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Thundering Herd takes on Southern Miss.

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Black Koffee gives artists opportunity to display pure creativity

BY KATIE QUIÑONEZ
THE PARTHENON

The Epsilon Delta chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity hosted the second annual Black Koffee on Thursday evening, an event consisting of poets, lyricists and musicians.

The lineup consisted of approximately 10 performers this year. Participants of the event consisted of volunteer performers. The event began at 8 p.m. and lasted for approximately two hours.

Ronald Jones, a graduate student studying leadership, organized the event.

"The program was created with the idea to have a place for people to express their ideas through different genres of poetry and music," Jones said. "It serves as an outlet for creativity."

Jones said the term "black koffee" is used to express the purity of the art and performers.

"Black Koffee means no additives," Jones said. "It's pure. The audience understands pure expression of the artist."

Jones was among the performers at Black Koffee, playing saxophone with other musicians.

Black Koffee attendee Anjellica Scott, a senior psychology major, said she primarily attended the event to support her friends who were performing.

"There's nothing like this anywhere else around here," Scott said.

Scott said she would like to see more

events like Black Koffee happen on campus.

"If more people would come out to events like this, more events like this would happen," Scott said.

Black Koffee attendee Delkira Maybin, a junior finance and management major, said students should attend more events like Black Koffee because they help alleviate boredom.

"It can get pretty boring on campus in the evenings," Maybin said. "It would be pretty boring if we didn't have events like Black Koffee."

Amy Baylor, a Marshall University graduate student studying social work, sang at Black Koffee.

"I mostly came out to support the fraternity," Baylor said. "But there are a lot of great performers that came out."

Baylor said Black Koffee is a good way to create a positive artistic environment for students.

"Students can talk and mingle with people in a positive setting while listening to good music," Baylor said.

She said approximately 75 students attended Black Koffee last year.

"The event is laid back so people can come and go as they please," Baylor said.

Events such as Black Koffee give students an alternative to going to bars on the weekends, Baylor said.

"It's something fun to do throughout the week," she said. "If students want to take a break from studying or if they

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MARCUS CONSTANTINO | THE PARTHENON

Black Koffee gave students the freedom to express their art as true representations of themselves. They used various kinds of music and poetry to entertain people.

Report shows West Virginia residents have lowest percentage of college graduates in the nation

BY PATRICK MILLER
THE PARTHENON

A 2010 report by the Lumina Foundation for Education listed West Virginia as the state with the fewest college graduates among residents between the ages of 25 and 64.

Only 11.7 percent of the working population holds a bachelor's degree, 7 percent hold a graduate or professional degree and 6.8 percent hold an associates degree. This translates to only one out of every 4 residents, or 25.5 percent of the population, have post secondary education.

In West Virginia, 19.9 percent of the population attended college but did not graduate, and 54.4 percent of the population has earned a high school degree or less.

The most educated counties in the state are Monongalia, Jefferson and Putnam, with residents with two or four year degree rates of 43.4 percent, 37.3 percent and 34.1 percent. The least educated counties are McDowell, Lincoln and Boone with rates of 10.3 percent, 14.1 percent and 14.1 percent.

Of the states that border West Virginia, only Kentucky, with a degree rate of 29.2 percent, ranks in the bottom 10 states for education. Maryland ranks in the top 10 with 43.9 percent of adults with college degrees,

and Virginia is 11th on the list with 43.4 percent of adults with college degrees.

Rob Anderson, senior director of policy and planning at the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission, attributes part of this problem to demographics. He said census data shows there are fewer high school age students than there used to be, and although the graduation rate has held steady, fewer students are graduating.

Frances S. Hensley, associate vice president for Academic Affairs, said in the past year Marshall has been busy getting a number of initiatives underway to aid students in earning their degrees. Among these initiatives is reducing the minimum number of credit hours from 128 to 120 to graduate. This applies to incoming students, although returning students can change their course load with the approval of their college dean, Hensley said. Incoming students no longer take University 101, which has been replaced with a more academically rounded course.

"Students are now taking First Year Seminar," Hensley said. "In the course, students are getting an academic class with a focus on critical thinking. In the first year seminar, students are introduced to writing intensive as well as multicultural and international thinking, plus working with 'embedded' librarians who help students learn to research."

Hensley said the reasons students don't graduate are varied. Several students are the first in their family to go to college. Some cannot come back for financial reasons, but the culture of West Virginia may be the biggest obstacle.

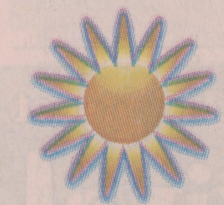
"Traditionally, one could get a solid high paying job right out of high school, but that is disappearing quickly," Hensley said.

Lumina used U.S. Census data to compile its report. Lumina is a private independent foundation whose goal is to increase educational access beyond high school.

For the 20 percent of the working population with some college but no degree, the Regents Bachelors of Arts program helps adults with some credit hours earn degrees within an accelerated and flexible time frame. Lumina gave an \$800,000 Adult Learner Grant to the West Virginia Higher Education Policy commission to enhance this program.

"Funds will be used to enhance academic content as well as enhance campus services as they pertain to adult students," Anderson said. "These students often must interact with personnel during non-traditional hours due to work schedules, and issues such as this one will be addressed."

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Chris Tomlin performs at the Big Sandy Superstore Arena



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Study Abroad Student Association formed

BY KATIE QUIÑONEZ
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's study abroad efforts are being revived this semester with the emergence of the Study Abroad Student Association.

