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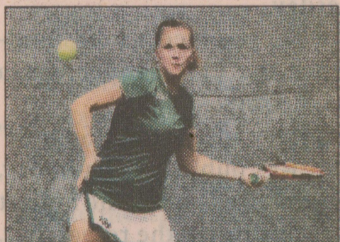
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# Baber competes for Mountain Party nomination

BY ANNA SWIFT  
THE PARTHENON

Mountain Party candidate Bob Henry Baber is competing for the Mountain Party nomination for governor at its May 1 convention because he said he feels the party needs more competition.

"Jesse and I disagree on some issues, although we agree on a lot," Baber said of the only other candidate in his party, Jesse Johnson. "But also we have different credentials, different perspectives, and it's just a healthy thing to have diversity in a party."

Baber, who ran for governor in 2004, said he feels qualified for the position given all of his experiences.

"Of all the candidates running, I have probably had the most varied experience of any of them," Baber said. "I've been a laborer, I've been a union worker, I've been a teacher, I've been a poet, I've been a writer, I've been an artist, I've run a non-profit, I've been a mayor, I just wrote a novel. I think other than that, what I really have is a real sense of the common person and a real appreciation for what it is to survive in our world and what it is to be a West Virginian."

If elected, Baber said he would immediately focus on assessing the needs of West Virginia, such as enforcing mine safety laws. Also at the top of his list would be education.

"We've got to turn the corner on education," Baber said. "I would promote broadband. Broadband is a key utility and the key to both education

and economic development, and we're way behind the rest of the country on that."

Baber also said he would like to modify the PROMISE scholarship program by making it need-based.

"There's some people that call that socialism," Baber said. "I call that fair. If you're a professor's son or daughter or a lawyer's son or daughter, or a doctor's son or daughter, you're encouraged to learn — you have the resources to learn and you're going to go get those PROMISE scholarships — but your parents can afford to send you to college. But there are a lot of working class people whose parents have never been down that road and who do not have the money to send their children, so I want to make the PROMISE scholarship a needs-based scholarship."

Another focal point of his administration, Baber said, would be on energy. He said he would address energy needs in West Virginia by taking money from abandoned mine lands and additional funds and putting it into a green energy plan.

"First, we could reclaim what's already been done and pay people to do that," Baber said. "And in the meantime, we could retrain people, build new factories and essentially, over time, transition to a green economy so that people could continue to survive, and we could move into the future."

Baber also pointed out, while he is not anti-coal or anti-miners, he does believe in moving toward green energy and protecting workers.

However, while Baber said he thinks Marshall

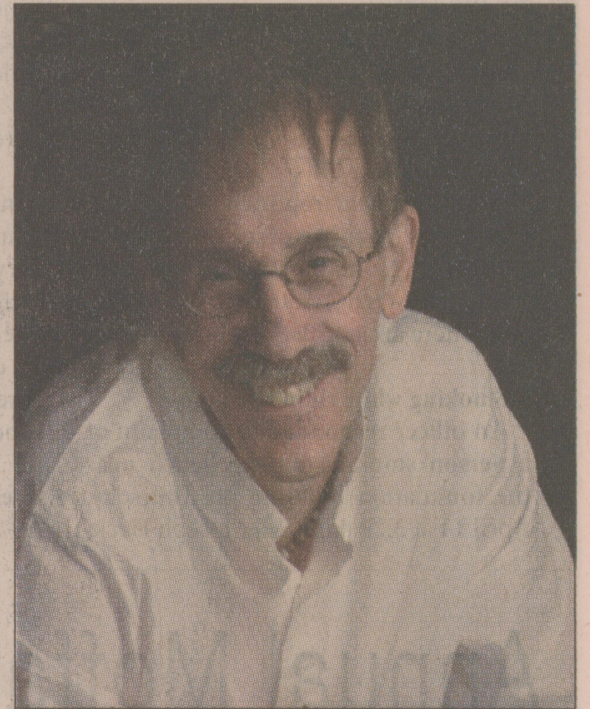


PHOTO COURTESY OF BOB BABER

**Bob Baber, Mountain Party chairman and candidate for governor, said he wants to modify the Promise Scholarship to make it need-based.**

students should vote for him because they are the Mountain Party's natural constituents, he said he doesn't think the Mountain Party will be able to win over the other political parties.

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# Hair from the Herd

## Annual event collects 787 inches of hair for Locks of Love

BY MARCUS CONSTANTINO  
THE PARTHENON

Marshall students and the Huntington community came together Thursday at the Memorial Student Center to donate hair to children in need.

WMUL-FM's Hair from the Herd offered free haircuts to individuals with at least 10 inches of hair and donated all hair to Locks of Love, a public nonprofit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children in the U.S. and Canada under age 21 suffering from long-term medical hair loss.

Neera Clarkson, promotions manager of WMUL, Marshall University's student-run radio station, said this year's event set the record for the most hair collected.

"We got 787 inches of hair," Clarkson said. "In 2009, we had 660 inches of hair and this year we had 787 inches."

According to Clarkson, 25 volunteers from the Huntington Beauty School provided haircuts to donors. Over 10 additional student volunteers from WMUL helped collect paperwork, prepare hair and provide live updates of total donation amounts to radio listeners.

Clarkson said a variety of donors came out to Thursday's event. "We not only had Marshall students coming to donate their hair; we had elementary students and members of the Huntington community, and we had a lot of men come out, too," Clarkson said.

In the final moments of the event, it was unclear whether the record from 2009 was broken or not, but Clarkson said initial totals were inaccurate because they



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**Brandee Agee, 9, of Huntington, receives a haircut from Alex Lalos from the Huntington School of Beauty Culture at Thursday's Hair from the Herd event.**

were based on amounts donors wrote on their hair donation bags. They did not take multiple pigtails of hair from a single donor into account.

"One bag had 60 inches of hair," Clarkson said.

According to the Locks of Love website, the organization provides its recipients with custom-fit hairpieces made entirely from human hair. More than 80 percent of donors nationwide are children, according to the website.

Most of the hair donation recipients suffer from an autoimmune condition called alopecia areata, for which there is no known cause

or cure. Others have suffered severe burns or endured radiation treatment to the brain stem, along with many other dermatological conditions that result in permanent hair loss, according to the website.

Clarkson said she was surprised at this year's turnout.

"I think it was great," Clarkson said. "I was so surprised about how many people showed up and how many people were willing to give their hair to Locks of Love. I was very impressed, proud and happy."

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# College of Business celebrates 42 years

BY TYLER WOLFE  
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's Elizabeth McDowell Lewis' College of Business celebrated 42 years as a college on Thursday.

The fifth avenue entrance to Corby Hall was surrounded by students and faculty yesterday morning and afternoon as the college of business promoted its programs and encouraged students to have a good time.

Katherine Hetzer, academic adviser in the Lewis College of Business, said the college started celebrating when the college turned 40 a couple years ago.

Hetzer said the event has become an annual party to help promote not only the college but also the idea that the advisers are more fun than they seem.

