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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Local organization answers Obama's call to reduce domestic violence

BY DALE JOHNSON
THE PARTHENON

A presidential proclamation was sent out earlier this month by President Barack Obama named October National Domestic Violence Month.

In a news release from the White House, President Obama said, during October, we recognize the significant achievements made in reducing the number of domestic violence in America and recommit ourselves to the

important work ahead of us. "Despite tremendous progress, an average of three women in America die as a result of domestic violence each day," Obama said. "One in four women and one in thirteen men will experience domestic violence in their lifetime. These statistics are even more sobering when we consider that domestic violence often goes unreported."

In the proclamation, Obama challenged all Americans to speak out against domestic

violence and support local efforts to assist victims of these crimes the help and healing they need to find.

The call for community efforts puts one local organization into light that put all their efforts into working close with those affected by domestic violence and is doing what they can to help raise awareness.

According to their website, Branches Domestic Violence Shelter works to empower the increasing number of victims

and their families to break the cycle of domestic violence in our area. The organization offers housing, legal assistance, counseling and case management to help their clients become independent.

Currently, the organization has one operational housing shelter and four outreach offices located in Mason, Putnam, Wayne and Lincoln counties to provide additional resources.

Aside from the resources for adults, the organization also

runs the Safe Dates program. This program involves going to local schools and speaks to young people, ranging from sixth grades up to college students, concerning the warning signs and ways to prevent dating violence.

"Despite major success in bringing domestic violence out from behind closed doors, there continues to be barriers for victims seeking help and setbacks in efforts to prevent this crime," said Amanda Weiss-McComas,

Development Coordinator for Branches. "By helping to create more awareness on this issue and where to go for help, those afflicted can more easily attain the help they and their families need."

Weiss-McComas said Branches kicked off the month with their second annual Branches Walk for Awareness and Kid's Fair at Ritter Park last Saturday. The walk started at 10 a.m.

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BBBS aids local youth

BY DWIGHT JORGE
THE PARTHENON

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Tri-State was founded in 1974. Since then, they have dedicated their service to matching up volunteer mentors to children as role models.

"We serve children through the guidance and friendship of volunteer mentors are volunteers have a opportunity to make a impact on a child," said Patti Price, executive director of BBBS has worked at the organization for 32 year. BBBS offers two programs for volunteers to take part in: The tradition-based community program and school-mentoring program.

RaShawna Smalley is the school-based mentoring program coordinator at BBBS and a Marshall graduate with a degree in criminal justice.

"The traditional community-based program is where a "big," or a volunteer, picks up a child and takes them out into the community to do stuff with them," Smalley said. "They pick them from their house. The minimum requirement for that [program] is three to four hours twice a month. Then we have a school mentoring program, and that is where a volunteer meets with their child at their school once a week at the same day and same time each week for an hour. For 50 to 20 minutes, their time is spent on academics, and the rest of the hour they do fun things with them."

For the school-based program, the minimum age for a mentor is 18, and mentors need reliable

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Getting Hammered

BY COURTNEY WILLIAMSON
THE PARTHENON

The tenth-annual WMUL-FM homecoming car bash was yesterday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Buskirk Field.

With sledgehammer in hand, participants could hit the car for up to two minutes by making a donation of \$1.

"Funds earned go towards buying new equipment for the radio station and other promotional activities," said Caitie Smith, WMUL promotions director.

WMUL-FM is celebrating its tenth year of this fundraiser.

Eddie Williams, founder of the car bash, remembers why it began.

"WMUL was in need of promotional ideas at the time so in spirit of homecoming festivities, I thought it would be something fun students could do to get involved," Williams said.

There have been changes made to the event this year.

"This is the first limo to be used and is bigger than any other vehicle in previous years," Williams said. Also, names of Marshall's homecoming opponents within the past 10 years have been painted on the car. Local businesses sponsored the event.

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Kelly Kutzavitch, student body vice-president and Joe Marolo, freshman athletic training major, use hammers to bash a car painted in Rice's colors. Homecoming events continue with a parade at 6 p.m. today on Fourth Avenue.

MARCUS CONSTANTINO | THE PARTHENON

Gospel chorale to return to Marshall for second year

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The Virginia State University Gospel Chorale will be making a return at 7 p.m. Monday on Marshall university campus in Smith Recital Hall.

The Center for African Americans students' presents the award winning for Virginia State University.

The Chorale has toured in the U.S. Virgin Islands, North and South Italy, Paris, and Hungary for the Pope's Vacation Christmas Concert performing with a host of international artist, blues legend B.B. King, Jazz artist Dee Dee Bridgewater, rhythm & blues artist Solomon Burke and Pop artist Michael Bolton according to press release.

This Gospel Chorale has performed at Marshall University last year and their continuing the annual event.

There will be 105 musicians, the Chorale continues with its mission to provide



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music for the university and surrounding communities.

Maurice Cooley Center for African American Programs said, "After such a strong performance last semester at Marshall, it

was clearly evident that such a powerful and internationally recognized group certainly be re-invited for an encore performance."

"This will be an

extraordinary evening, Cooley said, appealing to all ages, and one of the best choral performances of the year mixed with gospel, the blues, jazz, dance and more."

The evening concert is

free to the public and doors will open at 6:30pm.

Cooley wants as many people to come out and be apart of the event he's hoping for another good turnout like last semester.

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Marshall's homecoming parade will begin today at 6 p.m. on Fourth Avenue.

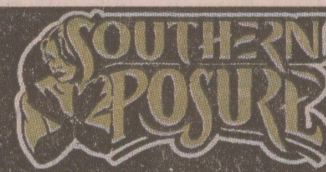
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National Pan-Hellenic Council hosts annual party walk

BY MEAGAN EARLS
THE PARTHENON

The National Pan-Hellenic Council hosted its second annual party walk competition last night in Marcos at the Memorial Student Center.

Two Greek organizations participated in the party walk, and approximately 150 people were in attendance.

