictator. "It is politics here and it sucks."

"I don't know the consultant who recommended deletion of the program," Walker said.

"I can't believe any computer scientist would recommend to eliminate the program."

Dr. Walker and Dr. Hamid Chahryar, another professor in the department, sent campus and other leaders a 10-page analysis opposing the plan to terminate the program earlier this semester.

They sent it to President J. Wade Gilley, College of Science Dean Thomas A. Storch, Gov. Cecil H. Underwood and other people who would be concerned about the program.

Walker said some of the people who did respond to the analysis said thank you for informing them about the situation. "In large, most people seem to buy the way the program was eliminated."

However, Walker said he believes elimination of the program is a done deal. "Chahryar and I stood up at the March 19 Faculty Senate meeting opposing the elimination of the department," Walker said.

**"What was done is illegal and it is a rotten way to do it. It is politics here and it sucks."**

**- Dr. David K. Walker, CSD professor**

"At the Faculty Senate meeting there was more debate about parking than termination of the department."

When the CSD curriculum was designed six years ago, it was implemented without studying the students in the region, according to the analysis.

Lack of flexibility in the program was the reason for three to four graduates a year, the analysis shows.

Another reason to keep the department is because the program is too

young to eliminate and the job market is good in the computer science field, according to analysis.

In the analysis, Walker and Chahryar claim the department has suffered a leadership crisis during the last five years.

Walker said the value of a degree is based on how well the department is doing.

"If the program was improved and it became widely known, older graduates would have more marketability," he said.

He said jobs are available in the computer science field.

In a radio address, President Clinton talked about 300,000 jobs available for people in computer fields, Walker said.

Although other computer concentrations are offered at Marshall, Walker said computer scientists can easily fill management information systems jobs and others.

"It is hard for a management information systems person to fill a computer science and software development job," Walker said.

## Concert to provide experience

by SHAWN GAINER  
reporter

Future band directors will have a chance to exercise their conducting skills during a double reed concert, 8 p.m. Saturday in Smith Music Hall.

"It's basically a laboratory for the student conductors," Director of Bands, Baruch J. Whitehead said. "We try to program pieces of different difficulty levels that would be appropriate for their high school bands."

Seven pieces, including "Serenade No. 10" by W.A. Mozart and "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral" by Richard Wagner, are scheduled.

Chagrin Falls, Ohio senior William B. Haddix will conduct a flute concertino with Indian Springs, Ohio freshman, Deanne M. Bertsche as the featured flutist.

Trenton, Fla., junior, Wesley J. Bullington, will conduct a performance of Dimitri Shostakovich's "Festive Overture."

"High school bands have to be given ratings by a panel of adjudicators," Whitehead said. "I think it's good to have this event because it will give our future music educators an idea of how these ratings sessions work."

The concert is free to the general public as well as Marshall students.

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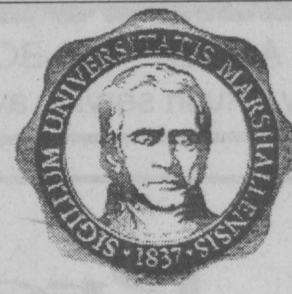
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## Secret settlement decides millions

**SPRINGFIELD, Va. (AP)** — A secret settlement has wrapped up a year of bitter sniping over millions, mansions and maids between the estate of Washington Redskins owner Jack Kent Cooke and his widow. Lawyers for Cooke's estate, estimated at \$825 million when he died in April 1997, would not reveal any details of the deal announced Monday with Marlena Ramallo Cooke. The Washington Post quoted anonymous sources familiar with the agreement who said Mrs. Cooke, 45, will get \$20 million.

# Turf project delayed for football field

by **MARIA CHAPMAN**  
reporter

Installation of artificial grass on the James F. Edward Field in Marshall Stadium has been delayed because a purchase order has not yet arrived.

Replacing the turf was originally planned to begin Monday, April 20.

A purchase order for the \$727,000 needed for the replacement must come through the state auditor's office in Charleston. The money comes from a special state financing program, according to Dr. K. Edward Grose, vice president for operations.

