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MCTC offers test prep for potential graduate students

BY ELIZABETH ADAMS
THE PARTHENON

MCTC is offering a low cost GRE test preparatory course to help students perform better on the exam.

"We listened to the public and started the GRE class because there wasn't any other offering around here with a classroom environment," said Erika Bailey, director of continuing and community education at MCTC.

"Looking at how many individuals have bachelors degrees today, the masters is now distinguishing them for prime consideration for jobs," Bailey said. "With job scarcity today, the potential employees that choose to show mastery by getting a masters degree are setting themselves apart and employers will not only hire them but pay them more for it."

The GRE General Test, or Graduate Record Examination, is important for getting into a masters program, said Ford Price, instructor of the GRE course.

"I would say 75 percent of divisions at Marshall or any other college require individuals to take the GRE. For the majority, if you're wanting to get into grad school, you're required to take the GRE," Bailey said.

The GRE is the most widely accepted graduate admissions test, according to the Education Testing Service Web site. The test provides the only common measure for comparing the qualifications of students who wish to enter graduate school.

The test is approximately three hours and forty-five minutes long. To perform well on the exam, test-takers must articulate complex ideas clearly and effectively, analyze and evaluate written material and demonstrate a level of problem solving ability, according to the Web site.

"Getting higher scores is the most important, but knowing how to take the test, how it's structured and what kinds of questions are asked are

key," Bailey said. "For many students, it's the fear of the unknown."

"The goal is to prepare test takers to understand the test and be able to prepare in order to succeed and demonstrate knowledge in certain areas they are to be tested in," Price said.

Price said he will teach test skills, the mechanics of the test, how to manage time and how the test works.

"If they know how the test is structured, how to remain calm and how to budget time wisely, they can do much better on the test," Bailey said.

The GRE preparatory course specializes in helping each individual with their own test-taking needs, she said.

"We help them to overcome the areas where they personally have the most difficulty by helping them maximize their number of correct responses and the types of questions and strategies they need to be successful," Bailey said. "We have a good set-up, requiring testing of students up-front to see where they need the help. It is much better to just take the time to study the items they don't know instead of continually studying everything."

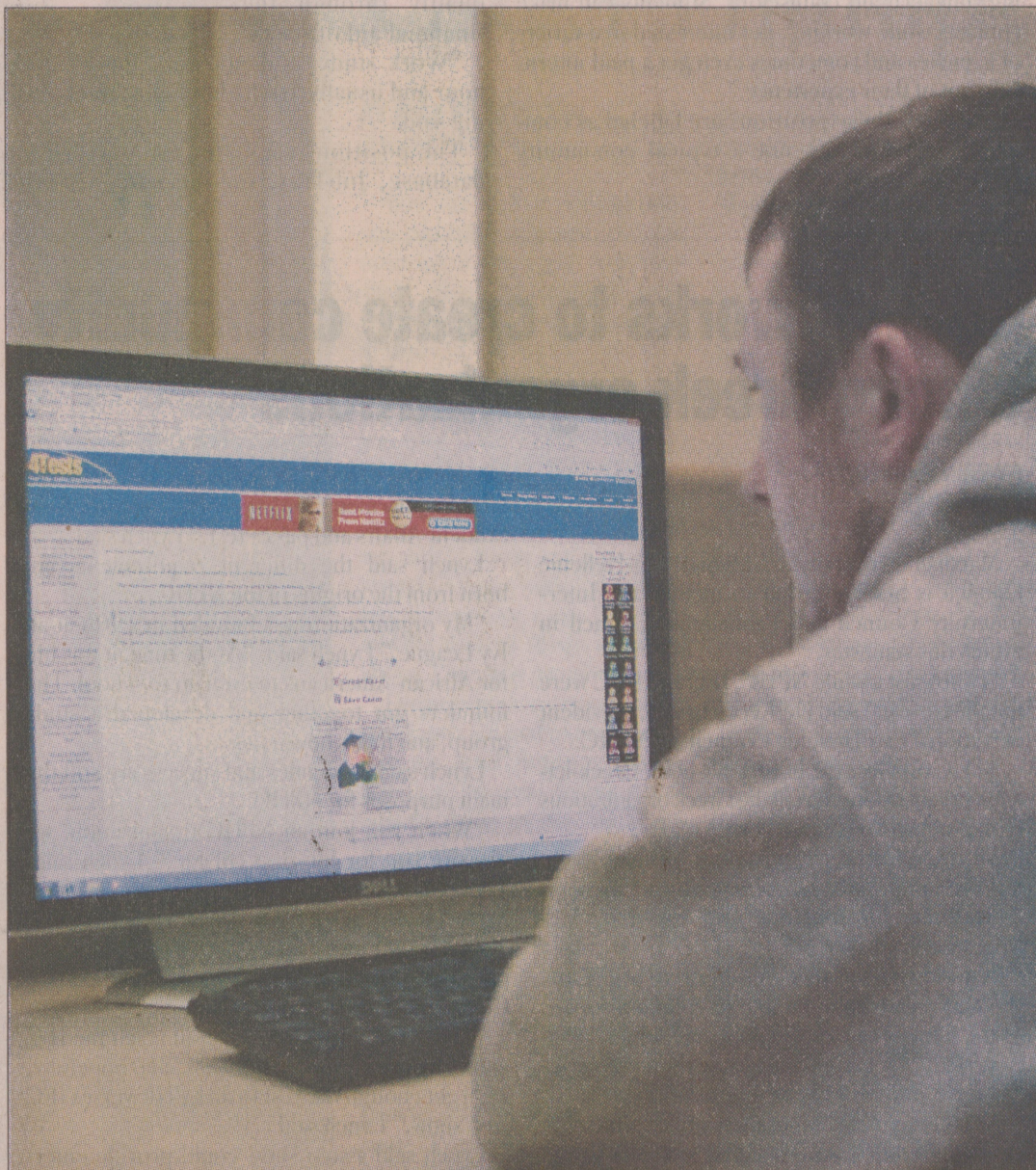
"We test students the first night with a practice GRE and we send it to Cambridge and they get it back to us by the next course," Bailey said. "The teacher is able to tailor the course to individual student needs and toward the end, we test them again. Usually we get quite a significant raise in test scores."

