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MUPD changes record-keeping process

BY SAM TURLEY
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University Police Department has changed the way it maintains its logs, changing from keeping two binders to providing information in one combined book.

Previously, the MUPD maintained two separate report binders: one book contained detailed incident reports and was available to individuals authorized by Marshall University Director of Public Safety James Terry. The other book, available to the public, contained information required for the department to update and make available under the Clery Act.

The Clery Act is a federal statute that requires universities participating in federal aid programs to maintain and disclose crimes on and near their campus. Under the act, universities and their police departments are required to maintain a public log containing the nature, date, time and general location of all crimes reported to the department.

Terry said they decided to make the changes after what he called "a confusion" led to a Parthenon reporter being unable to access a Clery Act binder in October. The reporter — who had access to the book containing detailed reports — requested information under the Clery Act regarding an alleged double sexual assault and was told that no such book existed. The incident report was withheld from the other book until the investigation was completed, which Terry said was done to "protect the integrity of (his) investigation."

Terry's decision garnered criticism from Frank LoMonte, executive director of the Student Press Law Center, who said that although some information is allowed by law to be redacted, a narrative of the report should have been released.

Now, both information required under the Clery Act and incident reports are kept in one binder that is available to anyone who

requests it.

Terry said he thought the changes were an improvement and will provide the public with access to more information than was available to them in the past.

Adam Goldstein, an attorney advocate with the Student Press Law Center, said combining the two books puts Marshall's police department on par with police departments at other universities.

"Most universities only maintain one set of logs," Goldstein said. "There are very few institutions that have kept a separate Clery log from the log they actually use operationally. It was so massively deviant from the standard practice.

"It's a great indication of an intent to be compliant (with the law)."

Another change made was the decision to redact personal information about complainants.

"Everything's still there, except any identifiers," Terry said.

According to West Virginia Code, "records of law-enforcement agencies that deal with the detection and investigation of crime and the internal records and notations of such law-enforcement agencies which are maintained for internal use in matters relating to law enforcement" is exempt.

Goldstein said in situations that are not exempt under state code, personal information — including that of victims — is required to be available to members of the public.

Terry said the department is considering making additional changes to its record keeping, such as making the information available on its website.

Goldstein said if the department chooses to make records available online, they will have to be posted within 48 hours and go back at least seven years.

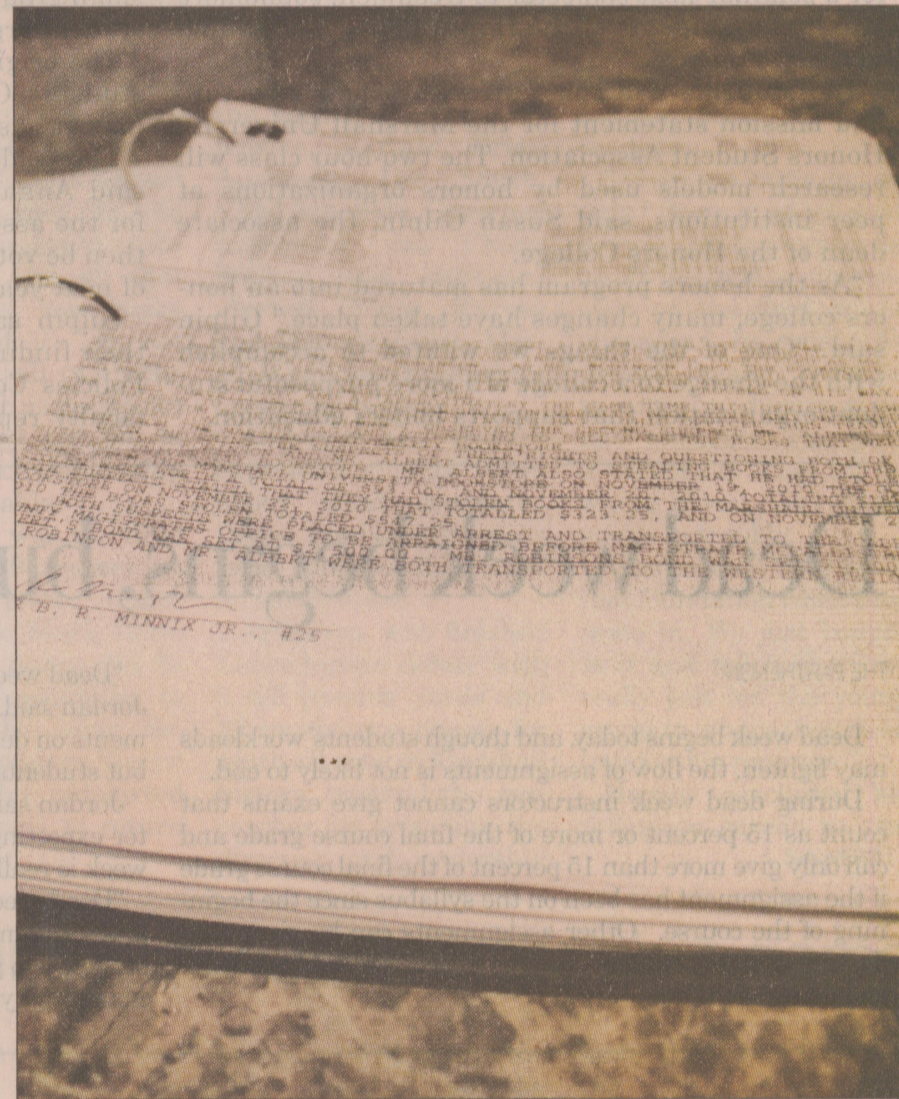
Terry said that although the department is exploring the option, he did not know when or if the department would begin to make records regularly available online.

