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Drawing is for the birds

Local museum offers course in illustrating wildlife **Life, Page 6**

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Marshall offers new archaeology classes, allows students to explore

KASHA SHULL
THE PARTHENON

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Marshall University is continuing its archaeology field school this summer in the wetlands of Green Bottom, W.Va.

"We're one of the few schools that has a regular ongoing study of archaeology over the summer," said Nicholas Freidin, professor and director of the summer archaeology field school. "West Virginia University occasionally has one and Sheppard does and Concord, but we've done it every year."

The class offers students the opportunity to go out the classroom and explore the region around them.

"Students really like it a lot and keep coming back to take the class again on a 400 level class or independent study," Freidin said. "What's nice is that we don't get just anthropology majors, but also people from all over campus like business, English, history, and psychology, so it's a nice mix."

The science of reconstructing and understanding past and present cultures from their material remains is taught in the classroom, lab and field.

"I think the field school helped me in many ways," said Brittany Vance, junior anthropology major from Huntington. "I gained a better understanding of the archaeology of the area, I also learned the skills necessary to do field work, and I made great friends in the process. I really

hope to be able to take the class again." "It's an unusual class in itself where you're not just in a classroom, but you're out in the wetlands digging and getting very dirty," Freidin said. "Even when it rains we just move to the lab to go on in our study."

The students in this class have an opportunity to look into the past of the people that held these items before they did and put the pieces back together.

"It is the only one around, and students show interest in the class because they actually get to dig and find pieces and put them together to

see where our ancestors came from," said David Pittenger, dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

The students are encouraged to be hands-on and get dirty in the process of working with the pieces of the past.

"We could improve by having a better facility to store the objects the students find in and a better lab to work with the students," Pittenger said.

This class is a six credit hour course from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. during summer session two. No prerequisites are required to take the class.

"My favorite part about the field school was that I got to get first hand experience doing field archaeology, exactly the kind of work I plan to do when I graduate from Marshall," Vance said.

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Marshall University archaeology students sift through dirt in Guyandotte, W.Va., looking for artifacts. The university offers an archaeology class every summer. It is open to students of all majors.

PHOTO COURTESY OF NICHOLAS FREIDIN



SHOLTEN SINGER | THE PARTHENON

Justin Stewart, graduate student from Marmet, W.Va., and representative of the Lesbian-Gay-Bisexual-Transgender Outreach, answers a student's question during Thursday's Loveline at Late Night. The event allowed students to ask questions regarding sex and relationships to a variety of panelists including nurses and counselors. Loveline at Latenight was part of Sexual Responsibility Week.

Panelists answer students' questions, offer advice on sexual relationships

BY KELSEY THOMAS
THE PARTHENON

A panelist of specialists hosted an advice table at Twin Towers Dining Hall on Thursday evening to wrap up Sexual Responsibility Week.

Loveline at Late Night gave students an opportunity to anonymously submit questions to specialists involving sex, love, relationships and dating, said Alicia Baker, graduate assistant for student health education programs at Marshall University.

The panel included a variety of specialists, including Marshall psychology professors Keelon Hinton and Paige Muellerleile, Women's Center Director Leah Tolliver, Justin Stewart, graduate student representing LGBTQ, J.R. Harris, graduate assistant for student health programs at Marshall, Heather Wood, nurse practitioner at the Cabell-Huntington Health Department and Elizabeth Ayers, nurse at Cabell Huntington Health Department.

Baker said the members of the panel were chosen to offer a wide range of viewpoints.

"We tried to cover all facets of sexual health as well as relationships and dating, the psychological reasons, the social reasons and the medical reasons," Baker said.

Frye said he thought the assortment of panel

members made students feel more comfortable about asking questions.

"I think that by having a diverse panel it encouraged participation because we have a diverse student body and there's even diversity within this room," said Britt Frye, graduate assistant for student health education programs at Marshall.

Students submitted several questions to the panel inquiring about topics including sexually transmitted diseases, birth control, homosexuality, abusive relationships and commitment issues.

Frye said the event was the first of its kind, but it was a great starting point.

"It was successful in that there is valuable information being disseminated to the audience, and next year it will allow us to create a better program," Frye said.

Mallori Walker, junior health care management major from Proctorville, Ohio, and resident adviser, said she thought the event was very informative.

"I definitely thought it was helpful," Walker said. "They answered questions that I've had residents come to me and ask."

Baker said that the first Sexual Responsibility Week at Marshall was a success.

"For a first year trial run, it's a success," she said. "We'll definitely be doing this again next year."

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Arenacross comes to Huntington



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Women's tennis
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Women's hoops vs. UTEP
7 p.m. Sat. | Cam Henderson Center

Entertainment

Arenacross
7:30 p.m. Fri. and Sat. | Big Sandy Superstore Arena

Huntington Symphony Orchestra: "Dreams of America"
8 p.m. Sat. | Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center

Mountain Stage with Larry Groce
7 p.m. Sun. | West Virginia Culture Center

On campus

"Gilbert and Sullivan Gems"
3 p.m. Sun. | Smith Music Recital Hall

Hungry for Change: Haiti
11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Feb. 17 | John Marshall Room, Memorial Student Center (Tickets must be purchased by Feb. 16.)

Flute and piano recital
8 p.m. Feb. 17 | Smith Music Recital Hall

New movies

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Valentine's Day
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Student government announces dates of election

BY ALYSSA SALYERS
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University students will elect new representatives for the next academic year.

The Student Government Association elections are scheduled for March 16 and 17. Polling stations will be available in the Memorial Student Center and the Marshall Recreation Center.

Voters will need to present their student ID before voting, said Lashawna Sampson, SGA vice president.

"Last year, everyone's main goal was to get the vote out," Sampson said. "Past elections had not had great voter turnout, so this was a

priority for us."

Students who want to run for office must file for candidacy no later than Feb. 28, Sampson said. Students running for positions in the SGA Senate and Board of Governors must pay a \$10 filing fee. Candidates for student body president and vice president must pay a fee of \$20 per team.

There are a few requirements for candidacy.

"One of the requirements is that the president and vice president teams have to have a GPA of at least

2.5," said Jonathan Murray, election commissioner. "If you are planning to run for senate, your GPA must be at least 2.0."

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Jonathan Murray, SGA election commissioner

said he met Hornbuckle and other SGA members at a conference in his former position as the student body president of Bluefield State College.

"Since I'm new to the Marshall campus, I

think I can be fair to everyone," Murray said. "I'm not personally friends with this group or that group."

As election commissioner, Murray is in charge of the SGA election. He is responsible for distributing copies of the election rules and making sure all the candidates understand the rules. His duties also include monitoring the polls on election day, choosing people to tally the votes and serving as a contact person during the campaign.