The course is effective and builds confidence building Bailey said.

The course will be from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays in Latta's room 202. The price of the class is \$350 and includes materials.

Registration is available online at the MCTC Web site. Further inquiries may be made at the office of Continuing and Corporate Education, located at 348 15th St., Huntington.

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Clay Chapman, senior engineering major from Sydney, Ky., reviews his GRE at Drinko Library. MCTC offers a GRE test prep course to help students reach graduate school and pursue their masters degrees.

Marshall Solutions Center helps students cope with ADHD

BY ANDREA POLING
THE PARTHENON

Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder can be a difficult condition for students to deal with.

Dr. James M. Lewis, pediatrician and ADHD specialist for the Marshall University Medical Center, has been working with young patients with school and behavioral problems for the past seven to eight years.

"The problem with ADHD is that there is a lot of it," Lewis said. "In a class of 30 kids, there might be anywhere from one to three kids who have it."

In 2009, the National Institute of Mental Health conducted a study with 3,042 children and adolescents.

After interviewing the patients and their parents, researchers found that 8.6 percent of the participants had ADHD.

Lewis and his staff help young people manage behavior difficulties with school and treat their learning disabilities, attention deficits, hyperactivity and associated emotional problems.

Mary Shackelford, parent coordinator and education specialist for the Marshall School Solutions Center, works with local school systems to help advocate children with ADHD.

"The schools are supposed to do things differently for these guys and teach them different. We are also supposed to find ways to reward the right behavior."

Dr. James M. Lewis, pediatrician and ADHD specialist, Marshall University Medical Center

Lewis said there is evidence that ADHD has some genetic base and is related to the chemicals, norepinephrine and dopamine found in the brain.

"Young people with ADHD don't seem to have enough of those specific chemicals," Lewis said. "Researchers are finding that young

people have a combination of behaviors which include: hyperactivity, short attention span and impulsive behaviors."

Lewis said that ADHD can remain with a person throughout their adult life.

"It has been recognized recently that adults can still have problems with ADHD," Lewis said. "ADHD symptoms can improve as the brain matures."

Lewis said researchers would know more about ADHD treatments and causes in the next 5 to 10 years.

"I think they are going to be able to look at genetics and say a particular DNA showed something, and there will be a lot more neuropsychological testing that looks at what problem is," Lewis said.

Lewis said there are new MRI scans that show the problem areas by having a patient do math problems to see which areas of the brain light up.

"There has been a lot of research done and there are a lot of people with theories," Lewis said. "If things such as changing their diet works for them, I wouldn't argue with that, but you have to look at the evidence and decide what your goals and possible side effects are and monitor those things."

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Work study positions available for Marshall students

BY KIMBERLY BRADLEY
THE PARTHENON

Federal work study positions offer students paid community service opportunities off-campus.

Approximately 20 off-campus positions are available for eligible work study students, according to Marshall University's JobTrax Web site. These opportunities are identified as community service positions but carry responsibilities students could use toward graduation requirements.

"There are endless and almost always positive opportunities with work study," said Doug Hennig, financial aid counselor. "Students can make contacts while working, get interested in a variety of agencies and sometimes even get a paid internship out of their experience."

Although these positions are labeled as community service, it's not a typical community service position.

"Students could have a work study position and have the title of medical office assistant with Ebenezer Medical Outreach or marketing assistant with the Ronald McDonald House," said Amber Bentley, career services counselor. "The program is endless with opportunities."

The federal work study program is based on a student's financial aid eligibility, and they must qualify through the financial aid office.

"Work study students work for \$7.25 per hour and usually 10-12 hours per week," Hennig said.

The positions are listed on Marshall's job database, JobTrax, on the career services

Web site. Students can find positions with agencies such as the Boys and Girls Club, Cabell County Public Library, Cabell County Health Department and Ebenezer Community Outreach Center.

"We have about 260 employees in federal work study at Marshall and about 40 community service federal work study," Hennig said. "Seven percent of federal work study has to be at community service sites."

When filling out a FAFSA form, students can indicate interest in the federal work study program and the financial aid office will select eligibility, Hennig said. After being accepted, students can schedule an appointment with a financial aid counselor to receive a position on

or off campus.

"If a student starts now as a freshman and goes through with the work study program, they could end up with a full time job or with professional contacts," Bentley said. "By getting experience in their major, it may change students' whole perspective on their major and give them an idea of what jobs are available."

"We have an on-going stand-by list of 50 or more for work study positions," Hennig said. "Although, we have not seen that increase in community service work study."