The president of the club, Cherie Davis, a junior public relations major, said the main purpose of the club is to raise awareness for study abroad opportunities on campus. Davis said the club is trying to raise scholarships for outgoing study abroad students. The money raised for scholarships will be entirely derived from fundraising.

The club is not only focused on outgoing American students, but Davis said the club aims to help incoming study abroad students as well.

"For incoming exchange students, we are doing a mentorship program," Davis said. "Students who have previously studied abroad are being matched up with a few outgoing people, and we are going to hopefully answer the questions they wouldn't feel comfortable asking their study abroad adviser."

Davis said it is important for students to take advantage of the study abroad opportunities on Marshall's campus.

"It's important because we are going out into the real world soon, and it's important to experience different

cultures," Davis said. "You learn a lot about yourself and about people in general when you are put into a completely new environment."

Davis has studied abroad in Denmark and said she was fortunate enough to travel through most of Europe.

Kylie Gallagher, a study abroad adviser, said students at Marshall University benefit from study abroad programs.

"Having something like an international experience on their resume really helps to enhance anything that they're studying here," Gallagher said. "It's going to give you a little bit more of a competitive edge."

A study abroad experience expresses to employers that the student is independent and capable of taking advantage of opportunities, Gallagher said.

"Employers really notice that," she said.

In regard to incoming international exchange students, Gallagher said it is beneficial for both American students as well as the exchange students to take advantage of study abroad opportunities.

"I think it's good to have a mix of people that you're involved with on a regular basis," Gallagher said. "Having those students here on campus opens your mind to some different ways of thinking about things."

The club will set up a booth on Oct. 6 in the Memorial Student Center to raise awareness of the study

abroad opportunities and how to become involved in the club.

The club's first meeting is at 6 p.m. on Oct. 11 in the Memorial Student Center. The club plans to meet on a weekly basis 6 p.m. every Monday, Davis said. The club currently consists of approximately 15 students.

Davis said the main focus of the club at this time is raising money for scholarships. She said the club might host an international bake sale, but as of now nothing has been confirmed.

The club originally began in 2004, but participation declined shortly after its inception. Gallagher said one of the main reasons the club should be more successful now is because there is a full-time study abroad adviser.

Davis said she hopes the group will attract more students who have previously traveled abroad and students interested in studying abroad.

"People who go abroad and have these amazing experiences tend to keep it to themselves because previously there has been no outlet or anyone to share it with once you get back to campus," Gallagher said. "Having some kind of organization like this is a good way to share your experience and get more people excited about going."

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Composting program in works

BY DREW HETZER
THE PARTHENON

The Student Government Association is negotiating ways to manage composting on campus without increasing student fees.

The SGA and sustainability department are collaborating ideas and discussing the benefits of composting at Marshall University.

Patrick Murphy, student body president, said other universities have been successful in composting, and he hopes Marshall can do the same.

"I think it will be beneficial for students and hopefully save money in the long run," Murphy said. "This act will showcase Marshall's green initiative and hopefully lead to a green future."

Margie Phillips, energy analyst and sustainability department manager said she is not sure if there will be a financial gain unless food waste is involved in the composting.

"I would think there is a substantial amount of money put into fertilizer for around campus," Phillips said. "Waste is much higher in the fall with all of the grass clippings and leaves."

Murphy said the SGA and sustainability department hope the project will become a reality next spring, but the sustainability department members said they are

looking to start small.

Murphy said he hopes to start with a complete system to see the full outcome, but it is up to the university which systems will be used and where they will be placed.

"I am afraid if we don't go all the way with this, then we will not see any true benefits," Murphy said. "However, we want to research and make sure this project will work before we take a step."

One system the department is considering is the Sun Mar 200, which has a 50 gallon capacity and is manually operated with a turning wheel. It costs around \$300.

The other system is a recycled plastic compost tumbler with a 71 gallon capacity. It is manually operated and costs around \$250.

"Once we get the litter under control, we hope to get the City of Huntington involved," Phillips said.

She said the sustainability department collected the most recyclables at the Marshall vs. West Virginia University football game than ever before.

"Students support is very important, and their knowledge can guide us," Phillips said. "We are looking into including these voluntary hours toward graduation or community service."

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MARCUS CONSTANTINO | THE PARTHENON

Andrew Norris, freshman undecided major from Ironton, Ohio, participates in a hot dog eating contest Thursday as part of the Mudd Cup competition. Norris won the contest by eating nine and a half hot dogs in 10 minutes.

Rutgers student's death tied to webcast

By Ashley Kindergan, Stephanie Akin, Evonne Coutros and Nick Clunn
THE RECORD (HACKENSACK, N.J.)
(MCT)

HACKENSACK, N.J. — "Going to jump off the gw bridge sorry."

Tyler Clementi posted those words on his Facebook page moments before he apparently leapt to his death on Sept. 22, according to a friend. But the message did little to hint at the crisis unfolding in the life of the Ridgewood teenager.

In the days before, the personal life of the 18-year-old Rutgers freshman had been exposed on the Internet when, authorities say, his roommate used a webcam to surreptitiously broadcast a sexual encounter involving Clementi. The Twitter page of Clementi's roommate, Dharun Ravi of Plainsboro, hinted that Clementi was involved sexually with another man and invited others to watch a live webcam feed from the dorm room.

"Roommate asked for the room till midnight. I went into molly's room and turned on my webcam. I saw him making out with another dude. Yay," a Sept. 19 tweet said.