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Director of Public Safety, James Terry, said the change from two different binders to one single binder came after a Parthenon reporter had been unable to access a Clery Act binder because of confusion earlier in the semester.



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Marshall University Police Department is now providing the detailed incident report and the Clery Act information in one binder.

Resident halls save \$200,000 last year by going green

BY TIFFANY BAJUS
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's residence halls' efforts to go green helped Housing and Residence Life save about \$200,000 throughout the last year.

"Our main focus started out with reminding students to turn off the water while brushing their teeth and making sure the lights were off when they left their rooms," said John Yaun, director of housing and residence life. "These are simple tasks, but when you are talking about over 2,100 students, the savings adds up."

Student "eco-reps" were appointed to serve as leaders by making signs with energy-saving tips, Yaun said. A special

interest floor focused on green living was also added to the existing Living Learning Communities this fall.

"Our floor has put in an excellent effort in recycling paper, bottles and cans this year," said Alyssa Adkins, resident adviser of the Green Floor in Twin Towers West. "Each room has their own recycling bin. This has been extremely helpful because it allows the residents to recycle in their own rooms instead of taking their recyclables all the way downstairs to that recycling bin."

Many of the bulletin boards on our floor have been centered around sustainability and have provided information to the residents on what they can do to become more eco-friendly,

Adkins said.

"I've planned programs this semester based on sustainability and other green initiatives, with Margie Phillips, Marshall Sustainability manager, speaking at our latest program," Adkins said.

Currently, two halls are running Energy Star air conditioning units, and all halls have been equipped with low-flow showerheads and faucets, Yaun said.

"In order for the Housing and Residence Life to contribute to the University mission of sustainability and energy conservation, intentional and purposive efforts were made in all operational areas to reduce energy usage, utility consumption, increase recycling and

utilize green products," Yaun said in an article published by College Planning & Management Magazine. "The aim is a complete reduction of our carbon footprint."

Implementing energy awareness into orientation, increasing marketing and adding a "green pledge" are a few ideas for Housing and Residence Life to save energy in the future, Yaun said.

"We will continue to work with students and staff in order to find ways to reduce our environmental impact, promoting sustainability efforts and practices, and reuse... renew... recycle... rethink!" Yaun said in an article published by College Planning & Management Magazine.

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Honor society seeks donations to keep community warm this winter

BY KELSEY DUTTINE
THE PARTHENON

An honor society has found a way to give members of the community warmer clothing to beat the cold weather.

Omicron Delta Kappa, a leadership honor society, displayed trees in the student center as a way for people to donate their winter clothing to benefit those who would otherwise suffer the coldness of the season. "We thought the Mitten Tree would be a good idea because winter is coming and there are people who can't afford things to keep them warm," said Elizabeth Sheets, Omicron Delta Kappa adviser.

James Kuhn, graduate student and Omicron Delta Member from Hurricane, W.Va., said anybody can donate items, whether it is new or in good condition for children or adults.

"If someone has anything, whether it be mittens, gloves, hats or scarves or anything like that, they could come up to the tree and either put their items on the tree or under the tree," Kuhn said. "Someone might have kids and might not be able to afford these items that would keep them warm."

Kuhn said the items donated will benefit those who have trouble collecting adequate clothing to face the cold weather.

"It's going to benefit those in the community that have trouble affording clothes for the weather," Kuhn said. "We are going to go to a couple different organizations in the community that Marshall regularly works with and find out if people need these items, so we can donate to them."

Kuhn said any item donated, no matter the size, would help someone in the community.

"Even if it's a pair of kids' gloves, it doesn't take much to help," he said. "We would love to get as much as possible, but we know there are a lot of different drives going on."

Sheets said they are willing to accept any items in good condition.

"You might have something you've taken the tags off of but don't wear — that would be something you could donate," she said.

Sheets said she hopes the drive is a success.

"I would love to see a huge outpouring of support from the Marshall students," she said.

Anyone interested in donating winter items for the Mitten Tree can drop them off in the Student Resource Center or the Office of Student Affairs in room 2W38 on the second floor of the Memorial Student Center. Donations will be accepted until Dec. 16.

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The leadership honor society Omicron Delta Kappa is asking students to donate items to their mitten tree to help benefit community members during cold weather.

Seminar allows students to restructure honors association

BY KATIE QUINONEZ
THE PARTHENON

The associate dean of the Honors College will offer a seminar next semester to freshmen, sophomore and junior students of the Honor College, according to a news release.

The students will come up with a new structure and mission statement for the Marshall University Honors Student Association. The two-hour class will research models used by honors organizations at peer institutions, said Susan Gilpin, the associate dean of the Honors College.

"As the honors program has matured into an honors college, many changes have taken place," Gilpin said. "One of the things we wanted to accomplish with the change to a college is a more purposeful student organization that supports honors education."

Gilpin said with the status as an honor college, it has the opportunity to participate and network with representatives from graduate programs.

"We thought we would take a semester with a small group of students to look at different models of student organizations," Gilpin said.

The original limit for the seminar was six honors students, Gilpin said. Because of interest in the seminar, it has increased to eight.

