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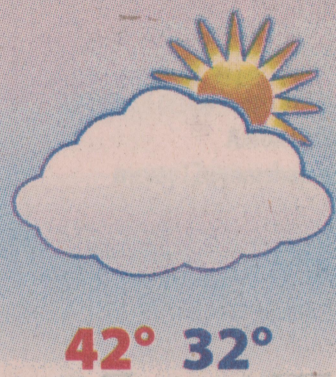
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Emergency plan outlines crisis procedures

BY ERICA J. DUFFIELD
THE PARTHENON

If there were an emergency on campus — fire, flood or shooting — would Marshall students know what to do?

That question falls squarely on the MU Emergency Management Plan.

The plan is a comprehensive, flexible and adaptive policy outlining the procedures for handling any incident that requires urgent attention, Brian Carrico, director of health and safety, said. While every possible incident could not be addressed specifically, the plan provides basic formulas that can

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STEPHEN J. KOPP
MARSHALL PRESIDENT

be applied to virtually any occurrence, he said.

"The important part about these protocols is the protocols are flexible," Marshall President Stephen J. Kopp said in a recent interview with Parthenon reporters. "There's no linear protocol of Step A,

Step B, Step C. As a situation unfolds and changes, the actions change."

Carrico said the plan is based on effective communication and its structure and execution. In an emergency, an executive committee, led by Marshall University Police Chief Jim Terry, organizes

the efforts of several subcommittees, Carrico said.

Carrico said three levels of emergencies exist:

■ Level One includes minor emergencies that don't effect the operation of the University. This includes things that are quickly resolved such as water leaks and short-term power outages.

■ Level Two emergencies disrupt the university, and outside sources must be contacted for assistance. Chemical spills and extensive power outages fall into this category.

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SGA judicial members appointed

BY HANNA FRANCIS
THE PARTHENON

After nearly a semester with vacant seats, the judicial branch of Marshall University's Student Government has been filled.

Until Tuesday, only one of the five positions available in the judicial branch was occupied. That one position had been filled because once appointed into the court, students stay for their collegiate career. That student, Corey McCarty, is a holdover from last year.

The only way one can get on the court is to be appointed by SGA President Matt James. After almost one semester in office as president of Marshall's SGA, James finally appointed members of the branch Tuesday evening.

Members of the student court for this year are: Corey McCarty, Johannes Fahrman, Trey Baisden, Elisabeth Fitzpatrick and Cody Bartrug.

Steve Hensley, dean of student affairs, said in an interview last week that while James had no exact timeline for appointing justices, he needed to think about filling the positions.

When questioned last week, James promised, "The court will be in place before we go home for winter break."

James said he waited so long because of changes to the bylaws being made by McCarty.

"Corey (McCarty) let me know he was rewriting the bylaws," James said. "So I was waiting until the new laws were in."

McCarty said that in the last year and half he has been affiliated with the court, there have been no disagreements between SGA executives and senators for the judicial branch to solve. He has never had to use his judicial power.

When there are no disagreements, though, Hensley said there is nothing for them to do.

Because of that fact, students may be at ease to know that members of the judicial branch of SGA do not get paid.

McCarty does not hold a paid position in the university, though, so changes to the bylaws were made on his own time — and they are changes he said stands by.

One of those changes is an

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United Way Bringing the Tri-State together

Editor's Note:

As a public service to our readers who volunteer and donate money to charities and others who just want to keep informed, The Parthenon staff has produced a series of stories about United Way of the River Cities' fundraising campaign and profiles of many of the 31 agencies benefiting from its allocations of those funds. "Live United" is the campaign's latest slogan. The Parthenon is concerned about where the money goes and who benefits from the campaign. The series also will include stories about a few charities not affiliated with United Way. This series will run during most of our remaining editions this semester, and we encourage readers to provide us with feedback about this service.

Faculty donates to wear jeans

BY ARIANNA PRICE
THE PARTHENON

Imagine having a professional job, yet being able to wear jeans to work just for a sticker.

Through the United Way campaign on Marshall's campus, all participating faculty and staff are able to do just that. Every Tuesday and Thursday throughout the campaign was Jeans Day, and anyone who made a donation for a sticker was granted permission to wear jeans for the day as long as the sticker was visible.

This activity, along with others including raffles, car washes and a pumpkin-decorating contest, was sponsored by the President's Blue Ribbon United Way Campaign Committee.

The committee is made up of faculty, staff and students, committee chair Bernice Bullock said.

"Annually we have approximately five students who serve on the United Way Campaign Committee," Matt James, Marshall student body president, said. "In the recent past, those students are usually the student body president and vice president as well as representatives from the Student Activities Programming Board and Greek Affairs. Students simply have to show up if they wish to get involved in our planning."

United Way encourages students to become involved in the various activities, not only because the proceeds go to a good cause, but also because it is a very rewarding experience.

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City mission shelters homeless

BY TAYLOR KUYKENDALL
THE PARTHENON

Roberta Stapleton moved from Genoa, W.Va., to Huntington without a home, without two of her children and struggling with an alcohol addiction.

Stapleton had acquired a new last name from a marriage that did not work out, and she didn't know how to spell it — she couldn't even read a job application. She tried to seek help through the Renaissance Place in Huntington, but said she regressed to alcoholism as soon as she went back home.

Stapleton's mother cares for her 16 and 17-year-old sons. She has been able to maintain custody and care of her 5-year-old son, Jeffrey. When Child Protective Services tried to relocate Jeffrey after her relapse into alcoholism, Stapleton said she had to kick her habit.

"All of the progress I have made is for Jeffrey," Stapleton said. "He is the only one I do this for. If I stay here with Jeffrey, I don't drink."

Now, Stapleton is staying with Jeffrey in a small apartment provided by the Huntington City Mission. According to its mission statement the city mission is a "nonprofit, nondenominational Christian organization established to meet the physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs" of anyone who presents themselves to the organization as homeless.

"I was drinking to forget things," Stapleton said. "I knew after they said they were going to take Jeffrey away from me, the mission may be my last chance."

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Roberta Stapleton poses with her son, Jeffrey, at the Huntington City Mission after signing a photo release form. Before she became a client at the mission, Stapleton said she couldn't even spell her married name.

Changes made to wireless internet access

BY JESSICA WINTZ
THE PARTHENON

The hardware appliance providing VPN access to the Marshall University Network will be retired Dec. 31, and anyone who wants to connect to the network wirelessly will have to follow a new procedure.

The Marshall University Computing Services Web site states the VPN is a service provided to Marshall students, faculty and staff for securely connecting to the Marshall University Network over a commodity network such as the Internet or dial-up. The VPN, which stands for virtual private network, is also used to provide a secure connection over the 802.11b wireless network in some locations around campus.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2009, anyone who tries to connect to the wireless network will have to migrate to the new VPN service.