"A party walk, also referred to as a stroll, is a synchronized dance that members perform in a single-filed line," said Whitley Mayo, president of NPHC. "Traditionally, each organization has their own movement that is characteristic of their chapter or their organization as a whole."

Alpha Chi Omega and Alpha Xi Delta were the two sororities that participated in the "So You Think You Can Stroll" party walk competition.



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The National Pan-Hellenic Council hosts its second annual party walk competition. Each organization creates a walk, or "stroll," characteristic of their organization as a whole, said Whitley Mayo, president of the council.

"This event was started to give the Marshall students an opportunity to be

involved in what we do as historically black organizations," Mayo said.

Mayo said all fraternity and sorority organizations on campus

were invited to participate in the competition.

"Our goal for this event is to expose more students to what members of NPHC do that is a part of our history," Mayo said. "This is a fun activity that each organization takes a great deal of pride in."

Hermansdorfer said he plans to further implement this event throughout the upcoming years.

"One of the ways that our NPHC members have decided to reach out to all of our fraternities and sororities is to offer this competition," said Andy Hermansdorfer, director of Student Activities and Greek Affairs. "It's an opportunity to show support, collaborate and have fun."

The two organizations participating went through three rounds of competing

with a 5-minute time limit for each performance.

The judges for the competition consisted of five members from different NPHC organizations.

Alpha Xi Delta was announced as the winner of the "So You Think You Can Stroll" party walk competition.

"Participating in the party walk was a good way for us to get involved with fraternities and sororities that we don't usually do stuff with, build greek community and have fun," said Amanda Locke, senior sports marketing and management major and senior member of Alpha Xi Delta.

The winner of the party walk, Alpha Xi Delta, won tickets to the upcoming NPHC homecoming step show and will also perform

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Offices can still compete in decorating contest

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Offices at Marshall can compete in the Homecoming Office Decorating Contest, sponsored by the Marshall University Alumni Association.

"The Alumni Association committee chose 'MU through the decades' as the theme to showcase Marshall's growth, as well as focus on the tradition and heritage of the university," said Tish Littlehales, executive director of alumni relations.

Any Marshall office can participate.

The competition is divided in two divisions. The

small office division is for offices with up to seven employees. Large offices are in a category of at least eight employees.

Two or more offices that choose to decorate as a group will be judged in a large office division.

Judging will be based on a 10-point basis, with 10 points being the highest rating.

"Board members and community volunteers will be judging the contest," Littlehales said.

Members and volunteers will be judging according to three categories: Most creative decorations, décor that best fits the

homecoming theme and the most attractive office.

The office with the most points in each category will be declared the winner in that category. Winners in each division will receive a flag to display in their office.

The department with the most points in all categories in both divisions will be awarded a trophy to display in the office and will earn the title of grand prize winner.

Judging begins today at 11 a.m., and winners will be announced at Picnic on the Plaza, tomorrow at the Memorial Student Center.

PROWL raises funds for Huntington City Mission

THE PARTHENON

Last Saturday People Reaching Out With Love (PROWL) sponsored a City Mission Benefit at the Campus Christian Center.

They were able to raise a total of \$252, all of which went to the Mission. They also received donated clothing and canned foods.

Ten bands performed at the benefit. There were approximately 80 or more people who attended the event.

Dori McDonough, sophomore criminal

justice and radio/television management major from Huntington, was an active participant in the benefit.

"I am very thankful for everyone who came out," McDonough said.

The event was from 5 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Concessions were sold, and River and Rail Bakery donated bread to be sold. The Handlosers sold various pieces of art at the event.

Dylan Rees, junior nursing major from Gallipolis, Ohio, was one of the artists who came to the benefit to perform.

"It was a heartwarming experience seeing all the musicians, artists and volunteers come together to benefit the community in such a great way," Rees said. "I was glad to be a part of it."

Courtney White, Wes Ripley, Kristina Price and Brandon Mitchell sold photography pieces at the event. PROWL and the Campus Christian Center said they plan to have another benefit next semester. The following benefit will be for a different cause but will have much of the same activities.

Author, philosophy professor to visit Marshall's campus

THE PARTHENON

Kwame Anthony Appiah, professor of philosophy at Rockefeller University, will speak at 7 p.m. Oct. 21 at Marshall University.

The lecture, titled "The Honor Code," and a discussion will take place in the Francis-Booth Experimental Theater in the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center on

the Huntington campus.

The discussion is based on his latest book: *The Honor Code: How Moral Revolutions Happen*. The New York Times book review goes on to say "Appiah is one of the most relevant philosophers today.... His work reveals the heart and sensitivity of a novelist. He helps us think holistically before turning analytic... Fascinating, erudite, and beautifully written."

Appiah has been called the postmodern Socrates, who believes one should "go where the question takes you." He specializes in moral and political philosophy and African and African American studies. He also specializes in issues of personal and political identity, multiculturalism and nationalism.

"We are thrilled to have a scholar of Professor Appiah's stature as the 2011 da Vinci lecturer," said Mary Todd,

dean of Marshall's Honors College, in a press release yesterday. "A true public intellectual, his work on the ethics of identity invites serious conversation about how we, as individuals, construct ourselves and, in turn, relate to others."

Appiah has taught philosophy and African American studies at the University of Ghana, Drexel, Cornell, Yale, Harvard and Princeton

and has lectured at other institutions in the United States.

Elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Academy of Arts and Letters, Appiah presently is chairman of the Board of the American Council of Learned Societies. Appiah has written several other books, such as the "Ethics of Identity," "Cosmopolitanism: Ethics in a World

of Strangers" and "Experiments in Ethics."

In 2009, Forbes Magazine voted Appiah as one of the world's seven most powerful thinkers, as defined by lasting influence on others and impact on public discourse.

The lecture will be sponsored by Marshall's Honors College, the Office of the Provost, MU's chapter of Phi Kappa Phi and Brick-Street Insurance, Inc.

