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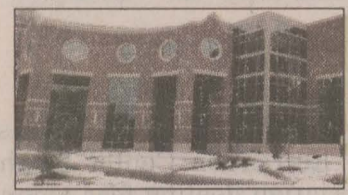
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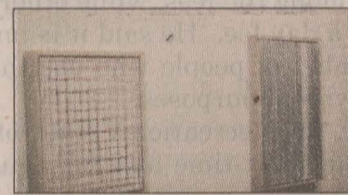
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Basketball players charged with battery

BY TYLER WOLFE
THE PARTHENON

Misdemeanor battery charges filed Tuesday afternoon placed two Marshall University basketball players on the hot seat.

According to court documents, two Marshall University basketball players, DeAndre Kane and Shaquille Johnson, were charged with battery in an event that happened on Jan. 30 outside the Thirsty Whale at 1318 Fourth Ave.

The complainant stated in his report that he was held around the neck in a choke hold by one player, while two other players punched him several times. No charges against a third player have been released at this time.

The complainant said he was standing in line outside of the establishment when the accused and several other basketball players started cutting line

and pushing people aside. The complainant reported telling the players to stop pushing him when they allegedly attacked him.

Mike Hamrick, Marshall's director of athletics, and Tom Herrion, men's basketball coach, released the following statement Tuesday evening:

"We take this matter very seriously, as we do all situations that involve our student athletes. We have looked into this and are aware of the circumstances. We have every confidence in the legal system and we are allowing the legal process to take its course. These young men are innocent until proven guilty and we are treating them accordingly."

No information has been released regarding whether Johnson and Kane will play against the UAB Blazers on Wednesday at 7 p.m.

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MARCUS CONSTANTINO | THE PARTHENON
Freshman guard DeAndre Kane chases the ball Nov. 29 during a game against Florida International. Kane and junior guard Shaquille Johnson were charged Tuesday in connection with an incident outside a downtown bar Jan. 30.



JOHN YEINGST | THE PARTHENON
Veit Cao, graduate student studying physics from Hanoi, Vietnam, and Anh Dao, Graduate student studying human resource management, prepare to tutor students in University College's tutoring center. Of 42 tutors, 15 are international.

International students offer services as tutors

By William Lineberry
THE PARTHENON

More than 13 international students are offering their services as tutors this semester at the tutoring center in Laidley Hall.

The tutoring center, which is located in room 101 in Laidley Hall, is run by the University College. The center employees both graduate and undergraduate students to serve as tutors, the center currently houses 42

students, 15 of whom are international students. The center is open from the second week of the semester to the week before finals, Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The services are free to both full-time and part-time Marshall Students.

Viet Cao, graduate student in physics, from Hanoi, Vietnam, said that by having previous experience in his home country he was able to bring his knowledge to Marshall.

"I think students learn subjects better when they are able to sit with another person of similar age," Cao said. "The subjects I tutor in students seem to have a difficult time with like math, physics and chemistry."

Cao said this is his first year as a tutor, and he has been able to offer students assistance in both the drop-in method and his assigned tutors. He said that as a tutor he sees many different

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UK official to speak at tech summit

BY JORDAN BEAN
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's second annual Technology Summit will play host to a number of informative workshops and seminars, but this year's distinguished educator may be the most highly anticipated event of all.

Jeff Cain, director of education technology for the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy,

will be speaking about the use of "clickers" in the classroom on behalf of Turning Technologies.

"Clickers" are handheld digital devices that can be used by students or audience members during a presentation to interact with the presentation as it happens. For example, if a teacher has created a PowerPoint slideshow to give a lesson to students, the teacher can set up the presentation so that students can use their "clickers" to respond to questions or offer input during the lesson.

"I'll talk to educators about clickers in general," said Cain. "There are different ways to use them to get students to prompt discussion, ask questions anonymously, keep students' attention, ask

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This week in Marshall history

BY ERIN MILLER
THE PARTHENON

This week in Marshall history: Students considered the possibility of graduate school, the Spanish department prepared for a very important trip, and Marshall squared off with the Western Michigan Broncos.