The students will be required to create a proposal, said Anna Swift, the public relations coordinator for the association. She said the students' ideas will then be voted on and possibly put in place by the end of next year.

Gilpin said she hopes the students will present their findings to the Honors College Curriculum and Policies Committee. The committee is made up of faculty representatives from all of the colleges and

two student representatives. She said she hopes the seminar will get the endorsement of the committee.

"We'll be researching other institutions," Gilpin said. "We'll be looking at scholarships, a student leadership. We'll be looking at mission statements of various honors colleges to try to decide what kind of mission and purpose works for our students."

Gilpin said she hopes to take a two or three-day trip with the class to a nearby peer institution to meet with leaders of student organizations that have a successful model.

One assignment for the class will be to develop a set of questions to distribute to members of the Honors College, she said.

"We would like for our organization to be the academic face of our institution," Gilpin said.

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Dead week begins, but assignment flow may stay alive

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Dead week begins today, and though students' workloads may lighten, the flow of assignments is not likely to end.

During dead week instructors cannot give exams that count as 15 percent or more of the final course grade and can only give more than 15 percent of the final course grade if the assignment has been on the syllabus since the beginning of the course. Other assignments can be given and Jessica Jordan, student success specialist, said students should expect them.

"Dead week does not mean the university actually dies," Jordan said. "Instructors don't put heavily-graded assignments on dead week to allow students to prepare for finals, but students should definitely anticipate some work."

Jordan said many students go into the end of the semester expecting an easy end to the week, but she said dead week is really about preparation, not a break.

"Dead week isn't so much a time that professors don't give assignments," Jordan said. "It's more a time to remind students to get ready for finals. Make sure you study, and make sure you get all your assignments in to finish out the

semester."

Jordan said some professors give students a break on dead week, but students should not expect every professor to plan that way.

"That's the perfect scenario, but if that ever happens to a student they're extremely lucky," she said. "I would advise the student to use that time wisely because you may not get that again. Use the time to relax too. That's important."

Dead week does not apply to night classes, laboratories, freshman English composition courses and classes that only meet once weekly.

Effort is afoot to let Internet users block advertisers' eyes

BY JIM PUZZANGHERA
LOS ANGELES TIMES
(MCT)

WASHINGTON — The government has helped millions of Americans avoid annoying phone calls from telemarketers. Now, momentum is growing in Washington to give consumers the same power to block companies from tracking their every movement on the Internet.

Building off the popular do-not-call registry, the new effort would create a do-not-track mechanism to prevent companies from monitoring which websites people search for and visit.

The website tracking gives companies the coveted capability of targeting ads based on a person's behavior, but it is increasingly viewed as a troubling invasion of privacy.

"There are no limits to what types of information can be collected, how long it can be retained, with whom it can be shared and how it can be used," said Susan Grant, director of consumer protection for the Consumer Federation of America. "Consumers simply have no legal control over being spied on when they go online."

On Wednesday, the Federal Trade Commission endorsed a do-not-track mechanism, though it is asking for voluntary industry participation. And on Thursday, a House subcommittee will hold a hearing exploring whether Congress should require such an option.

The initiative faces opposition from many in the online industry, who say it could be technically difficult to implement — and could put the brakes on booming Internet commerce.

"If a broad percentage of people signed on to this, it

would really undercut the Internet model," said Stuart Ingis, counsel to the Digital Advertising Alliance, a trade group whose members include Google Inc., Microsoft Corp. and Yahoo Inc.

The Obama administration's position is unclear, but online privacy legislation is expected to be introduced by lawmakers early next year and could include a do-not-track provision.

The issue could be one of the few areas of bipartisan agreement in a divided government. Many Democrats and Republicans support increased protections for Americans' privacy, particularly after a series of high-profile incidents involving inappropriate data collection.

Among those incidents is the recent disclosure that Google, in driving through neighborhoods snapping photos for its Street View mapping feature, also collected e-mails, passwords and other information from unsecured home Wi-Fi networks.

Google said the data collection was inadvertent, but the Federal Communications Commission is investigating.

"Industry efforts to address privacy through self-regulation have been too slow and, up to now, have failed to provide adequate and meaningful protection," the FTC said in a long-awaited privacy report released Wednesday.

Websites offer detailed privacy policies about how they might use any data collected, and some ad companies allow people to opt out of their invisible tracking efforts. Just last week, a broad coalition of Internet companies launched an initiative to allow consumers to block much of the online data collection.

But privacy advocates said those efforts have fallen short. They argue that consumers are in a technological arms race with Internet companies in which new

tools to stymie data collection are overcome by new methods for obtaining it.

"The trackers are always two or three steps ahead of any privacy-enhancing technologies that people can realistically use," said Peter Eckersley, a senior staff technologist at the Electronic Frontier Foundation, a digital rights group.

He and other privacy advocates said the answer is a do-not-track option that advertisers would be required to honor, just as telemarketers must not call people who place their phone numbers on the do-not-call list. That list, begun in 2003, now contains about 200 million phone numbers.

Three years ago, a coalition of privacy and consumer groups proposed creating a similar list for people who did not want their Internet activity tracked. But consensus now is coalescing around a do-not-track option built into Web browsers.

The mechanism, which consumers would have to activate once, would send a signal to each website visited indicating that the person's data should not be tracked and that the person did not want to receive advertisements targeted to past searches or other online history.