Two days later, Ravi used Twitter to invite others to watch another encounter: "Anyone with iChat, I dare you to video chat me between the hours of 9:30 and 12. Yes, it's happening again."

Ravi and another student, Molly W. Wei of Princeton, have been charged with two counts each of invasion of privacy, said the Middlesex County prosecutor and Rutgers police Wednesday. Ravi faces two additional counts for attempting to view and transmit the second encounter, authorities said.

"His privacy was violated, very, very violated," said Rutgers student Daryl Chan of Clementi. "His roommate was a very tech-savvy-type dude. He set up cameras all over the room and didn't tell him. A lot of the RAs are troubled by it."

Those close to Clementi knew him as a gifted violinist who had played with the Ridgewood Symphony Orchestra in high school and won scholarships and awards for his musical abilities. At Rutgers, he was a rarity — a freshman who wasn't majoring in music, but

who played in a competitive, graduate-level orchestra.

"He was so incredibly talented — I could not believe how good he was for such a young boy," said Diane Wade, a violinist with the Ridgewood Symphony Orchestra who often sat next to Clementi at rehearsals and performances. "Such a nice kid all the way around. As a parent, he was the way you want your kids to be — polite, courteous, serious about the work he was doing and a hard worker."

Joe and Jane Clementi, Tyler's parents, released a statement through a lawyer Wednesday confirming their son's suicide and said they were cooperating with the ongoing criminal investigation.

"Tyler was a fine young man and a distinguished musician," the statement said. "The family is heartbroken beyond words."

Keara Fenzel, a cellist and fellow Ridgewood graduate, played with Clementi in the high school's chamber orchestra.

"He had a solo at one of our concerts that literally moved my whole family to tears," Fenzel said. "He was not pompous at all, even though he had so much talent." "I feel so awful about this whole thing," she added.

Samantha Hoffer said although she wasn't close to Clementi, she had known him since the sixth grade.

"Although he was quiet most of the time, he was truly a great individual," Hoffer wrote in an e-mail. "Always kind and caring with an incredible talent as a musician. He was extremely dedicated to his music, and you could always find him in the orchestra room."

Rob Rubin, the principal of the second violin section at the Ridgewood Symphony Orchestra, said Clementi started out playing in his section, but was quickly promoted after Rubin realized how skilled he was.

"Even at that young of an age, his confidence level was unusually high, but he played with great musicianship, too," Rubin said. "Everyone just loved him even though he was quiet, definitely a bit shy. He was just such a nice guy."

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Smith a semifinalist
for Campbell Trophy

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IRVING, Texas — Two Conference USA football players have been named as semifinalists for the 2010 William V. Campbell Trophy (formerly known as the Draddy Trophy), endowed by HealthSouth, as announced by The National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame (NFF). Marshall senior tight end Lee Smith and SMU senior linebacker Pete Fleps represent C-USA on the list. Nominees for the Campbell Trophy are also candidates for the 2010 NFF Scholar-Athlete Awards.

Smith, who hails from Powell, Tenn., was a Preseason All-Conference USA selection this season. In the first four games of the 2010 campaign, he has seven receptions for 63 yards. Smith was named honorable mention All-C-USA in 2009 despite playing along-side Mackey Award Semi-Finalist Cody Slate. He is a team captain who is regarded as a tremendous blocker and receiver.

He was nominated for the Allstate Good Works Team last year and is a candidate for that award again in 2010. Smith received Marshall's Cam Henderson Scholarship in 2010 and has a 3.21 grade point average with a double-major in psychology and criminal justice.

Fleps, a native of Southlake, Texas, has been solid on defense playing in every game for the Ponies over the last three-plus seasons. He ranked third on the team in 2009 with 83 tackles, including nine in SMU's Hawaii Bowl victory, and leads SMU with 35 tackles through four games in 2010. He was named honorable mention All-C-USA by the league's coaches in 2009 and has been named to the C-USA Commissioner's Honor Roll every year since 2006.

Fleps is also a nominee for the 2010 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team, an award that honors players who stand out for the positive influence

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Herd ready to 'Rock' Golden Eagles in road contest

Marshall opens Conference USA season against 3-1 Southern Miss

BY MARLOWE HEREFORD
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University football team opens Conference USA on Saturday at the stadium known to Southern Miss fans as "The Rock" where a Golden Eagle team defends a 10-0 home record dating back to 2008.

The Herd (1-3) and Southern Miss (3-1) enter the 8 p.m. Saturday contest at Roberts Stadium coming off narrow non-conference wins. Marshall edged Ohio 24-23 despite a fourth-quarter Bobcat rally that fell short with an incomplete two-point conversion attempt at the end of regulation.

Southern Miss left Ruston, La., with a 13-12 win over Louisiana Tech despite a late touchdown

and safety by the Bulldogs to eliminate a 13-3 lead after the third quarter.

Three of the last five meetings between Southern Miss and Marshall have been decided by seven or fewer points, but the Golden Eagles have an impressive 122-42 home record. Playing in such a venue provides both a challenge and opportunity for a Herd team that is 5-15 in road contests against C-USA opponents since 2005.

"You know you have a good football team when you can walk into those arenas and enjoy playing," said Marshall head football coach Doc Holliday. "Coaches love doing that. That's the attitude that we're working hard to get here."

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Sophomore wide receiver Antavious Wilson is brought down by linebacker Corey Williams in Marshall's 27-20 home loss to Southern Miss in November 2009.