Marshall's graduate school

This week in February of 1961, Marshall bid a farewell to 24 graduate students after the first semester of the year.

But this was not the only news buzzing around Marshall's graduate college. A new program, recently established by the College of Arts and Science was designed to council undergraduates in the possibility of graduate work in their respective field of study.

Students were invited into the program based on their academic merit and involvement in the university. There was 71 freshmen, 60 sophomores, six juniors, and 12 seniors who were encouraged to attend.

"Graduate degrees allow students

to develop knowledge and skills that are essential in starting a good career," said Donna Spindel, modern-day dean of Marshall University's Graduate College. "At Marshall we offer master's degrees, certificate programs, and doctoral degrees."

The topics to be discussed were financial aid, different fields of study, qualification for admission and the advantages of an advanced degree.

Spanish students offered authentic study

Professor Juan C. Fors, chairman of Marshall's Spanish department, was pleased to announce the opportunity for students to attend Spain for credit. The class credits received by the trip, Spanish 407, required students to already know intermediate Spanish. However, students were assured the trip would be conducted in English.

"I have really enjoyed the opportunity to study in another country, it is just so different," Chloe Pasquet said, a modern-day business major from Remnes, France. "America is more welcoming. The

United States is just less formal than France."

The Spanish department estimated that around 15 students, at \$1,248 each, would be given the chance to participate in the 5-week trip.

Marshall tames Broncos

The Big Green corralled the Western Michigan Broncos and defeated them 93-68.

Big scorers in the game included Tex Williams, who scored 28 points, Lou Mott, 21 points and Bruce Moody with 16 points and 11 rebounds.

The Broncos led briefly at the beginning of the game but was quickly overcome by the Big Green ending halftime with 47-40.

According to The Parthenon, "Marshall's fast breaks, ball stealing and fancy passes were a mainstay in breaking the Bronco's spirit". The Broncos could not keep up with quickly moving game and their defense was literally broken by the high riding Big Green.

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Recreation Center responds to SGA resolution

BY TREVAN J. HANNAHS
THE PARTHENON

The Student Advisory Council met Friday to discuss resolutions offered to the Recreation Center by the Student Government Association dealing fees among part time students.

The implementations offered by the Recreation Center in response to SGA resolutions were available to part-time students as of February 1.

Andy Darling, director of the recreational center said meeting Friday was productive. He said the student body was well-represented and new resolutions for the part-time students and the facilities offered by the Recreation Center were reviewed well.

"We had a good amount of representation," Darling said. "We were able to put in the installment plan. We are hoping for ongoing semesters that we will be able to provide that for another options for part-time students."

He said the council offered its thoughts of how the Recreation Center could receive more users. He said he believes hearing from the student body gives more initiative to give students its desires.

"One is the proposal for our group fitness classes that would focus on how to utilize various pieces of equipment," Darling said. "The class would be an introduction to different types of equipment."

He said the installment plan options were also discussed in an e-mail the Recreation Center sent last week to all part-time students eligible for a membership.

"Part-time students can self-sponsor, which is a \$6 a day rate, or they can chose one or two installment options, three equal installment or two equal installment options," Darling said.

He said part-time students can take advantage of a three-week trial period offered before the beginning of the semester and a two-week trial period offered during the beginning of the semester if they want a membership. Darling said the majority of the students get a chance to see what facilities and programs the Recreation Center has to offer, and a trial will give part-time students a financial benefit as well.

Darling said a great percentage of students use the recreational center facility.

"Over 70 percent of full-time students have used the Marshall Recreation Center at least once based on check in data," Darling said.

He said more than 200 part-time students have chosen to pay the difference among the fees, while others have chosen to pay the \$6 a day fee. He said it is impossible to record the number of people who use the Recreation Center for individual purposes.

During this time of year, the Recreation Center offers intramural sports to all part-time and full-time faculty and students.

Alex Boyer, director of intramurals, said the majority of students involved in the popular sports including basketball, soccer and football, include full-time students.

He said some part-time students might become full-time from fall to winter because of the increase of interest.