Travis Callihan, telecommunications network specialist II for Marshall University Telecommunications, said that the VPN Concentrator has been categorized as "end of sale" from the vendor, and after the end of sale date, the vendor begins to discontinue the product line until it reaches "end of life."

"Because of diminishing support from the vendor, it is necessary to move to a new product," Callihan said.

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TRAVIS CALLIHAN
TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK
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Since Nov. 1, students, faculty and staff have been able to use the new VPN service located at <https://muvpn.marshall.edu>.

Unlike the previous client, it is no longer necessary to download an application to establish a connection.

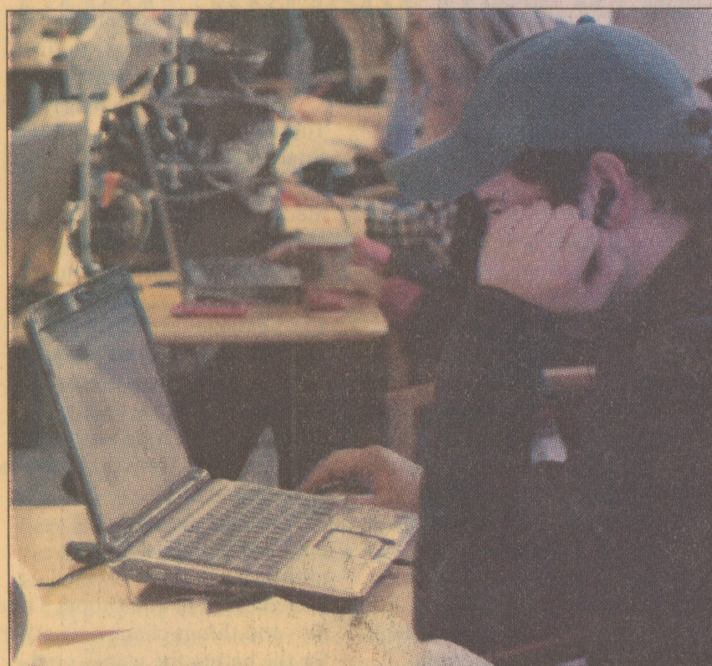
"When you connect to the URL <https://muvpn.marshall.edu> and authenticate with your MUNet username and password, the VPN will determine the operating system running on your

computer and download the appropriate software," Callihan said. "It will also determine if there is a newer version of the software available and update your local copy if necessary."

Callihan said computing services is in the process of developing documentation based on feedback it received from the early adopters. As new documentation is available, it will be posted at <http://www.marshall.edu/ucs/networking/vpnintro.asp>.

Anyone having trouble accessing the VPN service should contact the UCS Help Desk at helpdesk@marshall.edu and log a service request with details of the problem.

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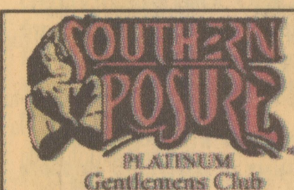


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Saif Khouga, senior integrated science and technology major, uses wireless internet at the study center in Drinko Library.

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EDITORIAL

Obama should back off BCS

President-elect Barack Obama is tackling the tough issues before he takes the White House Jan. 20 — literally.

The night before Election Day on Monday Night Football, Obama mentioned to ESPN studio host Chris Berman that he would like to radically alter the Bowl Championship Series for college football. This was a shocking statement to make the day before everybody went to the polls. Not because the idea to go to a playoff system for college football is so different as this is an annual argument, but because it was just out of left field to hear a person who was vying for the most powerful position in the world to be that interested in sports.

It did not end there, however. This past Sunday on "60 Minutes," Obama brought the subject up one more time, even adding some more detail as to what he would do with the BCS.

It is obvious Obama has a passion for sports and athletics, and as Washington Post columnist Michael Wilbon points out in his new article, several past presidents have been sports advocates and athletes in their younger days.

Many college coaches have jumped on Obama's bandwagon, including USC head coach Pete Carroll, Texas coach Mack Brown and Texas Tech's Mike Leach, who has suggested a 64-team tournament to determine the national champion.

We are sure a majority of college football fans would love to see it, but we question how feasible this idea really is. The BCS is supported by big-money interests that will be difficult to sway away from the current system.

This could also be a political ploy for Obama, trying to appeal the common person by talking sports.

The fact remains that there are more important issues to deal with in Obama's first 100 days of office, including the economy and that universal health care plan he has been talking about.

Now if a president could make a difference in sports, George W. Bush will have some free time to fix baseball.

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LUCY M. CALDWELL | Harvard Crimson | Harvard University

Prop 8 protesters undermine cause

Elation over Barack Obama's victory two weeks ago was dampened by less good news for left-leaning voters, as same-sex marriage bans passed in Arizona, California and Florida. For many gay activists, the new bans in Arizona and California were particularly disheartening, given that Arizona voted down a similar ban two years ago and that California has been allowing same-sex marriage since this summer. Over 40 states have now passed bans on gay marriage, leaving Connecticut and Massachusetts as the sole states allowing the practice.

Proponents of gay marriage have been quick to respond to this setback. In recent days, an estimated 1 million people in about 300 cities have taken part in protests against same-sex marriage bans. Many of these protests have stressed first and foremost that opposition to same-sex marriage stems from hate rather than from political sensibility. "5,419,478 Bigots Stole Our Civil Rights," read one sign at a rally in Chicago. "No More Mister 'Nice Gay,'" read another. This strategy — declaring that opponents of gay marriage are bigots and threatening retribution — is exactly the sort of tactic supporters of gay marriage

should not be using.

Because most American voters oppose gay marriage, the question of how to proceed on the gay rights front now hinges on whether or not same-sex marriage bans constitute an act of tyranny of the majority — in other words, whether or not gay rights are minority rights. Many activists have described the gay rights debate as the most important civil rights issue of our time. This is not an apt description, as gay Americans are not being denied rights. This was not the case in previous civil rights movements. African-Americans living in the sixties were granted fewer rights than their white counterparts. Women living in earlier decades were granted fewer rights than their male counterparts.

Gay Americans are not being granted fewer rights than their straight counterparts — technically, a gay man does have the right to enter into a marriage with a woman. The push for same-sex marriage is a rally for additional rights. While this characterization of the movement strikes most gay rights activists as harsh, it is a useful distinction to be made when devising ways to advance

the cause effectively. Yet gay rights advocates have not taken the appropriate cues from their defeats earlier this month, as reflected in their continued ignorance of their opponents' thoughts and motives. They seem unable to face that democracy has spoken, and it has said "no" on same-sex marriage.

One major problem with the gay rights movement is that it simultaneously champions democratic government and rejects it. The movement views marriage as a civic institution rather than a religious one (this is one distinction between marriages and civil unions), but only so long as government functions from a pro-gay marriage position. Once the cogs of government have turned to an anti-gay marriage slant, gay rights activists cease to be tolerant of the democratic process. Cue the banners decrying opponents as hateful and intolerant. Is this unfortunate divide what activists seek? Certainly that sort of culture of separatist intolerance is what arises when advocates take this approach.