The priority filing date for FAFSA is March 1 prior to the academic year the student is attending for full consideration of all federal, state and institutional financial aid programs, according to Marshall's financial aid Web site.

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Council works to create community among Greek organizations

BY ERIN SHAVER
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's National Pan-Hellenic Council is branching out to include the Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council in events this semester.

"I know for a while NPHC, IFC and PHC were not the closest," said De'Recco Lynch, president of National Pan-Hellenic Council, or NPHC.

NPHC oversees the historically black Greek-lettered organizations, but all the Greek organizations form a campus community, Lynch said.

All three Greek organizations are emphasizing the importance of cooperation to increase accessibility for students, said Courtney McNeel, Greek adviser.

"Our main focus this semester is to bridge the gap and create an open line of communication, so the Greeks can know about each other," McNeel said. "This could help erase the stereotypes about the different Greek organizations."

NPHC organized Meet the Greeks, which occurs Wednesday, to introduce students to the different organizations, Lynch said.

"We'll split people into groups and rotate you from room to room to meet each organization," Lynch said. "It's a way to familiarize yourself with all of us."

Lynch said events like Meet the Greeks are important to NPHC because they are not allowed to directly recruit students.

"For my organization, you have to have three letters of recommendation from active members,

community service documentation, meet the GPA requirement, get a recommendation from Student Affairs and pass a test," Lynch said.

Lynch said the different requirements are born from the origins of the NPHC.

"My organization was founded in 1906 at an Ivy League," Lynch said. "At the time, it was big for African-Americans to even go to school. The founders got together and developed a study group, and that's how it began."

Lynch said academics and success are still the main purposes for NPHC.

"When you join an NPHC organization, we prepare you for life past college," Lynch said. "We have conventions and workshops and meetings with jobs that fit your major."

Lynch said one project for this semester is a party-walk competition between Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Council.

"The NPHC organizations will teach the IFC and PHC ones how to party-walk, and hopefully, we'll get enough interest to do a PHC verses IFC step show," Lynch said.

Lynch said a step show could provide entertainment for students and break down rumors about racial barriers.

"A lot of people think NPHC is only concerned with African-Americans and IFC is only for Caucasians," Lynch said. "Seeing us together could help people see we're really a community and could squash any rumors that we don't get along."

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Marshall University Police Blotter

BY KRISTINA ELFRINK
THE PARTHENON

All information provided by the Marshall University Police Department crime blotter.

Graffiti in Harris Hall

Police received a report Feb. 5 from a custodial staff member at Harris Hall regarding graffiti. The woman reported destruction and vandalism on the first, second and fourth floor men's bathroom stalls. The message, KABAL AKA, was spray-painted onto the stalls and in one elevator. Police have no suspects.

Tires slashed

A student filed a report Jan. 23 with public safety after all four of the tires on his vehicle were slashed while it was parked in the Marshall University north student parking lot.

Dance team bag missing

A member of the Marshall dance team filed a report with police after her team bag came up missing during her half-time performance at a basketball game at the Cam Henderson Center on Jan. 23. The bag contained her warm up suit and keys. Police have no suspects.

Shoplifting chicken

Aaron Dobson, freshman physical education major, was cited for first offense shoplifting in connection with a missing

Chick-Fil-A sandwich and an eight piece chicken nugget Jan. 26 at the Memorial Student Center.

Painful pavement

Police were notified Jan. 28 after a woman tripped over a piece of raised pavement in a Marshall parking lot. She was transported to Cabell Huntington Hospital Emergency Room.

Student falls in Harris

A female Marshall student filed a report Feb. 9 with MUPD after she slipped and fell on a wet floor when entering Harris Hall. The woman notified police that she injured her lower back. The physical plant was notified by police to clean and check the area.

Car break in

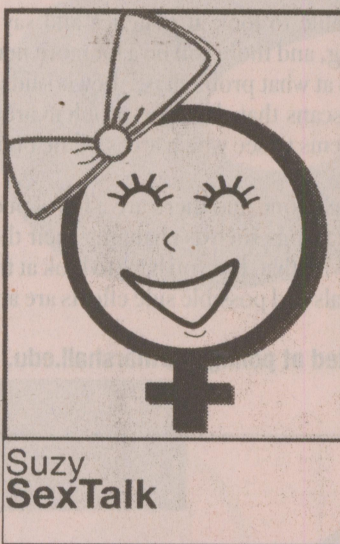
A Marshall University student reported to police the side window of his vehicle was broken while parked in a Marshall parking lot on Feb. 10. His laptop, GPS and CDs were taken from the vehicle. Police have no suspects.

Car window broken

A student filed a complaint Feb. 10 after her boyfriend's rear glass window on his truck was broken. The vehicle was parked in the Marshall stadium parking lot. No property was reported stolen from the vehicle.

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be found dry, lubricated or with spermicide. To dispel any misconceptions, there are no particular brands that are better than others. A condom made in Thailand is just as good as condoms made in the U.S. Some condoms can also be found with lubricant on both sides, flavored, ribbed, colored and

Safe Sex 101: Wrap It Up! The proper way to use male condoms

For the second part of my Safe Sex series, I'll be covering what most students on campus use lubricated, latex, sometimes colored or flavored male condoms. Condoms are normally found in the latex variety and can

even glow in the dark. Who says safe sex can't be fun?