FTC Chairman Jon Leibowitz said many consumers might decide they do not want to opt out of data tracking, which can deliver advertisements targeted to a person's interests.

But a poll done this summer for Consumer Watchdog, a California public interest group, found that 84 percent of respondents wanted to prevent online companies from tracking personal information without a person's explicit, written approval.

Microsoft, Mozilla and Google, which make the most

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Memphis	0	0	5	0	Marshall	0	0	4	2
UCF	0	0	5	0	Tulane	0	0	4	2
Southern Miss	0	0	4	0	Tulsa	0	0	4	2
UAB	0	0	5	1	Houston	0	0	4	3
East Carolina	0	0	5	2	SMU	0	0	4	3
UTEP	0	0	5	2	Rice	0	0	3	3

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NBA

Thunder 123, Nets 120 (3OT)
 Wizards 108, Raptors 127
 Grizzlies 109, Hawks 112
 Trail Blazers 95, Celtics 99
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 Timberwolves 86, Mavericks 100
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NCAA Men's BB

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 American 50, West Virginia 71
 Indiana 76, Boston College 88
 VCU 59, South Florida 60 (OT)
 FIU 55, Louisville 92
 Florida 54, UCF 57
 Purdue 58, Virginia Tech 55 (OT)
 Oklahoma 74, Arkansas 84
 Iowa State 54, Northern Iowa 60
 Butler 65, Loyola (IL) 63
 Lamar 55, Texas 76
 BYU 77, Creighton 65
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 W Kentucky 62, Vanderbilt 82
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 Maryland 62, Penn State 39
 Michigan State 79, Duke 84
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Predators 4, Blue Jackets 3 (SO)
 Oilers 4, Canadiens 3 (OT)
 Bruins 3, Flyers 0
 Capitals 4, Blues 1
 Coyotes 4, Wild 2
 Canucks 7, Flames 2
 Panthers 3, Ducks 5

Newton's eligibility reinstated, NCAA said violation occurred

BY ANDY BITTER
 MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS (MCT)

AUBURN, Ala. — The NCAA concluded that Cam Newton's father broke rules by engaging in pay-for-play talks with another school last year. But it also decided the Auburn quarterback did not know about the scheme and is eligible to play when the No. 1 Tigers take on South Carolina in the SEC championship game Saturday.

The NCAA determined Monday that Cecil's actions during his son's recruitment to Mississippi State last fall constituted a violation of amateurism rules.

Auburn discreetly ruled Newton ineligible Tuesday, as required when a violation is found, but sought his immediate reinstatement, which was granted Wednesday by the NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff with no additional penalty.

"In determining how a violation impacts a student-athlete's eligibility, we must consider the young person's responsibility," said Kevin Lennon, NCAA vice president for academic and membership affairs.

"Based on the information available to the reinstatement staff at this time, we do not have sufficient evidence that Cam Newton or anyone from Auburn was aware of this activity, which led to his reinstatement."

The NCAA release did not officially close the
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Thundering Herd looks ahead to 2011



Thundering Herd football players give fans high fives as they leave Joan C. Edwards Stadium following Marshall's 16-12 homecoming win over UTEP on Oct. 30.

BY MARLOWE HEREFORD
 THE PARTHENON

Saturday marked both an ending and beginning for Marshall University football.

After concluding the 2010 season on a positive note, the members of the Thundering Herd coaching staff have turned their attention to recruiting.

"I was also excited we won four of our last five," said Marshall head football coach Doc Holliday. "We've got some momentum going into recruiting. Just to go out and get that win (over Tulane) was really important to our program."

Another strongpoint Holliday mentioned in addition to the success of the Herd in the second half of the season was

the development of Marshall's defense. Strengthening the defense even further is a goal for 2011.

"The two teams in this league that are playing for the conference championship are Central Florida and SMU," Holliday said. "They're No. 1 in the league and No. 3 in the league in total defense. We're No. 4. That being said, we're not near good enough, but the quickest way we can get ourselves to go win a championship in this league is being No. 1 defense in the league. We're going to work in that direction."

Although early season woes contributed to Marshall falling one win short of bowl eligibility, Holliday

emphasized postseason success as the program's ultimate goal every season.

"You don't get a second chance," he said. "In this game, you've got to make sure when you get that opportunity, you make the best of it. I'm not satisfied at all (with the season). For us not to be in a bowl and not to play for a championship is unacceptable."

Saturday was the final game for 19 seniors on Marshall's roster. Junior quarterback Mark Cann decided to forego his final year of eligibility to graduate this year. Senior wide receiver Wayne Bonner, who redshirted in 2010, plans to return next season.

The Herd looks to fill the vacancies left by offensive starters Brian Anderson, Lee Smith, Chad Schofield, Courtney Edmonson and Chuck Walker and defensive starters Mario Harvey and Michael Janac. Marshall will lose no starters on special teams.

Anderson and Harvey expressed similar views about what separated their graduating class from athletes that went on before them.

Anderson, who finished his collegiate career with 5,403 passing yards and 37 touchdown passes for ninth all-time in Marshall history, credited the new coaches for providing the direction and leadership

for the 2010 seniors to set the example for the rest of the team.

"When we came in, we didn't have a lot of guys showing us the way as far as off the field issues and even on the field in the offseason," he said. "We weren't really required to come in during summer workouts. This year it was one of those things where if you don't come, you're in trouble."

"The coaches kind of set that foundation when they came in. We just bought in it and followed it and really just led the young group to where they need to take this program."