Senators urge House to pass China sanctions bill

BY JAMES ROSEN
MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS
(MCT)

WASHINGTON—A bipartisan group of senators from states hit especially hard by the economy on Wednesday hailed Senate passage of a bill that would impose trade sanctions on China if Beijing doesn't stop propping up the yuan.

Republican Sens. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina and Jeff Sessions of Alabama and Democratic Sen. Charles Schumer of New York urged the House of Representatives to follow the Senate's lead, which passed the China trade legislation late Tuesday by a 63-35 vote. Fifteen

GOP senators joined 48 Democrats in support.

"China has a callous disregard for the rule of law," Graham told reporters on Capitol Hill. "They cheat at every turn. They steal intellectual property, they counterfeit goods, affecting our defense industries, and they manipulate their currency."

The Senate measure would authorize the federal government to take escalating steps, among them the imposition of tariffs of Chinese imports, if Beijing continues to value its currency as much as 40 percent below what it would be worth on world markets.

"Last night, the Senate

acknowledged what too many Ohio workers and Ohio manufacturers already know, that we are, in fact, in a trade war, and the Chinese have done very well, thank you," said Sen. Sherrod Brown, an Ohio Democrat who crafted the bill.

"Last night, we took steps to fight back," Brown said.

Although 221 House representatives, including 61 Republicans, have co-sponsored similar legislation, Speaker John Boehner warned Tuesday that its implementation could prompt China to take retaliatory measures that would harm the U.S. economy.

"Given the volatility in the world markets, given the

uncertainty about the world economy, for the Congress of the United States to be taking this step at this moment in time poses a very severe risk of a trade war," Boehner said.

House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi of California rejected Boehner's concerns.

Pelosi said China's currency manipulation costs 1 million American jobs because Chinese products are underpriced competing against U.S. goods both in the United States and foreign countries.

"The speaker says we are going to start a trade war," Pelosi said. "The Chinese government started a war with America's

manufacturing sector a long time ago. They have undervalued their currency, as I've said. They violate our intellectual property rights. They've subsidized targeted industries. They've dumped their products in our country. This is a one-way street to the disadvantage of American workers."

In Beijing, Chinese government officials criticized Senate passage of the currency measure.

"This bill seriously violates World Trade Organization rules, harms bilateral economic and trade cooperation, and does not solve the economic and employment problems in the United States," said Chinese

Foreign Ministry spokesman Liu Weimin.

Graham called on President Barack Obama to speak out on behalf of the measure, noting that he backed such tough steps while running for the White House in 2008.

Graham said he and other leading supporters of the bill are willing to work with Obama to improve it.

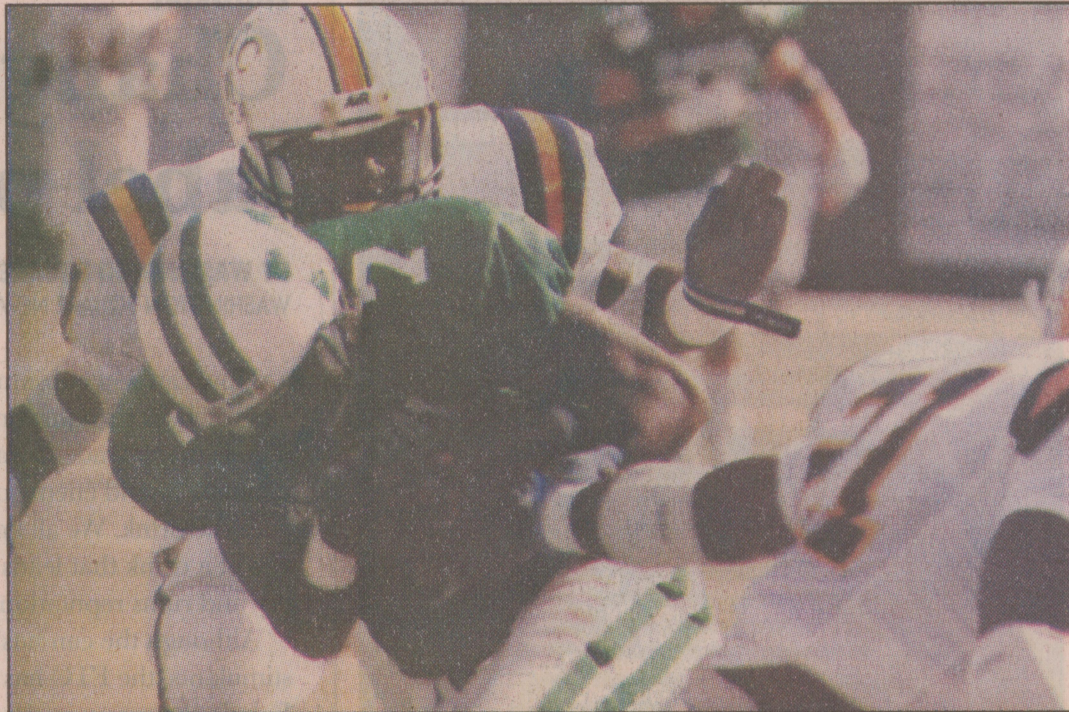
White House press secretary Jay Carney said Obama aides were working with lawmakers to determine whether the measure violates U.S. obligations under various trade treaties.

"We share the goal of the

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THROUGH THE DECADES:

The 90s: Most successful football team of the decade



FILE PHOTOS

LEFT: The 1992 homecoming court smiles for the cameras while on the field for the homecoming ceremonies. **RIGHT:** Andre Motley protects the ball as he crushes through a couple of University of Tennessee-Chattanooga defenders in the 1990 homecoming game. The Herd dropped the contest in the final seconds as the Mocs scored a game-winning touchdown to take the 29-23 victory.

90s marked with success early, often for the Herd

COLUMN

BY BRANDON ANICICH
THE PARTHENON

In the 70s, the nation became aware of Marshall University through the tragedy that had befallen its football program.

In the 80s, the nation became aware of Marshall through the football program itself.