"This lets students see that the faculty and staff have a funny side to us, and that we are not all serious like we often seem," Hetzer said. "We are actually approachable, hopefully students will see that."

The recruitment and retention graduate assistant for the Lewis College of Business, Rosie McVey said she feels like the celebration was successful.

"There was a really great turnout, and everyone seemed to have a great time," McVey said. "I'm very happy with the result."

"It's our 42nd anniversary this year," McVey said. "This party is really for our students and to show our students, faculty and staff that we appreciate them and all the hard work that they do."

Students were able to relieve stress by dunking their friends in the dunk tank, conquer their fear of heights on a rock wall provided by the National Guard, grab some food at the buffet style lunch and even play a round or two of corn hole.

"It is definitely a great time," said Dakota Metz, 19, of Williamstown, W.Va. "People driving by can see the rock wall and the dunk tank. It's a lot of fun."

The celebration was not just intended for students in the Lewis College of Business, but it was also open to students from other schools.

"One of the main reasons we put this event together was to show other students that the Lewis college of business is fun and that we do fun things," McVey said. "It might give students the incentive to come check us out."

Other activities included a pie eating contest, free snow cones and popcorn and several students and faculty being honored

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TODAY ON TV



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8 p.m.  
CW



Shark Tank  
8 p.m.  
ABC



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8 p.m.  
CBS



Fringe  
9 p.m.  
FOX



Dual Survivor  
9 p.m.  
Discovery

# Police blotter...

BY COREY OXLEY  
THE PARTHENON

All information was provided by the Marshall University Police Department.

## Stealing paper bills

A complainant reported a \$100 bill was stolen from her office on Wednesday, April 13 at the Cam Henderson Center between 10:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. There are no suspects at this time.

## Smoking while ridin' the pine

An officer responded to complaint of a person smoking on the bench near the foundation building on Thursday, April 14 at 3:29 p.m. Tyler Joseph Heck,



20, undecided business major, admitted smoking marijuana and throwing the joint into the trash can next to the bench. MUPD issued a citation for possession of marijuana less than 15 grams.

## Creeping in the library

A complainant stated her ex-boyfriend was following her around campus and confronted her in the library about their separation on Sunday, April 10. The suspect became orally upset but did not physically touch her. The complainant provided MUPD with more information and confirmed the suspect is not a Marshall student.

## Delivering the goods

A group of officers responded to

a complaint at the First-Year North Residence Hall about a followup investigation with Douglas Randall Murrell, 19, on Monday, April 18 at 1:30 p.m. While speaking with Murrell, MUPD observed marijuana residue and seeds on his desk. Murrell offered to open his desk drawer and MUPD found eight bags of marijuana packaged to be sold inside. About eight grams of marijuana was also found but not packaged for sale. There was \$214 in cash along with the marijuana. Murrell was placed under arrest and charged with felony possession with intent to deliver and transported to Western Regional Jail.

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# Last Supper was not Jesus' last supper, researcher says

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LOS ANGELES TIMES

MCT

The Last Supper was probably the next-to-last supper of Jesus' life, a British researcher has concluded after using ancient calendars and astrological data to rethink the chronology of what Christians know as Holy Week.

Colin Humphreys, a scientist who previously explored the Exodus of the Old Testament, believes his studies show that Holy Thursday — the day that Jesus gathered his disciples for the famous supper, according to tradition — was actually a Wednesday.

Humphreys also believes he has resolved a longstanding disagreement over whether the Last Supper was a Jewish Passover Seder: It was, he says.

Humphreys' book, "The Mystery of the Last Supper" (Cambridge University Press), was published Thursday, a day that many Christians observed as one of the holiest of the year. That's a mistake, according to the researcher, a professor of materials science at Cambridge University who has made a sideline of biblical research.

"The Last Supper was on Wednesday, April 1, A.D. 33, with the crucifixion on Friday, April 3, A.D. 33," Humphreys writes. He believes that his research not only definitively establishes the dates, which have eluded most scholars, but that it resolves an apparent conflict within the Gospel accounts of Jesus' last days.

With his book, Humphreys wades into a murky, centuries-old debate over the chronology of Jesus' last days. Among others who have weighed in recently is Pope Benedict XVI, whose book, "Jesus of Nazareth: Part Two," considered the evidence that the Last Supper might have been held earlier in the week. He said it seemed unlikely.

The Gospels of the New Testament are in agreement that Jesus held a Last Supper, was tried and convicted, was crucified on a Friday and arose on Sunday.

There is, however, a problem of consistency: According to the Gospel of John, the crucifixion took place as Jews were preparing for the first night of Passover, the feast that celebrates the freedom from bondage in Egypt. But the so-called synoptic gospels of Matthew, Luke and Mark describe the Last Supper as a Passover meal.

Some scholars and theologians have concluded that John was being metaphorical, because by his chronology, Jesus was killed at precisely the moment that Jews were sacrificing paschal lambs for the Passover meal. Jesus, of course, is known as the "lamb of God."

In 1953, a French researcher, Annie Jaubert, concluded that the official Passover indeed began Friday night, but that Jesus was probably relying on an ancient priestly calendar that had the holiday beginning on Tuesday evening. In other words, the Gospels were in agreement — Passover began Friday night, but Jesus had already celebrated it.

In his Holy Thursday homily in 2007, Benedict seemed to tentatively endorse that view, but he ultimately rejected it in his book this year. Instead, he said Jesus was celebrating "his Passover" because he knew he would die before the actual holiday. "And in this sense he both did and did not celebrate the Passover," the pope wrote.

Humphreys believes that both Jaubert and Benedict were on the right track, but ultimately wrong.

To draw his conclusions, he delved into an even older calendar, one that Hebrew people had been using since 3000 B.C. and had largely — but not entirely — abandoned by the time Jesus was alive. He employed an astrophysicist, Graeme Waddington of Oxford University, to help calculate what that calendar would have looked like around the time of Jesus' death.

What he found, Humphreys said, was that Passover would have begun on Wednesday evening in A.D. 33. For a variety of reasons, he believes Jesus used that calendar.

In the same vein as Jaubert's conclusion, that would mean all the Gospel writers were correct. "I was surprised by just how well the Gospels agree," Humphreys said in a telephone interview Thursday. "You can just dovetail them together remarkably."

Humphreys said he believes that Jesus probably was in jail on Thursday and that his actual "last supper" was prison fare. "I don't think he would have had much of a last supper," he said.

Humphreys' book is likely to create a stir among biblical scholars, whether or not it alters prevailing views.

"I think it's really fascinating the way he brings in astronomy and ancient calendars and other contributions from outside the field of biblical studies," said Paul Anderson, a professor of biblical studies at George Fox University, a Quaker school in Newberg, Ore. Anderson previewed Humphreys' book before publication.

However, he said, "scholars won't agree with many of his presuppositions."

But Humphreys said he has received mostly warm reviews from Bible scholars, even if they don't "agree with every word." And, as a scientist and Christian, he said he hopes his efforts will contribute to the dialogue between science and religion.