Another problem for the movement is that the unchecked judicial activism that had recently propelled the cause forward is part of what is pushing it back. A

major reason that Proposition 8 passed in California this election cycle is that voters were responding to a decision that had been made quite suddenly by a handful of activist judges on the California Supreme Court. The reaction among gay rights advocates to their recent electoral setback is damaging in that it serves to confirm their opponents' fears that the movement is positively anti-democratic. In addition to being in poor taste, the aggressive reaction to Prop 8 will ultimately prove self-destructive. As recent history has shown us, popular opinion on the gay marriage front is fluctuating, and it will likely be a central issue in the next election as gay rights supporters seek to overturn marriage bans.

Activists will need to lure some opponents into their corner to advance their cause. In light of this, the gay rights movement should focus on building acceptance, rather than falling back on divisive politics. They should seek to demonstrate that they are reasonable, that their cause is reasonable, and that they hope to achieve it through popular democratic processes.

EMMA M. LIND | Harvard Crimson | Harvard University

'Total Request Live' left cultural mark

On Sunday, MTV's "Total Request Live" issued its swan song, and I wasn't listening. Dubbed TRL by its hordes of devotees — among whose ranks I used to count myself — the show marked a generation of awkward and not-so-awkward teenagers who tuned in for a decade to watch, fanatically, their favorite "celebs" battle it out for the top spot on the show's daily music video countdown.

In middle school I watched TRL religiously, falling in lust with Lance Bass and experimenting with eye glitter in the bathroom mirror. Today, 'N Sync is dissolved, Lance Bass is gay and TRL silently ran its last episode while I sat in my room pretending to work on my thesis. I feel a certain degree of guilt about letting my last chance to watch the show slip by, not because I was waiting with bated breath to see who was No. 1, but because I cannot

imagine my 13-year-old self feeling anything but shame at the way her 21-year-old counterpart forgot this defining feature of her adolescence.

For all of TRL's apparent mindlessness, it represented a crucial slice of pop culture — the idea of "climbing the charts" — that I loved and felt a part of. TRL facilitated the sort of direct public engagement with artists that you can't get on YouTube, eMusic or iTunes. Though it was a commercial experience, it was participatory, even communal. Beyond the viewer and the video, TRL was about you, your best friend, host Carson Daly, the hundreds of people waving signs outside of MTV's studio in Times Square and Britney Spears before she got trashed. It was bubblegum beautiful.

As much as I love clicking and watching (and clicking and reading and clicking and chatting), the passing of TRL is

a reminder that the media that I always viewed as essential and contemporary are fading away. TRL's viewership has been dropping since its peak at the turn of the century, and its daily average number of viewers of more than 700,000 during the past 10 years pales in comparison to MTV's top rated show right now — "The Hills" — which regularly lures four million.

Is there something about a show like "The Hills" that appeals to viewers more than TRL does? I think this is possible. When you watched TRL, it was possible to envision yourself, maybe someday, as one of those sign-wavers floors below. But hanging out with celebrities is so 20th century. Culture today values actually being a celebrity yourself. Shows that depict the "real lives" of young people — like "The Hills" or the phenomenally popular "Gossip Girl" —

present viewers with a more palpable alternative to their own life. You might not be an Upper East Side socialite, but maybe you've sat next to one on an airplane (or in section).

But I confess: When I read Tuesday that TRL had run its final episode Sunday, my first thoughts were not about new media, pop culture or Heidi Montag. My reaction was completely self-centered: a melodramatic response to a strange and peripheral reminder of the passage of time. A generation of college kids who grew up on TRL didn't care about its death, and as I didn't watch on Sunday night, Daly said, "We're old now."

We're not old now (not yet), but I've finally resigned myself to the idea that I'm on the forestalled brink of adulthood. Time flies and things change, whether for the better, the worse, or the entirely indifferent.

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Girl Scouts provides leadership, service

BY JESSICA WINTZ
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For Amanda Fellure, a field executive for the Girl Scouts of Black Diamond Council in Huntington, it's not all about the Thin Mints, Tagalongs and Dos-Si-Do cookies that got her in Girl Scouts — it's in the family.

"I came from a Girl Scout family," Fellure said. "I had two older sisters who were both in Girl Scouts, and my mom was our leader and also on the board of directors. I was always a tag along and going to events."

Fellure became involved with Girl Scouts in kindergarten and stayed in the organization through high school. During her time as a Girl Scout, she had the opportunity to attend many sports and leadership camps that impacted her life.

"One of the many things I did was attend a Girl Leadership Institute at the Macy Center in New York City," Fellure said. "One of the big things that we did there is that we attended a movie premiere for an HBO documentary on Title IX women sports and met a

WNBA basketball player. It was just a surreal experience."

First chartered by Girl Scouts of the USA in 1974, Girl Scouts of Black Diamond Council is a nonprofit organization that serves more than 20,000 girls and 4,500 adults in 59 counties in West Virginia, Virginia and Maryland. In 2007, Girl Scouts of Black Diamond Council served 1,919 girls and 361 adults in the River Cities area, with most of those girls residing in Cabell, Lincoln, Mason and Wayne counties, according to the council's 2007 annual report.

Girls are divided into Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadet and Senior Girl Scout troops. Membership is granted to any girl from kindergarten to 12th grade who makes the Girl Scout Promise, accepts the Girl Scout Law and pays annual membership dues of \$10, Fellure said.

Jessica Richards, the director of membership and marketing for the Girl Scouts of Black Diamond Council, said the United Way of the River Cities provides funding each year for a program called the Girl Opportunity

2007 Revenue of Girl Scouts of Black Diamond Council

Fees	5%
United Way	5%
Contributions/Grants	9%
Other	9%
Product Sales	72%

SOURCE: 2007 GIRL SCOUTS OF BLACK DIAMOND COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

Fund that helps girls with the costs of membership fees, event and program fees, and provides Girl Scout handbooks and sashes. The agency allocates the maximum amount of \$24,900 to the council each year. This amount was 5 percent of the total revenue of the council in 2007.

Product sales from Girl Scout cookies and nuts provide about 72 percent of the council's revenue. The council also relies on

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Kiwanis Day Care offers special needs assistance

BY AMY SNOODGRASS
THE PARTHENON

When the 4-month-old child of Cherly Thompson stopped breathing one day in 2007, the staff at Kiwanis Day Care responded quickly.

Thompson, of Huntington said her son, Kaleb Irick, was born with congenital heart disease, and since his surgery Kiwanis Day Care staff has assisted with his developmental needs. "Their workers are very well-trained, very professional in the way they maintain themselves with all the children," Thompson said.

She said it is a challenge for the day care staff to give attention to all the children and at the same time provide a curriculum for a special-needs child.

United Way has given funding to Kiwanis Day Care since 1950. The day care provides for 78 children yearly, and without the help of United Way, many of them would have to be

turned away.