As the new millennium neared, Marshall dominated the final decade of the 1900s. Hailed as "the winningest team of the decade," with a final record of 114 wins against 25 losses, the Herd won more games than any other Division I-A or I-AA team in that time period.

The 80s had given the Herd a taste of success. As 1988 the Southern Conference champions with an 11-2 record, Marshall struggled to repeat those performances in the following two seasons, finishing just 6-5 in both years.

The Herd was still working to consistently find solid footing. Pushing through all different brands of adversity in the decade following the plane crash, Marshall had flipped its fortune in the 80s, and the fleeting streaks of optimism became more frequent.

Herd fans had a reason to believe, and believe in a football program simply as a football program — not as a mourning organization struggling to find its way.

And so, before the greatest decade could be enjoyed, Marshall knew it still had to make some changes.

In 1990, Jim Donnan took over at the helm for the Herd, and following that mediocre first season, Donnan made his mark in a big way.

The 1991 Thundering Herd finished the year 11-4, including a run at the NCAA Division I-AA championship, when they fell just short to Youngstown State, 25-17.

That same year, the Herd bid farewell to Fairfield Stadium, as the new Marshall University Stadium — which we know as Joan C. Edwards Stadium — welcomed them with grace.

The first game at Marshall University Stadium saw a Thundering Herd victory, a 24-23 win over New Hampshire with over 33,000 in attendance.

From there — things just kept getting better.

The 1992 season was a benchmark for the program

— as the Herd earned the title of NCAA Division I-AA champions. Willy Merrick will never forget that game — kicking the only field goal of his career to beat Youngstown 31-28 — avenging the previous season's disappointing finale — and ushering in a new era of Herd football.

Throughout the next four years, Marshall would compete in three national championship games, win two Southern Conference titles and accumulate a 50-9 record, culminating with the legendary 1996 season.

Chicago Bulls fans remember 1996 in the same way. Perfection.

Marshall University, behind the guidance of first-year head coach Bobby Pruett, finished its last year in the Southern Conference on top of the world.

An unmarred 15-0 record, complete with a conference title and a national championship, sent a message to the nation — Marshall had overcome.

Oh, and when I say unmarred — I mean spotless. Not even close. There wasn't a single game that year that was closer than two touchdowns.

The 1996 squad outscored all opponents 658-210 in that year. Naturally, Pruett's work garnered national coach of the year recognition. Not bad for a son of Marshall.

After kissing the Southern Conference goodbye in the

best possible way, Marshall entered the Mid-American Conference with incredible momentum.

Marshall closed out the decade with three consecutive MAC titles (in their first three years in the conference, mind you), accumulating just two conference losses in that three-year span.

And they still weren't done.

In 1999, the Thundering Herd went 13-0, concluding that season as the No. 10 ranked team in the country.

Quarterback and team captain Chad Pennington threw for a modest 3,799 yards that season. Good enough to earn the No. 4 slot on Marshall's all-time single-season passing list. Pennington was announced as a finalist for the Heisman Trophy in 1999, as well.

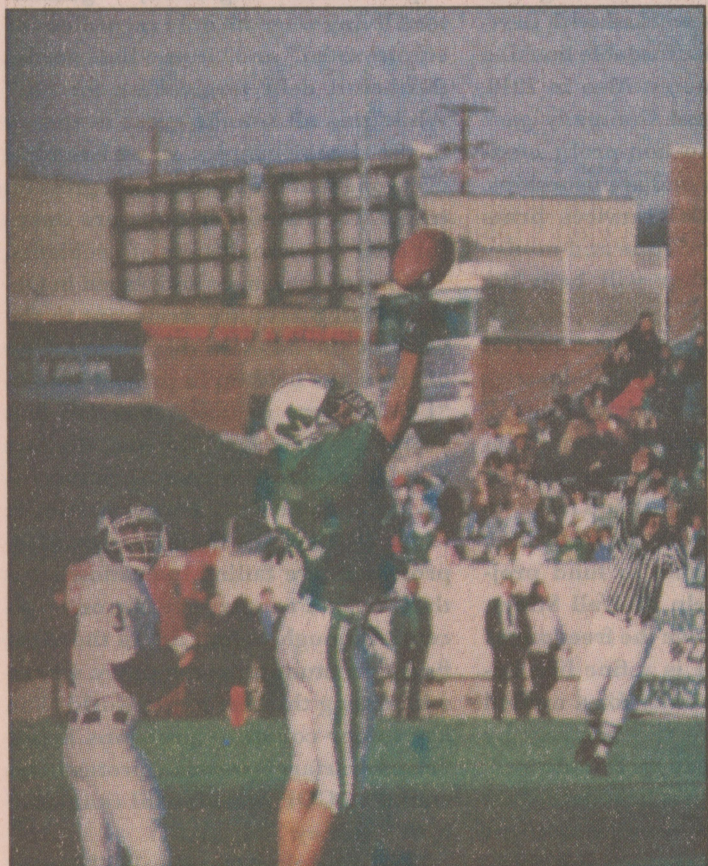
It took 30 years, but Marshall had completely transformed from a ragged group of players who were too young, too inexperienced or just too small to play college ball — to a national force in the realm of college football.

The 70s nearly broke Marshall.

The 90s defined it.

Marshall jumped into the new millennium with a winning fervor, and what was a legend-in-the-making, that continued into the 2000s.

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FILE PHOTOS

LEFT: Defensive back Joe Chirico reaches out to deflect a pass in the 1991 homecoming game. Marshall took down Western Carolina 27-24. **MIDDLE:** Rising above the stadium, a balloon brings a message to the Herd and its fans during the 1993 homecoming game. **RIGHT:** Doug Cross, of Poca, W. Va., was chosen as Mr. Marshall during the 1991 homecoming festivities. Cross escorted Homecoming Committee Chairperson Ooneka Munroe onto the field. **TOP RIGHT:** A Marshall cheerleader waves the Herd's flag to pump up the crowd during the 1990 homecoming game.