"I've used science and the Bible hand in hand here," he said. "It's a nice example, I think, of science and the Bible working together."

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# Annual Moffat lecture encourages preservation of black history

BY CHERIE DAVIS  
THE PARTHENON

African American history was the focus at this year's annual Moffat lecture, which pays tribute to Charles Hill Moffat and honor the history of West Virginia.

This year, Ancella Bickley, published author and vice president of Academic Affairs, spoke at West Virginia State University on Thursday in the Memorial Student Center.

"I was doing this project on local history and it was my choice (to invite Bickley)," said David Trowbridge, Marshall history professor who also organized the lecture. "I thought with the university we try to connect the town and the gown together. We don't always do a great job with that. I called her and she graciously accepted."

Bickley has spent years conducting and publishing research about West Virginian African-American history and culture.

"She has gone to a number of conferences," Trowbridge said. "She published

books and articles. She has put together oral histories. All of her work has been influential."

African-American history was the topic of Bickley's lecture.

"My hope is that truth will inform further discussions," Bickley said. "Not talking about slavery does not mean it didn't happen."

Bickley said all history must be taught to schools and people — even though it may be uncomfortable for individuals to talk about it.

"For black people, just the word 'slave' has a negative impact," Bickley said. "It wasn't an easy time for anyone. I don't think white people like to admit either that they did that because it was a brutal system."

State preservation of African-American landmarks in West Virginia was also a big topic.

"We go to Europe to visit castles and thousand year old ruins, but here we want to tear them down," Bickley said. "We don't have a feel for history to preserve it."

A diversity of races and ages were in attendance.

"I would hope, maybe I didn't say this forcefully, I hope that people just don't receive information," Bickley said. "I hope they go back to source documents to find if something is true or not true. Go read the speech, the letters and make up your mind with that proof."

Bickley, who is from Huntington, currently lives in Florida.

"When I come back to West Virginia and I see the changes like the historical markers, I am so pleased to see the physical changes," Bickley said. "We are on our way with acknowledging the black presence in this state's history."

Marshall's history department and Honors College cosponsored the Moffat lecture.

Trowbridge and his students have put together a website full of local histories, which can be found through the Honor's College website.

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# US to probe for evidence of manipulation of oil, gas prices

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MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

MCT

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama announced Thursday that his administration will investigate to see if fraud or manipulation in oil markets is behind the sharp increase in gasoline prices.

"We are going to make sure that no one is taking advantage of the American people for their own short-term gain," Obama said at a town hall meeting in Reno, Nev.

He said a government task force under Attorney General Eric Holder would "root out any cases of fraud or manipulation" in gasoline prices, "and that includes the role of traders and speculators."

Financial speculation is widely considered a possible reason for higher oil prices. Despite turmoil in the Middle East, there has been no significant interruption of oil production, and supplies remain abundant. Meanwhile, financial institutions have been purchasing contracts for future oil delivery as an investment strategy, driving up prices.

Other factors contributing to rising oil prices are thought to be a fear of future supply interruption because of the troubles in the Middle East, and projections of more demand for oil as the global economy recovers.

Obama is under political pressure to address gasoline prices that are nearing an average of \$4 a gallon. The average price of regular this week hit \$3.84 a gallon, according to AAA, up 30 cents in a month and almost a dollar from a year ago.

A McClatchy-Marist poll this week showed that only 11 percent of drivers blame Obama and the Democrats. Still, high gasoline prices are a likely factor in a drop in Obama's overall approval rating and a big increase in the ranks of Americans who say the country is headed in the wrong direction — a significant political barometer now at its highest level since November 2007.

In Washington, Holder said a Financial Fraud Enforcement Task Force Working Group, comprising regulators from several federal agencies, would focus on fraud in energy markets. An Oil and Gas Price Fraud Working Group would investigate oil and gas markets for potential violations of civil or criminal laws. It also will examine commodities markets and the role of speculators and index

traders in oil futures markets, he said.

Speculation has been on regulators' minds as oil prices climbed from about \$80 a barrel late last year to more than \$112 on Thursday.

A regulator whose agency will participate said the task force isn't for public relations purposes alone. In the past when oil prices soared, prosecutors tried to make examples of gas station owners or middlemen profiting from high prices. This task force is looking at financial markets, and seeking much bigger targets.

"We are definitely looking at trading in the markets that isn't nickel-and-dime stuff. They're big enough that we would want the Justice Department involved. We would want people potentially to go to jail," said the regulator, who spoke on the condition of anonymity to speak freely about ongoing investigations.

Commodities markets rely on speculation. It's excessive speculation that regulators are trying to curb.

Bart Chilton, a member of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, has argued that speculation is excessive. But he said that determining how much of the oil-price increase stems from speculators, rather than a "fear premium" rising from Middle East instability, isn't a simple calculation.

"It really is more nuanced than that," he said. "They're having an impact, and I think a fairly large impact. It's adding several dollars to the cost of a fill-up."

Proving market manipulation isn't easy. For most of the past decade, the Justice Department — focused on prosecuting terrorists — showed little appetite for tackling oil speculation.

"Up until recently, 75 percent of our criminal referrals to Justice were rejected. We end up with decent outcomes, but nobody goes to jail because it's not criminal prosecution if we do it," Chilton said, referring to the CFTC.

He tried unsuccessfully last year to persuade Congress to give the commission power to bring criminal charges in such instances, instead of civil cases that result in fines but do little to deter big Wall Street firms.

Large-scale investment by big institutional investors, such as pension funds, is also thought to be pushing up oil prices. They are buying contracts for future delivery of oil on the assumption that prices will keep going up. Futures markets are designed to hedge against price shifts, but these big investors treat their oil contracts like stocks.

# SPORTS

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## Tennis plays Memphis in C-USA Tournament

BY AARON PAYNE  
THE PARTHENON

The 52nd-ranked Marshall University tennis team is in Orlando, Florida, today at the Lake Cane Tennis center for the Conference USA tournament.

The Herd comes into the postseason with a record of 17-5 and has earned the third seed with a first round bye.

When the schedule of the tournament came out, Marshall's tennis squad did not know if they would face the sixth seeded Memphis or the eleventh seeded UTEP. However, head coach John Mercer said the opponent wasn't important to his team.

"We'll just go out there — no matter who our opponent is — and figure out what we need to do to win the match," Mercer said.

Another uncertainty that comes with the C-USA tournament for Marshall tennis is the fact that the Herd only faced one conference foe this season when the team defeated East Carolina University 6-1 on April 8th in Huntington. Unlike most sports on Marshall's campus, tennis does not play a conference schedule.

"It is what it is," Mercer said. "We just evaluate as we go and find the right strategy. It happens both ways, though, because they haven't seen us play either."