Information and applications for candidacy are available in the SGA office, Sampson said.

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Local businesses benefit from holiday

BY BREANNA JONES
THE PARTHENON

Valentine's Day affects Huntington and Barboursville businesses in a big way.

Valentine's Day is the biggest day of the year for Edible Arrangements and Designs by DJ.

"We had to shut the phone off just so we could get a chance to eat lunch," said Geneva George, owner of Edible Arrangements.

Edible Arrangements is located in the Pullman Square Plaza in downtown Huntington.

"We will probably make over 10,000 chocolate covered strawberries for this weekend," George said.

Valentine's Day is not just for flowers anymore; these businesses offer bouquets of a different kind.

Edible Arrangements has a variety of fruits and chocolates cut into shapes such as hearts and stars and placed in an arrangement of a bouquet.

"Instead of a traditional basket of flowers, we sell a basket of fruits," George said. "They come with a variety of chocolates and nuts, with fruits ranging from pineapple, apples, pears, bananas, strawberries and melons."

Baskets can also include teddy bears, balloons

and a decorative container.

Not only is the product healthy, but everything in the store is kosher and vegan, George said. They also carry Frutation products such as, fresh fruit salads, parfaits, drinks, smoothies, dipped fruits and soon to include yogurt.

"Business is exploding for us because of Sunday," she said. "It's been crazy."

Design by DJ is a small flower shop in Barboursville that has unique ways to attract business for the holiday.

"This year we are doing candy bouquets, snack packs and lotion baskets," said Dana Mayo, owner of Designs by DJ.

"Valentine's Day is probably the busiest day of the year for me," Mayo said. "We are a homegrown shop that relies on its home ties for business."

The business also offers the Snack Attack, a basket of individually wrapped snacks, like candy bars, cookies and potato chips.

"Order early because Valentine's Day is on Sunday, and no one will be delivering on Sunday," Mayo said. "Don't miss out on making your significant other feel special for the day."

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Marshall University's pep band spreads spirit as it plays at the women's basketball game. The Herd lost 64-54 to Tulane Thursday night at the Cam Henderson Center.

SHOLTEN SINGER | THE PARTHENON

Winter aftermath in West Virginia

Turnpike workers told to make up hours

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The state parkways authority says it mistakenly paid West Virginia Turnpike employees who couldn't get to work during a December storm, and they'll have to make up that time.

The West Virginia Public Workers Union UE Local 170 plans to file a group grievance over the decision. Field organizer Gordon Simmons says it reverses a long-standing practice to pay workers in such circumstances.

Turnpike general manager Greg Barr told the Charleston Gazette that about 65 employees were paid for hours they didn't work during the Dec. 19-20 storm.

The workers were notified of the decision last week. They'll have to either work to make up the time or give up some of their annual leave.

W.Va. spending \$1 million in weather costs

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — West Virginia's Division of Highways is burning through its snow and ice removal budget fast, spending about \$1 million a day to clear roads.

Gov. Joe Manchin is pursuing federal funding to cope with the string of severe winter storms.

House Speaker Rick Thompson has asked the governor to tap the state's emergency reserves, to help local communities cover storm-related costs.

Manchin said Thursday he's not ruling that out, and has told local officials to put safety ahead of budget concerns.

Federal aid requests take time. Only on Wednesday did West Virginia submit its request from the mid-December storm.

Highways spokesman Brent Walker says his agency had spent \$43 million of its \$54 million removal budget by Monday, before the latest round of storms.

State police say W.Va. man froze to death in storm, residents still concerned about weather

BY VICKI SMITH
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (AP) — State Police found a 62-year-old man frozen to death in a tent in the southern coalfields Thursday as West Virginia tries to dig out from a second winter storm pounding.

Few details were immediately available about the unidentified man, but Capt. S.F. Van Meter said the body was found in McDowell County near the town of Kimball. Cpl. C.K. Morton told the Charleston Gazette the man's body was sent to the state medical examiner's office in Charleston.

The news came as Division of Highway crews plowed massive drifts and cleared roads across the state, burning through its snow and ice removal budget at a rate of about \$1 million a day.

Even before the latest storms hit, the division had spent more than \$43 million, division spokesman Brent Walker said Thursday. While the costs have not been tallied since Monday, Walker said road-clearing expenses typically run about \$1 million, so the agency is now edging close to its allocation of \$54 million.

He said expenses included not only salt and equipment but also the overtime for drivers working 12- to 16-hour days and payment to private contractors.

"These storms are called budget busters for a reason," Walker said.

If snow removal exceeds \$54 million — a possibility with another six to eight weeks of winter weather ahead — funds in other areas will have to be cut, Walker said. That could mean visible cutbacks in maintenance, paving and mowing in the spring and summer.

"It could have a severe effect," he said, "but I don't think we're too worried yet."

While West Virginia has had fewer snowstorms this year than in many previous years, Walker said they have been more severe.

Schools were closed in 51 of the state's 55 counties Thursday.

About 800 National Guard troops had been called out to help with cleanup, transportation and other emergencies in 14 counties. Many efforts were concentrated in the state's hard-hit eastern and northern panhandles.

In rural and mountainous Mineral County, guardsmen and

firefighters were stepping up what emergency management director Marc Bashoor called "health and wellness missions," delivering food and medicine to people stranded on unplowed secondary roads.

"There's one guy that's handicapped, in a wheelchair, who works at Wal-Mart and hasn't been able to get to work since last Friday. He lives a couple miles off a paved road in a trailer, on a road nobody has touched yet," Bashoor said. "There's just all kind of stories like that."

But things were slowly returning to normal.

Only about 7,000 people statewide remained without power. Power company and highway crews were out in force, along with state forestry workers who were clearing away downed trees, said Leslie Fitzwater, spokeswoman for the state Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management.

"Everybody's just working as hard as they can and as fast as they can," she said. "We're still asking people to use common sense and to stay home if possible. Some areas are still challenging roadwise, so it's best if people can stay off the roads and let the crews do their work."

Politicians, meanwhile, were already calling for money and hearings.

Citing concerns about how highways in the Eastern Panhandle were managed, state Sen. John Unger, D-Berkeley, scheduled a Feb. 16 hearing before the Senate Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. He said it's an opportunity to "examine how we might do better."

Unger told The Journal of Martinsburg he was concerned that chunks of ice formed on roads in West Virginia, but not on roads in neighboring Maryland and Virginia.

House Speaker Rick Thompson asked Gov. Joe Manchin to tap the state's Rainy Day Fund to help communities hit hardest by the storms, saying many are in "dire straits."

Manchin spokesman Matt Turner said the governor has not ruled that out but has told local officials to consider safety first, not cost. While the Rainy Day Fund is an option, he said the state must first work with the federal government on disaster assistance.