Patti Nelson, director of Kiwanis Day Care, said the funds are used to cover the actual tuition cost.

"I wouldn't be able to take in as many children and I wouldn't be able to operate a fully functional day care," she said. "I wouldn't be able to provide the quality service that we provide. I would have to cut back on the number of staff and the number of kids, which would make the waiting list twice as long."

United Way gives Kiwanis Day Care \$34,080 yearly to help cover tuition costs. Nelson said without the funds given to them by United Way she would ultimately have to charge parents more.

"The difference between what we actually charge and what it actually costs us, that difference in fees is what the money from United Way is used toward," Nelson said.

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Police Blotter

The following information is provided by the Marshall University Police Department.

BY ERICA J. DUFFIELD | THE PARTHENON

Going down

Joshua Carlton Barrett, aka Juice, 18, a resident of Twin Towers East, was arrested Friday after exiting an elevator in the lobby of Twin Towers East. Police were waiting for the elevator to go to the fourth floor to serve an arrest warrant. When the elevator opened, the suspect exited and was arrested. Barrett exited behind the arrestee and began to question his friend's arrest. Officers told Barrett to leave, but he continued to say the arrest was wrong. He was told to leave again but continued to question the arrest. Barrett was arrested in connection with obstruction. Following a search, carrying a concealed weapon and possession of marijuana were added to the charge. Barrett was taken before Magistrate Betty Wolford and released on bond. Information on the suspect police arrested on the warrant was not available with the police report.

Harassment report leads to DUI arrest

Glenn Lavarr Sailor, 19, of Huntington, was arrested Nov. 2 after three women reported being harassed by a man in a white Buick on 20th Street. As officers were getting a description of the vehicle, the vehicle passed and was stopped at 20th Street and Sixth Avenue. Sailor, the driver of the vehicle, had red glassy eyes, slurred speech and the odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from his breath. Police administered three field sobriety tests, and Sailor failed two of the three. He registered a 0.14 percent blood alcohol content level in a preliminary breath test. The legal limit is 0.08 percent. He later registered a 0.116 percent BAC on the Intox EC/IR II, a secondary chemical test. Sailor was charged in connection with DUI first offense, no proof of insurance and unlawful drinking under 21.

DUI, speeding, no proof of insurance

Stephen Scott Chapman, 26, of Huntington, was arrested Nov. 9 after officers observed a tan Nissan speeding and weaving in the 1700 block of Third Avenue. The vehicle was stopped in the 1400 block of Third Avenue. Chapman, the driver, had red glassy eyes, slurred speech and the odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from his breath. Police administered three field sobriety tests, and Chapman failed two of the three. In a preliminary breath test, he registered a 0.163 percent blood alcohol content level. Later, he registered a 0.133 percent BAC in a secondary chemical test. Chapman was charged with DUI first offense, speeding and no proof of insurance. He was transported and lodged in the Western Regional Jail.

Truck stop troubles

Brandon Larry Mosby, 19, of Detroit was arrested Nov. 9 after a witness said he saw a black Ford truck drive the wrong way on Maple Avenue, spin around, hit the curb and park in front of an apartment building in the 1900 block of Maple Avenue. Police arrived to find Mosby in the driver's seat with five passengers in the vehicle. Mosby had red glassy eyes, slurred speech and the odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from his breath. Police administered three field sobriety tests, and Mosby failed all three. He registered a 0.136 percent blood alcohol content level in a preliminary breath test. He later registered a 0.123 percent BAC in a secondary chemical test. Mosby was charged with DUI first offense and no proof insurance. The passengers were searched and released. Mosby was transported and lodged in the Western Regional Jail.

Destruction

Three juveniles were arrested Nov. 12 after a witness reported hearing glass break inside University Heights II on Norway Avenue. Officers seized and searched one of the juveniles. Two others were caught after the first described and later identified them. The parents were contacted and arrived at the scene to take custody of the suspects. Juvenile petitions were signed on the three juveniles for destruction of property and trespassing. State law prevents police from identifying juveniles charged with a crime.

Underage drinking, speeding

Tia Jeanette Hughes, 18, of Huntington, and Teah Chaun Marshall, 18, of Huntington were arrested Friday after police observed a gray Hyundai speeding and weaving in the 1700 block of Fifth Avenue. When the vehicle was stopped in the 2100 block of Fifth Avenue, Hughes, the driver, had red glassy eyes, slurred speech and the odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from her breath. Police administered three field sobriety tests, and Hughes failed all three. She registered a 0.206 percent blood alcohol content level in a preliminary breath test. Officers contacted her mother, who arrived about 20 minutes later and took custody of her daughter and two other intoxicated women in the vehicle. Hughes was issued arrest citations in connection with speeding and unlawful drinking under 21. Marshall was also issued an arrest citation for unlawful drinking under 21.

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Study abroad info available at expo

BY ZZ OZTURK
THE PARTHENON

The lobby of the Memorial Student Center was lined with colorful displays Tuesday for the fifth annual Study Abroad Expo.

Study abroad providers stood behind their tables filled with booklets and posters waiting to assist students with their questions.

Elizabeth Lee, public relations assistant for the Center for International Programs, said the expo is great chance for students to explore their options and to see if study abroad is something they would like to pursue.

"We want students to realize the opportunity is there for them and that it's actually really affordable," Lee said. "They can go anywhere in the world and get credit toward graduated and even learn a new language."

Lee said the expo is also a great chance for students already interested in study abroad to ask really specific questions about which program or which country will best suit their academic goals and personality.

Lee said not everyone who comes to the expo will study abroad, but she hopes at least they will know that the option is always available.

Students who want to visit a country not affiliated with Marshall can still study abroad and have their credits transfer back. Opal Bartzis, the field director for a nonprofit organization known as the Institute for Study Abroad, said students can get their study abroad experience at Butler University in Indianapolis through IFSA.

Since IFSA is a third party program provider, students interested in visiting a country that Butler

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FRESHMAN HISTORY MAJOR FROM WOOSTER, OHIO

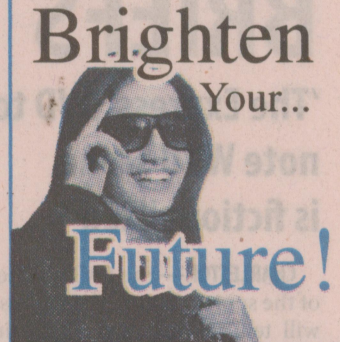
university offers can go through IFSA and have all their credits transfer back to Marshall. Bartzis said students can be integrated into their overseas university and are not limited by the program.

"A student can attend Trinity College (in) Dublin for a semester or a year and have the same sort of college experience and Irish degree seeking student would," Bartzis said. "They are not restricted to set list of study abroad courses. So they get the best of both worlds."

