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Capital punishment

Herd can't pull off win against Mountaineers in rivalry game

BY KYLE HOBSTETTER
THE PARTHENON

CHARLESTON W.VA. — The rivalry was on, just ask the 12,380 green and gold clad fans who packed the Charleston Civic Center on Wednesday.

Marshall lost to WVU in the Chesapeake Energy Capital Classic 68-60 in one of the most physical games the Herd has had all season.

While the Herd was able to hold its own for most of the game, the team could not seem to get over the hump.

"It's hard," said head coach Donnie Jones on getting a win against the in-state foes. "We have to learn to handle the physical play. Sometimes with the physical play it's hard on our kids at the end, but it's an aspect we have to learn."

Marshall (15-3, 4-0) saw itself down by 10 with 14 minutes left to go in the game. But the Herd showed its resiliency by not letting the Mountaineers (14-3, 4-2) take over.

"I'm proud of all our guys for the second half," Jones said. "Our kids never quit. But give West Virginia credit, because they made plays when they had to."

After a timeout, back-to-back 3-pointers by freshman

center Hassan Whiteside and senior guard Chris Lutz kept the momentum from getting away.

But it seemed every time the Herd was able to make a move, the Mountaineers were able to keep the lead out of its reach.

"That's a real good team we played," said Whiteside, who scored 18 points and grabbed six rebounds. "The three I hit were real big. We had a lot of momentum coming to us, but we couldn't close it out."

Lutz was one of the main reasons the game stayed so close. The New Hampshire native had 16 points, all in the second half, including eight straight points.

The Herd cut the lead to one but could not take command against the Big East foes.

The physicality of the game was too much, as second chance points and inside force of the Mountaineers helped keep the game in control.

"They were a real physical team," Whiteside said. "A lot of fouls were called; a lot weren't called. They are a real Big East team."

The Herd made one more run with 19 seconds left, as senior forward Tyler Wilkerson nailed a three to bring the Herd back within two points at 62-60.

See LOSS 15



SHOLTEN SINGER | THE PARTHENON
ABOVE: Marshall freshman center Hassan Whiteside gets fouled by WVU forward Cam Thoroughman during Wednesday's Capital Classic.
RIGHT: Marshall fans react to the Herd's loss to No. 11 West Virginia.



Habitat for Humanity's McCalla house to be finished by end of February

BY KIMBERLY BRADLEY
THE PARTHENON

The Huntington Area Habitat for Humanity will complete the McCalla build located on LaTulle Avenue at the end of February.

Area volunteers have worked on the house since last October.

"We finished the roof last week. Once we have the inspection go through, we will be starting on the electrical, insulation and dry wall," said Daryl Kinch, temporary construction supervisor.

This is the 72nd house built by the Huntington Area Habitat for Humanity, and it is being built in memory of the late Rev. Mark McCalla. McCalla was murdered at Beech Fork State Park shooting range last June.

The house is being built for Perry and Clita Kitts and their two sons. The house has three bedrooms and one and a half bathrooms.

"The size of the house determines on family size and will give them decent, affordable housing," Kinch said.

Huntington Area Habitat for Humanity provides housing for qualified families in need with a no-profit, no-interest loan, according to its Web site.

"The house we are in now, we can't wait to get out of. It's a two-story home, and it has no insulation," Perry Kitts said. "It takes two gas stoves, a furnace and seven electrical heaters just to keep it about 65 degrees in the house."

While helping work on the inside of her future home, Kitts said she started packing six months ago.

The future homeowners are required to put in a total of 400 work hours into their build, 200 hours per adult recipient.

Kinch said the volunteers' day starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends around 4:00 p.m. Volunteers start Tuesdays and work through Saturdays.

Congregations from Highlawn Presbyterian, Enslow Park Presbyterian, Spring Valley Presbyterian, First Presbyterian and Highlawn Baptist churches have provided volunteers and have partnered with Huntington Area Habitat for Humanity to make the McCalla build a success.

Teddy Klumper, director of development and communications of the Huntington Area Habitat for Humanity, said four builds would be completed this year, and Huntington Area Habitat for Humanity will own a total of 40 mortgages.

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KIMBERLY BRADLEY | THE PARTHENON

The McCalla House, located on LaTulle Avenue, is the 72nd house built by the Huntington Area Habitat for Humanity. The house will be finished by the end of February for Perry and Clita Kitts and their two sons.



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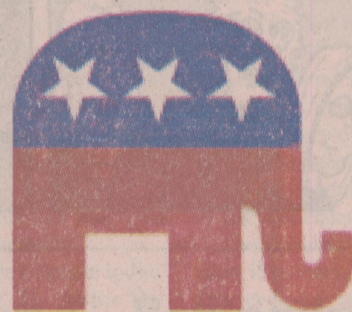


Capital Classic

Check out photos of the Capital Classic at marshallparthenon.com

TODAY'S CALENDAR

Political group hosts first meeting of semester



Sports

Men's hoops vs. UAB
7 p.m. Jan. 23 | Henderson Center

Entertainment

Andy Dick
Jan. 22-24 | Funny Bone Comedy Club

Rascal Flatts and Darius Rucker
7:30 p.m. Jan. 23 | Charleston Civic Center

Community

Create Huntington Chat 'n Chew
5:30 p.m. Jan. 21 | The Frederick

2010 Huntington RV & Boat Show
Various times Thurs.-Sun. | Big Sandy Superstore Arena

On campus

College Republican Meeting
7:30 p.m. Jan. 21 | MSC

2010 Census Road Tour
Noon-4 p.m. Jan. 25 | Student Center

24th Annual Student Juried Exhibition
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"Over the past few weeks, radical right-wing activists turned Massachusetts into ground zero for the Tea Party movement, and we saw a taste of what's to come in 2010."
-Ray Buckley, New Hampshire Democratic Party Chairman, on Republican Scott Brown winning the Massachusetts Senate seat.

THE PARTHENON EDITORIAL

Resident dorms versus off campus student living

Students would be wise to compare prices and benefits when deciding where to live while studying at Marshall University

Sometimes by default, students may choose to live on campus. It does have its perks. It's the shortest walk to class, gives a friendly dorm atmosphere complete with activities planned by resident advisers every month and has 24-hour security. However, these advantages and others come at a high price.

For students who are residents of West Virginia, tuition costs less than room and board. Base tuition is \$2,618 for 12 credit hours or more. For double occupancy rent in Twin Towers and Buskirk, both with an unlimited meal plan, the price is \$3,778. The price increases for the Commons Suites and

the First Year Residence Halls, as well as for single occupancy rooms.

These prices may be justified. Research has shown students who live on campus do better academically, especially when it comes to freshmen. But what about the upperclassmen who have made friends and gotten accustomed to college life? There may be some benefit for them to live off campus.

Students who choose to pick these living arrangements don't have to worry about the hassle of signing in guests and won't have to move out their stuff at the end of the semester. Plus, depending on whether living in a

house or an apartment, or how easygoing the landlord is, residents can be as loud and obnoxious as they want. Living arrangements off campus also offer more space to have more friends over to hangout, compared to the small space of the dorms.