New Zealand athlete makes presence known in Conference USA



Tom Jackson (No. 7) goes vertical to keep the ball in play in the Herd's 2-0 win over Wright State.

BY BRANDON ANICICH
THE PARTHENON

Battles can't be started without firepower, and thus far this season for Marshall University's mens soccer program, that firepower has been attacker Tom Jackson, a sophomore from New Zealand.

Jackson joined the Marshall program six games into the 2009 season, and his performance created waves across Conference USA — a recommended player hailing from a different hemisphere, traveling to Huntington and immediately producing for the Thundering Herd with four conference goals and two assists.

"It's a lot different over here," Jackson said of Conference USA soccer in comparison to playing in New Zealand. "There's more structure, more strategy involved with playing out here."

Jackson was an integral part of Marshall's push

toward the NCAA Tournament — a mark the Herd fell just shy of last year — and something Jackson and the team are dead set on achieving this season. Despite an overtime loss to the University of Central Florida, Jackson and the Herd are still looking toward the tournament with confidence.

"It's definitely possible," Jackson said. "One loss is no big deal, really. It's not as if it was a big loss. We lost by one goal in overtime — so it wasn't too disheartening. We're still in a good place. If we win our next two or three games we'll definitely look to be in good shape."

Challenging Marshall in the next three matches will be Florida International University, University of Kentucky and Southern Methodist University.

"I've heard SMU are really good this year, and I know that FIU were good last year," Jackson said.

"And Kentucky is always really good, so it will be interesting."

When asked about Marshall's preparations for upcoming matches, Jackson said training focused around improving scoring on the run.

"We're pretty solid defensively, so that's not really a place we've been training on," Jackson said. "We've scored a lot of goals on set pieces, but we want to score more on the running play."

Jackson said his love of scoring began at an early age. Originally playing right wing, Tom discovered he had a talent for finding the net early on and was placed up front as an attacker as a child.

That love for scoring has stayed with him all his life, and has been the motivation behind his three goals and two assists so far in the 2010 season.

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Boggs remains inspired, humble after first collegiate win

BY TROY HEMINGWAY
THE PARTHENON

After his first collegiate win, it seems like Aaron Boggs would feel on top of the world.

This is not so for the red-shirt sophomore golfer from Madison, W.Va., who captured the top prize at the Cardinal Intercollegiate in Louisville, Ky., on Sept. 21.

"I feel like it's important to keep a level mindset," Boggs said. "It's good to keep everything in perspective and not get too high or too low after a performance. Each player on the team is capable of winning any tournament."

Boggs came into the tournament as the fifth man for the Herd, which in golf is the lowest rated player on a team. He said he feels he hasn't performed to his capabilities since he has been at Marshall and is happy to finally be playing some of his best golf.

"I feel like I have under-achieved since I've been here," Boggs said. "We all know that we have the potential to be successful, and I'm glad I finally was able to play well enough to meet those expectations."

As a team, Marshall finished third at the tournament, even though they had the lead after the first 36 holes. Head coach Joe Feaganes said he expects great things from the team this season.

"We have a legitimate chance to compete for the win in every tournament we enter this year," Feaganes said. "We had the 36-hole lead after two rounds in Louisville and finished third out of 16 teams. We finished in the top three, so that means we beat 13 really good teams."

Boggs said playing as the fifth man for the Herd is different than playing in that spot on another team.

"Playing the fifth man for our team is a little different on our team because we are so deep this year," Boggs said. "We have a great team and go into every tournament with an expectation to win."

Feaganes said he was a little surprised that Boggs won the tournament, but also said he wasn't surprised that everyone on the team performed so well.

"It was a pleasant surprise that Boggs got the victory," Feaganes said. "We are a pretty well balanced team, with eight guys that are good enough to be playing in any tournament. You are only as strong as your fifth man, and to have a redshirt sophomore playing in our five spot gives us a strong team."

However, Boggs' success may come as little surprise after learning about his background

in golf. His grandfather, who was a professional golfer, taught Boggs the game at an early age, and Boggs said he patterns his game from what his grandfather taught him. "I mold myself after my grandfather," Boggs said. "He taught me the game, along with my father, and I try to emulate the things they taught me on the course."

After having the 36-hole lead, Boggs said it was a little disappointing to not finish in the top spot as a team. It was the first time this particular Marshall team was in that position, and Boggs said they are going to use that experience to help them in future tournaments.

"It was the first time for a lot of us being in that position," Boggs said. "It was a learning experience for us and kind of took us by surprise. We have been there before now, and will

use that to our advantage the rest of the season."

Marshall plays its next tournament Oct. 3-4 at the Renaissance Invitational in Ft. Myers, Fla.

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THE PARTHENON EDITORIAL

The effects of bullying can be devastating

Each day, students around the country are faced with bullying, which can have tragic results and negative impact on victims

The recent death of a Rutgers University freshman has gained national attention, serving as a reminder of the effects bullying might have.

Police are investigating the alleged suicide of Tyler Clementi, who apparently leapt to his death after his roommate and another

student exposed his involvement in a sexual encounter on Twitter.

Earlier this year, a similar story of a 15-year-old girl who allegedly committed suicide after being bullied by schoolmates, also gained national attention.

While most cases of bullying do not end as tragic as these,

unfortunately, bullying is something many young adults have to face on a daily basis. For many, the effects of bullying have a lasting impression on the victim.

While bullying is something most of us witnessed or experienced in middle school and high school, it also, unfortunately, can carry over into college.