Like any birth control method, condoms are not 100 percent effective. To use condoms to their full potential, they have to be used properly. Here are the step by step instructions on proper condom use:

First, check the packaging. Every condom package has a month and year expiration on it. If the condom is expired, do not use it! Also, when opening the condom do not use your teeth, it could tear the condom. Calmly open it with your hands.

Second, use only once. Planned Parenthood's recommendation is to use one condom for each erection.

Third, make sure you're rolling it the right way. Once the condom has touched the tip, pre-ejaculation could get on the condom which can spread STDs or get somebody pregnant. If the condoms on and you realize it's inside out take it off, throw

it away, and get a new condom.

Fourth, squeeze the tip. There needs to be some space, about half an inch, at the top of the condom for ejaculate to pool, which is why condoms have tips. Squeeze the tip so that air does not get into the condom; air in the condom could cause it to break.

Fifth, roll all the way down the penis.

Sixth, use the right size. Many men assume they have to have a King XL condom in order to have sex. Actually, a regular size condom is pretty durable and can hold many peni. Gentlemen, get an idea of what size you need, not what size you want.

Seventh, throw it away. When you're done having sex, pull out before the penis softens. Roll the condom off and make sure no semen drips out. Throw the condom away in the trash, do not flush it. Wash up to prevent any accidents.

Benefits to condoms are relief from premature ejaculation problems, lightweight, disposable, no prescription needed, can

help erections last longer, can be used with all other birth control methods except the female condom and can help prevent pregnancy. Latex condoms can also lessen the risk of contracting HIV, chlamydia, gonorrhea, hepatitis B, genital herpes, HPV and syphilis. Marshall University offers free condoms on campus. Student Health Education Programs, Women's Center, and Lesbian-Gay-Bisexual-Transgender Outreach are three major carriers of free male condoms. Cabell Huntington Health Department also has free condoms they give out at their office on Seventh Avenue. Most residence halls on campus have condoms available for a dollar in their lobby bathrooms.

If my readers have any questions, concerns or comments, please e-mail me at suzysextalk@gmail.com. Stay tuned for Part 3 of Safe Sex 101, "Dental Dams, Diaphragms, and IUD's - Oh My!"

West Virginia House votes to replace "retarded" in law

BY LAWRENCE MESSINA
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — With the term increasingly regarded as a slur, West Virginia's House of Delegates unanimously approved a measure Monday to erase the phrase "mentally retarded" from the state's law books.

The legislation sent to the Senate would replace "mentally retarded" with "intellectually disabled," and "mental retardation" with "intellectual disability."

Legislators elsewhere have taken or considered similar steps. The topic gained national attention earlier this month when Rahm Emanuel, chief of staff to President Barack Obama, apologized for wielding the word "retarded" as an insult.

Emanuel had labeled liberal activists as such while criticizing their tactics during a White House meeting on health care legislation. A consultant to Texas Gov. Rick Perry came under fire around the same time, after using the word during a conference call.

Delegate John Ellem, R-Wood and minority chair of the House Judiciary Committee, said Monday's measure was more than a "feel-good bill."

"I think everyone would pretty much agree that the term

"mentally retarded" or "retard" is pretty stigmatizing," Ellem told fellow delegates before the vote. "We can lead by example, and say that at least in state code, we're not going to use this derogatory or stigmatizing term any more."

Monday's vote follows unanimous passage of a similar measure this month by Washington state's House of Representatives. Lawmakers in Idaho, where the state code also features such terms as "idiot," "lunatic" and "mentally deficient," are considering updates to their language as well.

Maryland made the switch last year. It named its legislation "Rosa's Law," after a Maryland child with Down Syndrome whose individualized education program labeled her mentally retarded when she started school. U.S. Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., has since sponsored a bill to replace such language in federal law.

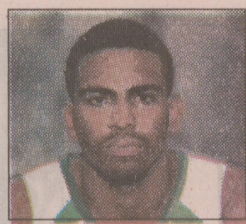
Connecticut recently rechristened its Department of Mental Retardation as the "Department of Developmental Services" as has Massachusetts. Missouri Gov. Matt Blunt ordered "Mental Retardation" dropped from the name of that state's Division of Developmental Disabilities in 2008, after lawmakers failed to pass the necessary legislation.

West Virginia Advocates, which represents people with disabilities, did not respond to requests for comment Monday.

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Fouled Off!

A little self-restraint please?

Perhaps it's just the media blitz that goes with it, but there is something special about the Olympics that most other sporting events can't match.



Dave Traube
COLUMNIST

Everyone knows it's going on even if they don't follow the results closely. Everyone respects the winning of a medal as the mark of excellence. Everyone's heard of Shawn White.

For all the headlines of the ongoing 2010 Vancouver Games, none, of course, have matched those of Nodar Kumaritashvili. Kumaritashvili, as you know, was the athlete from the country of Georgia who was killed last week while practicing on the luge track.

NBC found itself, not unexpectedly, in the center of controversy when it aired not only footage of the crash, itself, but of emergency responders' efforts to save the 21-year-old athlete after the accident.

Though there are many questions that could be asked about the incident and the broadcasting of it, I really just have one on my mind. Why do we want to see it?

I understand the fascination of death and the undeniable grip it has upon our imagination, but is there ever a point that we would decide that just because something has been filmed does not mean we have the right to watch it? That just because something is being broadcast does not mean we have given up our own responsibility in deciding whether to sit in front of the television and take it in?