Plenty of apartments and houses are located just off campus and many more are within a 15 minute drive. Some are so close that there is no need for a car or reason to calculate an expense for gas money driving to and from Marshall. Plus, as the article on the Life page points out, students living off campus have access to

many restaurants and outlets for food that are mere blocks from school. Students also have the option of getting an off campus meal plan if they don't like cooking.

The prices for the apartments vary from the same as living on campus to even less. Of course, one can always find places that are a lot more expensive, too.

With all these options, students should take advantage of comparing rates and finding the best place to live where they will get the right price and be the most content. Only then will they find the most success in their coursework.

KRYSALEA BURNS
MEN, MASCARA AND MOOD SWINGS

The game of love

Valentine's Day. For some it's a holiday of cheesy cards, flowers, chocolates, big bears with obnoxious hearts that sing and cute dates filled with laughter, first kisses and above all else, knowing that you had someone on this fateful holiday. For others however, Valentine's Day is a constant reminder of the love that they do not have, the reminder of singleness and the love they lost. We've all been there. Love or something like it - that person you just can't get out of your mind - and every single song on the radio reminds you of them. And then there is losing love, the pain of moving on and picking up the pieces. Two



Krysalea Burns
COLUMNIST

teams, two sides and two places in life. So when involving Valentine's Day, which team you're playing for is really what matters at the end of the night. But why? Why do we let one day determine our worth, and allow those who don't have someone at the time to feel like you are missing out when maybe where you are right now is exactly where you are supposed to be, even if it is sitting on your couch with your two favorite men, Ben and Jerry.

I used to believe that the team you played for determined who you are, determined my worth and what others thought of me. I never realized it, but looking back now I can see the evidence of looking at guys, rather than myself and beliefs, to find my worth. Up until last Friday, I didn't realize how much I had changed and how my stance on the teams and the sides had matured when I hosted a sleepover for some of my fifteen favorite women, my bible study.

From a distance when you look at us we sure do seem like a motley crew, all in different stages of our lives and relationships, but once we come together the lines between single and committed begin to blur. Some of us are dating, some are single, some are waiting for rings patiently, and some are just waiting. However, once we came together I found that all was left behind as we began to celebrate the joy of each other, the joy of friendship, and the joy of contentment.

The beauty I found that night was that, not once did we find ourselves talking about boys, but rather chatting over other things we cared about, things in our past and matters of the soul and heart. We laughed until we cried, ate cookie dough like it was going out of style, and celebrated our lives completely uninhibited. Looking over these women it dawned on me, that although our relationship statuses on Facebook were different, we weren't; the two teams had suddenly blurred and it was such a beautiful sight to see. Real women, who don't find their worth in things of this world, things that will fade. The fact that these real women could come together and find themselves in something other than their significant others, was truly significant to me.

So this year, instead of hiding myself away on Valentine's Day not used to the feeling of being alone, I stand proud in my singleness and the season I am in. Because whether you have a date, or are spending the night this year not romantically involved, you are special and beautiful, and the season of your life no matter what it is, is for a reason - to make you a stronger person than you are today.

So rather than finding your worth in a significant other, find worth in something you believe in, don't ever let someone, something, some holiday define your worth at the end of the night... no matter what your status may be.

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Online poll

Who is going to the Super Bowl?

- The Jets
- The Colts
- The Saints
- The Vikings



RESULTS

What are your feelings about Mark Snyder's resignation?

- It's about time 74%
- Give him one more year 14%
- Who cares about football? 12%

WHITNEY BURDETTE
GUEST COLUMN

My heart lies in Haiti

I'll admit it: I'm a news junkie. I watch TV news when I'm bored and always have CNN on in the background. Yes, I hear the same things over again, and I sometimes get bored.

But not this week. Since the devastating earthquake rocked the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince last Tuesday, I have not been able to turn away. I watched as a CNN reporter interviewed a young girl buried in the rubble of her home. I heard her scream as the cement around her moved. I also watched in awe as a 69-year-old woman was pulled from the rubble of the National Cathedral one week after the quake occurred. It amazed me that an elderly woman could survive that long without food or water, practically buried alive.

But I watch coverage of the disaster for another reason. I'm longing to see one little girl, who turned five two days after the earthquake, so I can go to bed knowing she is safe and sound.

The little girl is Patricia Paul, who I sponsor through Compassion International. She lives with her mother on the plains of Nazon, just a few miles from Port-au-Prince. She loves to draw and play with her dolls, just as any other 5-year-old.

In the few short months that I have sponsored Patricia, she has already touched my heart. She draws flowers for me in her letters and tells me she prays for my family and me. In a way, I feel like she is a part of my family. When her letters come in the mail, I read them aloud to everyone, then pass the paper around so they can see her drawings.

When news of the earthquake came across CNN last Tuesday, my heart stopped. I just wanted to know she was OK, but there was no way to find out. Compassion International didn't even know if all of their workers in Haiti were OK, let alone the thousands of children they help.

The first few days after the quake were rough. I cried and prayed. That's all I could do. I donated some money, and encouraged everyone I know to do the same, but I still feel that's not enough.

Many organizations, including some on Marshall University's campus, are raising money to donate to Haiti. The poorest country in the western hemisphere does not have the means necessary to search for and provide medical aid for victims of the quake. Although the U.S. is in a recession, it is important for us to show the Haitian people that we care.

If I could, I would go to Port-au-Prince and search for Patricia myself. But the Haitian government has estimated more than 200,000 people were killed. Almost every building in Port-au-Prince, including the Presidential Palace, was destroyed. It could take my whole life, and I still may not find her.

So in the meantime, I'll continue to pray and watch CNN, hoping I see her in the background and for the first time in a week and a half, I can rest easy.

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COLUMNIST

Campus housing: new prices, new features



TESS MOORE | THE PARTHENON
The cost of living on campus may increase by fall 2010.

BY TESS MOORE
THE PARTHENON

Prices for student housing could increase by fall 2010 as living expenses increase and nicer accommodations are added.

Much consideration goes into pricing for student housing. "We look at our budget, the state budget and the increases in water, electricity and gas," said John Yaun, director of Residence Services. "Then we determine if we have to increase our prices to match those extra costs."

Just less than 2,000 students live on campus. The cost for a room ranges from \$2,237 to \$3,499 per semester, not including a meal plan, according to Residence Services.

"We try to raise prices as little as possible so it doesn't affect students that much," Yaun said. "We did increase prices this past year by about 3.5 percent."

The price of student housing includes rent, utilities, cable, wireless Internet, 24-hour maintenance, security, free newspapers and several other features, according to Residence Services. The living-learning communities feature is dedicated to special interests such as arts, the College of Science, international and Greek life.

In the fall a green living-learning community will be added to the program. "Students would live what you call a green lifestyle," Yaun said. "The students will get together and decide what sort of programs to have around that."

Residence Services will also add a live-in faculty member. "We haven't outlined the position yet; we're starting that this January," Yaun said.

The first year residential experience is another feature that will begin in the fall. It will help students transition from high school to the university by helping them make connections around campus with their peers, teachers, and academic resources.