Harvey concluded his collegiate career as one
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UCF meets SMU for Conference USA championship game

BY ILIANA LIMON
 THE ORLANDO SENTINEL (MCT)

ORLANDO, Fla. — Tulane coach Bob Toledo said all year he thought the University of Central Florida was the best team in Conference USA.

Nothing has changed his mind.

"I think it's going to be a great championship game, but I do think UCF will win," he said. "I don't think they beat themselves. They don't turn the ball over, they don't get a lot of stupid penalties and they don't make big mistakes. They force you to beat them. They don't lose the game."

UCF (9-3 overall, 7-1 in C-USA) hosts SMU (7-5 overall, 6-2 in C-USA) Saturday at Bright House Networks Stadium in the Conference USA championship game. Kickoff is set for noon EST and the game will be broadcast nationally on ESPN.

East Carolina coach Ruffin McNeill and Toledo faced both championship teams during the past season and agreed to share their

thoughts on the Knights and the Mustangs.

While both teams have a lot of strengths, McNeill and Toledo both said their offensive lines really helped them reach the championship game.

SMU's offensive line has helped Zach Line average 6.2 yards per carry and 108.1 yards per game.

"The offensive line does a great job of blocking," McNeill said of the Mustangs. "They read the defense well and work hard together. They're tough."

UCF's offensive line has helped Jeff Godfrey make a smooth transition to the starting quarterback job, punching holes for the rushing attack that averages 196.5 yards per game.

"They are the best offensive line we faced all season, and that includes all of the ACC teams in the nonconference," said McNeill, whose team played N.C. State, North Carolina and Virginia Tech. "They played as well as any offensive line I've seen. They really did a good job getting the ball to Ronnie Weaver and wore us down."

Toledo said the Green Wave was able to run the ball more effectively against SMU's defensive line than it could against UCF. However, he said Tulane could not complete any deep pass plays against the Mustangs.

"They can rush three guys, get pressure and make it hard to get the home run ball," he said.

UCF, on the other hand, was vulnerable to deep passes.

"We felt like we could isolate the corners, do some double moves and beat them deep," he said. "It worked. We just didn't always execute it well."

Both coaches said they expect a good conference championship game featuring two well-coached teams.

"They've both had great years and worked hard to reach this point," McNeill said. "They play with passion. They haven't made a lot of mistakes and have been able to overcome whatever obstacles they have faced."

Toledo said he was impressed by SMU,

but he added the home team has to be the favorite.

"They're just so athletic and physical," he said. "They definitely

have the advantage going into the game."

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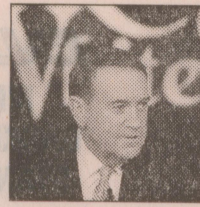
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University should be proud of green efforts

Recent green initiatives, savings in residence halls, show commitment of university to cause

Those who feared environmentally-friendly initiatives on Marshall's campus were just a trend can relax. It seems "going green" is here to stay, and we're not talking about on the football field.

While the efforts are a step in the right direction to helping improve the environment, they

are also proving to be financially beneficial.

Throughout the last year, green initiatives integrated into the lives of students living in residence halls saved nearly \$200,000.

While some of these savings can be attributed to energy-efficient products like air conditioners and

showerheads, student participation is also beginning to make a tremendous impact on the success of these programs.

These savings show just how much the small things add up. Doing things like making sure lights are off when you leave a room, placing items in recycling bins and turning off the water when brushing your teeth are just a few of the little things that can be done by each student at Marshall.

Fortunately, residents are already beginning to make these small steps part of their daily routine, and the outcome is positive.

Looking ahead, the university is also considering a car-sharing program that would decrease the number of cars parked on campus. This program, which operates through the national program Zipcar, is one the university may begin as soon as next year.

Since the passing of the Green

Fee in 2008, the university has stuck with its plan to make Marshall a more environmentally-friendly atmosphere. Other recent efforts, like the agreement with the Environmental Protection Agency earlier this fall, not only show the administration's commitment to this cause, but the student body's passion to continue with these efforts. The success that has been achieved so far is something this entire university can be proud of.

WHITNEY BURDETTE
HEALTHY HERD

Fighting the stress that accompanies final exams

The end of the semester is the worst time to be a college student. Between studying for final exams and working on what seems like an endless pile of papers and projects, on top of extracurricular activities, jobs and maintaining social lives, it is not hard to see why college students are extremely stressed.

However, stress has a negative impact on your body. According to an article on WebMD, the body starts to show wear and tear when it is constantly subjected to stress without rest or relaxation. Too much stress can put the body in distress mode. Symptoms of distress include elevated blood pressure, chest pain, problems sleeping, headaches and an upset stomach. It is never fun to experience any of those symptoms, but it is especially important that your body is alert and functioning properly right before finals.

Stress can also affect how you think or feel. It can cause anxiety, restlessness, lack of focus, anger and even depression.

Although it may seem there are never enough hours in the day, especially toward the end of the semester, it is important to slow down and relax. If you find Drinko is becoming your second home, leave your workstation and go for a slow walk around campus. If that isn't enough, hit the rec center for some calorie-blasting cardio. Endorphins released while exercising are scientifically proven to increase happiness and put you in a better mood. If you have been awake for more than 24 hours or the barista at Starbucks knows your name, maybe it's time for a nap. It may seem like you don't have enough time, but your body will thank you for it. Sleeping helps increase the immune system, which fights off those nasty cold and flu germs that can keep you from completing all those tasks.