"We will do what is needed, using all of our resources," Manchin said, "but we will do it responsibly."

Lawmakers try to referee gas drilling in W.Va., bill requires notifying land owners

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — A renewed push to drill for natural gas is pushing West Virginia lawmakers to consider new safeguards for property owners and the environment.

Bills introduced in the Senate and House this week would require that owners be notified before drilling companies with mineral rights apply for permits to build structures such as wells or pipelines on their land.

"The surface owners really have no leverage in law right now to object to or even negotiate the placement or wells, access roads and pipelines on their property," said Gary Zuckett, a lobbyist for West Virginia Citizen Action Group. "Now, they're not required to be notified until the permit has been applied for and the surveying has already been done."

The industry successfully opposed similar measures proposed during the previous two sessions. Industry lobbyists say current protections are sufficient, and the new proposals would handicap business.

"This frustrates the ability of the industry in an

already heavily regulated environment," said Phil Reale, a lobbyist for the state's Independent Oil and Gas Association. "Much of what is proposed would change an entire body of real estate law that's existed in the state for 150 years and has worked."

David McMahon, a lobbyist for surface owners, said the pending bills address cases in which companies have drilled where the owners had planned to build something else — for instance, a retirement home. He said the provisions are similar to New Mexico's laws on the issue.

The Senate, meanwhile, on Wednesday delayed for the second time a vote on a measure addressing the wastewater that results from drilling into underground shale for natural gas.

Much of it comes from hydraulic fracturing, or "fracking." Millions of gallons of water, sand and chemicals are blasted into a well to fracture tightly compacted rock and release trapped natural gas. The water that returns to the surface can be five times saltier than seawater and laden with dissolved solids.

Fracking has been applied to tap the massive Marcellus Shale, potentially the country's most productive natural gas source. It stretches deep underground beneath several northeastern and Appalachian states, including nearly all of West Virginia.

The original rule would have required liners on all pits and impoundments for holding wastewater, similar to the liners used for landfills. Environmentalists have cried foul over changes to that measure.

It would now allow some drillers to avoid that requirement by conducting a soil analysis, according to Don Garvin, legislative coordinator for the West Virginia Environmental Council. If the analysis shows that liquid cannot easily flow through the soil, the company wouldn't need to pay for a liner.

"We went through all this years ago with requiring landfills to have liners and the decision was made to not take any chance," Garvin said. "The bottom line is, we want to see all pits and impoundments have liners."

Reale said the rule language reflects an agreement between industry groups and state regulators.

A spokeswoman for the Department of Environmental Protection did not immediately respond to a request for comment Wednesday.

Among other provisions, the proposed rule would require companies to plant markers above underground pipelines in mining areas. A surface miner was killed in 2006 when his bulldozer struck an unmarked line in Boone County.

The industry enjoyed a brief expansion in drilling before the recession took hold and natural gas prices dropped. Reale said that decline persists, and said 2009 saw 60 percent fewer wells drilled when compared to the previous year.

But Zuckett and McMahon believe the market is headed for an upswing and they question whether DEP is prepared. Regulators had told lawmakers on Tuesday that the department has 17 inspectors for 57,000 active wells. Each inspector would have to check more than a dozen a day to ensure that each well gets a single visit annually.

SPORTS

C-USA MEN'S HOOPS STANDINGS

| | C-USA | | Overall | |
|---------------|-------|---|---------|---|
| | W | L | W | L |
| UTEP | 9 | 1 | 18 | 5 |
| Tulsa | 8 | 2 | 19 | 5 |
| UAB | 7 | 2 | 19 | 4 |
| Memphis | 7 | 2 | 17 | 7 |
| Marshall | 5 | 4 | 17 | 7 |
| Southern Miss | 4 | 5 | 14 | 9 |

| | C-USA | | Overall | |
|---------------|-------|---|---------|----|
| | W | L | W | L |
| Houston | 4 | 5 | 12 | 11 |
| SMU | 4 | 5 | 11 | 12 |
| UCF | 3 | 6 | 11 | 12 |
| East Carolina | 2 | 8 | 8 | 16 |
| Tulane | 2 | 8 | 7 | 16 |
| Rice | 1 | 8 | 8 | 15 |

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Third and a Mile Another black eye for C-USA

Confer-
ence USA
got its second
black eye in
as many years
Thursday.

UCF be-
came the latest
of Marshall's
fellow C-USA
schools to
draw the atten-
tion of the NCAA's watchdogs. College sport's governing body placed the Orlando school on two years of probation, basically meaning if the Knights slip up again, they will be subject to a little more than the slap on the wrist they received this time.

The other black eye, of course, happened when the hammer came down on Memphis after the Derek Rose scandal. What UCF did was not in the same ballpark as the trouble the Tigers got in, but it does raise some interesting questions.

Apparently, two UCF recruiting assistants (dubbed "non-coaching" assistants in the NCAA report released Thursday) were found to have been breaking the rules in regard to when and how members of the college coaching staff's can contact potential players. Over the span of several years, these coaches (their names were not released) had been sending text messages and placing telephone calls to recruits when they were not supposed to.

This went on a lot, according to the report (a copy of which can be found in .PDF format at <http://www.orlandosentinel.com/sports/college/knights/>) and the NCAA deemed what went down as a major violation. No matter how you spin it, it's not good for C-USA and it is certainly not good for UCF.

It was not quite two years ago that Ereck Plancher, a member of the Knights football team, died at a UCF practice. The incident prompted a lawsuit against the university and conflicting reports of what exactly happened that day between several players and Knights head coach George O'Leary. That, along with the recent run-in with the NCAA should have the Knights on everybody's radar for the wrong reasons.

Speaking of black eyes, every year LeBron doesn't participate in the dunk contest it is a black eye for the NBA.

What is it going to take to get Bron Bron to compete in an All-Star slam dunk contest?

All the time you hear comparisons to Michael Jordan, but unless you've been living under a rock you should see the two big differences between the careers of James and Jordan - Jordan dominated the 90s to the tune of six titles and went back-to-back on dunk championships. So until LeBron wins one of either of those let's end all that discussion.

Digging out of your igloo every morning getting you down? Cheer up, baseball season starts next week.

Glancing at the Herd's 2010 schedule, it could be a pretty good year for Jeff Waggoner's squad. A double-header against Coppin State to be played at Beckley stood out as strange, and the rest of the slate looks at least manageable for Marshall.

Of course, it's not hard to wonder if the Herd will be able to play any games in the Huntington area. There are games scheduled to be played in town, but having seen the condition the Kennedy Center field has been in at times in the past, it shouldn't come as a big shock if the nasty weather washes away most of, if not all



Tom Bragg
COLUMNIST

Crushed by a Green Wave



Freshman forward Adrian Randall puts up a shot against a Tulane defender in front of the Marshall bench. Randall had seven points in the Herd's 65-54 loss against the Green Wave at the Cam Henderson Center on Thursday night.