I suspect we have some sense of entitlement – we paid for the TV, we're getting the cable bill, the commercials are aimed at us.

Not only that, but media outlets like TMZ have turned fame into an athlete's or celebrity's obligation to expect any awkward moments to be uploaded or broadcast immediately.

Yes, the broadcasting world seems to work pretty hard at keeping our attention. It's almost like we feel entitled to see whatever there is to be seen, no matter the cost to those being filmed.

Except, perhaps, until we remember the concept of human dignity, or respect for others, or even simple privacy.

I would suggest that participation in an exciting, even dangerous sport like luge does not automatically mean that the athlete has given up the right – even in death – to be treated with courtesy.

At some point, the video will probably be broadcast by NBC again, doubtlessly as part of some news magazine's investigation of what went wrong and why. There's no reason those questions shouldn't be asked and the answers discovered.

When it's all over, though, ask yourself if we needed to see Kumaritashvili's final moments to truly understand the situation.

Ask yourself if we're so busy living vicariously through the lives and accomplishments of those on the screen that we think even their deaths belong to us.

Yes, there's something special about the Olympics.

Perhaps these winter games will best be remembered as the time we learned a little self-restraint.

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SHOLTEN SINGER | THE PARTHENON
Antonio Haymon, shown dunking against Salem International, has been a sort of everything man playing four positions for the Herd. The Herd seemed to have gained momentum after a 81-74 win over UAB.



Herd looking to stay over the C-USA hump

BY KYLE HOBSTETTER
THE PARTHENON

You can call it redemption, you can call it revenge, you can even say it was right, but Marshall Men's basketball head coach Donnie Jones would call it finished.

That was the word Jones used to describe the Herd's 81-74 win over UAB, that the his team was finally able to finish a game.

"It's something we talked about, we've been in games and we didn't finish out down the stretch," Jones said. "We made free throws, got stops, executed and did all those things we talked about. I'm really proud of that."

During the season, one thing that Jones seemed to emphasize, was his team finishing games. But in a five-game losing streak against some of the top teams in Conference USA, Marshall couldn't seem to get it done.

Four out of five of those losses came during the last possessions. Those losses still bare a burden to the Herd and they plan on using it as motivation for the rest of the season.

"It's a real good thing to get that win on the road," Haymon said. "We feel like we are more like we are one of the legit teams in the league."

The win over UAB was the

first win by Marshall this year against one of the top four teams in the conference (UTEP, Tulsa, Memphis and UAB).

With the final stretch of the season coming up and a rematch with Tulsa coming up on Saturday, the Herd knows that must use the momentum from the UAB game as motivation for the rest of the season.

"We're working hard getting ready for the rest of the season," Jones said. "All those we lost that we're really close, we felt like we could have won."

But with the C-USA tournament on the horizon the Herd has to continue its strong play. Marshall players think that whoever they play in the tournament needs to be weary of the school from Huntington.

"We have every team we lost to on our mind," Haymon said. "And we understand we are going to be a big threat once we get to the conference tournament."

With Tulsa, Marshall has another chance to avenge another loss and build up the team's confidence.

But also with the game against the Golden Hurricane, it's a chance for the Herd to host the top team in the league at home.

"We have to keep playing

See HOOPS 15

All-Conference catcher is thinking big picture

BY TROY HEMINGWAY
THE PARTHENON

Individual accomplishments can be a distraction to a team's goals and its ability to play together.

Not true for the Marshall baseball team.

Victor Gomez, junior from Miami, Fla., was named to the Conference USA preseason All-Conference team after being selected by the nine head coaches in the league.

Gomez said that although this is a great honor, it is not as important as the team being successful.

"Obviously it means a lot to me and to the university," Gomez said. "It's great to go into the season with that, but I am focused on helping the team."

"I am more concerned with helping the team on the field than with individual accomplishments."

Starting catcher is an important position on the baseball field and involves much responsibility. The catcher is responsible for calling the pitches and being on the same page with the entire pitching staff.

"I am going to be the starting catcher this year," Gomez said. "I am going to get on the same page with all of the pitchers, but also get to know the pitchers individually."

Gomez is going to be viewed as a leader on the team this year, and head coach Jeff Waggoner said he is aware of Gomez's importance to the team.

"Victor is a great player and a great leader," Waggoner said. "He brings a lot to the team and he is important to our success."

Gomez has been working on being a leader in practices

during the offseason, and he has been a mentor to some of the younger players on the team.

"I just try to bring a positive attitude to the team and to practice," Gomez said. "I talk to the pitchers and younger batters and just try and help them any way that I can. Talking about baseball is one of my favorite things to do."

Waggoner said the team's goal is to win the conference championship and be an NCAA Regional team this year.

"I am trying to get these guys to play each game as if it were their last, play together and play fundamentally," Waggoner said.

Waggoner said there are three areas the team needs to work on if it wants to be successful this season.

"We lost a lot of one-run ball games last season," Waggoner said. "We need to reduce errors, hold the running game on defense and reduce our strikeouts on offense."

Although Gomez is the one responsible for throwing out on defense, Waggoner said that preventing stolen bases goes far beyond the catcher.

"Players steal on pitchers, they don't steal on catchers," Waggoner said. "It goes beyond your catcher and it begins with your pitching staff."

Waggoner said he is excited about this season and said the pitching staff is going to be great.