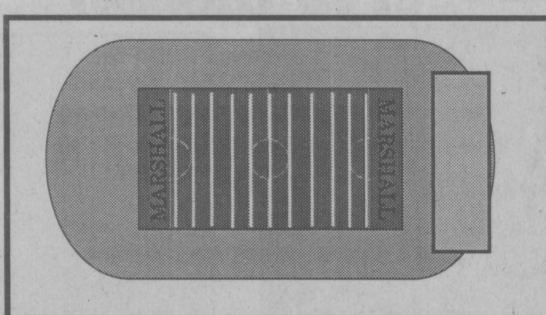
The new turf will be AstroTurf brand and is

designed to be softer. "There is a separate pad under the turf, so it should be less injury prone," Grose said.

There is a rubber base, which is poured over the entire area first. Next the new padding, which is made of foam is put down. Finally the turf is placed on top.

Mountaineer Field in Morgantown has the same kind of turf.

The surface of the new turf will have some



changes too. Yard lines, the logo and any other words will be sewn into the turf, instead of being painted, Grose said.

Marshall will be sewn into the end zones on each side. The official university logo will be sewn in the center of the field. Grose said the

only thing that will be painted on the new turf will be the hash marks.

The current turf has only been in place for eight years. Grose said normally turf can be

expected to last a little longer than that.

He cited the high number of games as the reason for the turf being replaced after so few years. "All those years we were in I-AA we played a lot more games. We hosted the playoffs and we probably played a fourth or a third more games than we do now," Grose said.

The company AstroTurf will remove the old turf and put down the new for the \$727,000 price. Grose said it will take approximately one month to finish.

He could not give an approximate date for the start of the project, but said it will be as soon as possible. "We've done all we can, and now we're just waiting for the purchase order," Grose said.

# 'House that Ruth built' falling to pieces

By **BEN WALKER**  
AP Baseball Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Hundreds of city workers combed Yankee Stadium today, inspecting the 75-year-old ballpark for any more defects like the one that sent a steel joint crashing into the seats a day earlier.

A 500-pound steel joint dating to 1927 fell from the upper level Monday, hours before the New York Yankees' game with

the Anaheim Angels. The mishap caused two games with the Angels to be postponed, and moved a third to Shea Stadium.

No one was injured and no fans were inside the House that Ruth Built at about 2 p.m. when the steel chunk fell an estimated 40 feet from the underside of the upper deck into the mezzanine section down the third-base line.

As the Yankees held batting practice today, about 300 workers from eight city agencies

inspected the beams and joints in the interior of the stadium's upper deck.

"The engineers are working their way from the top of the stadium down," said Jerome Hauer, director of the mayor's office of emergency management.

"Clearly the games in the next couple of days will not be played here," Hauer said.

He said the inspectors found the comparable joint in the underside of the upper deck

down the first-base line and determined it was structurally sound. The joints were added to the stadium during an expansion in 1927, four years after it opened.

"Yankee Stadium is crumbling... Everybody is in a little disarray right now," pitcher David Cone said Monday.

A crowd of more than 20,000 had been expected to watch the Angels and Yankees.

"This could have been a terrible tragedy," Mayor Rudolph

Giuliani said. "You could see that if someone were sitting there at the time that the beam came down, that person would now be dead."

"As a Yankee fan, I'd rather that we were playing, but as a mayor we have to make sure it's safe."

The episode gave added ammunition to Yankees owner George Steinbrenner, who has been seeking a new stadium. The team's lease with the city expires in 2002.

"We'll overcome this one, but we've got to be sure it doesn't happen again," the owner told The New York Times. "If that means a new stadium, we'll have to see."

Babe Ruth christened Yankee Stadium with a homer the day it opened, April 18, 1923, and it has been home to some of baseball's greatest players ever since. Hall of Famers like Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Joe DiMaggio, Mickey Mantle and Reggie Jackson have helped the Yankees win 23 World Series championships.

"It's a real shame this happened. This is a shrine to baseball," Angels manager Terry Collins said.

The stadium, owned by the city and leased to the team, is set to celebrate its 75th anniversary Saturday. Those plans were put on hold, however, when the 18-inch expansion joint, used to connect beams, crushed seat 7 in row B of section 22.

The seat was smashed to pieces and a 6-inch hole was gouged in the concrete. The joint tore another hole in the ceiling of the upper deck.