SHOLTEN SINGER | THE PARTHENON

Herd never finds footing as Tulane cruises to victory

BY JONAS SWECKER
THE PARTHENON

The Tulane Green Wave scored the first points of the game Thursday night against the Marshall women's basketball team and never looked back, beating the Herd 64-54 in front of 292 fans at the Cam Henderson Center.

Marshall (13-11, 5-6) managed to close in on a 16-point lead by Tulane (18-5, 7-3), getting within six late in the second half, but couldn't get enough stops to ever take the lead. With the win, the Green Wave moves into first place in Conference USA.

"In the first half we turned the ball over too much and had critical opportunities to score points that we were unable to finish," said Marshall head coach Royce Chadwick. "In the second half we had a few too many turnovers, but we really put ourselves in a situation where we convert a couple of free throws, convert a couple offensive rebound put-backs and we're right where we wanted to be."

Marshall got in foul trouble early in the game, sending Tulane to the free-throw line a total of 30 times during the contest. The Green Wave was able to knock down 20 of those which proved critical late in the game. The Herd also had trouble defending the three-point shot, giving up 18 points from beyond the arc.

"We haven't defended the three all year," Chadwick said. "We're playing Alaya Mitchell

and Tanya Walters and they are not very tall. If you're not big, you have to close out faster. In an effort to do that, you have to anticipate better."

Marshall seemed to be able to control the post, scoring 24 of 54 points in the paint, except when Tulane's 6-foot-3 sophomore center Brett Benizio entered the game. Benizio scored 13 of the Green Wave's 21 points off the bench, seven coming from the charity stripe.

"She was a difference maker I thought in about a ten-minute stretch," Chadwick said.

Chadwick said the Herd is a team that could come up with 14 reasons why it is struggling. Reasons such as being unable to use players such as Tynikki Crook, Alyssa Hammond and Veronica Ruiz. However, he said the Herd has players who are capable of picking up the slack.

"We are what we are and we have players that are putting the jersey on that are very capable of going out there and making it happen," Chadwick said.

Freshman guard Erica Woods was one player who filled that role for Marshall against Tulane. Woods led the team in scoring with 16 and grabbed seven rebounds, second only to senior forward Chantelle Handy who had eight.

"She has the right mentality," Chadwick said. "And for a freshman to have paid all the dues that she has paid to put

See TULANE 15

Marshall readies for redemption against UAB

BY KYLE HOBSTETTER
THE PARTHENON



Marshall at UAB

8 p.m. Saturday
Bartow Arena

Radio: 93.7 WDGG.

With five seconds left, 5-foot-8 UAB guard Aaron Johnson threw the ball up over Marshall's 7-foot center Hassan Whiteside.

The ball went in, and what could have been a signature win for the Marshall men's basketball turned into disappointing 61-59 defeat.

A defeat that is not too far from the mind's of the Herd players.

"We thought we let one slip a little bit," Jones said. "We definitely thought we could have won the game but they made a few plays down the stretch."

While UAB has made plays down the stretch, it seems like Marshall has usually folded in the final minutes. During a five-game losing streak, four of the Herd's losses went down to the final possession.

Head coach Donnie Jones said while his team has played hard, there is no reason to be happy with that and they need to learn to play all 40 minutes of the game.

"There are no moral victories, you got to finish games," Jones said. "We've been close in doing that and we have to tighten up those things. There is not a lot of room for error when you play good teams."

"You got to make your breaks even if they don't go your way."

One of those games was UAB, and while the Herd had the Blazers on the ropes, they just couldn't make the plays in the end.

But in the rematch the Herd has a better understanding of what needs to be done. The main thing is dealing with the athleticism of UAB. Especially when they move around star forward Elijah Millsap.

One thing UAB likes to do is move the 6-foot-6 forward

to different positions and have him create mismatches.

"He's a big time driver, and can shoot open shots and shoot 3s," Lutz said of Millsap. "They are all really good rebounders, especially Millsap, he leads the league in rebounds, so they can space us out."

But while Millsap has been a problem all year, he was held in check with only six points and seven rebounds, in the first meeting between Marshall and UAB.

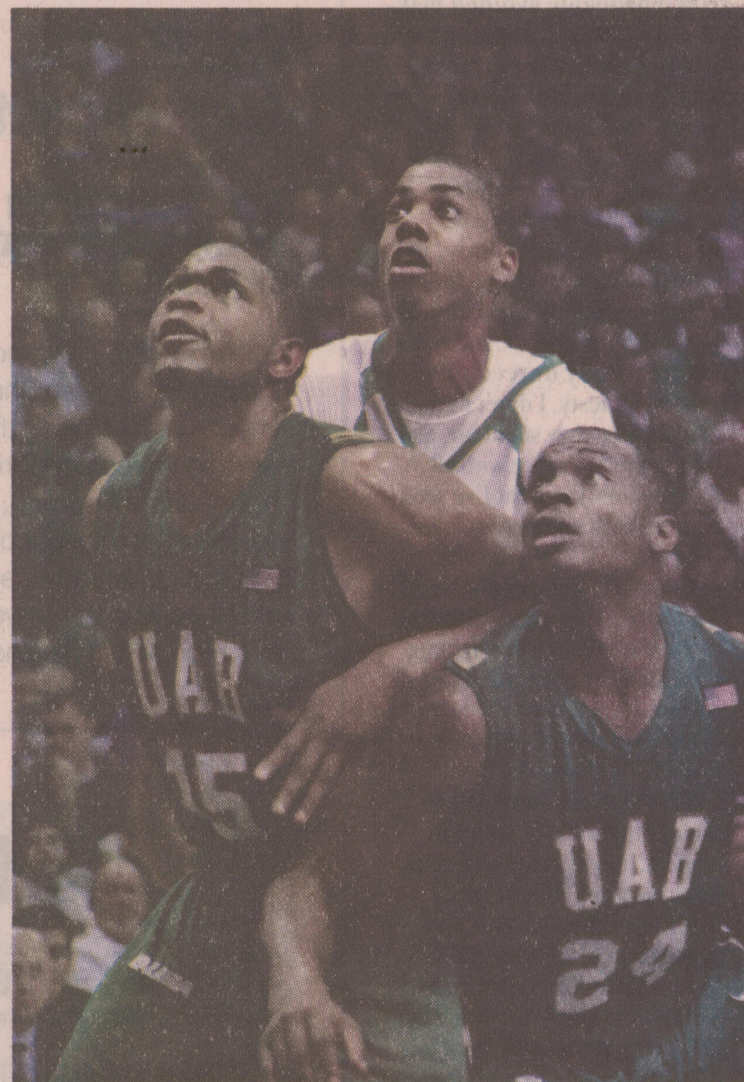
The key for UAB's win in Huntington though, was senior forward Howard Crawford.