The number of students living on campus has continued to rise. "Numbers rose in the fall by about five percent, so we are hoping for the increase in fall 2010 as well," Yaun said. "Right now the First Year Residence Hall is at about 98 percent capacity, and the other halls are at about 79 percent."

Payment plans are available for students if needed. They can pay in three

installments or they can pay all at once.

"I pay for school with my loans, but I like it a lot better than living at home," said Kasarah Treadway, sophomore pre-dietetics major.

This is Treadway's first year on campus. "I will probably live on campus the next two years at least. I like just walking to class. It's a lot easier than driving," she said.

Students Lauren Manor, elementary education major, and Laura Good, biomedical science major live on the same floor in Holderby Hall.

Manor said she has enjoyed living on campus for six semesters but is thinking about leaving in the fall with longtime friend Good. They organized a budget to help decide whether to live on or off campus.

"We just compared expenses because we're planning to live in an apartment next year," Manor said. "From what we've calculated it is cheaper to have the apartment."

All students living on campus are required to have a meal plan; freshmen are required to purchase the unlimited meal plan for \$1,541. They are also required to live in the First Year Residence Hall, which cost \$2,510. It totals \$4,051 per semester for room and board for the 2009-2010 school year. If it continues to rise 3.5 percent it will be around \$4,138 a semester for fall 2010 freshmen.

Prices for sophomores, juniors and seniors in the 2009-2010 school year ranged from \$3,413 to \$5,040 per semester for room and board. Sophomores and juniors are not allowed to live in the First Year Residence Halls, but they can request to live in any other dorm depending on if they want a double room, deluxe single or suite. Sophomores can purchase the unlimited meal plan or the 15 meals per week plan. Juniors and seniors have the option of purchasing the 10 meals per week plan.

Students who live over 50 miles away are required to live on campus their first year. The university has 76 percent commuters who live off campus, according to Residence Services.

"I lived on campus; I was a RA," Yaun said. To me, you feel like you're part of the whole campus experience. Research shows that students who live on campus average higher GPAs; they graduate, and they come back for their second year." That is something you cannot put a price on.

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Medical school honors former student with new program

BY ANDREA POLING
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine introduced a groundbreaking health policy track this month in honor of Dr. Paul Wesley Ambrose.

The health policy track will offer educational opportunities to residents who are interested in health policy, said Dr. Stephen Petruny, professor of the medical school and associate chair for medical education.

"The idea is to take real doctors who are going to be seeing patients and practicing in West Virginia and give them enough knowledge of how the system works to be able to make an impact," Petruny said.

The program is not only the first program of its kind in West Virginia, but also the first health policy program in the nation.

Dr. Tracy Hendershot is the first resident in the new program.

"My job is to meet with the state and federal legislators and policy makers at different agencies to see what is available out there to do," Hendershot said. Hendershot will spend the next year attending meetings to build relationships and to define a curriculum for the program.

"It is important for the department and community to know that there is a strong educational component to the scholarship," Hendershot said.

According to Hendershot, the success of the program will be determined

by whether or not qualified individuals will continue in the track and become effective policy advocates.

Ambrose was the inspiration for the development of the health policy program.

Ambrose was killed on September 11, 2001. He was a passenger on American Airlines Flight 77, which crashed into the Pentagon.

Ambrose strived to improve the health of West Virginia and the nation.

"Paul Ambrose had a great love of life, was always positive and smiling and had incredible intelligence," Petruny said. "He was very committed to the people of West Virginia, and wanted to make things better here."

Ambrose grew up in Huntington and received undergraduate and medical degrees from Marshall University. He also earned a master's degree in public health from Harvard University in 2000.

At the time of Ambrose's death, he was awarded the Surgeon General's Medallion for his work on The Surgeon General's Call to Action to Prevent and Decrease Overweight and Obesity report, which was dedicated to his memory.

"For him to go from a Barboursville native to an adviser to the Surgeon General of the United States by the time he was 31 years old is an incredible story," Hendershot said. "The medical school felt a huge loss when he passed, and they have been looking to see that his work is continued."

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Marshall history professor finishes textbook, contemplates sequel

BY KASHA SHULL
THE PARTHENON

One Marshall University professor in the College of Liberal Arts has published a textbook, while another professor in the school is working on a sequel.

Joshua Hagen, professor of geography wrote a textbook, and William Palmer, professor of history, wrote a novel.

"Borderlines and Borderlands: Political Oddities at the Edge of the Nation-State" is the first textbook of its kind.

"I wrote this book because of our interest in national borders," said Hagen, writer and editor of the book.

Hagen said another book is in the works that will be a shorter introduction or guide into "Borderlines and borderlands."

"I was quite pleased to finish the book. It took two years to write this book with the whole process," Hagen said. "It's just nice to have a finished book to touch and not just computer files."

Alexander B. Murphy of the University of Oregon wrote a review of Hagen's book.

"The forces of globalization may be challenging the traditional prerogatives of the territorial state, but this volume clearly shows that we are a long way from post territorial world," Murphy wrote. "Through a fascinating set

of case studies—ranging from the prominent to the obscure—the book offers compelling evidence that interstate boundary conflicts are persistent, important features of the international scene."

Mark Monmonier of Syracuse University also reviewed the book.

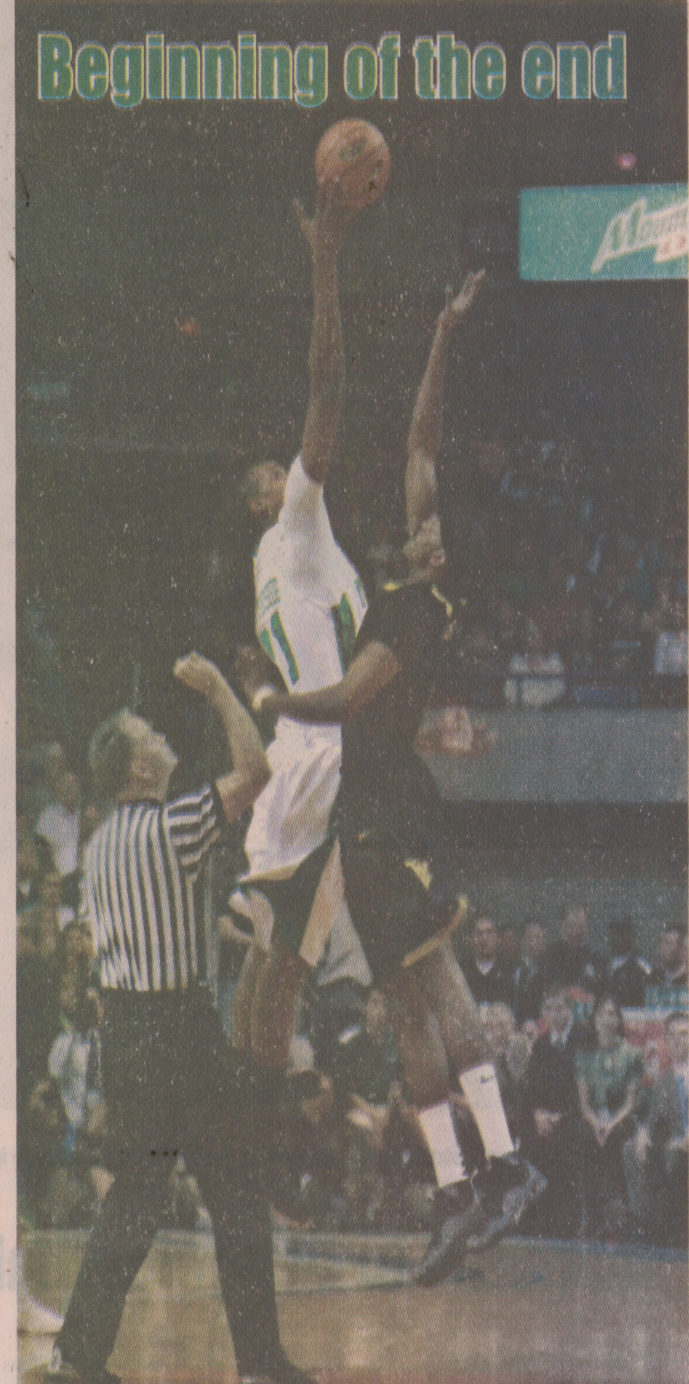
"This book presents a convincing argument that forecasts of a borderless world are, at best, naive," Monmonier wrote. "Reinforced by fascinating little-known facts and a conscious commitment to historical background, this impressive collection of insightful, carefully edited case studies hangs together nicely as a lively, up-to-date exploration of boundary issues in both the developed and the developing worlds. It's also a good read for anyone curious about the world."