PJ Klinger, freshman history major from Wooster, Ohio, said he is planning to go to Cyprus. He said he hopes to conduct some historical research on the Knights Templar, who Klinger said spent a lot of time on the island. He said the expo was helpful for him.

"I had been trying to find study abroad information on Marshall's Web site, but it was really difficult to find," Klinger said. "So the expo was really helpful. They gave me information on places I can go, on scholarships I can get. It really helped me out a lot."

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WEDNESDAY'S SCORES

NBA

Wizards 87, Hawks 91
Cavaliers 89, Pistons 96
Raptors 101, Heat 95
Mavericks 96, Rockets 86
76ers 96, Timberwolves 102
Kings 105, Hornets 96
Clippers 108, Thunder 88
Nuggets 91, Spurs 81
Bucks 94, Jazz 105
Bulls at Blazers (late)

NHL

Sabres 4, Bruins 7
Canucks 6, Rangers 3
Wizards at Ducks (late)

NCAA FOOTBALL

Ball State 31, Central Michigan 24

SPORTS BRIEFS

'The Express' DVD to note WVU scene is fictionalized

CHARLESTON—The DVD version of the sports movie "The Express" will tell viewers that it contains fictionalized scenes, including one depicting West Virginia University that sparked complaints from the governor and other state residents.

Mountaineer fans are shown shouting racial slurs and throwing trash at Syracuse University's football team and its star player, Ernie Davis, during a 1959 home game.

The film celebrates Davis, the first African-American to win the Heisman Trophy. But Syracuse didn't play at Morgantown that year. Veterans from both teams say the incident never happened.

Universal Pictures has now told Gov. Joe Manchin that the DVD will include a statement to that effect.

The screenwriter recently told Manchin that WVU wasn't even in his version of the script.

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Herd senior Ross named to All-C-USA volleyball first team

IRVING, Texas—Conference USA announced its 2008 all-conference first and second teams and postseason award winners for volleyball Wednesday, as selected by the conference's head coaches. The awards are announced on the eve of the 14th Annual C-USA Volleyball Championship, which is scheduled for Thursday through Sunday, Nov. 20-23, in Memphis, Tenn. The four-day, 12-team event will be hosted by the University of Memphis inside the Elma Roane Fieldhouse.

Marshall's lone selection to the all-conference team is senior outside hitter Jalcia Ross. Ross, who was a 2007 second team pick, earned first-team accolades this season after ranking eighth in the nation in hitting percentage with an impressive .414. That ranks fifth on C-USA's single season charts.

Marshall enters tournament action having finished the season 12-14 overall, 5-11 in C-USA play, while Southern Miss concluded regular season competition 17-12 overall, 7-9 in league action.

C-USA's Player of the Year goes to Tulane senior Sara Radosevic. Radosevic, also a two-time All-C-USA first team pick, is one of four current C-USA players that have more than 1,000 kills and 1,000 digs. The 6-1 outside hitter owns 1,845 career kills, ranking eighth best in C-USA history, 1,087 career digs and 183 aces that rank fifth-best in the league's annals. Radosevic's kills and aces are second best in Green Wave history, while her career digs appear at No. 7.

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Herd baseball visits children in hospital

BY BRITTANY EVANS
THE PARTHENON

Members of Marshall's baseball program visited children in the pediatric unit of Cabell Huntington Hospital on Wednesday.

The team handed out autographed baseballs as part of the program's ongoing community service efforts.

Tim Donnelly, assistant coach, said the team has visited hospitals in the region for the past three years. This is the second year the team has visited Cabell Huntington Hospital.

Head coach Jeff Waggoner said he not only wanted to reach out to the community, but also wanted his players to benefit from the experience as well.

"I think what the guys start realizing is how lucky they have it and that the most important thing you can do is give back to the community," Waggoner said.

Dan Straily, pitcher and junior business major from Springfield, Ore., said he has visited hospitals with the team each year. He said he enjoyed spending time with the children and each visit makes him appreciate his own life.

"Coming here today has made me thankful for everything God has given me," Straily said. "It makes me feel good talking to the kids and knowing that I helped put a smile on a few of their faces at a sad point in their

day, or even their week."

Paula Walters, nurse manager of pediatrics at Cabell Huntington Hospital, said she is grateful for the team's efforts and was happy to welcome them back this year. She said the visit means a lot to the children and allowed them to be distracted from their day in the hospital.

"If you just look at the kids' faces when the players walk into the room you know that the team is doing something good here," Walters said.

Donnelly said the team invited the children to come watch a baseball game in the spring. In the past, children who were visited by the players while in the hospital not only came to baseball games, but also stopped by the dugout.

"We visited Kings Daughter's Medical Center our first year and we had a kid come out to be our bat-boy," Donnelly said. "It's not a big deal at all to us. We just make sure they're safe while they're in the dugout and the kids really enjoy it a lot."

Jakob Hill, a 5-year-old patient from Milton, said he hopes to see the team play in the spring.

The team will continue its community service efforts today at Kellogg Elementary, where they will be reading to students.

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Justin Moore, pitcher for the Thundering Herd baseball team, and baseball head coach Jeff Waggoner present Jakob Hill with an autographed baseball at the children's pediatric unit of Cabell Huntington Hospital on Wednesday.

Volleyball upbeat entering C-USA tourney

BY ARIANNA PRICE
THE PARTHENON

As the season comes to an end for the Herd volleyball team, the team must look for positives in what may seem like negative places.

The Herd, last year's regular season champions with just one conference loss, is 12-14 overall and 5-11 in the conference this year.

"We could be playing better than we are right now," head coach Mitch Jacobs said. "We've got players who have grown up and learned lessons in leadership. Hopefully, it will translate into a better finish and take ourselves to a whole new level throughout spring training."

The finish Jacobs is hoping for would include an upset win over Southern Miss at the conference tournament in Memphis, Tenn. this weekend. The Herd is undefeated when playing at neutral sites this season.

Marshall, the No. 10 seed, will face the No. 7 Golden Eagles. Southern Miss is 17-12 overall and 7-9 in the conference.

The Herd faced the Golden Eagles twice this season, and Southern Miss proved victorious both times.

"The first one was a good game and we lost," Jacobs said. "The second was a bad game and we lost."

The Herd lost three sets to two in Hattiesburg, Miss., on Oct. 5 in a match that came down to an extremely close fifth set. In the second match-up between the two teams, Southern Miss defeated the Herd three sets to one in a match that was easily dominated by the Golden Eagles.

Jacobs said his team is going to "ride a positive wave" focusing on the wins against other teams and not the losses to Southern Miss.

"We are just going to prepare as best as we can," Jacobs said.

"Southern Miss is playing well, but we played well at two of the last three matches. We are still a little sloppy though."

Jacobs and the rest of the team will be looking to sophomore Elizabeth Fleming to help clean up their game.

Fleming, a setter from South Bend, Ind., was named

C-USA Setter of the Week following her performance in the match against East Carolina on Saturday.