Crawford put up 19 points and eight rebounds, with most of points coming from outside jump shots, something that is not a staple in Crawford's repertoire.

But Jones knows that his team has gotten better since that game, in late January and believes his team will have a better showing down south.

"We have to go into their place and where they have won 12 in a row and are 12-0 at home," Jones said. "I just want

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Marshall center Hassan Whiteside is boxed out by UAB defenders in the teams' last game January 23. Whiteside needs to have a big game in Saturday's rematch against the Blazers

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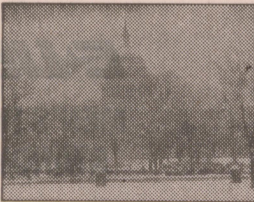
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THE PARTHENON EDITORIAL

Be glad you have the freedom to celebrate love

Whether you have a partner or not, remember how lucky you are to have what you do in the U.S.

Valentine's Day: The holiday we love or the holiday we hate. Some of us celebrate with our sweethearts, and some of us crack sarcastic jokes and stay home. But however we feel about the holiday, we must be thankful for the freedom to spend it how we want.

In Saudi Arabia, celebrating Valentine's Day is illegal. It is considered a Western holiday and will not be celebrated in the

Eastern country. Police are confiscating holiday merchandise, destroying it and warning the public they will be punished if caught possessing Valentine's Day related items. They have even gone as far to print warning ads in the newspapers, according to the NY Daily News Web site.

"As Muslims, we shouldn't celebrate a non-Muslim celebration, especially this one that encourages

immoral relations between unmarried men and women," said Sheikh Khaled Al-Dossari, a scholar in Islamic studies told the Saudi Gazette.

Despite this statement, some Saudi Arabians buy their holiday gifts early or buy flowers on the black market, according to the NY Daily News Web site.

Imagine if we had to buy flowers on the black market. Imagine if anything red, pink or white was confiscated and destroyed. Imagine the stores devoid of the colors and gifts the holiday brings. Imagine getting in trouble with the law

because you tried to buy someone a gift. This lifestyle is one without freedom. We would not be able to choose how to live our lives.

In Saudi Arabia, women can't drive or mingle with men they are not related to, according to the NY Daily News Web site.

Let's stop and think about how often we interact with the opposite sex. What if we could only talk to people of the opposite sex whom we are related to? We would not meet anyone new. We would miss out of friendships and romantic

relationships. We would not get to know our future husbands or wives, and we would ultimately have very little choice in whom we love.

So this Valentine's Day, whether you're in love, dating or living life single, think about your freedom. Think about the overwhelming red and pink aisle in Wal-Mart we have the freedom to visit. Think about the freedom we have to ask another person to go on a date. Think about the freedom we have to choose our own paths. Let's celebrate that this Valentine's Day.

MORGAN UNGER
INSPIRATION

Living by what we believe in

In the last week or two, many of us have probably been seeing some people handing out half sheets of paper near the student center plaza.

Many of us tried to avoid them, hid behind someone else or changed our course of direction so we didn't have to come in contact with them. Many of us probably cracked jokes about them, threw their papers away without a second glance or rudely refused one.

We probably avoided making eye contact because we felt that they were strange, foreign religious fanatics. In our defense, they did look a little odd, slightly out of place on a secular college campus. Simply because they dressed differently, we immediately assumed they were not one of us. And that fact alone may have made us automatically unresponsive.

In all honesty, I don't know exactly what they stand for, and I don't tend to agree with all their beliefs, but what I've seen of them both impresses and convicts me.

None of us can say they aren't dedicated. They're standing out in the bitter cold, snow falling, bone-chilling wind whipping all day long handing out little slips of paper in the hopes that someone will be changed.

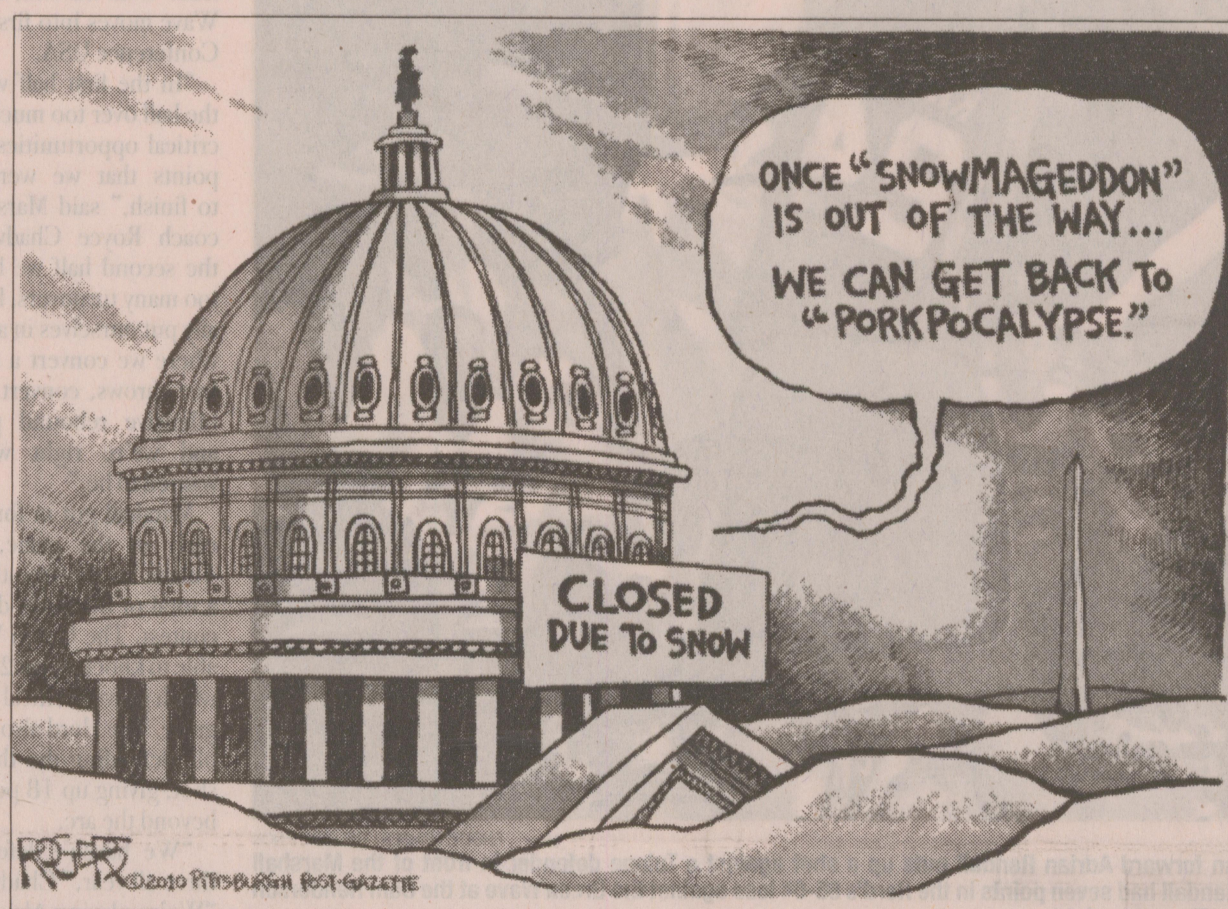
Regardless of their beliefs, their faithfulness demands respect, and their commitment deserves awe. They are truly living what they believe. You may disagree, and that's OK. But consider for just a moment what sort of world we would live in if everyone actually lived this way. Even if you aren't religious at all, you undoubtedly have a list of "good" and "bad" in your mind. But do you always adhere to it?