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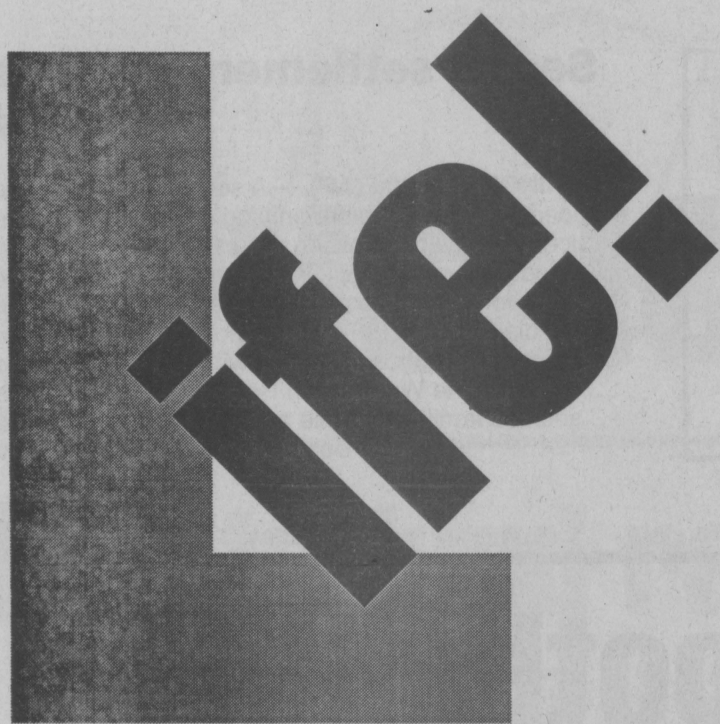
  
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# Pilgrimage of pleasure

## Spa, salon owner uses pampering philosophy

It makes her feel "tingly all over."

That's how Marsha Mohr, a surgical technician at St. Mary's Hospital, described the volcanic ash body wrap she had at El Haijj Salon and Spa. Mohr also indulged in a jacuzzi session and a full-body massage.

These are a few of the services El Haijj offers to relax and rejuvenate its clients, owner Susan Hage said. The salon and spa, at 1119 20th St., is the first of its kind to open in Huntington, Hage said.

Hage opened the salon and spa Oct. 13, 1997. Though El Haijj has been in operation for six months, the idea of this day spa has been around much longer.

Hage has 17 years experience and worked in management for a chain of salons in Columbus, Ohio.

Hage is a graduate of the Huntington Beauty School and the Pittsburgh Beauty Academy. The day spa in Columbus served as a seed for the idea of her own spa, but she wanted hers to be "more personalized, with an emphasis on pampering," Hage said.

"I didn't want my spa to be a run-in, run-out-type of place," she said. "I wanted it to be luxurious and relaxing, a place to feel wonderful."

Hage also wants to emphasize a friendly feeling. She tries to "create an atmosphere where everyone from every type of background feels welcome," she said.

The name of the spa is close to Hage's heart. "El Haijj" celebrates that this is the first day spa in Huntington, as "haijj" means "pilgrimage" in Arabic. "Haijj" is also Arabic for "Hage," which Hage dedicates to her late father.

Hage also created the decor of the spa. She envisioned the atmosphere and told carpenter Paul Burress of Dudley Construction her ideas.

From the Roman bath-inspired mural in the foyer of the spa, complete with a working miniature fountain, to the airy clouds floating on the walls of the hair salon areas, Burress

designed it all, Hage said.

El Haijj has a staff of 20 who continually train in the latest techniques, Hage said.

Among the staff there is a makeup artist to custom blend cosmetics for hard-to-match skin tones and to re-do makeup for customers after their treatments, Hage said.

The salon and spa has its own line of makeup created exclusively for El Haijj, she said.

Massage therapist Mary Wallace, from New Mexico, is a nationally certified massage therapist. Lisa Gould of Huntington does exfoliants and body wraps.

Rounding out the staff are hair dressers and nail technicians. The salon provides services for hair styling, including cuts, colors, tints, perms, highlights, conditioning, bleaching and various styles.

Nail treatments include a variety of manicures and pedicures as well as air-brushing for fingernails.

Special occasion designs are available for hair, nails and makeup, Hage said.