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COLUMN

Exceptions to United States exceptionalism

BY NIKI HARRIS
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As the Republican party bounces around ideas for its nomination for the next presidential election, many candidates and their supporters insist wholeheartedly that they are "American Exceptionalists" and, therefore, the true conservatives and Americans. For a term used so often, no one seemed to really know what it meant one of many meanings the phrase assumes a divinely ordained mission given especially to the United States as the beacon of morality in the world — or that American forefathers founded our country on uniquely inspired principles — or that God has exempted America from the trends of history, sometimes calling America the "New Israel" and Americans "God's chosen people." There appears an inherent hypocrisy with some of these concepts and how they have been used in American politics. "We believe in equality, therefore we're the best." "We believe in self-government, so let us set up your government for you." "We're the heirs of the Western Christian tradition, therefore no one has thought of our principles before."

As we all remember from American heritage — sorry, freshman — Edmund Burke characterized the American Revolution as a conservative force, which is certainly how the founding fathers thought of their actions. This essential motive differentiates the American Founding from the Reign of Terror in the French Revolution. They meant to restore the rights and privileges of Englishmen that they had enjoyed before, to get back to how things were, not to do something radical, new, or exceptional. In fact, few to none of the principles of the founding were uniquely or originally American.

It was Russian dictator Joseph Stalin who coined

American exceptionalism to mean what he saw as America's delusion of exclusion from the natural course of the world. It would be difficult and irresponsible to attempt to anachronistically claim the founding generation as "American exceptionalist" or not, but we can see how the term has been used since its birth in the twentieth century. Colonization, imperialism and foreign wars have all been justified by American exceptionalism "making the world safe for democracy," spreading Americanism, and sentiments of moral supremacy. How are these conservative values?

"Conservatism, I repeat, is not an ideology," Russell Kirk explained. "It does not try to excite the enthusiasm of a secular religion. If you want men who will sacrifice their past and present and future to a system of abstract ideas, you must go to Communism, or Fascism, or Benthamism."

"The high-minded conservative detests Abstraction, or the passion for forcing men and societies into a preconceived pattern divorced from the special circumstances of different times and countries," he said.

This lies at the heart of conservatism — understanding the context of one's time and place — that the American is obligated to love his country over all others just as the Irishman is obligated to love his country and so on. The word "patriotism," should inspire a familial bond with our home. We love it because it is ours, not because we love abstractions about it that can blind us to its fallibility and mortality.

The conservative places himself first with God and Church; then family, community, state, and country; and finally humanity, instead of in the un-conservative, nationalistic, ideological, perverted patriotism called American exceptionalism.

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EDITORIAL

Changes made to Four Loko label prove counterproductive

BY WASHINGTON SQUARE NEWS EDITORIAL BOARD
WASHINGTON SQUARE NEWS, NEW YORK U. VIA UWIRE

How can you consume the equivalent of four or five cans of beer with just one 23.5 oz. container and \$2.50? The Federal Trade Commission has an answer, and it could be an old enemy or friend, based on your history with the drink. We all know what Four Loko was and still is: a drink that leads to reckless nights of debauchery and ruins reputations.

Although the can has been stripped of some of its stimulants, the FTC has not stopped at regulating Four Loko's placement in the marketplace. Next on the agenda, it will introduce a new label to be placed on cans that will tell consumers how much alcohol they contain — the equivalent of four beers. Prior to this new FTC regulation, Four Loko only told consumers that it contained the same amount of alcohol as one to two beers.

While it is true that the original problem with Four Loko was that it masked its excessive alcohol content and attracted college students with its low price and flashy appearance, the FTC's attempt at transparency might be counterproductive. As we all can agree, binge drinking and alcohol poisoning should not be aims of the night, but shortsighted students drinking on a budget may now return to the can once more, now that they'll see how much alcohol they can get. The WSN Editorial Board believes the new preventive information will not discourage but instead serve to advertise the contents of the drink even more than ever before.

In the end, the FTC actions appear to be contradicting its intended goal. Its need for transparency is respectable but could merely re-popularize the product in the public eye. Instead, let Four Loko naturally fall by the curb where it seems to end up every morning

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COLUMN

Public must not fault Wall Street for poor economy

BY LIZ BERAS
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Many American reforms have made their mark on history through protests — women's suffrage, the civil rights movement and the ongoing gay rights movement, to name a few. While the ones mentioned are all prime examples of valid movements, the current "Occupy Wall Street" efforts are far removed in legitimacy from their predecessors. It is time for the crusade against Wall Street to come to an end; protesters can either find a valid cause or go home and cease their disruption.

Protesters' chants of "Wall Street, Wall Street, Occupy Wall Street" may seem catchy, yet those supporting the protest must educate themselves about the issues. The New York Occupy Wall Street demonstrations have proven to be chaotic; the protests are cause for hundreds of arrests and consequently the New York Police Department has increased officers on duty to contain the crowds during the protests.

Wall Street is a scapegoat for the problems protesters list on their signs. But the financial services industry aids our economic growth and is a major contributor to the community

at large. For instance, in 2010 Morgan Stanley's Low Income Housing Tax Credit Investments worked with partners to create 1,000 affordable housing units cross the country. Also in 2010, JPMorgan Chase and Company gave over \$150 million to non-profit organizations in grants and sponsorships. Many other financial services firms spend a great deal of time and money to fund projects that will help the community.

In harsh economic times, financial services is one of the few industries that has not claimed a "hiring freeze." The role of the financial services industry is invaluable; raising capital is key for companies, small and large, to carry out their service and mission. Companies are unable to fund projects without the help of Wall Street. As Americans, we have the freedom of assembly, but there is a fine line between using this to rally for a unified purpose and abusing this privilege by aimlessly parading down Broadway.

Occupy Wall Street is best described as a vaudeville show — entertainment comprised of parts that are not cohesive. The goal of Occupy Wall Street is unclear, despite its widespread growth in other cities around the globe. There is, however, a list of absurd demands listed on Occupy Wall Street's official

site. Some of these demands include "open border migration," "guaranteed living wage income regardless of employment" and "immediate across the board debt forgiveness for all." While this all sounds great in theory to the demonstrators, need I remind everyone that money does not grow on trees? The listed demands are opening doors for a multitude of problems.