How often have you heard yourself say, "I know I shouldn't, but..." It's too many to count for me, unfortunately, and I'm guessing it's the same for you.

I am requesting something simple: please have a little respect for the devout, regardless of their faith. They deserve at least that. Feel free to disagree with their views, but please acknowledge their benevolent intentions. Because while most of us think they should be more like us, I would argue that the opposite is true.

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CALEB WHISENANT
SO, HERE'S THE THING

Make the love holiday an original

I like the idea of Valentine's Day inasmuch as it allows me to remonstrate against the commercialization of romance. On some level, it is offensive to our humanity - the idea that the millions of years of evolution that led to the capability of human beings to feel emotion as potent and prevailing as love would be reduced to Hallmark greetings and boxes of chocolates.

For those readers in relationships, this day may be a sweet must-do; I understand that. I also understand the need for some people to partake in the traditions of all it means to have someone special to spend this day with (although I think there's something unsettling in the notion that there's one day out of 365 that love should be more passionately and affectionately expressed).

I am, however, concerned here in offering suggestions to those who are interested in adding originality to an otherwise conformed day of the year.

So, here's the thing. Get creative and make the most out of an over commercialized holiday. You'll love yourself for it.

Adopt a pet. Make a new friend and spend the day getting to know them. Adding a new member to your family is exciting, and you don't have to buy this Valentine a gift. Just give them love.

Read "Love" by Toni Morrison. A cup of hot chocolate and this haunting novel by the Nobel laureate will make for an unforgettable evening. One of the most brilliant American writers weaves together the stories of several different women and their relationship to a deceased wealthy hotel owner. Ever captivating in her use of language and structure, Morrison tackles the emotion of love in many of its facets, both romantic and otherwise, creating a book that will leave you breathless.

Host a where-in-the-world dinner. Pick a place in the world you've always wanted to visit, do some research on the cuisine of that place, and then cook a meal fit for that place's residents. Invite some friends over and enjoy a slice of the world in your own home.

Watch old romantic movies on the Turner Classic Movie channel. Have a good laugh, and remind yourself that while these movies have a nostalgic charm about them, the love they portray is not real love.

If all else fails at your apartment, go to one of the many "sexy and single" parties going on in town. Join other people who are single (and obviously confident in themselves) and enjoy the company of people who are also going it alone. And who knows, maybe you'll meet someone in the process.

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Money from drug raids used to purchase new Huntington police cars

BY KRISTINA ELFRINK
THE PARTHENON

Money confiscated by law enforcement officers during drug raids is now being used to finance new equipment for the Huntington Police Department. "Whenever funds are seized and forfeited to the government in the course of a narcotics investigation, the funds are placed into an asset forfeiture account," said Cpt. Mike Albers of the Huntington Police Department. "The funds come in as large and small amounts, most are smaller \$2000-5000 at a time and some are very large. We have had forfeitures of over \$100,000."

Some funds are being used to pay for six new police vehicles.

"We use asset forfeiture funds to finance drug investigations and to purchase police equipment. Asset forfeiture provides us with the ability to use seized drug money and turn it around on the dealers and use their money to support law enforcement operations against them," Albers said.

"The cars were purchased from Hurricane Chevrolet on the West Virginia statewide contract. The

state puts vehicles out to bid once a year and municipalities can then piggyback these bids and take advantage of the greater purchasing power of the state," Albers said. "Local dealerships all had the opportunity to bid when the State purchasing office solicited the bids earlier this year. The city also saves money and time by letting the State purchasing department do all of the legwork on writing specifications and soliciting bids. We get more for our money that way."

The amount of the purchased cars is \$102,000. Hurricane Chevrolet also benefits from providing this service to the HPD.

Ken Hass, director of operations at Hurricane Chevrolet, said in a written statement, "this is our opportunity to provide assistance and support to our local and state agencies. We are excited to be able to provide a quality product and service to the men and women of the Huntington Police Department. It's just one way for us to support those individuals that have dedicated their lives to serving and protecting."