College is a time of growing, maturing and becoming the person you want to be. These aspects of college are just as educational

as what we learn everyday in the classroom. However, when bullying is a part of everyday life, it not only interferes with this growth and education, but can have devastating effects, as in Tyler Clementi's case.

If you or someone you know are on the bullying end of one of these situations, perhaps it's best to be put in the shoes of those being bullied. The negative impact bullying has on a person's self-esteem can affect them throughout their entire

life. If you are being bullied, the Marshall University Counseling Center is available to help students through difficult times. The counseling center is located in Prichard Hall.

Bullying is an unfortunate and terrible dilemma facing students each day. Together, we should work on eliminating this problem on our own campus to help make at least our own small corner of the world a better living and learning environment.

DAVE MISTICH
AN EAR TO THE GROUND

Tomorrow: Huntington Music and Arts Festival

With tomorrow's Huntington Music & Arts Festival creating quite a bit of buzz around town, I figured this week's edition should focus a bit on how this ambitious project came about and what exactly those who plan to attend should expect.



DAVE MISTICH
COLUMNIST

The brainchild of Shamrock's co-owner Ian Thornton, the festival attempts to serve the bands as much as the fans.

"It's tough on bands here to reach a crowd when they basically only have two establish-

ments to play, and both are bars which typically start shows kind of late," Thornton said. "I feel like we've got a very strong, diverse group of bands that play here in West Virginia who aren't able to really tap into the community. So we'll bring the community to them."

The name of the festival is a tad deceiving, as some of the bands playing Saturday are from out of town. However, many of these bands have been cutting their teeth around Huntington and gaining a reputation that follows them back home and on to other gigs. Despite this minor technicality, Thornton has stacked up an impressive list of some of the area's most revered talent.

As for the bands from out of town, Thornton did a great job. The Demon Beat, from Shepherdstown, W.Va., might as well be from Huntington because they've grown a loyal fan base around town. Sasha Collette, from Kentucky, has been doing well as an indie Americana songstress.

The same holds true for the bands from right here in town. Universes, Jeff Ellis, Fletcher's Grove and Family Conspiracy are groups that have been hitting the local dives and clubs for some time. While there are plenty of other bands that maybe should've made the bill (Wizards of Ghetto Mountain and Hyatari), plenty of solid local talent will be featured. I suppose you have to leave room for improvement next year.

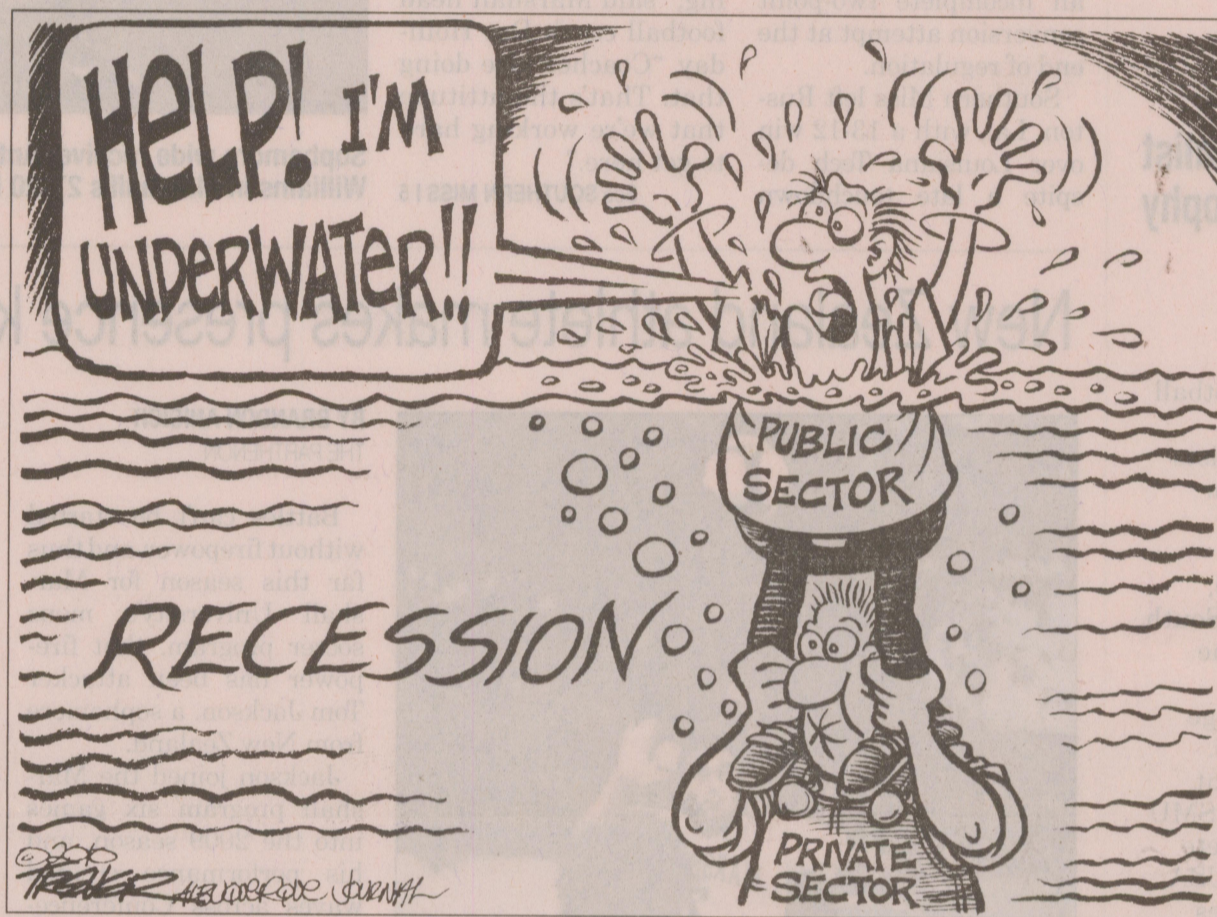
Probably, the most anticipated set of the festival will be the one-off reunion of American Minor. After proving themselves as West Virginia's greatest export by opening for legends like Tom Petty, the Allman Brothers Band and alt-country heroes Drive-By Truckers, the group disbanded near the middle of the decade. This being their first show in years, the crowd will definitely be in for a long overdue treat.