But this award is just the beginning, Jacobs said.

"As the team becomes more cohesive she is really in the running for the award every week," Jacobs said. "There are other

good setters in the league, but overall we have the best one. We will see that in the future."

The Herd will face the Golden Eagles at 5 p.m. on Thursday in the Elma Roane Field House in Memphis, Tenn.

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Pacman's back

BY STEPHEN HAWKINS
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ARLINGTON, Texas—The NFL is giving Adam "Pacman" Jones another chance.

Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said Wednesday the suspended cornerback has been reinstated by league commissioner Roger Goodell, but he must miss two more games — this Sunday and the following game on Thanksgiving. He'll be back Dec. 7 at Pittsburgh.

"He much appreciates the Cowboys and Jerry Jones for standing behind him and encouraging him, and he's grateful to the commissioner," said Worrick Robinson, Adam Jones' Nashville-based attorney.

Jerry Jones would not reveal any conditions the commissioner may have imposed and the league office said it would not have any immediate comment. However, Robinson said, "He knows what he has to do. It's very clear."

"He's a long way, a long way from having clear sailing," Jerry Jones said.

Adam Jones was suspended from the entire 2007 season because of multiple incidents while with the Tennessee Titans. Over the offseason, he was traded to Dallas and then given another chance by Goodell. The Cowboys gave him a security team to help keep him in line, but on Oct. 7, Jones got into an alcohol-related scuffle with one of the bodyguards during a private party at a Dallas hotel.

Jones spent part of his time away undergoing alcohol rehabilitation.

"He has demonstrated something very important to all of us," Jerry Jones said.

It also will be up to Pacman to police himself. The Cowboys will no longer be providing bodyguards.

"It all starts with him and his decision-making," Robinson said. "He's comfortable making decisions for himself."

Robinson said the alcohol therapy was "something he needed to do."

"The real issue was more than allegations of an incident at a Dallas hotel," Robinson said. "There were personal issues that, until addressed, there was a likelihood of another incident occurring."

Jerry Jones said Adam Jones can have "limited participation" this week, but would not be part of full-squad practices or conditioning. He can return to practice Monday.

Goodell suspended Adam Jones indefinitely on Oct. 14, saying he'd put a timeframe on it after the cornerback missed at least four games. This decision means it will be a six-game suspension. Jones also missed the entire 2007 season. By the time he returns, he will have been suspended from 22 of a possible 28 games.

A few hours before the announcement, teammates said they would welcome him back.

Tony Romo said he's excited to bring back Jones' work ethic.

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Out & About

Thursday, Nov. 20

Jazz ensemble
Smith Hall 8 p.m.

***The Glass Menagerie**
Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center through Oct. 22 8 p.m.

Stained, Seether, Papa Roach
Big Sandy Superstore Arena 6:30 p.m.
\$39.50 floor, \$35 general admission

HERR and Kings County
V Club 8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 21

Festival of Trees and Trains
Premiere Night
Performing Arts Center 7 p.m.

Harry Connick, Jr.
Clay Center 7 p.m.

An Evening with Larry Keel and Natural Bridge
with The Goldmine Pickers
The V Club \$10 8 p.m.

Honeking Promotions presents Ashes of Serenity, Brink of Oblivion, Anger Strike
Club Echo 9 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 22

2008 Annual Authors Forum
Empire Books and News

Holly Berry Festival
Memorial Student Center, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Dave Lavender and Jim Castro from The Herald-Dispatch will be signing books they have written.

***Festival of Trees and Trains**
Paramount Arts Center through Nov. 30

Marcie Bullock CD Release Party
with Freaktent
The V Club 8 p.m.

Boogie Nights
with DJs Jesse Clark, Jason Dean
Club Echo 9 p.m.

The Redblooms
with The Demon Beat
Shamrock's Pub \$5 8 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 24

New Moon 80's Night Dance Party
The V Club \$2 8 p.m.

Acoustic Mondays
with Russ'n' Fred
Shamrock's Pub 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 26

St. Jude Thanksgiving Eve Benefit
The V Club \$5 6 p.m.

*Event continues, multiple days

CITY MISSION

FROM PAGE 1

Lynn Clagg, public relations and volunteer coordinator at the mission, said the Huntington City Mission is the largest full-service homeless shelter in the region. Though the organization is Christian-based, religion is not a required value at the mission. Clagg said the mission focuses on helping the homeless with meals, a place to stay and education.

"We get a lot of addicts, some of them that do very heavy-duty drugs," Clagg said. "Prostitution is not unusual either."

Clagg said the mission does not allow drugs or weapons into its facilities. The mission's goal is to help its patrons get jobs and update their education. Stapleton is trying to earn her GED by attending classes at the mission. Now, she reads stories to Jeffrey every night.

"He really likes it when I read him stories and I like it too," Clagg said. "He's so smart. He does so well in school. My baby made honor roll."

The Huntington City Mission was formerly partially funded by the United Way. Clagg

said, that because of restrictions placed on alternative funding, the mission pulled out of the United Way program.

"We sat down and did the math and realized that we would be able to better serve our purpose outside of the restrictions of the United Way," Clagg said.

Now, the mission is funded by individuals, business/organizations, churches, grants, special events, client fees and churches who donate operating funds to the mission. According to its annual report, 35 percent of the mission's operating budget comes from individual contributions.

In 2007, the mission served more than 135,000 meals to needy individuals and 12,881 were meals for children. According to the report, 17 percent of mission's expenditures were for administrative and fundraising costs. The remaining 83 percent of the budget was allocated to client programs.

"They give me a lot to do here," Stapleton said. "They keep me busy and that makes it easier not to drink. I go to classes during the day and when Jeffrey comes home I help him with his homework."

Stapleton said that the people who work and volunteer at the mission have frequently gone beyond her expectations of what the mission should do. She said the mission helped connect Jeffrey to Marshall University Medical Center Pediatrics.

"He needed surgery and they did it for us," Stapleton said. "They fixed him up and took care of him."

Clagg said a staff of employees and volunteers who truly care about the purpose and work of the mission operate the mission.

"Everyone here really works to see the change in people who come here," Clagg said. "That is what makes the difference."

Stapleton posed for a picture with her son, then she signed her own full name on a photo release form. She said she is near her GED and will be applying for a job soon.

"I've got to do it for my baby, Jeffrey," Stapleton said. "He's got to have a better life. His life is going to be better than mine. I want it to be easier for him than it was for his brothers. He's my baby,"

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The Glass Menagerie is lots of laughs

BY STEPHANIE BARTRAM
THE PARTHENON

From the laughs at the cast to audience members wondering aloud if that was an actual cigarette, opening night at "The Glass Menagerie" Wednesday night not only proved to be a packed house, but still proved to be quite a show for those in attendance.

Rainey Duke, an English professor who retired from Marshall University, said that the smaller turnout came as a surprise but did not stop her from enjoying the performance.