Rewarding yourself for completing a task, no matter how small, can help make finals time easier. If you finish that 10-page paper, go out for pizza with some friends. Once your study guide for economics is finished, pop in your favorite movie and just relax. Don't think about all the things you still have to do, just think about that one thing you can finally mark off your list.

Although finals are important, so is your health. It's OK to feel a little stressed out, but don't let that affect your body. It's OK to take a break and de-stress. Your body will thank you for it.

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Newton

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case on Newton, saying reinstatement decisions are independent of the enforcement process and typically are made after facts of the student-athlete's involvement are determined.

Donald Jackson, a Montgomery-based attorney who specializes in cases regarding NCAA eligibility issues, said on Paul Finebaum's radio show that he wouldn't rule out the continuation of the enforcement investigation, but he said it isn't likely.

"A lot of the facts and a lot of the issues that would be addressed in the enforcement staff investigation probably have already been addressed during the course of this investigation," he said.

Jackson said if the NCAA enforcement staff decides to levy sanctions against Auburn in the future, it "would essentially be acknowledging the fact that they failed to adequately investigate it the first time."

While not a definitive end to the saga, it at least temporarily eases concerns of Auburn fans that the Tigers' national title hopes and Newton's Heisman Trophy candidacy could be in jeopardy.

"We are pleased that the NCAA has agreed with our position that Cam Newton has been and continues to be eligible to play football at

Auburn University," Auburn athletics director Jay Jacobs said. "We appreciate the diligence and professionalism of the NCAA and its handling of this matter."

Mississippi State first reported concerns about Newton's recruitment to the SEC offices last January.

The NCAA, in conjunction with the schools, looked into the matter this summer, but the story made national headlines in the last month after two Mississippi State boosters publicly said they were approached by ex-teammate Kenny Rogers seeking \$100,000 to \$180,000 on behalf of Newton's father.

The NCAA said Wednesday that its enforcement staff and Auburn agreed that Cecil Newton and the owner of a scouting service worked together to "actively market the student-athlete as part of a pay-for-play scheme in return for Newton's commitment to play football."

NCAA Bylaw 12.3.3 prohibits individuals or entities from representing prospective student athletes in order to gain compensation from a school.

As part of the decision, Auburn has limited the access Newton's father has to the athletics program. Asked to clarify, Auburn spokesman Kirk Sampson wrote in an e-mail: "That's a private matter between Jay Jacobs and Mr. Newton."

Rogers was not named in the

report, but Mississippi State has disassociated itself from him, Rogers' lawyer, Doug Zeit, confirmed to the Jackson Clarion-Ledger.

"The conduct of Cam Newton's father and the involved individual is unacceptable and has no place in the SEC or in intercollegiate athletics," SEC commissioner Mike Slive said. "The actions taken by Auburn University and Mississippi State University make it clear this behavior will not be tolerated in the SEC."

Auburn offered no further comment on Wednesday's release, although Jacobs wrote a letter to students and season ticket holders explaining the school's stance.

"Some of you have been frustrated by our inability to comment publicly on this matter in recent weeks and by the absence of factual information amidst the firestorm of reports," he wrote.

"Your frustration is understandable. The Auburn Athletics Department declined to comment on these recent reports out of respect for the process. To do otherwise would not have been in Auburn's best interest or in the best interest of our student-athletes, and we hope you understand that."

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Herd

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of 15 semifinalists for the Butkus Award with 420 tackles and 8.5 sacks for fifth all-time in Marshall history. Like Anderson, he commended the 2010 seniors for reaching out to the underclassmen and he is confident this practice will continue into next season.

"I think we left a positive legacy," Harvey said. "When we were coming up, we didn't have seniors around the freshmen that much. I think they're going to stay more as a family. There's going to be good football here with Coach Holliday leading the way."

With the departure of the seniors, new leaders are emerging for next year's Thundering Herd. Two

defensive players, Omar Brown and Vinny Curry, said they are eager to step up as upcoming seniors.

Brown, who served as one of four captains in 2010, concluded his junior season with 88 tackles and three interceptions. He said he hopes to carry on the mentoring and leadership the departing seniors gave him.

"I think this season really helped me out a lot," Brown said. "I've got to hand it down to some of the freshmen and the younger guys so we can help the team together. This is a season to feed off of."

Curry concluded his junior season with national caliber. The 6-foot-5 defensive end made 12 sacks in 2010 for third best in the country and 94 tackles. He was named to SI.com's Midseason All-American

First Team in October.

Curry, who played in the win against Tulane despite leaving the SMU game on Nov. 22 with an injury, said he wanted to finish his junior season holding nothing.

"I just had to do the best I can to the best of my ability even with the bruised knee, just to end the season out on top," he said. "I gave it everything I've got."

Although he admitted his upcoming senior season arrived quickly, he was not hesitant to share his biggest aspiration for 2011: to win a conference championship before his collegiate career ends.

"I feel old," Curry said with a laugh. "I'm looking forward to the challenge."

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THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME

J'EVER NOTICE? IT'S THIS TIME (THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER, THAT IS) THAT SOME NERD WILL THINK THEY'RE FUNNY--OH! ALWAYS, BUT LIKE, WE MEAN WILL ALWAYS SAY----



BY AL SCADUTO

EVER HAPPEN TO YOU? YOU'VE WRAPPED A GIFT EVER SO PRETTY--THEN YOU REALIZE----



Advertisers

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popular Web browsers, are exploring the feasibility of a do-not-track option, Leibowitz said.