Meanwhile, Marshall professor William Palmer is working on a sequel to the book he wrote in 2009.

Palmer's book, "The Gentleman's Club to Professional Body: The Evolution of the History Department in the United States, 1940-1980" follows the history departments of seven of the nation's top universities. It shows how they evolved from groups of white males or "gentleman's clubs" to groups of women, Jews, Africans or Catholics.

Palmer said the sequel will continue the histories of the seven schools and begin following the histories of other universities.

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Marshall's freshman center Hassan Whiteside wins the tipoff against WVU forward Devin Ebanks during Wednesday Chesapeake Energy Capital Classic. Whiteside finished with 18 points and six rebounds.

Department of Justice unveils deal to end suit vs. W.Va. publisher

LAWRENCE MESSINA
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The publisher of West Virginia's largest-circulation newspaper will return control of the rival paper it bought in 2004 to its previous owner under a Wednesday proposal meant to settle a U.S. Justice Department antitrust lawsuit triggered by the purchase.

The settlement would also have the Daily Gazette Co. provide financial incentives to Denver-based MediaNews Group once it resumes independent control of the Charleston Daily Mail.

The proposed deal, filed in U.S. District Court, would restructure the long-standing joint operating agreement that allowed the Daily Mail and its larger rival, The Charleston Gazette, to share such costs as printing and delivery.

Among other provisions, the settlement calls on the papers' joint operations to offer half-off subscriptions to new Daily Mail subscribers for at least six months. It bars any attempt to discriminate against the Daily Mail in the papers' joint circulation or advertising sales efforts.

"Today's settlement resolves the department's

antitrust concerns and allows readers to continue to have a choice between two independent local daily newspapers," Christine Varney, Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Antitrust Division, said in a news release.

MediaNews has overseen the Daily Mail's news and editorial content, under a management agreement reached when it sold the newspaper. Wednesday's proposal would expand that oversight to include such areas as newsroom staff size, hiring and pay.

"We will have more say in things going forward," MediaNews Group President Joseph J. Lodovic IV said Wednesday. "It helps to ensure our continued involvement, which was always our desire."

It also gives the former owner a chance to buy a future stake in the newspaper. The Justice Department sued over the \$55 million purchase in 2007. U.S. District Judge John T. Copenhaver Jr. can sign the proposed settlement following a 60-day public comment period, "upon a finding that it serves the public interest," the Justice Department release said.

"The Daily Gazette Co. is pleased that the litigation with the antitrust division of the Justice Department has been resolved through settlement, with no finding

or admission of liability on the part of the Daily Gazette Co.," its president and publisher, Elizabeth E. Chilton, said in a statement.

The proposed settlement comes less than a week after Affiliated Media Inc., the holding company for MediaNews Group, announced plans to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

Under the "prepackaged" plan, already approved by lenders, the company's management, newspaper operations, employees and vendors won't be affected by the restructuring, MediaNews Group Chairman and CEO William Dean Singleton said at the time of the filing. He is the chairman of The Associated Press board of directors.

The plan aims to reduce the company's debt and allow it to emerge quickly from bankruptcy. The Denver-based company owns 54 daily newspapers and more than 100 non-daily newspapers, Web sites, television and radio broadcasters.

The Charleston Gazette is West Virginia's largest newspaper, with an average daily circulation of 40,671 according to September figures from the Audit Bureau of Circulation. The September numbers put the Daily Mail's circulation at 19,225.

Associated Press Writer Tom Breen contributed to this report.

W.Va. churches set legislative priorities

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — Improving health care for all citizens, but especially children, is one of the top priorities for the West Virginia Council of Churches.

The group distributed its list of legislative priorities at the state Capitol Tuesday.

The issues discussed in the document range from poverty to gambling to the environment. But the group says children are in particular danger of being neglected in an era of budget cuts.

In particular, the council wants to see health care for children expanded by the Legislature.

The council has been detailing its public policy priorities every year since the 2005 legislative session.

With 14 member denominations encompassing Catholics, Protestants and Orthodox Christians, the council includes the largest religious groups in the state.

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Women get crushed on court in capital city

By Jonas Swecker
The Parthenon

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The Marshall women's basketball team scored first on two free throws by freshman forward/guard Veronica Ruiz on Wednesday night in the Capital Classic against the No. 13 Mountaineers. It was the only time the Thundering Herd had a lead all night.

West Virginia defeated Marshall in a game that was never really close, 74-42.

It was apparent from the start of the game that Marshall would struggle matching up in the paint with WVU freshman center Asya Bussie, because Marshall redshirt senior Tynikki Crook was sidelined with a hand injury.

The Mountaineers went inside to Bussie early and often, resulting in 14 points. "She's done a good job. There have been several games that have gone down to the wire that we've went to her and she finished," said WVU head coach Mike Carey. "We think she's going to be a great player for us."

He also acknowledged the fact that Marshall was without its leading scorer

for the game.

"Give them a lot of credit," Carey said. "They didn't stop, didn't quit. You know they lost their big girl, which made them do some different things."

The Mountaineers dominated down low and outrebounded the Herd, 44-27. Marshall struggled to drive the ball to the lane, which forced it to pass the ball outside the arch and take bad shots. The Herd turned the ball over 22 times, and the Mountaineers had no problem capitalizing on the team's mistakes, scoring 19 points from turnovers.

"By far they're the best basketball team we've played all year. They're well coached, they're very physical," said Marshall head coach Royce Chadwick. "They forced us into 22 turnovers which turned into easy baskets for them. We didn't really step up to the challenge with the physical nature of the game and I felt that was the huge difference in the first half."