Many of the issues addressed in Occupy Wall Street are irrelevant to the work of the bankers they target. One of the signs held up in protest stated, "I paid more in taxes than GE last year. I am the 99%." For one, the fact that GE paid less in taxes than this individual seems like a matter pertinent to the IRS, not the major banks. Also, protesters are failing to acknowledge that we as a country are the one percent. Although we are not in the ideal financial situation as a country, we are still among the best in the world. The key to our country's problems is not "class warfare" through protests, as stated by GOP presidential candidate Mitt Romney.

It is time that Occupy Wall Street vacate the premises. There are methods to having a voice in the conversation of our country's politics, but the current disorder in the protests is not the way.

Law enforcers use social media to catch criminals, prevent crime

By Barrett House
THE BATTALION, TEXAS A&M
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With the recent explosion of social networks, namely Facebook, students are not the only ones utilizing its capabilities.

Local authorities, as well as law enforcement departments across Texas, are using social networking technology to prevent crime as well as catch criminals.

Bryan Police Department assistant chief of police, Peter Scheets, said Bryan PD uses Facebook to keep tabs on criminal activities. In one instance, the police department was able to apprehend a suspect that had evaded police twice, because he posted the details on Facebook.

Detective Chris Loup, of the Bryan Police Department, who has received training for online social networking security, said that he has also used Facebook to identify a suspect based on information the victim had given him.

Another college town, Waco, has seen an increase in the use of

Facebook as both an investigative tool and a way to get important information to the public.

Jim Doak, chief of the Baylor U. Police Department, said Baylor UPD uses Facebook to identify individuals; however, he said he was unable to give details about specific cases.

"[Facebook is] going to be with us as time goes on; we're working on it and we will eventually get more involved," Doak said.

Local authorities are also using Facebook as a tool for crime prevention. Bryan PD and College Station PD post tips on how to deter car burglaries and be safe in the city at night, especially on campus.

"We put crime prevention tips on Facebook and it has been very beneficial for that use," said Patrick Swanton, public information officer sergeant for Waco Police Department. "We do not have an official page, but eventually we will have a page."

Swanton said he was unable to comment on whether the Waco Police Department uses Facebook for investigations.

Larger cities, such as San Antonio, are also using Facebook as a tool for investigations.

"A detective that worked in the intelligence unit was looking for a suspect. He was able to track the suspect on Facebook, and, after the suspect posted that he was celebrating his birthday at a club, the detective was able to send officers to apprehend the suspect," said Matthew Porter, San Antonio public information officer. "We'll monitor tips that come in, and we'll use any social network to follow up on them."

Departments of law enforcement, according to federal statutes for surveillance, need a criminal predicate to search social networks for information on suspects, incidents or witnesses.

"I completely agree with the fact that law enforcement should use any means of information to catch criminals," said Blanca Guerrero, Texas A&M U. senior communication major. "Websites like Facebook and Twitter are free services. You're free to put whatever information you want. If you don't want people to

know your business, don't put it on there."

According to Facebook's data policy, Facebook is allowed by law to share information that is posted on the website with law enforcement.

"We may share your information in response to a legal request (like a search warrant, court order or subpoena) if we have a good faith belief that the law requires us to do so," Facebook's data policy states. "We may also share information when we have a good faith belief it is necessary to: detect, prevent and address fraud and other illegal activity; to protect ourselves and you from violations of our Statement of Rights and Responsibilities; and to prevent death or imminent bodily harm."

When asked if she knew about Facebook's data policy concerning requests of information, Guerrero said she agreed with the policy.

"If [an officer] is trying to do the right thing and capture a criminal, they should do whatever it takes to put that person behind bars," Guerrero said.

VIOLENCE

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and the Kid's Fair followed it immediately, extending the event until 2 p.m.

Weiss-McComas said Branches will participate in several other events such as speaking engagements to community organizations, the 30th anniversary celebration of the West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence, and other events as the month goes on.

"Domestic Violence Awareness month in particular is a time to bring communities together to honor those who have survived domestic violence and to join hands in helping to make every home a safe home," said Weiss-McComas.

Weiss-McComas said approximately a quarter of all physical assaults, a fifth of all rapes and a half of all stalkings perpetuated against females by intimate partners are reported to the police.

With the number of cases that go unreported each year it can be important to clarify what constitutes domestic violence.

A National Coalition Against Domestic Violence fact sheet said domestic violence is the willful intimidation, physical assault, battery sexual assault, and/or other abusive behavior perpetrated by an intimate partner against another.

The same report says that a third of all female homicide victims that are reported in police records are killed by an intimate partner. In 70 to 80 percent of intimate partner homicides, no matter which party was killed, the man physically abused the woman before the murder.

The report says approximately 20 percent of the 1.5 million people who experience intimate partner violence annually obtain civil protection orders.

According to the report, one half of the orders obtained by women against intimate partners who physically assaulted them were violated and more than two thirds of the restraining orders against intimate partners who raped and stalked them were violated.

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CHINA

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Commerce and some other business groups oppose the bill, saying it would harm American companies that sell goods in China.

U.S. firms exported almost \$92 billion in products to China last year, an increase of almost one-third from 2009. China sold \$365 billion of goods in the United States, producing a 2010 trade deficit of \$273 billion.

BBS

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transportation.

The community program requires the mentor to be 19 and to have a form of transportation.

The interview process to become a big brother or big sister involves an application, character reference, interview, and a background check according to Smalley.

"I have seen first hand and taken many of the calls from the children," Price said, "who are now grown up who

have called and wanted to know if I know the address of where their volunteer might be right now because they would like to thank them. I personally have been a big sister for four years," Price said. "It has been a wonderful experience for me and I thoroughly enjoy it and it helps bring what we do closer to home with me being a volunteer big sister as well."