And music isn't the only thing Thornton has assembled for Saturday. There will also be plenty of local sponsors and vendors on hand. For eats, Buddy's BBQ will be slinging sandwiches, ribs and sides to the crowd.

Cheers, Mr. Thornton, for putting in the work to give some local and regional talent a chance to shine. If all goes according to plan, hopefully the festival will see an increase in size and scale next year, and, most importantly, bring more attention to what is going on around town.

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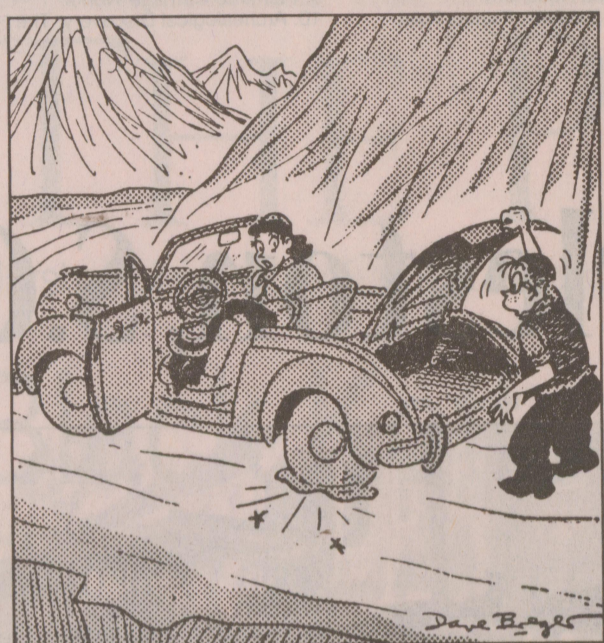
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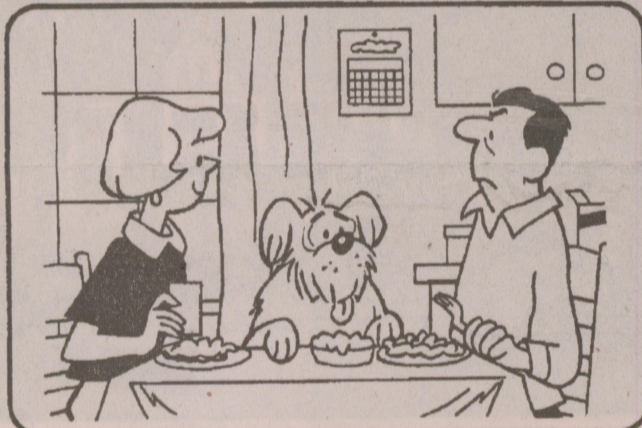
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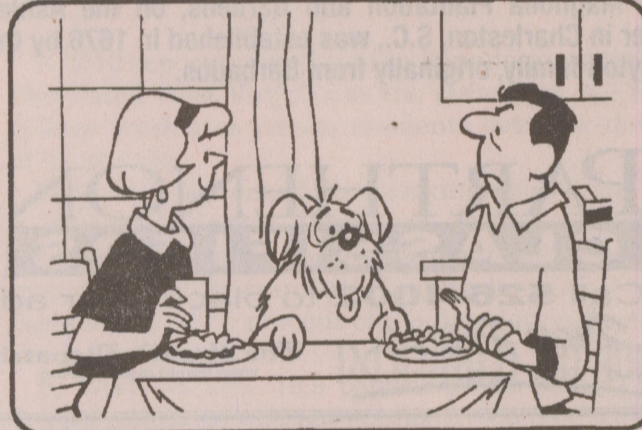


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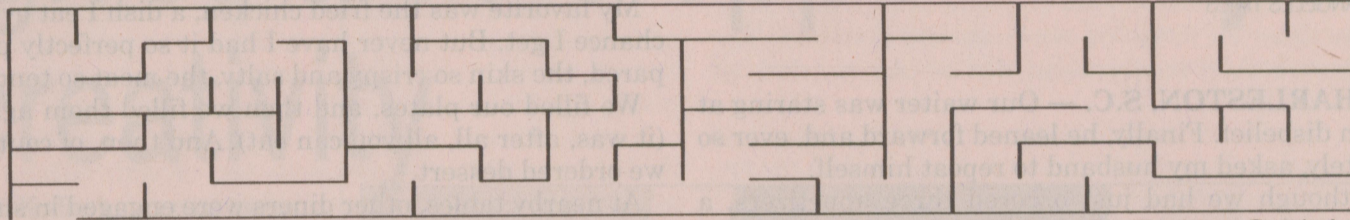
"The next time you do the Mexican hat dance, please use your own hat."