Although the Herd had a poor showing, there were a few bright points for Chadwick.

Ruiz started in place of the injured Crook and gave a valiant effort. Averaging only 2.8 points per game, she proved she can be relied on. She led the team in scoring with 13 points and in rebounds, pulling down nine.

"We had some freshmen that had some opportunities to step up to-night," Chadwick said. "They didn't do it in the first half, but as the game went on I thought Ruiz and (Adrian) Randall started playing better and they adjusted. That bodes well for our future, but it certainly didn't help us much in the first half. We really missed Ty (Crook)."

For the Mountaineers, it was a bit of a momentum boost going into its conference game against No. 5 ranked Notre Dame on Sunday.

"We wanted to come in here and play good defensive basketball because we want to go into Notre Dame with a lot of steam," said West Virginia junior guard Liz Repella. "We kind of let down in the second half but we can't do that against Big East teams. We concentrated on Marshall this week and now we will concentrate on Notre Dame. We take one game at a time."

Marshall may have lost the game but something can be gained from it.

"We're a team that we know we have to win the tournament in March and we're trying to get better for March," Chadwick said. "We learned an awful lot tonight."

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West Virginia freshman center Asya Bussie goes in hard for a layup in Wednesday night's win over the Herd.



Marshall sophomore guard Alaya Mitchell gets trapped by two West Virginia defenders.

Marshall to begin football series with Purdue in 2012

BY TROY HEMINGWAY
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University Athletic Department finalized a deal with Purdue University to begin a football series between the two schools starting in 2012.

The contract is a home and home series, with each team having one home game in the two-game contract. Purdue will host the first game Sept. 29, 2012, while the second game will be played in Huntington on Sept. 16, 2017.

The five-year gap between the games is a result of scheduling conflicts between the schools. It was the first date available for both teams.

Marshall University Athletic Director Mike Hamrick said he is excited about the series and is

confident that fans will be as well.

"We want to bring quality opponents to Huntington," Hamrick said. "We want games that are going to be attractive to fans and get fans in the seats at the stadium."

Purdue will be the first Big Ten Conference team to ever play in Huntington.

Purdue Assistant Athletic Director for Communications Tom Schott said it will be a competitive series between two great teams.

"We were looking for a competitive game," Schott said. "Marshall has traditionally been one of the great football teams in the country, and the

geographic proximity of the two schools also played a big factor in the decision."

Both Hamrick and Schott said there are definite challenges when it comes to scheduling non-conference opponents.

"The main difficulties are getting dates and years that are open for both teams, games that work for the economic status of the school, and also games that are accessible for fans to travel to," Hamrick said. "This series was financially and geographically a no-brainer."

"The geographic location was a huge factor in the agreement of the contract," Schott said. "We also really wanted a team who was willing to come to our place first."

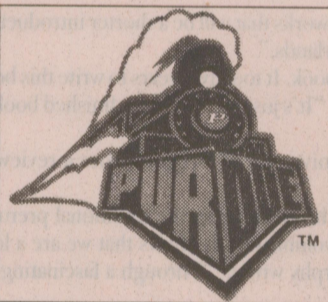
Both members of the respective athletic departments were quick to shoot down the idea of a possible buy-out caused by the five-year gap between the games.

"Purdue is honest and when we sign a deal we stick to it," Schott said.

Hamrick said he did not expect any talk of a buy-out and made sure to mention the buy-out clause.

"The buy-out is \$500,000," Hamrick said. "That is a lot of money to just hand over to a school, so it is really not an option."

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Herd vs. Boilermakers

> Scheduling conflicts prevented the schools from playing between 2012 and 2017.

> Purdue will be the first Big Ten school to ever play in Huntington.

> Both teams agreed to a \$50,000 buyout clause.

Marshall Maniacs host party for basketball teams, hope to increase participation

BY ERIN SHAVER
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall Maniacs hosted a poster party at the men's basketball practice to build excitement for the basketball season.

The event was organized to spread excitement for the rivalry against WVU.

"For the most part, everyone who goes to Marshall has somewhat of a dislike for WVU," said Matt Goddard, co-president of Marshall Maniacs and junior biomedical major from Beckley.

Goddard said athletics combine with state support to cause the strained feelings Marshall students have for WVU.

"From the students' standpoint, they see WVU gets everything and don't give us respect," Goddard said. "We don't want them to do well. We want to beat them."

Goddard said the excitement for the WVU game needs to carry over to games later in the season.

"We need to pack the student section and need everyone standing up," Goddard said. "The players will rally behind the fans if they're loud and making noise. It gives them that sixth man feeling."

Men's basketball head coach Donnie Jones said the support from the students helps his team build excitement.

"Their energy and enthusiasm is so important to our team," Jones said. "I know our players really feed off their energy."

Jones said the success of the team this season builds excitement among students, which builds more excitement among the team.

"We've won 15 games in a row at home right now, and I contribute that to our fans' support," Jones said. "I know our players get excited, especially with student support."

Aaron Ryan, senior political science major from Beckley, W.Va., said the party was a way to feel like a part of the team.

"We have part of the success of the team and really get to feel like we're part of the team," Ryan said.

Goddard said the second purpose of the activities were to spark excitement for future conference games.

"We're undefeated in conference, and most people are excited for basketball," Goddard said.

Goddard said the next home conference games against UAB and Memphis are important and Marshall Maniacs hope for a high turnout of students.

"Both are top-tier Conference USA teams," Goddard said. "We need the crowd support for those games."

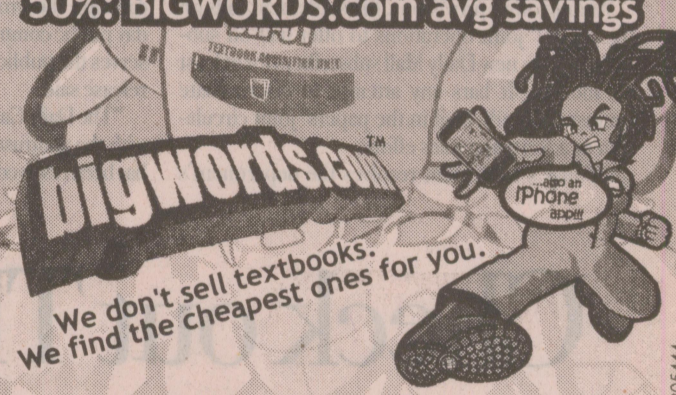
Goddard said Marshall Maniacs want student attendance to increase at men's and women's basketball games and have rewards opportunities for members of the organization throughout the season.

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Marshall students told to follow safety guidelines, avoid dangerous situations

BY KRISTINA ELFRINK
THE PARTHENON

Being aware of surroundings can keep Marshall students from making mistakes, losing their belongings and can keep them from losing their lives.

Students cannot be oblivious or uninformed on safety responsibilities, tips and warnings and be able to lead a safe lifestyle.

Kelsey Dobbs, freshman at Marshall University, was robbed outside of the Thirsty Whale last week.