"At this point we would just like to see the browser vendors move a little more quickly, and it could be done voluntarily by companies to give consumers the protection we envision them having," he said.

Google said that the commission's report raised "some interesting ideas, and we look forward to learning more about what do-not-track could look like."

Google and other companies have stressed privacy protections already built into their products.

The Digital Advertising Alliance last week launched a long-awaited industry initiative called the Self-Regulatory Program for Online Behavioral Advertising, at www.aboutads.info. It allows people to check their Web browser for tracking devices known as cookies placed by participating companies and then opt out of receiving targeted ads.

Consumers soon will start seeing a new "advertising option icon" on advertisements that links to the site. The program isn't as broad as a do-not-track mechanism built into the Web browser.

Leibowitz and privacy groups have criticized the industry for taking two years to launch the initiative.

Stuart Ingis of the Digital Advertising Alliance said the criticism is fair, but developing the technology and the program has been complex. A federal mandate would be even more difficult.

"The notion that the government would be mandating technology, we just don't think they should do that," he said.

The Commerce Department is working on its own privacy report to be released soon. The report is expected to call for a new government privacy office to organize voluntary, industrywide efforts that would address issues faster than regulators or Congress.

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Jazz Ensemble increases student knowledge of jazz literacy



Marshall University's Jazz Ensemble has several different combos for their performances. "Occasionally we have singers that perform with us," Edwin Bingham, Jazz Ensemble director, said.

BY ERIN HILL
THE PARTHENON

Marshall's Jazz Ensemble is a group of students who come together to play traditional styles of jazz literature.

Edwin Bingham, Jazz Ensemble director, said the Jazz Ensemble is one of several bands within the department. He said the jazz band he directs is called Jazz Ensemble 12.0, and the other jazz band is Jazz Ensemble 12.1, directed by Martin Saunders.

"Our expectations of the students are to play their best and learn about the music," Bingham said.

He also said, the department has several combos. Bingham said one is a classic rock combo called "The Looking Glass," and the other is a funk combo that makes up Marshall's funk orchestra. In addition to that, there are also four smaller groups, he said.

"Occasionally we will have singers that perform with us," Bingham said. "So we have a pretty diverse set of ensembles that fall under the jazz umbrella."

He said the larger jazz ensembles generally give two concerts per semester and perform concerts off campus. For instance, the ensembles play in many jazz festivals, he said. The ensembles played at a festival in St. Louis in May and played at a couple festivals in Europe last year.

"We're here to learn the style of music and to also learn about improvisation," Bingham said. "So we have professional goals in mind as well as the fun part about making music."

He also said part of the experience is

to develop an audience. Having the university's support is an important part of what they do, and there is a lot of student involvement in the ensembles, he said.

"It's not from the top down, like in a normal orchestra environment," Bingham said. "There's a lot of student input that goes into the creative process."

Austin Seybert, a trombone player and senior jazz studies major from Bridgeport, W. Va., said the ensemble is made up of students of many different majors, so it is not only a performing experience, but also a learning experience.

"The goal of the jazz ensemble is to increase the student's knowledge on jazz literacy," Seybert said.

He said he has been in the Jazz Ensemble for four years, and auditions are held every semester. He also said he loves the types of music they play.

"Overall, we just want everyone to have a great musical experience," Seybert said.

Jazz is more relatable than people think, and most jazz artists do a lot of mainstream music, he said.

"Jazz can be completely your own," Seybert said. "With art you can draw your own art, and with jazz you can create your own music."

Bingham said one of the major events for the Jazz Ensemble is their annual Winter Festival. This year it will be Jan. 27-29 at the Jomie Jazz Center. He said it brings a lot of high schools from the area, and they feature their own groups as well as faculty groups. Two guest artists will also perform.

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Bruno Mars learned the biz by working with big acts

BY KEVIN C. JOHNSON
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Bruno Mars' original game plan was like many aspiring singers: Move to California, get discovered, get signed, release a record and tour the world.

"That's not always how it goes," he said.

The Honolulu native eventually got the record deal and tour, but they didn't come about the way he wanted. Before he was able to step out with his debut album "Doo-Wops & Hooligans," he first had to prove his mettle producing and writing songs for others.

He co-wrote and can be heard on B.o.B's "Nothin' on You" and Travie McCoy's "Billionaire," two especially ubiquitous songs this year, and also lent a hand to Cee-Lo's "F*** You."

His work with these artists and with others such as Sean Kingston, Brandy, Flo Rida and Adam Levine came about while he was waiting for something to happen with his first record deal.

"I was frustrated, waiting around to work with producers and writers," he said. "Then I said, 'I can do that. I don't need anybody else,' so I started writing and producing tracks."

Another label impressed by his songs approached him and wanted one of his productions for boy group Menudo.

"I said that was my art — my music. They offered me 20 grand. That's all it cost to sell out," he said of the song titled "Lost," which he said went "double plastic. It wasn't a great song. I wrote it when I was 17 and I didn't know what to write about."

Still, said Mars, now 25, it was the smartest thing he could have done.

"It opened my eyes," he said. "I was able to learn so much before putting out my first album. I got to work with other artists, and it laid the groundwork for me to be ready and put some real songs together."

Atlantic finally took a chance on him.