"Our pitchers have looked good overall," Waggoner said. "Our bullpen is going to be as strong as ever."

The Herd begins the season on the road with a game against Samford on Feb. 19 in Birmingham, Ala.

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FILE PHOTO
Victor Gomez, shown earlier last season, has been named to the Conference USA preseason All-Conference Team. While Gomez has been gaining solo awards, Gomez wants to do what he can to help the team.

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Sen. Evan Bayh, D-Indiana, on not seeking a third term in the Senate, which will be a major blow to Democrats for the midterm elections

THE PARTHENON EDITORIAL

Campus hazards plus bad weather equals injury

Individual safety must be the university's top priority every day, no matter the circumstance

Two people have been hurt in the last few weeks because of hazards around campus. A female student injured her lower back when she slipped and fell on the wet floor in Harris Hall. A second woman had to be transported to Cabell Huntington Hospital after she tripped over a piece of raised pavement in one of Marshall University's parking lots.

This winter has been horrible when it comes to weather. Most of the semester has been drenched with rain and covered with snow. School has not been closed one day, so faculty, staff and students have had to be extra careful in getting to their classes and jobs.

Members of Marshall's community shouldn't have to struggle to stay uninjured

at Marshall, in addition to the hazardous drive they already have. How much is reasonable for students, faculty and staff to deal with when it comes to achieving an education or paycheck for the day?

Safety and welfare for the people should be the school's top priority. With students and professors hurt, there would be no one to teach and be taught. No matter how important education is, human well being exceeds everything.

The university needs to make sure its halls and surrounding areas are safe

if school is going to continue. Extra precautions must be taken to keep the hallways as dry as possible when it snows or rains. If the university is determined to stay open and not let the weather affect our schedule, then officials must fulfill their side of the deal on campus as people have to battle the elements to come to the school.

Even when the weather is fine, pavement, sidewalks and other property around campus should be regularly checked to make sure there are no

hazards. The woman who tripped in the parking lot could have tripped anytime and the weather could not have necessarily played a role.

We need to know that the school cares about our individual safety and not just about keeping classes in session five days a week. The university is a business but the faculty, students and staff are its customers and workers. We expect a good teaching atmosphere alongside the high quality content in the courses that we come here for.

JAY ROUDEBUSH
THE COMMON CAUSE

Watch out for bias in the news

I started my Internet news journey many years ago with MSNBC. Their Web site was beautifully made, and I appreciated the speed at which it was updated. They gave me the information I needed to keep up with the world around me.

Jay Roubush
COLUMNIST

However, something started to change. The bias toward liberalism started to become very clear to me. Then I realized I am not getting the news, I am getting fed the ideology of the editors.

It isn't always as cut and dry as the case of MSNBC. I knew that Drudge Report was a conservative leaning new site, but I loved the setup. Not too many catchy headlines, just straight breaking news by the second. I followed Drudge for probably two years.

Slowly but surely, I began to see titles of news stories that were very biased. They were there in hopes that I would just read the titles. That would sway the opinions of many news skimmers, people who just read headlines. This was especially common in the breaking news area of Drudge.

Well, like any good political junkie would do, I wrote the Web master. I wanted to explain my position. Although I am not a Republican, I followed his news site. I used it for the radio show, along with AP wire. I needed to understand why he was joining the ranks of the biased media. I received no response after three e-mails.

You see, it isn't always staring you in the face. You can see by who they chose to let write or talk and by how many people are stacked in which direction.

Sean Hannity always points out that he lets liberals call in and speak on his radio show. I never miss a day of it, honestly. He says that proves he is not biased. However, after the liberals are finished speaking, he turns them down so they can't be heard, or laughs at them while they are on the call. Sometimes after the caller cannot respond, he will call them stupid or offer a half hearted opinion, which he says is fact.

You see, there is a great difference between me and Drudge, MSNBC and Hannity. I'm not calling myself news. I am on the opinion page. Next time you are reading this, listening to the radio or watching the TV news, try to look at everyone writing or speaking. Find out what the editors are really trying to get you to believe and who is being marginalized.

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Nine year olds should not be sexy

Celebrity gossip blogger Perez Hilton announced that Miley Cyrus' nine-year-old sister



Staci Cox
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is launching a lingerie line for nine to 14-year-olds. Pairing up with actress Emily Grace Reaves, who co-starred in "Hannah Montana: The Movie," Noah and Emily are launching their lingerie line with Ooh! La La! Couture.

Ooh! La La! Couture is a clothing line that designs tutu dresses for girls from the ages of newborn to 14. The store is premiering a Spring/Summer Emily Grace Collection, which pairs short tutus with funky leggings.

Owner Annie Dogourd told CNBC that the rumors of Noah's lingerie line are false, saying that her company would never design something age-inappropriate.

Regardless of whether the rumor is true or not, it's a bit disturbing that the idea of a girl's lingerie line was even thought of. What is a nine-year-old going to do with lingerie? These girls should still be sleeping in flowered night gowns and polka-dotted pajamas. A lingerie line would promote nothing but sex.

"If Miley Cyrus' nine year old sister launches a lingerie line, that would be a huge mistake," said Elizabeth Rhoades, junior elementary education major. "I worked at Victoria's Secret for three years and the age group that was targeted became lower every year. They really used the Pink brand to target elementary-age girls, even though the brand was originally for college students."