The third seeded Marshall boasts the best doubles team in C-USA, including the highest ranked tandem in the tournament. Senior Michaela Kissel, who was recently named to the

Conference USA All-Academic Team for the second consecutive year on Thursday, and sophomore Dominika Zaprazna are ranked 15th in the country as a pair with a record of 18-0. The Herd also boasts senior Catherine Kellner who, after her two wins against Pittsburgh in the last match of the regular season, accumulated the third-highest winning percentage in program history with .752 over her three years with the team.

Marshall now knows who their opponent will be Friday at 10 a.m. after Memphis took a 4-0 win over UTEP on Thursday. The Tigers advanced to the second round of the tournament for the second consecutive year. The team ended their regular season with an overall record of 15-9 and a conference record of 3-3, which included wins over Southern Miss and losses to UCF and Tulsa.

An interesting storyline in the tournament lies in the third round if Marshall is victorious over Memphis. The Herd will then potentially face the second seeded SMU Mustangs. This would be a rematch of the semifinal last year when Marshall was victorious by a score of 4-2.

"Everyone on our team is excited to hopefully get matched up against SMU," sophomore Kara Kucin said. "We were definitely the underdogs in last year's match but came out strong and got the win."

As for the tennis team's task at hand, first serve against Memphis is set for 10 a.m. at the Lake Cane Tennis Center in Orlando, Florida. Fans can keep track of the action by following live stats on the Conference USA Championship Page.

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Michaela Kissel, senior from Latrobe, Pa., focuses on hitting a service ace. The Herd takes on Memphis in the quarterfinals of the Conference USA tournament.

PHOTO COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION

## Softball hosts Lil Sis' Day

HERDZONE

Marshall softball will host Southern Miss on today at 2 and 4 p.m. in a doubleheader at Dot Hicks Field. Sunday's series finale is slated for noon, with Lil Sis check-in at 11:30 a.m.

Marshall softball welcomes all Lil Sis' to Lil Sis Recognition Day on Saturday when the Thundering Herd (15-28, 1-13 C-USA) hosts Southern Miss (1-27, 3-12 C-USA) in a single game starting at noon. The Lil Sis' will be recognized before the start of the game on the field and will receive a T-shirt and signed poster upon check-in. Pizza and an autograph session will also be provided after the conclusion of the game. Check-in begins at 11:30 a.m. on the concourse behind the press box.

### Herd vs. Golden Eagles

Southern Miss owns the all time series between the squads 11-5. The Golden Eagles swept the series in 2010 in Hattiesburg, Miss. The last

time the two met at the Dot, USM took the series 2-1 as the Herd picked up an 8-2 win in game two.

### 60 Free Feet

Despite the Herd offense's slump, the Marshall runners have swiped an average of 2.76 stolen bases per game, ranking them first nationally in the category. Jessica Hughes ranks fourth all-time in the program record books with 77 in her career; she is one shy of tying Stefanie Cook for third. Hughes is 49th in the nation with 0.53 per contest, while the Herd is paced by Taylor Thompson's 21 on the year.

### Southern Miss

SPU is on a five game winning streak, most recently with a midweek win, 5-1, over Alcorn State on Wednesday. Over the weekend the Golden Eagles swept the series against UTEP in Hattiesburg for their three conference victories of the year.



Ashley Gue, sophomore outfielder, slides into second base during the game against Morehead State. The Herd looks to break their eight-game losing streak today

## Flyers-Sabres series up for grabs, thanks to Miller

BY RICH HOFMANN  
PHILADELPHIA DAILY NEWS  
MCT

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Games are made of moments, of memories, of photographs burned into your consciousness. This one came with 8 minutes, 53 seconds remaining Wednesday night.

It had been an outrageously good hockey game between the Flyers and the Sabres in what has developed into an outrageously good playoff series. The Sabres were leading by 1-0, needing a victory to even the series at two games apiece.

It all happened so quickly. Flyers defenseman Matt Carle somehow managed to keep in a puck at the blue line, then spotted teammate Danny Briere, alone in front of Sabres goaltender Ryan Miller. Somehow, through traffic, Carle got the puck to Briere.

It was as if time stopped in HSBC Arena.

Eight minutes, 53 seconds.

All eyes focused on the two of them. Briere was flat-footed and in close when he received the puck. It was not as great a position as it looked but, because of the time and the circumstances and the fact that it was just the two of them — really, two men, alone — it will be hard to shake the memory.

Forehand, backhand, forehand — Briere stickhandled as he stood, essentially in Miller's lap, desperately trying to create an opening. Finally, he snapped off a wrist shot that Miller gloved. The building erupted. It was the save of the series.

And when he thought back on it, forehand, backhand, forehand, Briere was asked whether he ever saw even a blink of an opening.

He answered quickly.

"No," he said.

Miller was in the newspapers Wednesday saying that Briere has been yapping a bit during the series. Wednesday night, Briere said, "I don't know what he was talking about yesterday. I haven't said a word to him. That's not a big deal."

He is right. Words are just that. The play is the thing, the games, the moments within the games. Few people around here will forget that one. As Sabres coach Lindy Ruff said, "The Briere opportunity was about as good as it gets."

"It was good for the game," Miller said. "It was good for the moment. I was happy to be there to make the save. I kind of recognized he didn't have a lot of speed, obviously, because of where he received the puck. He was just trying to get me to open up. I just wanted to get my glove as close to his blade as I could. It wasn't so much reactions, it was anticipation that he was going to try to get it over me initially, and maybe spread me out. That read worked out."

## Carmelo says he must do more for Knicks

BY ALAN HAHN  
NEWSDAY  
MCT

With the Knicks trying to avoid an 0-3 deficit in their first-round, best-of-seven playoff series with the Boston Celtics, and the possibility of playing with a limited Amar'e Stoudemire (back) and without Chauncey Billups (knee), Anthony will step onto the Madison Square Garden court for Friday night's Game 3 with the desperation of a franchise on his shoulders and the focus directly on him.

"Without them two guys, I think me, personally, I have to step up and do it all to try and win," the four-time All-Star said on Thursday.

Anthony couldn't have done much more — other than, of course, perhaps taking the last shot rather than passing to Jared Jeffries on that infamous final

possession — to help the Knicks win Game 2 in Boston on Tuesday. His 42 points, 17 rebounds and six assists was an all-time performance, but it still resulted in a loss.

And though some criticized his decision to pass rather than shoot — after he was criticized for shooting rather than passing on the final possession of Game 1 — others chastised Anthony for how he seemed satisfied in defeat. He even used the word "fun" to describe the game in the postgame news conference. Gasp! Kobe Bryant never would have talked like that.

"I'm not Kobe, though," Anthony replied with his ubiquitous Cheshire Cat grin in place. "I ain't Kobe, man."

No, he doesn't obsess over losses. He doesn't hold a personal shootaround after a defeat on the road the way Bryant did in Miami in mid-March. Anthony isn't nearly as tightly wound as Bryant.

He seems to prefer to revel in the thrill of the moment and then let it go.

Coincidentally, Anthony has made more game-winning shots (16) in the final 10 seconds than any other NBA player (including Bryant) since his rookie season. To say he lacks the will to win is inaccurate. To say he lacks fire after a loss that included one of his greatest performances is saying he's human and a realist.