"A man unexpectedly came up to me and pulled at my purse so hard the straps broke in two and then he sprinted down an ally," Dobbs said. "It all happened so fast. I didn't have the chance to get a good description of him. I called Huntington police and filed a report, but they never found him."

These are the type of situations Huntington police officers want students to avoid.

Capt. Mike Albers of the Huntington Police Department gave tips and advice for students, especially young women, to use in order to protect their safety.

"Criminals know where they can come across people who are more vulnerable to a crime and easier to take advantage of," Albers said.

Police encourage students to avoid bars until they are more experienced with being aware of their safety.

"Alcohol expands vulnerabilities and that is when students let their guard down," Albers said.

According to Albers, until students can find a balance between having fun and staying safe they should avoid situations that will make it difficult to be safe.

"You hear about this sort of thing happening to people all of the time, but you never really think that it would happen to you, but in reality it can," Dobbs said. "So now I know to take more precautions than I did before."

Students have access to many resources that can help teach them ways to avoid dangerous situations or how to deal with a dangerous situation if ever presented with one.

First and foremost students should always make sure they truly know the people they go out with, Albers said.

"There is a difference between a friend and an acquaintance," Albers said.

There are self-defense classes offered to women at Marshall University. Students learn how to defend themselves if approached in an unfriendly or dangerous manner.

Students should also try to walk in well lit streets instead of taking shortcuts, and to make sure you travel in groups. There is safety in numbers, Albers said.

"Carrying your car keys in your hand can also be misleading to a criminal in making them think you are near your vehicle. Keys can also make an effective weapon for self-defense," Albers said.

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"There is a difference between a friend and an acquaintance. You should not be over trusting"

Capt. Mike Albers, Huntington Police Department

Loss

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But turnovers and clutch WVU free throws helped put the game out of reach.

"We're right there, it was a one possession game, but they made shots and we didn't," Jones said. "We put ourselves in a position to win. But unfortunately we missed some free throws, had three turnovers down the stretch that really hurt us."

The Herd had to overcome a first half, in which seniors Lutz and Wilkerson play limited minutes due to foul trouble. Marshall kept the game close going into halftime down 33-28.

WVU kept the physicality of the game high and dominated the Herd on the boards gaining 43 rebounds compared to Marshall's 26.

Mountaineer forward Da'Sean Butler led the team with 16 points, with 12 coming in the second half. Butler had confidence in the Mountaineers ability to close out the game.

"At the end of the day we know we have what it takes to win the game," Butler said.

But for a game featuring high powered offenses, the baskets became hard to obtain. Marshall came into the game ranked No. 13 in the nation in scoring, averaging 82.4 points a game.

Both the Herd and WVU struggled from the floor, each team shooting around 40 percent for the game.

In the end it was clutch plays made by the Mountaineers that sealed the deal.

"I give all the props in the world to West Virginia,"

Whiteside said. "They got momentum late, like the last two minutes and made big shots, so I take my hat off to them."

The Herd returns to Conference play Saturday with a home game against Conference-USA favorite UAB.

But even though they want to focus on this game, this loss will be on their mind.

"They have to put this behind them and get back to focusing on the conference," Jones said. "I know they're hurting inside and that they want to win, but we need to take the season one game at a time."

The players still know that they have to keep looking forward, because the season does not end with just one game.

"We're hurt, but we're going to come back tomorrow and we're going to work," said Lutz with tears in his eyes. "We're going to work our butt off the rest of the year, and we have to take the rest of the season game by game."

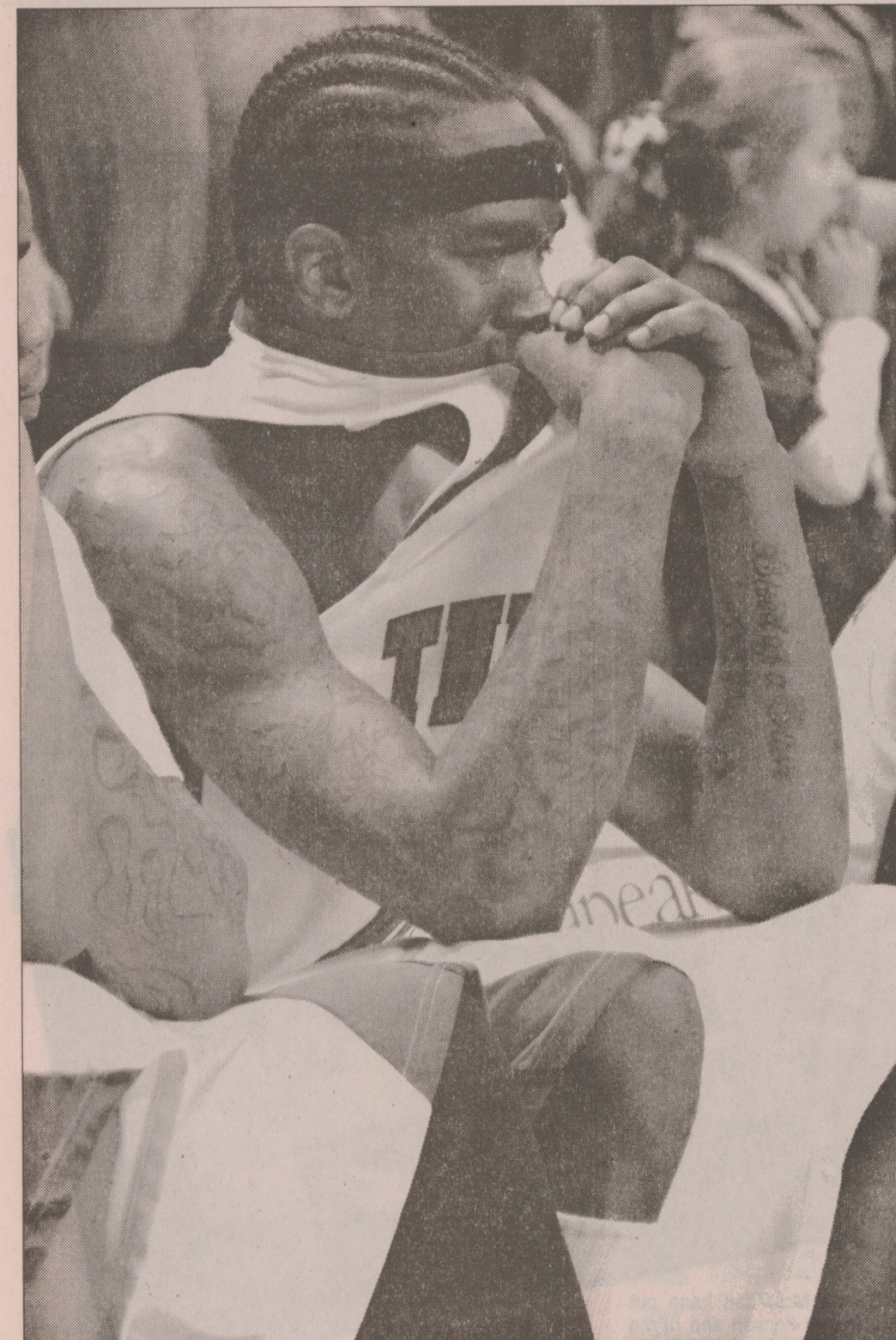
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Game Notes

Sophomore guards Damier Pitts and Shaquille Johnson had off games, scoring four and seven points respectively....