We're starting to see kids shopping in the same stores as college students. We see kids wearing mini-skirts and racy tops. It seems as if our age of innocence is getting younger and younger.

Who should we thank for this new phenomenon? Is it the designers' fault, or should we blame the role models of our young girls? Or maybe it's the parents' faults for letting their kids wear provocative clothing?

"By the use of innuendos on merchandise, the brand told girls they should be sexy and hot," Rhoades said. "If a nine-year-old launched a lingerie line, that would force girls to grow up too fast and take their minds off things they should be focused on, which should not be sex."

Even if the lingerie rumor is false, the style of clothing available for girls is becoming a little less sweet and a lot sexier. It's difficult to find a shirt that isn't leopard print or a dress that comes below mid-thigh. Girls like Noah Cyrus and Emily Grace should embrace their childhood instead of wanting to be sexy.

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Local museum launches new marketing program

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The Huntington Museum of Art is launching a marketing campaign to encourage people in the Tri-State area to visit the new Isabelle Gwynn and Robert Daine gallery.

Some of the works included in the campaign are by Pablo Picasso, prints by Honore Daumier, Salvador Dali, Edouard Manet and Henri Matisse, and watercolors by Andrew Wyeth and Winslow Homer, according to a news release.

"With this new gallery, HMA will be able to meet its strategic directive to create more exhibits from its permanent collection to share with the community," said Jenine Culligan, senior curator at the museum.

The museum's new marketing campaign is titled "Expanding Your Frame of Mind."

"The museum was looking for an image that showed a work of art expanding or breaking out of its frame to be the art centerpiece for our marketing campaign," said John Gillispie, public relations director for the museum. "We contacted and met with Helen Z. Chilton of Charleston, and she took our idea of a flower outgrowing its frame and improved on it."

Chilton is a professional watercolor painter from

Charleston, W. Va. She has been painting for more than 40 years and has several pieces of her work in the Charleston Gallery.

The image consists of a 24 by 24 oil on canvas of a rose blossoming. It creates an illusion of a rose bursting out of the picture frame, Chilton said.

She said she used to hike a lot, which encouraged her to draw flowers. Nature has been an interest of hers since she began painting.

"They were looking for someone to do an original piece of work that would serve as an impact," Chilton said. "A fellow artist recommended me, so I went down to Huntington to figure out what we were going to do."

"We are very happy with the radiant rose image that Helen created, and she worked on it around the holiday season and finished it ahead of schedule," Gillispie said.

"Since the work will be displayed on a billboard, it will be a great way for me to get my artwork out to the public," Chilton said.

Chilton's artwork will be featured in billboards, newspapers and television advertisements, Gillispie said.

The exhibit will be open until May 2.

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SHOLTEN SINGER | THE PARTHENON

The Huntington Museum of Art has launched a new marketing program to encourage Tri-State residents to visit the new Diane gallery. The gallery opened Feb. 6 and houses paintings from Picasso, Dali, Manet and Matisse.

HOOPS

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hard because it's all mental," senior Tyler Wilkerson said. "We come out and play our same game every night; there is no team we cannot beat."

As Marshall makes the final push toward the end of the season, coach Jones said the Herd needs to continue from Saturday, finishing games.

"It's our second season, and we've won two games and we've got six to go," Jones said of the final stretch. "Now you get a chance to take on a good Tulsa team, and see how we handle a big victory."

HAYMON THE EVERYTHING MAN

As Marshall continues its long season, the team will continue to look at the bench. And usually the first person off the bench is junior

forward Antonio Haymon.

Haymon, a 6-foot-6 junior college transfer has been asked to do it all this season. From being placed down in the paint to running out front with the guards, Haymon has done all that has been asked of him.

While his stats may not be flashy, only 5.3 points per game and 2.7 rebounds per game, what Haymon brings to the game is much more than stats.

"Coach tells me I contribute a lot," Haymon said, "especially from a defense and energy standpoint. He loves the energy I bring to the court."

Haymon earned first-team NJCAA Division II All-American honors as a sophomore by leading Cecil College, located in North Easy, Md., to a 34-2 overall record, but with the Herd he doesn't have to step-up and play a main role.

"We're starting to get more comfortable with the rotations," Jones said. "It's important for these guys to start gelling together, and down this final stretch I think we're doing that."

But the most important thing to Haymon is helping his team any way he can.

I don't care what position I'm at, I'm just happy to be on the court," Haymon said. "I'm a big winner. I hate to lose more than anything else, so whatever it takes for my team to win, I'll do what it takes to do. Whether its play the point or play the big man position, I'll use my versatility to help us win."

Haymon's versatility will help the Herd control the Tulsa big men as Marshall hosts the Golden Hurricane at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Cam Henderson Center.

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Economy slows Bucks for Brains

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The economic downturn has slowed contributions to the state's Bucks for Brains initiative at West Virginia and Marshall universities.

But officials at the two schools believe they will meet their fund-raising goals.

In 2008, the Legislature set aside \$15 million to support research at Marshall and \$35 million for WVU. The schools have until 2013 to raise matching funds.

WVU has raised almost \$3.5 million and Marshall has raised \$750,000 so far.

Marshall vice president for research John Maher said the slow growth isn't cause for panic. Maher said the five-year deadline set by the Legislature gives the state and the rest of the nation time to recover from the economic downturn.

Kanawha teen charged in murder

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — A 15-year-old Charleston resident is facing two counts of first-degree murder in the shooting deaths of two people found last week in the front seat of a car.