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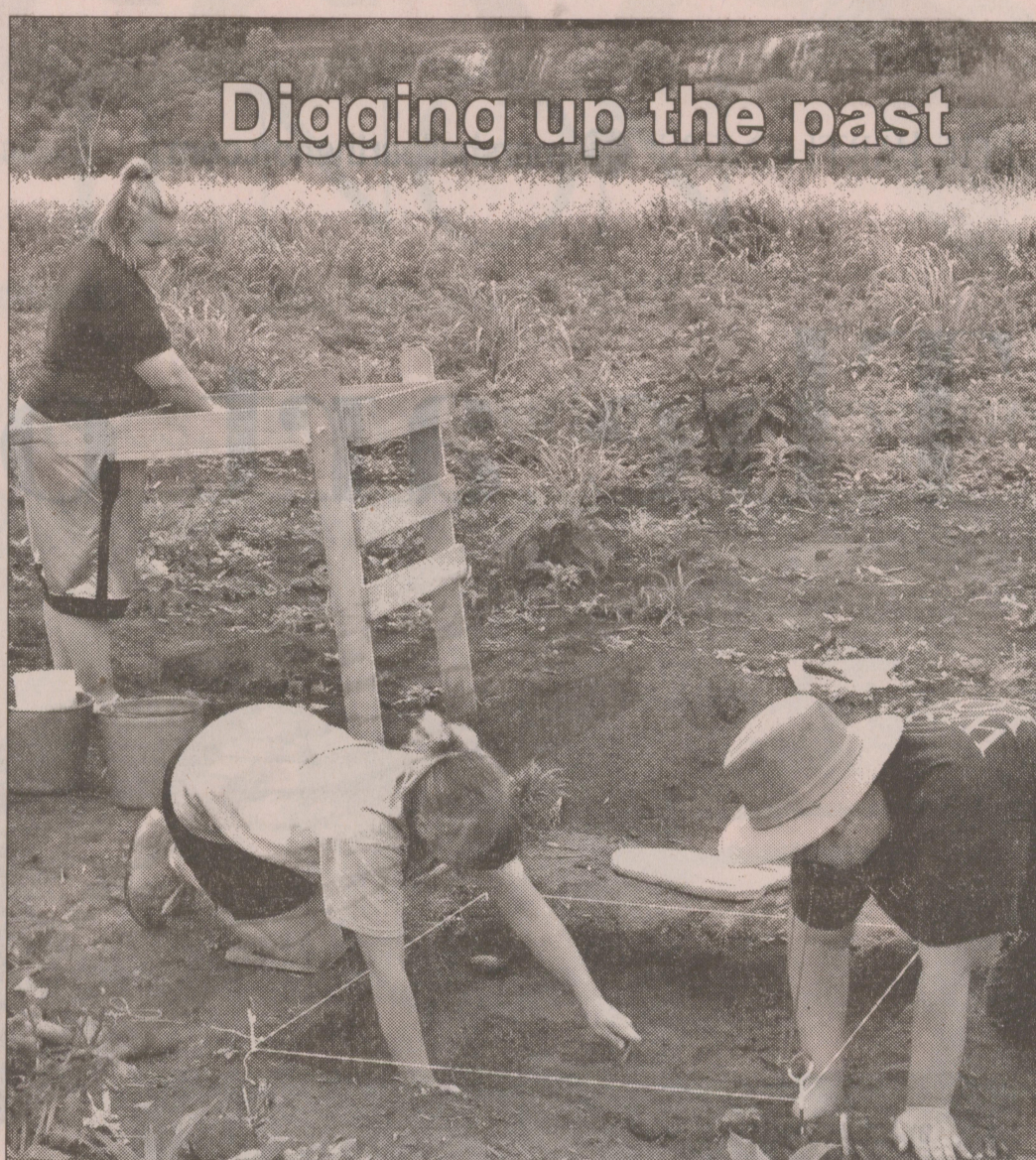
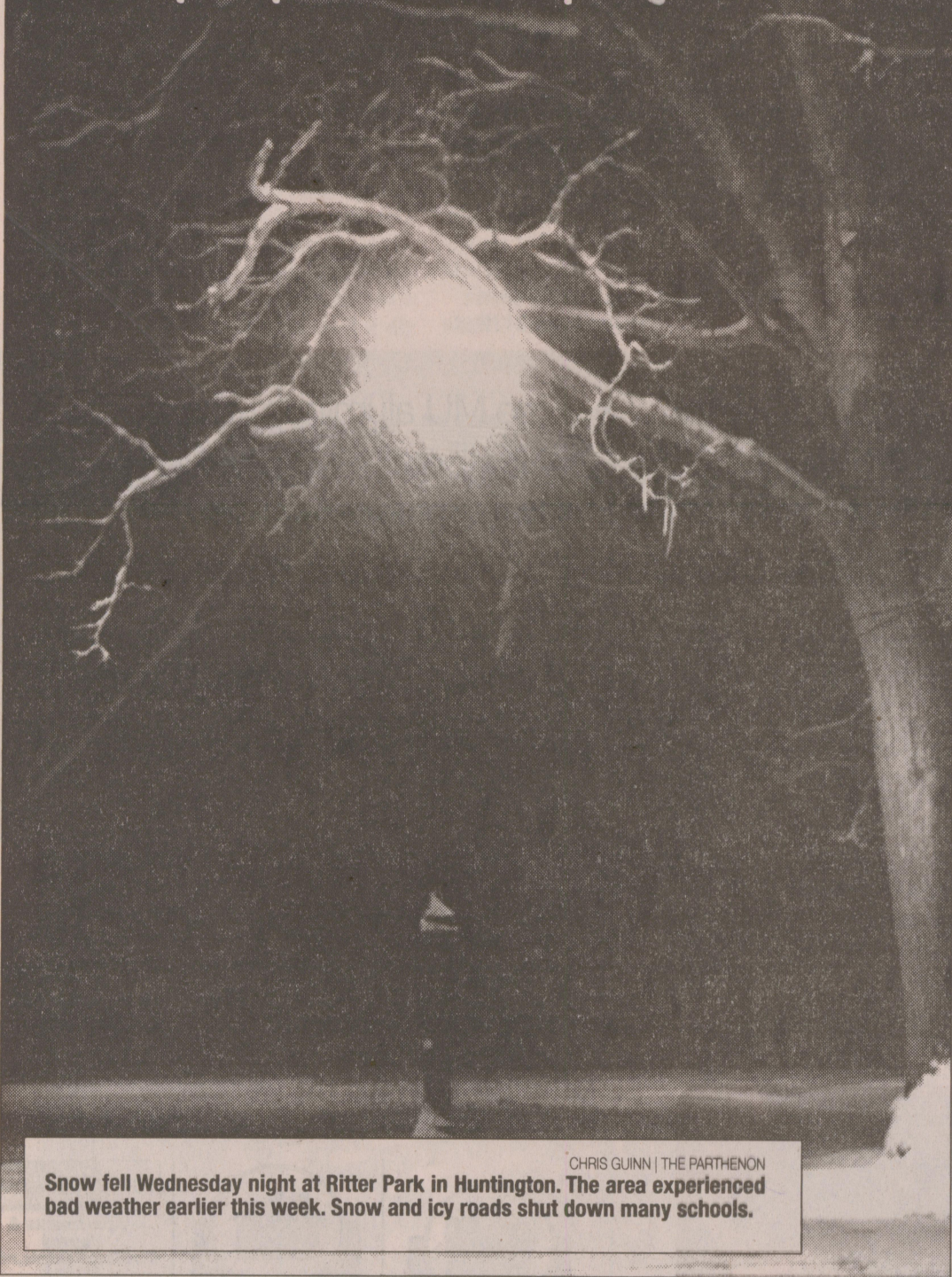


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Students in Marshall University's archaeology class dig for artifacts in Guyandotte, W.Va. The course is offered in the summers through the Department of Sociology and Anthropology.

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Snowy days and snowy nights



CHRIS GUINN | THE PARTHENON
Snow fell Wednesday night at Ritter Park in Huntington. The area experienced bad weather earlier this week. Snow and icy roads shut down many schools.

UAB

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gotten better as a team and I think we will be better when we go down there and play."