Packages are also an option for spa goers who want the full treatment. Full- and half-days at the spa and individually created packages are offered.

An array of hair and skin care products and fine jewelry are also sold at El Haijj.

Prices range from \$2 to fix a broken nail to \$300 for an eight-hour day at the spa. Hair cuts range from \$18- \$25 and manicures from \$12- \$45.

Massages cost \$25- \$50 and body wraps are \$60.

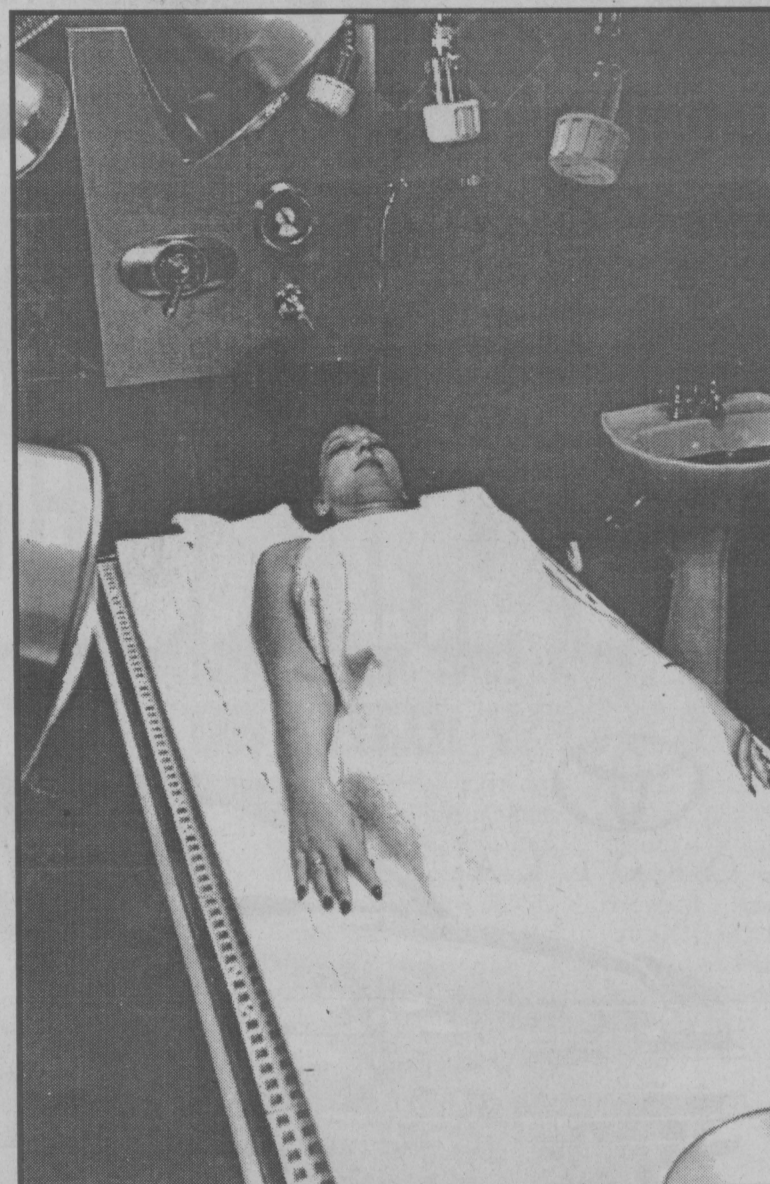
Facials run \$45-\$50 and body scrubs are \$45. A half day at the spa is \$165.

More than 6,000 people have come to the salon, Hage said. Some have come only once and others are regulars, she said.

Mohr, who had a body wrap and a massage, has been to the spa once and plans to return. It was a "very nice place," she said. "It was very luxurious, and I was treated very privately, very pampered."



**Above** El Haijj spa owner Susan Hage gives a back massage to a client. Hage wants the spa to be luxurious and relaxing for visitors, she said.



**Left** An El Haijj customer relaxes as she receives a skin exfoliation treatment in a vichey shower. The treatment uses oils and sea salt to remove dead and dry skin.

**Far left** Hair designer and esthetician Thelma Scott puts the finishing touches on a customer's hair style. El Haijj offers hair styling services, manicures and facials in addition to spa treatments.

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