"Usually it is bigger," Duke said. "In fact, I said to my husband I was a little surprised that there weren't that many people here because it was a really wonderful play."

"We have season tickets, but I always loved 'The Glass Menagerie,'" Duke said. "The acting was tremendous and the scenery, of course, is always good. The actors are so impressively prepared."

Jeremy Plyburn, senior theater performance major, said it is not the size of the audience that matters, but their reaction to the performance.

"Sometimes there is chatter about it backstage when there is a really full house," Plyburn said. "There wasn't much of that tonight, but it was very, very exciting from the first joke, the first gag, the first funny thing that happened."

"When the people in the audi-

ence laugh, it's so energizing to know that they are into it and to know that they are behind the show and behind the script."

Duke said that one of her favorite parts about the play is the symbolism between Laura's character and her glass animals.

"When the little unicorn loses its horn it makes him like the other horses, so I guess she felt in some way that it not having its horn it was like everyone else and that was symbolic for her."

Adam Terry, senior performance major, was a direct cause of chatter in the audience over whether the many cigarettes he smoked during the show were real.

Terry said the cigarettes were real, which was strange at first because he did not smoke before he got cast as the role of Tom.

"I had to learn to smoke for the show," Terry said. "I felt like it was going to take a lot of practice and I was very awkward with it at first. I couldn't even get the Zippo open. I had to work a lot with it and sort of take it up on the side because otherwise when you get on stage and do it it's just too much of a nicotine rush."

Plyburn said the play only having four actors added something special.

"It's so much more intimate, but it was so exciting to be with this particular production," Plyburn said. "There wasn't anybody who hadn't done anything before."



Mary Williams played the role of "Amanda" and Caitlin Haught played "Laura" in The Glass Menagerie presented at the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center on Wednesday.

"It was three other people that I had done a show with before or a couple of shows with before and I just knew that they were committed to the parts," Plyburn said. "It

was just going to be a powerhouse show."

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Faculty Senate to vote on recommendation for academic calendars for next two years

The Marshall University Faculty Senate will vote on a recommendation for the president to approve the academic calendars for the next two years during its meeting Thursday.

The senate executive committee was given a draft of the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 calendars during its meeting earlier in the

month, and some members there had concerns over how late finals were going to be.

One concern was that international students would be unable to make connections in time to get back home during break.

Bernice Bullock, senate secretary and staff liaison of the Budget and Academic Policy committee,

which is charged with proposing academic calendars, said concern over final dates never came up during that committee's discussion.

Some executive committee members noted this year's finals are also later than they have been in recent years because classes started a week later.

The senate will also vote on a

recommendation for the president to approve the commencement speaker and recipients of honorary degrees as discussed by both the full senate and the executive committee earlier this month. Those names will remain confidential until the president approves the recommendation.

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EMERGENCY

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Level Three emergencies affect the entire community and require coordination with outside sources. Major flooding, such as the June floods in Iowa, that would require canceling classes and finding alternative housing for students is an example of a level three emergency.

"We have to be prepared and monitor the situation," Terry said. "A Level One could easily become a level two. For example, power outage could escalate into a long-term power outage and require that we cancel classes and make arrangement for campus residents."

Carrico said the university has three main goals in every emergency situation. "Our first priority is always safety and protecting lives," he said. "Secondly, we aim to secure our infrastructures and facilities. Finally, we want to resume the operations of the university."

Training, another essential element of the plan, is overseen by Carrico.

"Twice a year resident directors and assistances are trained in evacuating students from the residence halls in the event of a fire or other similar emergency," Carrico said. "Once a year, we do the same sort of training with 100 faculty and staff members."

Carrico said a volunteer from each floor in every academic and administrative building on campus is trained in evacuating people and guarding against reentry.

The plan is used everyday on a small scale, Terry said.

"One example of this plan being used on a larger scale is the fire at the Emmons Jr. apartment building," he said. "We were in a meeting within three hours talking about how we were going to assist the students that were affected by this."

Terry said the university offered emergency shelter, meal plans and assistance in finding housing and replacing books to the student victims of the fire.

"If you're looking for evidence that the plan works I think we have a number of situations where it's worked well," Kopp said. "As we see things happen on other university campuses, we study them and learn from them. These are things that 10 or 15 years ago university presidents didn't have to worry about. Now, these are the things that keep you up at night unfortunately."

Terry said students should understand what the emergency plan is, what their role is and what they can expect from the university.

"The plan will not be as effective if students aren't aware of it," he said. "Students should read over the plan. How we are advising students to handle the situation of a shooter may be quite different from what they were taught in high school."

A complete copy of the plan is available at <http://www.marshall.edu/emergency>.

Carrico said quick reference emergency flip charts are being printed and will soon be placed in a central location on each floor of every building on campus.

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SCOUTS

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on contributions, grants and other support to help troops with program events, activities, camps and conferences.

Most may think that being a Girl Scout involves singing campfire songs and selling cookies, Fellure said, but the community service and leadership roles allow girls to grow and learn. According to the council's 2007 annual report, girls in the Black Diamond Council participate in events such as the "Caps for Cancer" service project, which provides hats for people who have un-

dergone hair loss because of cancer and other illnesses, and the "Good Turn for Goodwill" service project in which girls collected clothing and household items for local Goodwill organizations.

"We're really evolving as a leadership organization," Fellure said. "We're giving these girls lifelong leadership skills that they carry long into their lives, whether they are still Girl Scouts in high school or if they go to college and into the real world. Communication, personal skills, leadership, you name it, we work towards that."

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KIWANIS

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She said United Way used to give them \$64,000 a year and now the day care has to manage with nearly half that amount.

"The money doesn't cover furnishing, repairing, equipment, toys and the supplies that the children use, like the paint, the paper and the pencils, which is everything it takes to run a quality day care," Nelson said.

She said the day care provides

services for children with special needs by having a speech therapist, occupational therapist and nutritionist.

"Rather than the parent having to go to work all day and then having to deal with a speech therapist coming to their home at night, which cuts into their quality time, a speech therapist can come here and provide services to a child during the day," Nelson said.

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increase in the GPA of judicial branch members. Before, it was set at 2.5. Now, students must maintain a 3.0.

Another change: the number of members. It dropped from nine to five.

The decrease in members is one thing James said he was happy with.

"I do like the revision of only having five, because it causes less confusion and it's easier to get a group of five than it is to get a group of nine," James said.

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FACULTY

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"The greatest benefit of being involved with this campaign is that students are really given ownership of our ideas and we are given the same freedom to put our individual ideas into action," James said. "The internal benefits are countless in that you are serving our surrounding community and a cause greater than yourself."

Involvement is not limited to students, as faculty and staff are given the opportunity to donate as well.

These donations can be made through a payroll deduction by filling out a pledge card in association with the West Virginia State Employee Combined Campaign, Bullock said. The donor can designate where the money is distributed, giving the money to the United Way or to a partner agency of the organization, she said.