The children need consistency from their bigs because they do not have much consistency in their home life. It's

important to be there for the children, because as they volunteer they are getting a role model that they have never had in their lives.

The kids who are in the program come primarily from single-parent homes. The age range is between six to 14 years old. The BBBS matches based on interest compatibility so the interview process will include specific interests of the future volunteer. ...

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CAR BASH

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Four-year-old Tyler Williams, of Huntington participates in car bash

"Kelly's Radiation Service donated the limo to be bashed and Superior Chrysler of Ashland donated the truck used to tow the car," Smith said.

The car was painted blue, school color for Rice University (2-3, 1-1 Conference USA), the opponent Marshall (2-4, 1-1) faces Saturday.

"Bashing the car is a good way for students to take out some aggression from midterms while building spirit for homecoming," Williams said.

Kristen Epling, junior nursing major from Matewan, W.Va., is ready for the game.

"Homecoming is always fun to celebrate," Epling said. "I'm anxious to see how we match up to Rice."

That matchup will take a different approach this season, with a big change in the offensive starting lineup.

True freshman Rakeem Cato has been starting quarterback in every game thus far this season. But in a press conference earlier this week, coach Doc Holliday said that would change.

Instead, redshirt sophomore A.J. Graham will fill the slot against Rice.

Reasons for the switch are unclear.

"We have certain standards and expectations that

we expect every player to live up to," Holliday said. "And if they don't, they sit and watch with me and the other guy plays."

Though Graham will start, Cato might play some.

"A.J. will start on Saturday and we'll see how he does," Holliday said. "If he goes in there and plays well, he'll continue to play. Cato will be ready to play at some point when the time presents itself."

Graham and the rest of the Herd will face the Owls 3 p.m., Saturday at Joan C. Edwards stadium.

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"When I saw the new changes made to Facebook, I realized my personal privacy setting's had been changed in the process," said Danielle Henderson, junior elementary education major from Fort Campbell, Ky., and resident adviser for Twin Towers West.

STROLL

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NPHC homecoming step show and will also perform their routine during intermission of the step show.

"I feel that as a generation we are very dependent on social networks, we use them for business, social aspects, and overall communication with the world," Henderson said.

Troller's program will be 7:30 p.m. Oct. 19 in the lobby of Holterby Hall and Henderson's program will be 9:15 p.m. Oct. 20 in the fourth floor glass lounge of Twin Towers West.

The NPHC annual homecoming step show will be at 7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 15 at the Keith Albee Theatre.

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how far Marshall University has come through the years as we look towards our 175th anniversary celebration in 2012," Pelphrey said.

Many presentations will be made, including an introduction of the homecoming court and the announcement of the winners of the homecoming office-decorating contest. Marshall basketball coach Tom Herion will

talk about the upcoming basketball season and introduce Thundering Herd Madness that is scheduled for 9 p.m., Friday.

"There is really something for everyone," Pelphrey said.

Everyone is encouraged to dress in Kelly green and bring a canned food item as a donation to the Huntington Area Food Bank.

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You have only a short period of time in your life to make your mark, and I'm there now."

-George Clooney

Bob Evans Festival

BY PERRI SHELTON
THE PARTHENON

The 41st Annual Bob Evans Festival will take place this weekend at the original Bob Evans Homestead and Farm in Rio Grande, Ohio.

The festival attracts more than 30,000 visitors from across the country for a weekend of crafts, entertainment and plenty of food.

"We have numerous activities happening this year, including: Farming demonstrations, musical entertainment, lumberjack shows, and many contests," said Amy Summers, information receptionist for the Bob Evans Farm.

Summers said there would be many unique contests such as pie eating, hula-hoop, chicken scratch, and team cow chip tossing.

Farm demonstrations include learning how to milk a cow, shear a sheep, and get tutorials from a blacksmith or soap maker.

Summers said the musical entertainment at the festival might interest college age students.

Music includes authentic American bluegrass, gospel and country music, as well as cloggers performing traditional folk dancing.

The Bob Evans Farm was once home to Bob Evans, founder of Bob Evans

Farms Inc. In 1953, Bob began making Bob Evans Farms Sausage, and in 1961 he opened the first Bob Evans Restaurant at the farm.

In 1973, Bob Evans Farms, Inc. acquired the Rio Grande farm to maintain as an active farm and a recreational and local historical center.

The Bob Evans Festival celebrates the rich history of the farm in the middle of autumn each year.

"We have multimillion dollar renovations this year," Summers said. "The entire festival grounds are brand new, there is a new sign, and the original restaurant is rearranged."

Visitors are also invited to tour the Bob Evans Homestead Museum, where they can sit at the reconstructed counter of the original steak house owned by Bob Evans, view commercials on an old television console or through the lens of an actual television camera of the era and follow the displays as the 53-year history of the business unfolds.

The museum is also open daily from April through Christmas time.

The Bob Evans Farms Festival will take place Oct. 14 to Oct. 16 in Rio Grande, OH, which is about one hour away from Huntington.

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children ages 6 to 18.

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Picnic on the Plaza to kick off homecoming weekend festivities

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The Picnic on the Plaza hosted by the Alumni Association and the Office of Development is Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the plaza of the Memorial Student Center. The picnic includes free food, music and activities.

"This is the Alumni Association's first official event for homecoming," said Nancy Pelphrey, coordinator of alumni programs. "We could think of no better way to kick off homecoming than to offer a free picnic to the Marshall community."

The picnic is also a way to show gratitude to the

Marshall family for their contributions to the Family Giving Campaign.

The Family Giving Campaign is an opportunity for faculty, staff and students to demonstrate their investment in the university by making contributions to the Marshall University Foundation.

"We want to thank the

entire Marshall family for their generosity," said Griffin Talbott, program director of the University Fund. "Their contributions illustrate and promote an environment of giving and sharing, which enriches our students' learning experiences."

The Student Activities Programming Board is sponsoring an activity

allowing students to build their own teddy bears during the picnic. Two-hundred-fifty students will be able to stuff and dress a miniature bear in a Marshall homecoming T-shirt.