"I still have fun in those games," he said. "We were on the road; nobody would ever have said the Knicks would have a chance to win both games in Boston, so I'll take that. We could have won both of those games. We could have been up 2-0 right now, and you probably wouldn't be asking me that question."

Anthony wanted to come to New York for the big-market expectations and the atmosphere he's about to bathe in as the Garden hosts its first playoff.

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## State vocational schools must keep doors open

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Today is Earth Day. It's a great day to clean up a little bit, maybe recycle that old pair of sneakers, think about finding farmer's markets to visit through the spring and summer or head over to the UConn Spring Fling on Fairfield Way. While considering how creative thinking can benefit the planet, it's also a great day to consider how other out-of-the-box institutions in our society are

also just as important. If Gov. Malloy had his way, at the end of this year 17 vocational-technical high schools across the state will have lost the state funding that keeps them operational. At this point, control of the building and property would go to the towns in which they are located. The decision to continue to operate these buildings as specialized regional institutions would be at the discretion of the towns. Malloy's argument is that these schools are a large expense in the state budget, and in most other states, regional councils

fund such programs. Fortunately, the schools are safe for the moment, pending a 10-month study that will evaluate the performance and needs of the vo-tech school system in Connecticut. The sad truth is that most of the schools are stuck with outdated or derelict equipment, and are in dire need of maintenance. On Jan. 15, 2012, the Education Committee will file a report with the state, according to State Representative Michelle Cook. She also stated that the committee's goal is to seek measures that would

improve the schools rather than eliminate them. Elimination would be one measure that would push education measures in this state backwards, and further burden students at all levels. The mission of vo-tech schools is to provide the same immersion, learning and academic experience as a traditional high school, but to overlay a hands-on technical experience that will aid students in establishing careers upon graduation, or aid them in higher education goals should they choose to pursue them.

Just as our society tries to protect fine arts programs and magnet schools, we have to protect the vo-tech school system and make sure that these students' needs are met. If the alternative is shutting down the schools and reaping the potential consequence of any percentage of students falling through the cracks of mainstream education, instead of being given the tools to develop their skills, those are consequences we can not afford.

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## Reconsider where you give, don't reconsider giving

Greg Mortensen, author of "Three Cups of Tea" a memoir that has comfortably remained on The New York Times best-sellers list for the past 219 weeks, might be a philanthropic phony.

Last Sunday, "60 Minutes" ran an exposé on Mortensen, blowing the whistle on his charity, his book and sullyng his veracious reputation. "60 Minutes" revealed that Mortensen's charity, the Central Asia Institute, "spends more money domestically promoting the importance of building schools in Afghanistan and Pakistan than it does actually constructing and funding them overseas." When visiting 30 of the 141 schools built under the auspices of Mortensen, "60 Minutes" found that half functioned reasonably well, but the other half were either poorly constructed, used as storage facilities, or even nonexistent.

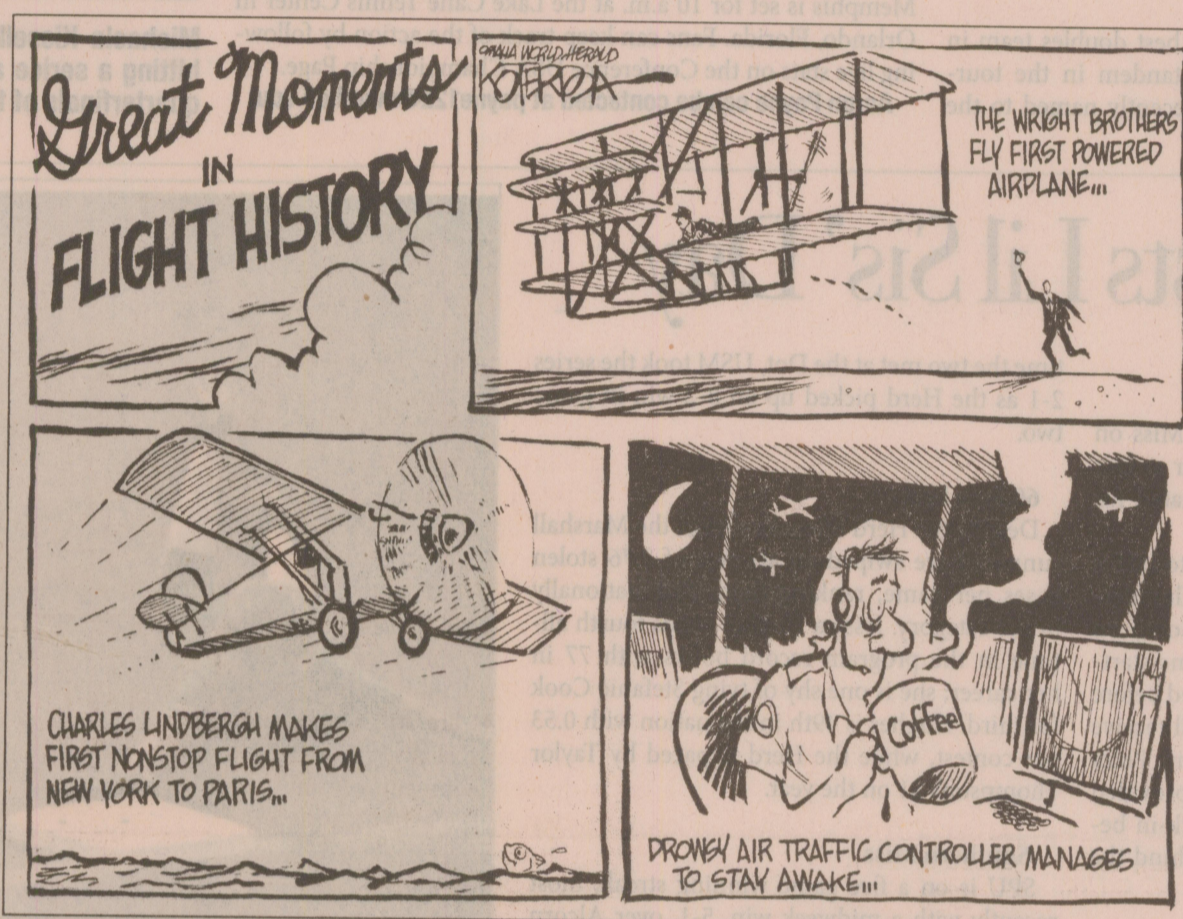
The very plot of Mortensen's book is dubious. Mortensen claimed that he was held for eight days by the Taliban; "60 Minutes" was able to track down a few of his supposed captors who revealed that they were not kidnapers, rather they were his hosts and they were never part of the Taliban. One of his alleged captors is actually the director of a research tank in Pakistan.

As an admirer inspired by Mortensen's dogged commitment to children's education in Afghanistan and Pakistan, hearing "60 Minutes" besmirch his character and his work was wholly disheartening. But this disillusionment of an exemplary philanthropist is both necessary and imperative.