Charleston Police say they arrested and charged the boy on Saturday in the deaths of 53-year-old Bruce Edward Duling and 33-year-old Carrie Dawn Pontier.

Sgt. Steve Cooper said the boy's name was not released because of his age, but the county prosecutor and court system will decide whether to charge him as an adult or juvenile.

Cooper also would not say how police were able to connect the teenager to the shooting, if there were any witnesses to the killings or if police have the gun used to kill the couple.

The Kanawha City shootings were the first two murders of the year.

Student government benefit to help earthquake victims

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The Student Government Association is teaming up with Sodexo in a fundraising effort to benefit the victims of the earthquake in Haiti.

"Hungry for Change: Haiti" is a fundraiser that features a soup, salad and pasta bar, according to a news release. The event will begin at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday in the John Marshall Room in the Memorial Student Center. The cost is \$7 of which \$3 goes directly to relief efforts in Haiti.

"I hope the Marshall community will support this fundraiser," said Kati Bailey, SGA service projects director. "We're hoping that a good balance of faculty, staff and

students will attend this event and support our efforts to raise money for the victims of the earthquake in Haiti."

"I have already made a donation to the earthquake victims, but I still plan to attend," said Yvonne Duff, Marshall Bookstore employee. "By sponsoring this event, Sodexo and SGA are making it easy for people to donate to this cause."

The event fits in with Sodexo's focus on fighting hunger in their community service efforts, said Cheryl King, Sodexo operations manager.

"SGA asked Sodexo if we would be interested in helping with a benefit for Haiti, and because Sodexo is always actively fighting hunger, we were happy to be involved," King said. "Recently we teamed up with the

Multicultural Affairs office and assisted in feeding the Huntington community by donating 1,000 meals on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day."

The soup, salad and pasta bar will feature two kinds of pasta, soups and various side, King said.

"People will be able to get a great meal at a good price and contribute to a worthy cause at the same time," Bailey said.

The money will go to World Vision, Red Cross, Doctors without Borders and Partners in Health.

The event is open to all students, staff and faculty. Tickets will be available for purchase until Feb. 16 in the SGA office. The SGA office is located on the second floor of the Memorial Student Center.

National program allows psychology students to study in Hungary, Poland

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The Atlantis Program is a cooperative enterprise between the U.S. Department of Education and the European Commission that sends psychology majors to study abroad for a year in Europe.

"Students have enjoyed going to Europe over the years and the program has changed and succeeded very much over the years," said Joseph

Wyatt, director of the Atlantis Program.

Students will attend the University of Debrecen in Budapest, Hungary, and the Warsaw School of Social Psychology in Warsaw, Poland, for one semester at each school.

Students are required to take a course prior to the trip to become acquainted with the Hungarian and Polish cultures.

Students generally apply during their sophomore year and travel during the junior year.

Students are also required to have completed 60 hours a semester with 15 credit hours in psychology that includes statistics and experimental courses prior to travel.

Students are encouraged to travel around to other countries and explore the areas and cultures around them.

Applications and more information is available at the Department of Psychology in Harris Hall.



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Cincinnati is

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Located just three hours away from campus, Cincinnati, Ohio is a great destination for a day trip or a weekend excursion. Two professional sports arenas, several museums and the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens make Cincinnati a close-by and pleasurable destination. Paul Brown Stadium, home of the Cincinnati Bengals, "is definitely worth driving by and checking out in the winter and spring," said Molly Simon, Paul Brown Stadium employee. "Although

football season just ended, Paul Brown Stadium is a great tourist attraction." The Great American Ballpark, located along the Ohio River, is home to Cincinnati's Reds and the Reds Hall of Fame and Museum. The Reds Hall of Fame and Museum is opened year-round and this month is showcasing the Red's role in the development of Negro Leagues, said Albert Groil, Great American Ballpark employee. The Reds Hall of Fame and Museum pays homage to great past Reds, such as Pete Rose, Frank Robinson and Johnny Bench, Groil said. Cincinnati has several museums, each concentrating on different aspects of the arts. Cincinnati Art Museum, located in the picturesque Eden Park, "features over 60,000 different pieces, some dating back over 60 centuries," said Cincinnati Art Museum Director Aaron Betsky. "The art is the best thing about the museum, but we also do a lot of community activities

to get Cincinnatians involved in the museum." Omnimax Theater, Cincinnati History Museum, Duke Energy Children's Museum and Museum of Natural History and Science are all located in Cincinnati's Museum Center at the famed Union Terminal. A day in Cincinnati could be spent at the Union Terminal alone. There is so much to see and do at Union Terminal, such as beautiful art, several hands-on projects, exhibitions, tours and shopping, said Marty Johnson, Union Terminal guide. "There is a new exhibit running until May that examines the cultural, historical and scientific underpinning that examines America's fascination with gold and how it has come to be," Johnson said. Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens has recently been rated as one of the top zoos in the nation by Zagat surveys and has more than 500 animal and 3000 plant species, said Mike Dulaney, "Cincinnati Zoo mammal curator. The Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens is open year-round and features more than 20 animal exhibits, such as gorilla world, giraffe ridge, reptile house, penguin walk-about, tiger canyon, wolf worlds and many more," Dulaney said. **Kelly Crouch can be contacted at crouch16@marshall.edu.**

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- Charles Dickens



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