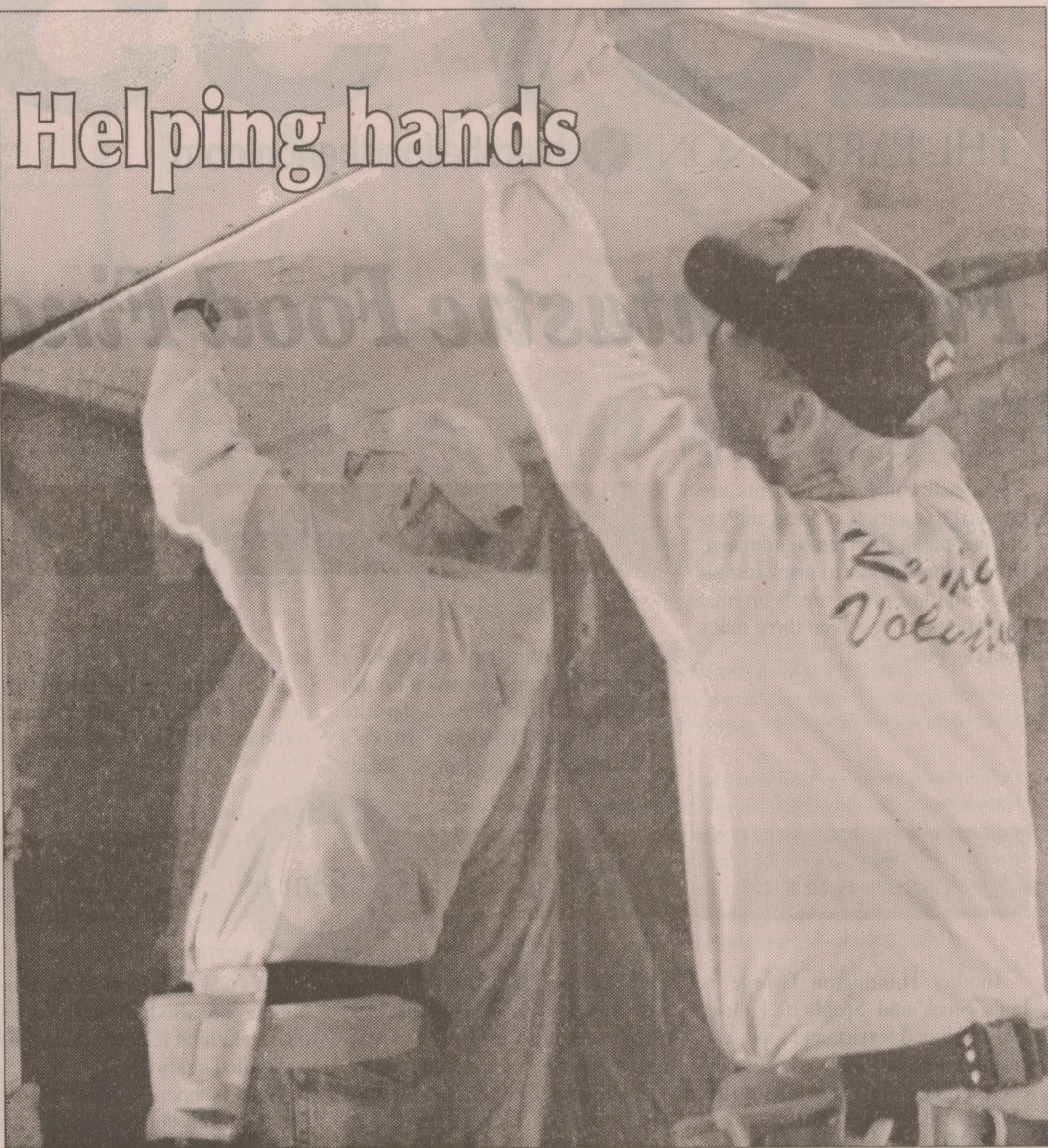
Wilkerson added nine with only playing limited minutes in the first half....WVU had 12 second chance points...Sophomore Center Nigel Spikes came off the bench and added four points on two monster dunks...WVU has defeated the Herd four straight times....Marshall has yet to defeat a ranked team since it upset WVU back in the 2006 Capital Classic...there were a total of 40 personal fouls called between both teams.

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Junior forward Antonio Haymon reacts to the Herd's loss against the Mountaineers in Wednesday's annual Capital Classic. The Mountaineers won 68-60.



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Dave Specht and Daryl Kinch install drywall on the ceiling of the Habitat for Humanity house on LaTulle Avenue. The house, built for the Kitts family, is expected to be finished by the end of February. The house is the 72nd built by the Huntington Area Habitat for Humanity and is in memory of Rev. Mark McCalla, who was murdered at a Beech Fork State Park shooting range in June.

Recycling group hands out water bottles, plans second giveaway

BY HALEY THAXTON
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's campus-wide recycling program recently had success at the first water bottle giveaway of the semester.

The interest shown by students encouraged planning for another handout to faculty and staff in the coming weeks. The Sustainability Department is promoting the program.

Sustainability manager Margie Phillips was in charge of the event.

"We had a lot of interest, there were students buying books and the student center was busy," Phillips said.

Volunteers were in the Memorial Student Center everyday between Monday and Friday at varying times.

"Being there at different times of the day allowed more students to take advantage," Phillips said.

The campus-wide recycling program, Be Marshall Green, is not only for students.

Phillips is organizing another bottle handout for faculty and staff within the next few weeks, but a date has not been set.

"We want to promote as much as we can and any students who didn't get their bottles last week can come and get them then," Phillips said.

As of Jan. 14, they have handed out 24 boxes, totaling 1,152 aluminum water bottles. Although the final calculations of last week's promotion have not been tallied,

Phillips said he hopes that the next giveaway week will be more successful.

The Sustainability Department is able to do projects like this because of a Department of Environmental Protection grant that was written in order to start the program.

Victoria Wheeler, senior marketing and management information systems major from Weatherford, Texas, was one of 1,152 students who participated in the event.

"Having the bottle will keep me from having to use plastic, and I don't mind refilling it from the tap," Wheeler said.

Reusable water bottles may seem like a small contribution to the green initiative, but the Container Recycling Institute, CRI, gives data that shows the sale of plastic water bottles have been rising in the U.S. over the past decade.

According to the CRI's Web site, Americans buy 34.6 billion plastic water bottles per year, and 80 percent of those bottles are disposed in a landfill.

With the current economic situation, reusable water bottles become important because it could lower costs for taxpayers. "We want to remind students to recycle everyday," Phillips said.

The bottles are physical prompts for this idea, imprinted with the words, Refill. Reuse. Recycle.

Wheeler commented on color and size of the bottle.