Bullock said the process is even easier for members renewing their pledges, as the form is simpler and the donor can choose to have the same amount taken out as in previous years.

The donations are tax deductible, the WVSECC information said.

All state agencies are participating in the WVSECC, which is sponsored by Gov. Joe Manchin, Bullock said.

Bullock said a goal of \$50,000 had been set for the university. This figure includes proceeds from all activities sponsored on campus, as well as the money donated through pledge cards.

The campaign ran from Oct. 13 to Nov. 7, and takes place on campus every fall semester, Bullock said.

Several student organizations participated in the campaign, including SAPB, Greek Affairs, WMUL and an Honors 101 class, Bullock said.

"This campaign is a huge positive reflection of the unselfish character of the Marshall community," James said. "Not only do we place an emphasis on attaining an affordable and honorable academic degree, but we also encourage and provide outlets for students to give back to those in need."

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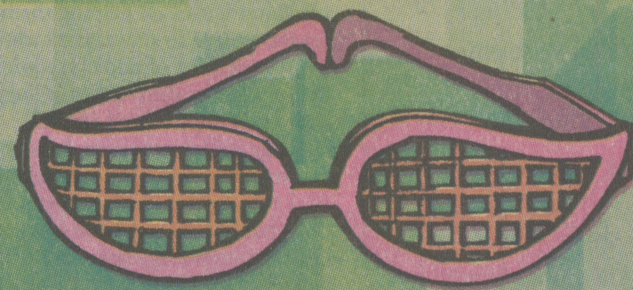
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The 80s



With songs like Michael's 'Thriller' and any one of Madonna's classics, Monday nights at the V Club highlight a decade most college students were born in and now long to experience.



BY STEPHANIE BARTRAM
THE PARTHENON

Monday nights are just as high energy as ever as 80s night at the V Club continues its more than two-year run in Huntington.

The V Club recently celebrated the two-year anniversary of its well-known 80s night, but the club is not ready to call it quits by a long shot.

Patrick Guthrie, co-owner of the club, said the idea to start 80s night was not a simple decision.

"There were 80s nights that started many years ago in Huntington and worked out really well, but other clubs have tried it in the past and failed," Guthrie said. "We were considering closing on Monday because it isn't traditionally the best night to go out."

Brett Fuller, longtime Huntington disk jockey, helped with the process.

"Brett came to me with this idea and I thought it was a good idea," Guthrie said.

"I had done many 80s nights in the past and it was something I was interested in trying to get going again,"

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Longtime Huntington disk jockey Brett Fuller spins records at the V club on Monday nights. The V Club is located at 741 Sixth Ave.

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HUNTINGTON DISK JOCKEY

Fuller said. "We started on Oct. 9, 2006. The first few weeks were slow, but it picked up the week of Thanksgiving and has been going strong ever since."

Guthrie said a Monday night at the V Club is promised to show fun-seekers a good time.

"I would say 75 percent of this crowd is 21 to 30 and was a product of the 80s, but a majority was too young to party," Guthrie said. "It's kind of a rebirth for the 80s."

"It's always fun to play to a room of energetic and willing dancers," Fuller said. "It's great that you can throw songs on that everyone knows and can sing along to."

Fuller said that one of the best parts of being an 80s night DJ is the nostalgic crowd.

"Probably the greatest thrill is to play

a marginal song from the era that people may have forgotten and see them recognize it and dance to it," Fuller said. "It is almost like you can see the song connecting them to a memorable time in their life."

Guthrie said an 80s-themed night may seem cliché, but that does not mean it cannot be fun.

"Eighties night is not an original night by any means, but as for having a good time, the market's open," Guthrie said.

"I think that this is a good night for the town because it's just a reason for people to go out and have a good time with friends," Fuller said. "It's just a fun time with no drama. It's hard to get upset with anybody with 'Safety Dance' playing in the background. Plus what else are you going to do on a Monday?"

If an 80s-themed dance night does not sound interesting, Guthrie said the V Club also offers a range of other events through the week.

"We do everything from helium karaoke to national and regional acts," Guthrie said. "We just try to keep everything diverse. I think anyone that comes to our bar is going to enjoy it. There is something for everybody."

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Woman loses appeal in Nazi-era art lawsuit

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PROVIDENCE, R.I.— A painting forcibly auctioned by Germany's Nazi government should remain with the estate of a late Jewish art dealer who lost it when his gallery was liquidated, a federal appeals court ruled Wednesday.

The ruling by the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Boston blocked an attempt by German baroness Maria-Luise Bissonnette to recoup the painting "Girl from the Sabine Mountains," which has been valued by appraisers between \$67,000 and \$94,000.

The painting is believed to be a work of Franz Xaver Winterhalter, a 19th-century artist famous for painting Queen Victoria, the czar of Russia and other European nobles.

Last year, a federal judge in Providence ordered Bissonnette to give the painting to the estate of Max Stern, who lost about 400 paintings and his family's Dusseldorf art gallery when the Nazis forced its closure in 1937. Bissonnette then sought to overturn the lower court's ruling and win the painting back.

In Wednesday's three-judge ruling, Judge Bruce Selya said the court was righting a wrong committed during one of history's bleakest periods, the Holocaust.

"The mills of justice grind slowly, but they grind exceedingly fine," Selya said.

Bissonnette, who lives in Providence, declined to comment on the ruling.

In 1935, Nazi officials warned Stern he had four weeks to regroup or dissolve the family business. He resisted until 1937, when he was denied a chance to transfer his business to a professor and closed the gallery.

"This decree is final," a Nazi official warned in a letter preserved by Stern's estate. It includes an ominous note to the Gestapo: "Stern is a Jew and holds German citizenship."

Bissonnette's stepfather, Dr. Karl Heinrich Christian Wilharm, bought the painting at an art auction house in Cologne in 1937. Wilharm was a member of the Nazi Party

and a medical officer for the Sturmabteilung, or SA, a Nazi paramilitary force.

After his gallery closed, Stern fled to England, eventually resettled in Canada and became a successful art dealer in Montreal. He died in 1987 and left his estate to three universities that are trying to reclaim Stern's paintings; most are still missing.

"Girl from the Sabine Mountains" is in Germany, but estate officials hope to eventually display it inside the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts.

"I think this is a historic judgment," said Clarence Epstein, who works at Concordia University in Montreal and heads the restitution effort for Stern's estate.

Bissonnette moved to the United States and later inherited the painting from her parents. Stern's estate tracked down the missing artwork when Bissonnette attempted to sell it in 2005. After negotiations broke down, lawyers for Stern's estate filed a lawsuit seeking the painting's return.

The lawsuit argued that Nazi authorities illegally auctioned Stern's artwork, any sales that followed were invalid.

In her appeal, Bissonnette argued the Stern estate waited too long to bring its lawsuit and that the lower court judge should have allowed Bissonnette more time for discovery.

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