Philanthropy is not all peaches. All people, Samaritans or not, have their own interests. The degree of this self-interest needs to be measured.

Mortensen, whether the "60 Minutes" investigation rings true, has done a good deed — he has helped many children in Afghanistan and Pakistan obtain an education they otherwise would not receive. One must replace blind-giving with a realistic perspective. Reconsider where you give, don't reconsider giving.

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## Shyamalan struggles to find groove

What do a tormented child, an ordinary superhero, an alien invasion, a mysterious sea nymph, an isolated community, an environmental outbreak and the worst motion picture of 2010 have in common?

They all describe films made by the once-revered Indian-born American filmmaker and screenwriter M. Night Shyamalan.

Known for making contemporary movies about the supernatural, Shyamalan started out with a bang with the release of his groundbreaking "The Sixth Sense" (1999).

I still remember feeling chills down my spine after hearing the haunted youth Cole Sear (Haley Joel Osment) utter the now-famous line "I see dead people."

It was the eerie work of a master craftsman with a penetrating insight into aspects of rooted human emotions, psychology, alienation, death and loss.

Many critics hailed him as a "modern Hitchcock." However, Shyamalan's recent work lacks the intellect, emotional complexity and narrative cohesion he became known for.

The insufferable Nickelodeon adaptation "The Last Airbender" serves as the eclipse of his failures and a major contribution to his dwindling stardom.

What happened to the ambitious director that breathed new life into a dying genre?

It seems Shyamalan has exchanged his meticulous focus and strong visual sense for cheap thrills and sloppy direction.

His consecutive misfires have even inspired a spirited online charity movement initiated by joblo.com to send him "back to film school."

Shyamalan's best work demonstrated humanity's need for connection and society's detachment from the spiritual and natural world.

They presented vivid characters that drew audiences into the dark depths of the human experience and allowed them to empathize with their situations. His affinity for "twist endings" became a signature technique audiences came to anticipate.

In spite of recent disappointments, it should be noted that Shyamalan has at least three exceptional films to his credit. It's only a matter of time before he reconnects with his artistic side.

A brief lesson in "Film School 101" is definitely in order.

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# Amid oil spills, other environmental problems, signs of hope on Earth Day

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. — As omens go, dead birds raining from the sky can be seen as pretty predictive of grim times environmentally.

Catastrophic, even. And the seers would have been right.

A volcano darkened the skies of Europe. Crude oil spread its foul sheen over the Gulf. Ice caps and glaciers continued to retreat. A tsunami opened up a tide of radiation in Japan.

Plague of frogs? Well, they're still dying off at an alarming rate worldwide.

So Earth Day this year, 41 years since the first, seems "double, double, toil and trouble" to many.

It takes careful peering through the fumes to discern the bright spots, yet they're there: cleaner air, better gas mileage, new regulations against mercury pollution, more people trying to green up their lifestyles and more.

One thing that is predictable this anniversary, however, is the boiling ideological fight over environmental regulations.

Congress is fighting over the Environmental Protection Agency, with small-government types attempting to curtail the EPA's charter. The battle lines are the same ones: too much regulation of industries is a jobs killer vs. too much pollution is a people killer.

"We need to get our financial house in order and become solvent again," said Myron Ebell, director of energy and environment for the Competitive Enterprise Institute, a nonprofit think tank. "We have to have a growing economy first."

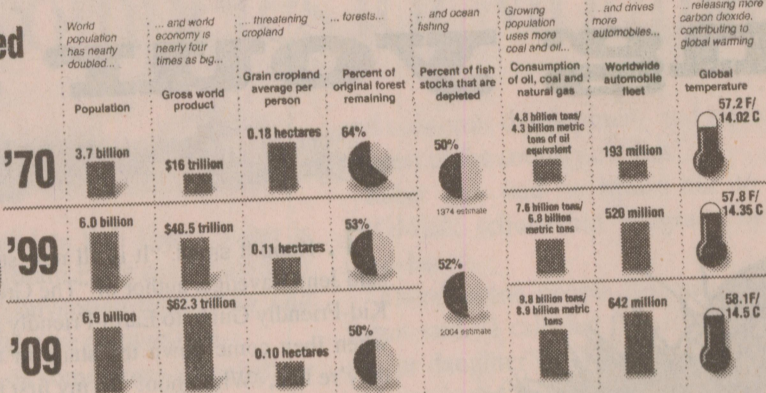
"A clean environment depends upon having the wealth to take care of the environment. We are not going to have that wealth with some of these out-of-control regulations."

To Tyson Slocum, director of the Public Citizen's energy program, "It is a disappointing state of affairs where we are having a debate about whether or not America's public health and environmental laws are a benefit or not."

"I think there has been a real systematic campaign to demonize the success of regulations in protecting health and public safety."

Some saw a bad portent in the

## Our imperiled planet



departure of Carol Browner, the former Clinton EPA head and President Barack Obama's energy and climate "czar" in January.

That was the month the House was taken over by Republicans, including many tea party freshmen, no friends of government rules or spending.

Ever since, environmentalists, remembering how Obama stepped up fuel efficiency and smog emission rules, hope to just hold on to past wins. "Cap-and-trade" legislation is now just a dream for them.

Browner's position was eliminated, a largely symbolic act by the White House, but the junking of a new climate data office at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, some moan, was not.

Conservatives also went after what they see as a "rogue" EPA. Senate Democrats blocked stripping the agency of its power to regulate greenhouse gas emissions under the Clean Air Act, to enforce new fuel economy rules or to deny permits for mountain-top-removal mining.

Stalled on those fronts, Republicans removed \$1.6 billion from the EPA's budget and lifted the endangered species protection from gray wolves in the northern Rockies.

Gallup polls on global warming still find a majority of Americans believe the climate is changing. Less than half of those calling themselves conservative agree.

"There are climate change deniers in Congress and when the economy gets tough, sometimes environmental issues drop from people's radar screens," Obama recently said.

A Wall Street Journal editorial Thursday, however, jabbed the United Nations for quietly submerging its map of "Fifty Million climate refugees by 2010." Noting the prediction has not come true, the newspaper asked "whether the climateers

have ever taken the public's intelligence seriously."

Last April, Eyjafjallajökull launched its ash more than 30,000 feet up, the cloud closing most of Europe's airspace. Farmers were warned to not let livestock drink from streams because of the ash pollution.

The crater since has calmed, and Iceland is a tourism hotbed for volcano watchers.

But few of the last year's disasters ended as well, especially those man-made. But they've reawakened a need for environmental regulations and research, according to Melinda Pierce, a Sierra Club lobbyist.

"People all over the world are taking notice, be it fires in the west, or epic flooding, the unnatural changes in the environment, but also the large catastrophic events," Pierce said.

"The most interesting development of last year is the extraordinary event in the Gulf. The public paid attention for weeks and months. But what is Congress doing?"

Mesmerized, the nation watched 200 million gallons of black gold gush out and smear priceless wetlands.