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by Mike Marland

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Southern Miss
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Knowing the Golden Eagles faced a similar test in the final non-conference game of 2010 provides added motivation for the Herd's return to the road.

"They're not invincible," said Herd junior kicker Tyler Warner. "We lost to them last year by a touchdown. Every play is crucial."

Southern Miss has a 4-1 all-time lead in its series with Marshall, the lone Herd win occurring in 2008 in Hattiesburg. After a first half of traded leads, Marshall took a 34-27 win and give Southern Miss its 11th home loss to a C-USA opponent. The memory of that win two seasons ago is still fresh in the minds of the juniors and seniors on the Marshall roster, especially after the Golden Eagles left Huntington in 2009 with a 27-20 win.

"We controlled the game (in 2008)," Warner said. "They have a lot of talent. I remember they had a kickoff return for a touchdown (in 2009). I feel like our special teams has stepped up quite a bit from last year."

Southern Miss is led by quarterback Austin Davis, wide receiver DeAndre Brown and running back Tracy Lampley. Davis threw for 233

yards and rushed for 69 yards on 18 carries in the win at Louisiana Tech. The junior returned to the active roster in August after missing the final eight games of 2009 because of a ligament tear in his left foot.

"It all starts with Austin Davis," Holliday said. "He's also a quarterback that can beat you with his feet and he'll create some problems for us. He makes very few mistakes."

Brown did not play at Louisiana Tech because of a lower leg strain but is climbing up the Golden Eagle all-time charts in career receptions with 126. He completed his seventh career 100-yard game in Southern Miss's 34-7 win over Prairie View A & M on Sept. 11. His status is questionable for Saturday's contest.

Lampley is one of nine returning starters on the Southern Miss defense. He finished his freshman season of 2009 with national rankings for kickoff (15th) and punt returns (7th). The Golden Eagle defense has made 10 sacks and 24 tackles for loss in the first three games of 2010.

The offensive lines of both teams are dealing with injuries entering Saturday's contest. Recurring injuries to the Herd's five offensive starters have led to rotation of players in the first four games of 2010 and difficulty in stability.

"I wish we could keep all five in

there and get some continuity going," Holliday said. "It seems like every time we get five guys in there playing pretty well, we somebody who gets bumped up and we have to bounce somebody around (in the starting line up)."

Fourth quarter struggles have been a recurring situation for Marshall, but the Herd wants to drop the label of a "three-quarter team." "I feel like that's how other teams have been looking at us," said junior linebacker Kellen Harris. "We can't have that mentality. We can't have people thinking that about us. That's what our coaches harp on, not thinking that things are over (entering the fourth quarter)."

Changing that mentality becomes crucial in situations like the end of the West Virginia and Ohio games that are decided by last minute plays, and even more so on the road.

"You figure with five minutes left in the game, it only takes one good drive for just a first down," Harris said. "That's kind of scary to think about. We've just got to be able to focus in on that critical moment. Going on the road anywhere, you just have to make sure that you're prepared, you're confident and everything else is just blocked out."

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far this season. "There isn't a better feeling than scoring," Jackson said with a smile.

Adjusting to the aressive style of play C-USA accommodates, Jackson has exceeded his role as spearhead of Marshall's attacking force, turning every aspect of conference play into an advantage.

"It did take a little bit of adjusting to," Jackson said. "But I like to use it against them (opponents) because a lot of the defenses aren't bigger than me, but it doesn't mean they're going to beat me."

That aggression has spread across the roster this year, and with it comes a larger fan base. Against UCF last weekend, Sam Hood Field's bleachers were filled with umbrella-equipped die-hards, all present to support the Herd.

When asked about the crowds, Jackson beamed.

"I love the crowd, especially I love to get even more people out there, but I really appreciate seeing everyone out there, it means a lot."

The Herd takes at Florida International University on 7 p.m. today at Sam Hood field.

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an impressive resume of community service accomplishments. As President of SMU's Fellowship of Christian Athletes, he volunteers with various organizations throughout the year; serving the local community and encouraging people to make a difference.

"This year's Campbell Trophy semifinalists embody the National Football Foundation's mission," said NFF Chairman Archie Manning whose sons Peyton (1997

Campbell Trophy winner) and Eli were named NFF National Scholar-Athletes in 1997 and 2003, respectively. "They are standouts in the classroom and on the field and have become leaders in their respective communities. Each school should take great pride in being represented by such well-rounded young men who will undoubtedly go on to do great things in life."

Nominated by their schools, which are limited to one nominee each, semifinalists must be a senior or graduate student in their final year of eligibility, have a GPA of at least 3.2 on a 4.0 scale, have outstanding football ability as a

first team player or significant contributor, and have demonstrated strong leadership and citizenship. The trophy was renamed last fall in honor of Bill Campbell, the chairman of Intuit, former player and head coach at Columbia University and the 2004 recipient of the NFF's Gold Medal.

The NFF Awards Committee will select up to 15 finalists and announce the results via national press release on Thursday, Oct. 28. Each finalist will be recognized as part of the 2010 NFF National Scholar-Athlete Class, receiving an \$18,000 post-graduate scholarship.

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Hensley said the benefits of education exceed just economic benefits, and contribute to people making better choices all around. The correlation between being the least educated, but also holding the nation's highest obesity and smoking rates are hard to miss, he said.

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are getting out of an evening class, they can stay at the event for as long as they'd like. It's something they will enjoy."

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A knife, a fork and Charleston, S.C.