"For years I had been getting rejected and rejected and rejected," he said. "I was like, 'Is this going to happen?' Then everything took off."

That route ultimately made it easier for Mars to step forward as a solo artist.

"It's easier when you understand more about what you're doing," he said.

"It's like a football player knowing the rule book in and out and knowing the sizes of the pads you wear when you go into the field. You have to know every detail about your craft, and when I was younger I didn't know. I'm still learning every day."

Mars said his previous work with other artists served as a warning to folks on where he's coming from.

"Nothing on You" had a Motown vibe, 'Billionaire' was a reggae acoustic guitar-driven song, though one of my favorites is the Cee-Lo song," he said. "I don't think anyone else could've sung that song. There's 'Just the Way You Are.' If you know my story, you know I love all different genres of music."

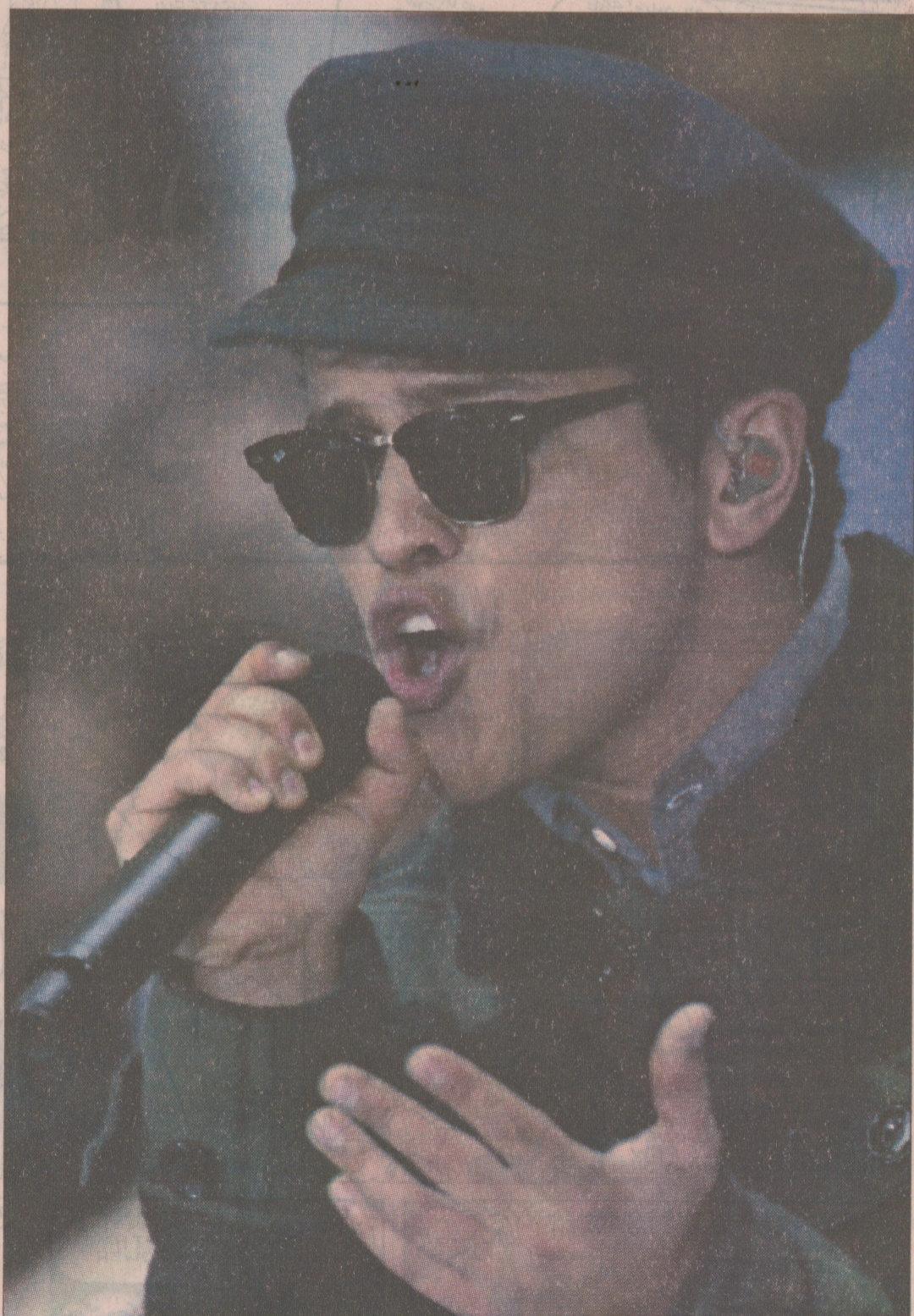
Mars claims reggae, Michael Jackson and doo-wop among his influences. He calls doo-wop "just straightforward love songs — so charming and simple and romantic."

Mars said his love of doo-wop and his album title might make one think he's "a geek writing love songs in the studio all day," but he's anything but that.

"There is a romantic side, but I'm also a young guy having fun," he said. (Some may say too much fun. He's awaiting trial on cocaine possession charges after he was arrested in Las Vegas in September. He would not address it in this interview.)

"If you come to the show, you're going to see a couple of young guys jumping around having a blast. Get ready to have your face blown off," he said. "It's exciting and raw, and I'm dripping by the end of the show."

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Bruno Mars performs in Rockefeller Center for the "Today" show on Nov. 22, in New York City.