"We are extremely grateful to all of our homecoming sponsors for their support in

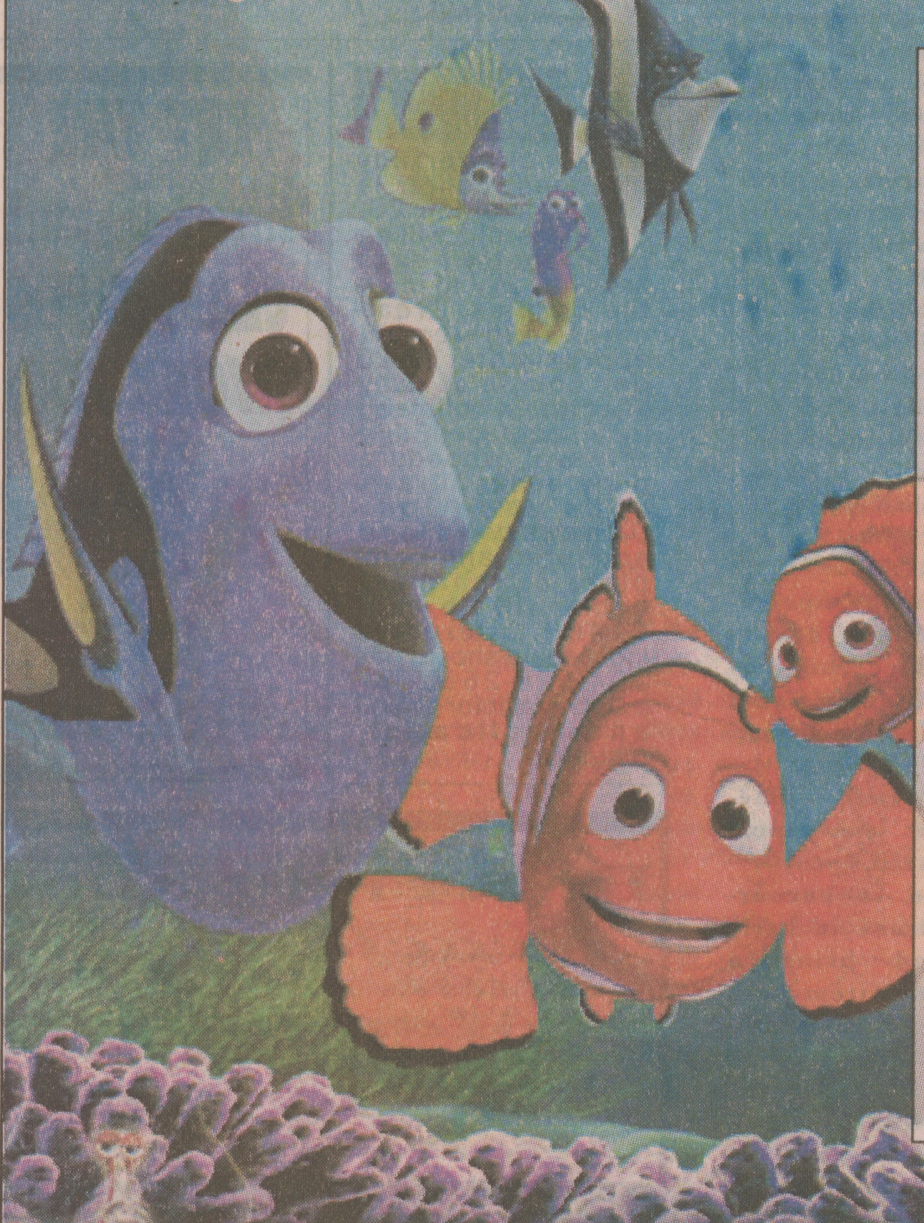
making the Picnic on the Plaza possible," Pelphrey said.

Marshall Maniacs is providing T-shirts for the first 100 students in attendance.

"Our theme of 'Marshall University-Through the Decades' is a look at

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'Finding Nemo' tells children, adults to 'just keep swimming'



BY COURTNEY MOON
THE PARTHENON

During my babysitting adventures this weekend, I used one of my favorite tricks -using a movie to keep the kids content while I put a dent in the pile of homework I had accumulated over the past week.

After finding a film that all three children could agree on, I sat down to attempt my assignments. However, it wasn't long until I heard a few words that made me really think: "Hey there, Mr. Grumpy Gills, when life gets you down do you want to know what you've got to do? Just keep swimming..."

Finding Nemo came out in 2003 and still ranks as the second highest grossing Disney-Pixar films. There's no wonder why this movie continues to be ranked higher than newly released ones: It really does work for people of all ages.

The four children all under the age of ten that I was trying to keep

hushed while I could do the twenty other things on my list all liked the film because the turtle said "dude." I became interested because Dory's quote about moving on couldn't have come at a better time in my life.

Keeping my GPA high during this first semester of my college career, starting a new job and attempting to handle concerns that are out of my control all make me feel as if there's nothing I can do but give up. But no matter how unhappy I can seem at the time, or how much I feel that life just sucks, there's always a reason for me to look forward and continue to try to get out of my slump.

Dory, as scatterbrained and unhelpful as she can seem, represents the carefree fish in the sea that I wish so often that I could be. She shows that sometimes in life, we wonder if things will ever get back on track or if there's any upside to all of the down. But sometimes in life, we just need to keep swimming.

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Residence halls to host programs

THE PARTHENON

Two campus residence halls will be hosting programs next week on how to apply horror movie makeup and the importance of internet safety.

Jo Troller, senior public relations major from Sidney, Ohio will host a program in Holderby Hall showing residents how to apply makeup similar to what is seen in horror movies.

"Halloween is an interesting time for people, and horror movie makeup is one of those things that people don't know how to do really scary features," Troller said.

Makeup will be done by junior theater major, Matt Capua.

Danielle Henderson will be hosting a program about internet safety and will be showing "The Social Network" as part of the event.

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