BY JESSICA GARRISON
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CHARLESTON, S.C. — Our waiter was staring at us in disbelief. Finally, he leaned forward and, ever so politely, asked my husband to repeat himself.

Although we had just ordered three appetizers, a soup and two main courses (we ate every bite), my husband was, indeed, inquiring about where we might go later that evening to try more of Charleston's culinary delicacies.

Most tourists are drawn to Charleston for its graceful, grand homes and hauntingly beautiful gardens. But an increasing number are going for the food, as the rich and varied cuisine of the region undergoes a renaissance propelled by an interest in locally grown ingredients and an influx of new chefs.

During a late-spring trip to South Carolina to visit family, my husband and I sneaked away for a few days to taste what all the fuss was about.

Our mission was to eat our way across the city and a few of its neighboring islands, sampling traditional favorites such as fried chicken and grits, along with fancier fare in restaurants where chefs are experimenting with specialized ingredients.

In between meals, we strolled, taking in the gardens and trying to catch an ocean breeze. I was delighted to discover another feature of Charleston that pleased me almost as much as the food and the sights. The city boasts an unusual number of upscale consignment stores, where Chanel suits and designer clothes, many of them lovingly cared for and beautifully presented, can be had for a song.

A quick tip: Before embarking on a venture of this kind, it is crucial to don comfortable shoes, so as to be able to walk off what you do to yourself. This is not the time — believe me because I know — for the new sandals purchased at said thrift shop, no matter how cute they are.

We began our feasting with some history and tradition. On the advice of Ted and Matt Lee, friends of a friend as well as Charleston residents and authors of two cookbooks about Southern cooking, we headed to Po Pigs Bo-B-Q.

I was skeptical at first. Po Pigs is a roadside joint next to a gas station on an empty stretch of Highway 174 on Edisto Island south of Charleston. We had visited an old plantation in the morning, and I was wilting in the heat, smarting from insect bites, limping from my inappropriate footwear and wondering what we were doing here in the sticks when we could be inside with air-conditioning.

My heart sank further when we walked in the door. I beheld a simple room, clean but nothing special, holding a few tables and, at the front, a steam table. I am from the West Coast, and steam tables signify to me congealed school-cafeteria food. I tried to send my husband a disapproving look, but I could not catch his eye.

He was staring at the buffet with a look of wonder and joy usually reserved for our children. I followed him to get a closer look.

How do I describe what I saw? Tray after tray of things I had only read about in books or seen in movies: chicken stew, pork hash, red rice, lima beans, and yes, of course, hush puppies.

Now, I realize these are not rare foods. Anyone who has spent even five minutes in the South — I had not before this trip — has eaten them.

But not like this. The overall effect was that of a potluck with dozens of guests, each of them an accomplished cook who had brought along his or her

best dish.

My favorite was the fried chicken, a dish I eat every chance I get. But never have I had it so perfectly prepared, the skin so crispy and salty, the meat so tender.

We filled our plates, and then we filled them again (it was, after all, all you can eat). And then, of course, we ordered dessert.

At nearby tables, other diners were engaged in similar acts of gluttony, and the whole restaurant seemed to be in the same state of slightly sheepish joy, a feeling that only grew stronger when the sugar high hit from the pecan pie, the caramel zebra cake and the banana pudding.

We stumbled to the car and looked blearily at the time. We had been in there for hours and needed to get on the road if we were going to have time for an afternoon stroll before changing for dinner.

Fortunately for us, we had chosen to descend into gluttony in one of the most charming walking cities in the United States. Charleston is at the confluence of the Cooper and Ashley rivers on a peninsula that juts into the Atlantic Ocean. The area south of Broad Street, famous for its centuries-old, perfectly restored Georgian and Federal mansions, offers many different kinds of walks. There are organized tours of gardens, architecture and even haunts of famous ghosts.

We just ambled, joining the throngs who strolled by the water, stopping to buy a sweetgrass basket, a specialty of the Gullah people of South Carolina's low country, who brought the technique from West Africa.

Before we knew it, it was time for our dinner at Fig in downtown Charleston, where chef Mike Lata, who won a 2009 James Beard Award for best chef in the Southeast, makes a point of buying his ingredients from local farmers.

Our meal was memorable, especially the salad of young lettuces that was so light and tender it was a delicious antidote to our lunch.

As dinner wore on, it became clear that we had overdone it. Moments after my husband asked the puzzled waiter for more restaurant recommendations, reality set in. After a short and beautiful evening stroll, we returned to our hotel. Eating that much, it turns out, knocks you out.

In the morning, I woke up worried. We had saved the most highly recommended restaurant for last. Would our stomachs be able to handle it?

Brunch at the Hominy Grill, which many food writers, including the New York Times' legendary R.W. Apple, has called among the best breakfasts in America, begins at 9 a.m. sharp.

It isn't possible to make a reservation, so we made sure to arrive before it opened.

We still had to wait on the sidewalk, where we had plenty of company. After about 30 minutes, just as we were beginning to gain a profound understanding of what people are talking about when they refer to the hot Southern sun, we were led to a pleasant table. Shortly thereafter, wondrous plates began to arrive, chief among them the shrimp sautéed with scallions and bacon and served over cheese grits.

Of course, we also had to try the fried green tomatoes, the sausage biscuits and the ginger pumpkin bread.

As we drove away, we felt some regret that our overindulgence had prevented us from touring more of the city. But we also felt that immersing ourselves in the area's cuisine had given us a deeper appreciation of the place and the culture than can be had from merely sightseeing.

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