Luckily for Jones, the Herd is on a two game winning streak, a streak where they have put 100-point plus totals on the board.

Even better news is that senior forward, and Marshall leading scorer Tyler Wilkerson has had most of the week off and should be ready for the game.

But the bad taste still has left a sting in Marshall's mouth. Even with Wilkerson's 18

points, and Whiteside's national coming out party, the Herd still remember that late January circus shot.

"We played tough and very physical that's the kind of team UAB is," Jones said. "They made plays down the stretch. We had a shot down the end and didn't make it and that's the way it's going to be when you play good teams."

Marshall plays at UAB with tipoff scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday at the Bartow Arena in Birmingham, Ala.

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TULANE

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herself in a situation to start a basketball game and see what she can do, I'm very proud of the way she responded. Hopefully that's just a glimpse of things to come."

"I think the future is very bright because we should get people back before March," Chadwick said. "If that happens, we'll be prepared for the stretch run."

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West Virginia lawmakers taking it slow halfway through session

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The West Virginia legislative session reached its halfway point Thursday, and lawmakers have fulfilled predictions that they would be taking it slow this year.

A lack of money has made lawmakers cautious with legislation. Delegates and senators have passed barely more than half the number of bills they had managed by this time last year.

And that's just legislation going from one chamber to the other. As of Thursday, a single bill has passed both the House of Delegates and the Senate to Gov. Joe Manchin's desk. That measure gave counties flexibility in setting the first and last days of school.

"I'll go ahead and say it's

been slow," Senate President Earl Ray Tomblin said Thursday. "Obviously, in a year when money's tight, people understand they're limited in what they can do."

The Logan County Democrat, though, expects more legislation to make its way to Manchin as the session nears its March 13 endpoint.

"A lot of bills are churning through the process right now, but they'll be coming out of the Finance Committee and Judiciary Committee soon," he said.

Money isn't the only inhibiting factor. The primary election in May and the November general election typically make legislators reluctant to raise contentious issues. But that hasn't stopped some from trying.

BRAGG

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"home" games Marshall might have played.

The really sad thing about the situation? It wouldn't be the first time.

The topic has become one of the many broken records for Herd fans, but it would be nice to see someone, anyone, step up and help get this team a true home field in Huntington. Can you imagine if the football team had to travel to Charleston to play at the old Laidley Field? That's pretty much what the baseball players have had to do. Appalachian Power Park is a fantastic place to watch a baseball game, but it will never be better than watching the Herd play on its own campus.

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African-American Students' Program gears up for annual Diversity Breakfast

BY JOHN LEWIS
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University African American Students' Programs is hosting its annual Diversity Breakfast to bring different cultures together and understand each other's differences.

"The goal is to bring people together for the purpose of celebrating and recognizing the importance of diversity," said Maurice Cooley, director for African American Students' Programs.

The Diversity Breakfast will take place at 7:30 a.m. Feb. 19 in the Don Morris Room in the Memorial Student Center.

"Life can be a greater joy by those who are living and learning to work on socializing with one another and know one another to embrace one another," Cooley said. "We have to accept one another regardless of the way we think of our culture, religion, race and ethnicities."

Faculty, students and members of the community will be involved. There will be 30 to 40 different races and cultures in attendance, Cooley said.

"It's very important to know how other people think and feel and what other cultures value and what their historic experience has

been," said Shari Clarke, vice president of multicultural affairs.

"We all bring differences and with these differences if we know them and embrace them, they enrich us," Cooley said. "They don't separate us. They only separate us if we don't recognize the value of the different cultures."

Cooley said he feels that Marshall can have greater joy with different cultures because it decreases separation. It embraces inclusiveness and causes people to develop cohesiveness by joining together rather maximizing the separation that we have.

This is important because if we do have that connection with one another then the world will be a better less disruptive place to live in, Cooley said.

"I hope the students become more comfortable with recognizing and exploring our differences," Cooley said. "I think that the students that come should recognize that together we can have a successful uplifting experience with one another."

It's important for other people to understand different cultures because a lot of people are dumbfounded as to why people do certain things the way they do, said De'reece Lynch, junior sociology major from Charleston, W.Va., and president of the Nu Nu

Alpha fraternity.

"I feel if you have an understanding of where somebody else is coming from and what background they come from, you will have a better understanding as to why they live the way they live their lives," Lynch said. "So when we come to the Diversity Breakfast and we all come together you actually get to see that Marshall is diverse, and it's just not the average people you see in the student center."

This event has been going on for more than 10 years, Cooley said. They are expecting over 300 people to attend the event.

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The art of flight

BY JOHN YEINGST
THE PARTHENON

The Huntington Museum of Art will offer a class entitled "Birds in Art." It will be for individuals with experience in drawing and painting.

Chuck Ripper, a freelance wildlife illustrator from Huntington, will be teaching the class and instructing on the body structure and feather patterns of birds.

Ripper is famous for his wildlife illustrations and stamp art works.

He moved to Huntington in 1953 with his wife and became the art director for Standard Printing and Publishing Co., according to a news release provided by John Gillispie. During this time, he wrote and illustrated 11 nature books for children, with subjects ranging from bats to woodchucks. He has designed a total of 80 stamps for the U.S. Postal Service.

Eighty percent of the work he has done over the years has been with birds, Ripper said, but if you want to stay busy you have to do work with other animals.

"When I would see my mother in Fort Myers, we would count birds while going fishing during the daytime," Ripper said. "Even when I'm going down the highway, I'm counting all the birds."

"I enjoy painting in watercolor but will let the students use whatever medium they are most comfortable with," Ripper said.

Ripper's work has been shown in museums across the U.S., including the Norman Rockwell Museum of Illustration, National Geographic Society, Washington, D.C. and the Denver Museum of Natural History.

"It's a chance for me to share what I have figured out over the years and it is an opportunity for people to get some help with their talent," Ripper said. "There aren't too many art studios that offer this sort of class around the Huntington area."

John Gillispie, the museum's public relations director, said he is happy to have Ripper teaching at the museum.

"He has drawn so many different types of animals but birds are his favorite, and I think that him focusing on what he enjoys will help make the class fun," Gillispie said. "Chuck is a great guy and very successful wildlife illustrator, and I think people will enjoy being able to spend time in the classroom."

Gillispie said he anticipates the class will be very popular.

"We wanted to show people the wildlife from our trail, and he did illustrations of the birds and butterflies you will see on the trail," Gillispie said.

The class will be Tuesdays from Feb. 16 to March 23.

To register for the class, contact Brad Boston at the Huntington Museum of Art's Education Department.

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WADE McCOMAS | MARSHALL UNIVERSITY STUDENT

Community Bulletin

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Chuck Ripper, freelance wildlife
illustrator from Huntington

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