Today, news organizations are rolling out their one-year-later stories about how many still haven't been compensated by BP. In a newly minted video, BP says it is "making it right," but experts say much of the oil is still on the ocean floor. Birds and dolphins are still dying, and marshes still have oil slicks.

Gulf lawmakers complain, meantime, about slowness by the administration in issuing new deep-water drilling permits.

Slocum with Public Citizen called the BP blow-out a case study in how industry lobbying drives the regulatory process instead of public protection.

## Baber

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Marybeth Beller, associate professor of political science, said she believes the Mountain Party will at least increase its votes as a result of increasing name recognition.

"Yes, the Mountain Party is relatively new as compared to the Democratic and Republican parties," Beller said. "That said, it's also been around now for a few elections — so people are starting to become more and more acquainted with that party."

Increased votes, Beller said, could have several effects on the political scene of

West Virginia.

"First of all, it can begin to attract more voters who feel secure in casting a vote for that party," Beller said. "But the other thing the Mountain Party can do is to put real pressure on the West Virginia State Democratic Party to put forth more candidates who are progressive."

The Mountain Party, Beller said, is known for being the most progressive party in the state.

Baber, who ran in the Democratic primary for governor in 1995, is now the chair of the Mountain Party.

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for their academic achievements.

Students were also encouraged to fill out surveys to help the college improve. Each student who filled out a

survey was given the chance to win free prizes.

"All the local businesses were really helpful and donated a lot of great stuff," McVey said.

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## Weekly SUDOKU

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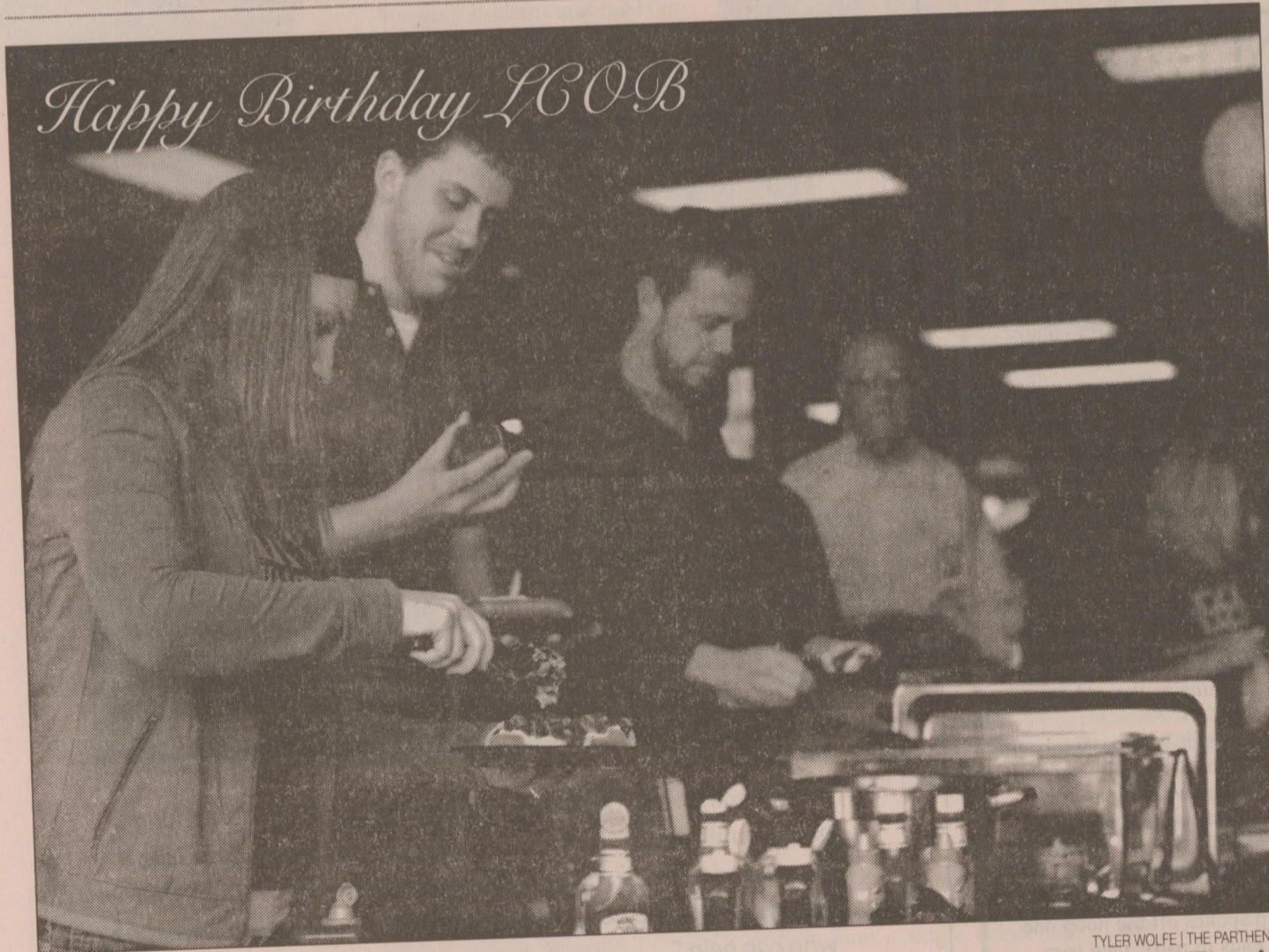
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Students and faculty from the Lewis College of Business celebrated the 42nd anniversary of the school Thursday with a picnic and games. Katherine Hetzer, an academic adviser in LCOB, said the event has become an annual party to help promote the college.

## The Spats



by Jeff Pickering

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## Greening your Easter



**1. Keep it small.** "It is all new stuff to them," said Jenn Savedge, author of "The Green Parent: A Kid-Friendly Guide to Earth-Friendly Living." "So when they come down the stairs in the morning, they're like, 'Whoo-hoo!' So my first tip is to reign yourself in. If you can keep it small, that's one of the best things you can do to go a little greener."

She said she understands the pressure that parents are under, but said it is of little consequence. "My kids see all that same stuff in the stores — the giant bunny baskets filled to the brim with chocolate," Savedge said. "I want them to be excited and have a lot of stuff, but I have found when I make it small, they're just as excited; they've never once complained."

**2. DIY baskets.** Savedge suggests rifling through the recycling bin to come up with materials for your Easter basket. Milk gallon jugs are great places to start. With some cutting and pasting, you can make an orange juice carton into a cute pink bunny. (See instructions from Disney FamilyFun magazine, <http://familyfun.go.com/easter/easter-crafts/easter-baskets/bunny-basket-665124/>.)

Savedge said she also scavenges the containers already in use around the house.

"I have several pretty baskets with napkins or whatnot, and I just empty them for a week or so. Then you don't have to keep track of where the Easter baskets are stored from year to year."