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Obama taps Goodwin as US Attorney

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — President Barack Obama has nominated Charleston attorney Booth Goodwin to serve as U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of West Virginia.

Goodwin has been an assistant federal prosecutor for eight years. He is the son of U.S. District Judge Joseph R. Goodwin, the district's chief judge.

Goodwin was recommended to Obama by both Rockefeller and U.S. Sen. Robert C. Byrd. The prosecutor has won praise for his role in an investigation of widespread political corruption in southern West Virginia.

PSC wants power outage probe expanded

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The West Virginia Public Service Commission's consumer office wants the agency to include all electric and telephone utilities in its investigation of power outages during a December storm.

The Consumer Advocate Division says in its motion that all customers who rely on aboveground lines for electric and telephone service are at risk from such outages.

The PSC is investigating power outages involving more than 200,000 customers of Appalachian Power and Allegheny Power.

An expanded investigation would include telephone companies Verizon and Frontier Communications and small electric utilities.

The Consumer Advocate Division also wants to intervene in the case on behalf of residential customers. The PSC hasn't ruled on either request.

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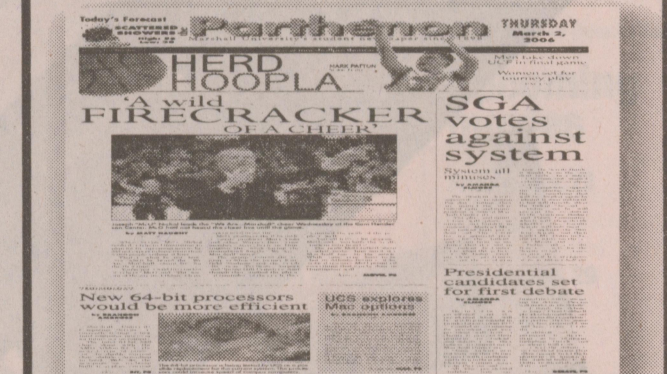
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Five Fantastic Food Finds Within 5 Miles!

BY KELLY N. CROUCH
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Marshall University students are exposed to a variety of local and exotic cuisine in the Huntington area. Huntington is home to many restaurants, and five of the area's original restaurants are less than three miles from campus.

Rocco's .39mi Little Italy

Rocco's Little Italy is located a quarter mile from campus on Fourth Avenue, and has been a favorite of Huntington residents. Rocco's serves hoagies, pastas, soups, salads

and appetizers. Jason Trador, a Huntington resident and Rocco's regular customer, recommended The Underboss.

"It's Italian sausage, sauce, peppers, onions and provolone and it's amazing," Trador said. Meals range from \$4 to \$10.

"By far the best hoagies in town." - Dana Dackow, patron

Jim's 1.28mi Spaghetti House

Another Huntington favorite is Jim's Steak and Spaghetti House. Old-fashioned service and food take customers back in time and customers can dine at the same booths that Muhammad Ali and the former President John F. Kennedy once did.

Since opening in the 1950's on Fifth Avenue, the only things that have changed at Jim's Steak and Spaghetti House are couple of waitresses and a few pictures on the wall. The walls are filled with pictures and autographs of famous customers, while the air is filled with the aroma of Jim's homemade spaghetti sauce.

Jim's may be famous for spaghetti, but they are also known for the ravioli, steak, fried haddock, baked ham and grilled sandwiches.

Jim's is open Monday through Saturday with entrees ranging from \$5 to \$12. Cash is the only form of payment accepted.

"Accompanied with a deliciously crisp salad (get the homemade oil/vinegar!) and soft bread, the spaghetti is mouth wateringly awesome." - Michael V, patron

Chili .42mi Willi's

"I've been enjoying Chili Willi's since it was a hole in the wall and have followed them through all of their moves only to land back in a location where it originated...only bigger and better." - Madd Matt, patron

Meals can range from \$4 to \$10. Only four blocks from campus, Chili Willi's Mexican Cantina has been Huntington's favorite Tex-Mex

restaurant for years. Chili Willi's serves daily lunch specials Monday through Saturday and happy hour specials Monday through Thursday.

Marshall students receive a 10 percent discount with a valid student ID. Dinners range from \$7 to \$25.

Cam's 1.89mi Hams

Located almost two miles from Marshall University on First Street, Cam's Hams has been preparing it's famous homemade menu items for more than 60 years. Cam's Hams is best known for the original

sugar-flaked ham sandwiches, made with Cam's Hams "special sauce," and homemade onion rings.

Erin Eller, life-long Cam's Ham patron and Huntington resident, keeps coming back to Cam's Hams

for the old-timey atmosphere, great food and people. "They know me by name," Eller said. "I always get onion rings, but I switch between the roast beef and flaked ham."

"The options are few, but tasty. The ham sandwich and onion rings always take me back to my childhood. I love it!" - Sean Farrell, patron

Midway West 2.32mi Drive-In

"Best hotdogs in town by far. The sauce is to die for. Best service also. If you like cheeseburgers you have got to try the Midway Special. Would recommend to everyone." - CC, patron

Midway West is another local restaurant offering an old-fashioned experience. The drive-in hot dog stand is located on 445 Sixth Avenue West. It originally opened in 1939, and has served the community for nearly 70 years with its hot dogs, sandwiches, french fries, homestyle chili and homemade milkshakes.

Midway West shut it's doors in 2006, but reopened on June 11, 2009, under the management of former cook, Bill Ghiz.

Chiz and employees have maintained the traditions set forth in 1939 that have made Midway West into the institution that it is today.

According to Midway West's Web site, Cavalier Meats hot dogs are served, hamburgers are pattied daily and everything else is made from scratch. Hot dogs and other specialties are available from Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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Community Bulletin

BY ERIC FALQUERO
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The Parthenon Life section would like to provide you with both a listing of local events and happenings, as well as the opportunity to submit your own events to be advertised. If your club is hosting an event, your band is playing a show, your favorite local establishment is having a deal, the opportunity to express your support of an occurrence in the community, or you're just excited about something and think it is underpublicized: we want to know. Submit bulletins to falquero@marshall.edu

Currently:

- Breaking Benjamin will play at the Big Sandy Superstore Arena on Tuesday, February 2nd.
- Marshall's Amateur Boxing club begins this semester. Contact the president, Ethan Curry, at 304.689.0280 for more information.
- Genuine Junk Band will be playing a show Friday at Shamrocks on Third Avenue.
- The campus convenience store, MU Express, located behind Holderby Hall is now serving made-to-order pizza and sub sandwiches, as well as other snacks and supplies, from 11a.m. to midnight Monday through Saturday. They also accepts meal plans like the Student Center between 1:30p.m. and 6:30p.m.

Top Left: Jim's Spaghetti House storefront is a landmark of Huntington. Top Center: Two patrons peruse Rocco's Little Italy's menu. Bottom Middle: Rocco's owner, Joon Kim welcomes everyone.

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Bottom Left: Carl Marcum & Robbie McMillian hang out in Cam's Hams. Bottom Right: Brogan Henson and Bryan Maggard can relax at Chili Willi's. Top Right: Jamie Fields enjoys Midway's hotdogs.

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