**3. Grow your own grass.** Instead of using plastic grass, grow your own grass from seed that is found at most nurseries and hardware stores. Just sprinkle the seeds into a couple of inches of potting soil in a shallow dish. Keep it in the sun and water daily for two or three weeks. Put the whole thing into the basket your kids made, or use a terra cotta pot that they have painted.

If you don't have a green thumb, use your shredder to carve up newspaper, magazines or tissue paper. You can even compost it after the holiday.

**4. Use natural foods to dye the eggs.** Savedge said she feels more comfortable letting her family

eat the eggs when she skips chemical dyes and colors Easter eggs with red cabbage leaves (blue); yellow onions (earthy brown), beets (pink), spinach (light green) and turmeric (bright yellow). Find help coloring your eggs the natural way at [www.instructables.com](http://www.instructables.com).

"The kids love it even better (than using the kits) because it's just so cool; they think it's the craziest thing to dye an egg pink with a beet," Savedge said.

You also can use up the crayon nubs by drawing designs on the eggs when they are still warm from being boiled.

And, skip the plastic eggs entirely. Instead, decorate old Altoids tins and fill with candy.

**5. Fill the baskets with something more than junk.** Sure, kids love candy, and who doesn't? To ease your mind a bit, you can find locally produced chocolates, and there are organic lollipops or all-natural jelly beans you can find online. But you also can make sure the basket is largely filled with things that they will use more than once, and will encourage them to go outside.

Here are a few ideas:

- Books or activity books
- Homemade bubbles made with dishwashing soap and a little bit of glycerin
- Art supplies or stickers
- A jump rope, kite or ball
- A starter kit for gardening with kid-sized gloves, a trowel and seeds
- Something they need anyway, such as new sunglasses or flip-flops for the warmer months
- "Eco People on the Go!" and "The Little Composter" from the Teenie Greenies series by Jan Gerardi. These board books are printed on 80 percent recycled paper with soy inks and water-based varnish.
- "Garden Crafts for Kids: 50 Great Reasons to Get Your Hands Dirty," by Diane Rhoades, ages 9-12.
- "The Secret Garden," by Frances Hodgson Burnett, ages 9-12.
- "Bunnacula," by Deborah and James Howe, ages 9-12.

### WEAVE YOUR OWN BASKET

#### Embroidery Hoop Basket

From Disney FamilyFun magazine, [www.familyfun.go.com/](http://www.familyfun.go.com/)

Recycle old T-shirts and make these colorful baskets. Before you begin, some terms you need to know: The warp is the material you string on the hoop, the weft is the material you weave with.

#### MATERIALS:

- Sleeves from 2 or 3 adult large T-shirts
- Tacky glue
- Scissors
- 12-inch round embroidery hoop. Make large baskets on a hula hoop by weaving a base (ours are 8 inches in diameter) then pulling the weft tight to create sides.

#### DIRECTIONS:

**1.** Turn the shirts or just shirt sleeves inside out and lay them flat on your work surface. Run a line of glue along the seam of each sleeve. If you're using adult T-shirts, glue the body seams the same way. This is so that the seam stitching doesn't come undone when you cut them.

**2.** When the glue is dry, cut 1/2-inch-wide loops from the sleeves. Discard the hems. You'll need nine sleeve loops for the warp. For the weft, you'll need about 50 loops. If you're using shirt-body loops, you'll need far fewer (depending on the size of the shirt).

**3.** Stretch one sleeve warp loop over the

embroidery hoop. Add and secure a second loop, perpendicular to the first.

**4.** Repeat, filling in the spaces, until all nine loops are in place.

**5.** Push together two warp loops at the top of hoop. This creates an odd number of warp spokes in your wheel, which allows the over/under pattern of the weft to alternate with each new row.

**6.** Then begin weaving. When your weaving is about 4 inches across, begin treating each warp spoke as two individual strips instead of a single unit, weaving over or under each strand instead of going over or under the doubled spoke. This increases the number of warp spokes, improving the structure of the project. When you get to the two warp spokes that you pushed together at the top of the loom, separate them.

Treat one of the spokes as two individual strips, but continue to treat the other as a single spoke. This maintains the odd number of warp spokes.

**7.** To form the sides of your basket, begin stretching the weft material tightly and pulling it snugly against the weaving as you work. The sides should start to bend up.

**8.** When the basket is the size you want, snip open your weft loop. Tie the ends around a warp spoke.

**9.** Cut the warp spokes off the hoop one at a time. Tie the ends in pairs, then trim them to make a fringe or tuck them back into the basket.

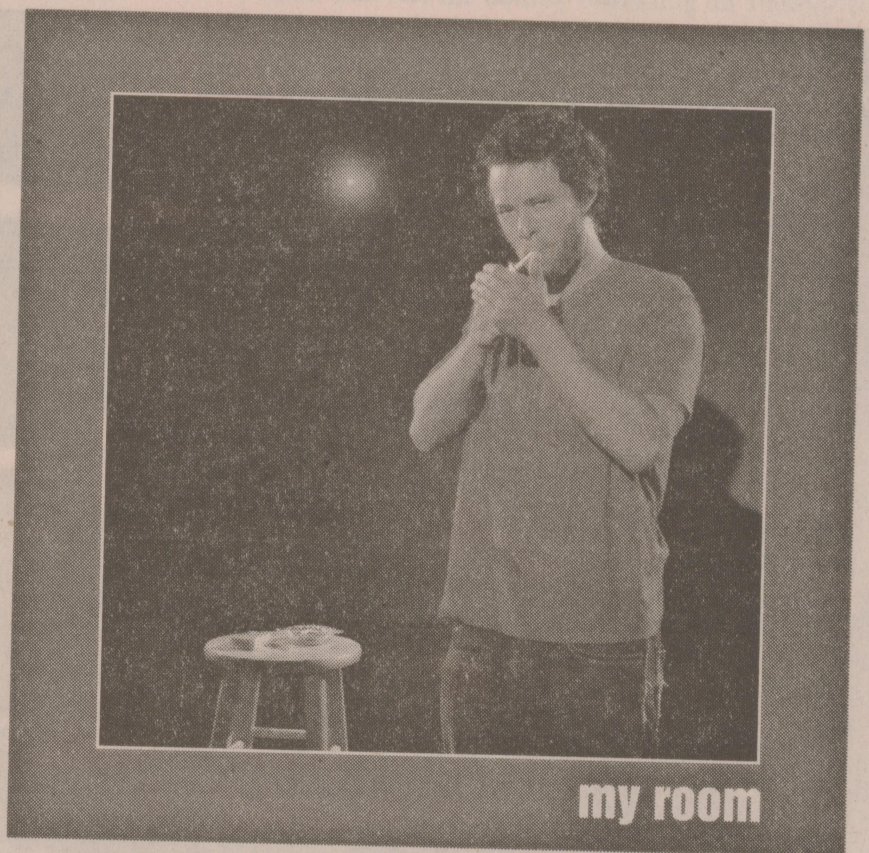


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Turn old T-shirts into colorful Easter baskets with this weaving craft.

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