"We really don't have many participants, especially right now in the spring who aren't full time students," Boyer said. "A lot of the times in the fall, they may not have been a full time active member and so they take hours so they do not have to pay."

Darling said he is pleased the SGA is taking action and working with the administration and Recreation Center. He said if the SGA had not brought the issue to them, it wouldn't have been discussed soon enough.

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Facebook "Messages" application almost ready for mainstream use

By Mike Swift
SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS
(MCT)

SAN JOSE, Calif. - Facebook fans hungry for an @facebook.com address, get ready.

The much-ballyhooed Facebook Messages, where e-mail, text messages and instant messages are linked in a "social inbox," will be offered to a majority of the more than 500 million Facebook users over the next two months.

"The reason we're taking our time with it is we're not starting from scratch. We're starting from being one of the top messaging systems on the Internet," said Andrew Bosworth, the Facebook engineer who leads the team that, with extensive input from Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg, developed the new Messages product. "This is a new product with 500 million existing users."

Messages was launched in November, amid media buzz that it would be a "Gmail killer" that would render traditional e-mail obsolete. Initially, however, Facebook gave relatively few people access to the new product. Over the past two months, the Palo Alto, Calif., company has been painstakingly moving existing content over to the new service, a transition that will ultimately encompass more than 100 terabytes of data, or about half the total digital archive held by the Library of Congress. Bosworth said Facebook software has been checking every character within every message, scanning

for discrepancies as each user is switched over to the new service, and assigning an engineer to manually check every error it discovers.

"We have billions of messages in the existing system that we have to move over to the new system," he said. "These are intensely meaningful, personal messages that people expect to have access to, and we have to do this with some care."

The new service treats every communication between people as part of an ongoing conversation that began with their first interaction on Facebook, a string that in many cases goes back for years.

"Facebook is not just about what's happening right now; it's also the history of what we've done before," Bosworth said.

The system is intended to allow people to carry on a single conversation over a variety of devices, perhaps starting an interaction on e-mail through their office desktop computer, then moving to text message on their phone as they head outside, or moving into instant message as they come back to their office PC.

Zuckerberg took a direct role in shaping the new Messages product, starting with a series of conversations with a group of teenagers during a Thanksgiving break in 2009, where the younger people told the Facebook CEO that they favored text messages because e-mail is "too slow." "That was the catalyst," Bosworth said, and his team held extended weekly meetings with Zuckerberg through

spring 2010 as it built prototypes of the new service.

The night before the service launched in November, Zuckerberg even camped out with the Messages team, working through last-second bugs.

"Zuck, most of all, realized that the thing we were trying to do is connect people across media and devices and make it really easy and simple to talk to a person," said Bosworth, who has known Zuckerberg since he was the Facebook CEO's teaching assistant at Harvard.

Messages has not been universally well received by analysts, who say it is not functional enough for business and other uses. Matt Cain, an analyst who follows e-mail trends for research firm Gartner, believes Facebook is working on a new version of Messages that would incorporate many of the features of Google's Gmail, Yahoo Mail and Microsoft's Hotmail, such as subject and "cc:" and "bcc:" lines.

Cain said that because e-mail remains such a big source of time spent online, and Facebook wants people to spend more time on its network, a more functional e-mail service is a business imperative.

"It would be a truly bad business decision on the part of Facebook not to aggressively go into the full-blown e-mail market, because they can immediately capture a very substantial chunk of the consumer e-mail population," Cain said. "There are tremendous monetizing opportunities."

Egyptian officials seek to gain control over protestors

By Amro Hassan, Bob Drogin and Raja Abdulrahim
LOS ANGELES TIMES
(MCT)

CAIRO - In one of the largest demonstrations in recent weeks at Cairo's vast Tahrir Square, boisterous crowds continued to press for the end of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak's regime, while officials offered another set of compromises to try to appease anti-government protesters.

Vice President Omar Suleiman said Tuesday a pair of special committees will begin working immediately to bring political reforms. A third committee, which will launch soon, will investigate the bloody clashes last Wednesday between anti-government protesters and Mubarak supporters, he said.

Suleiman said Mubarak promised that protesters, some of whom have been detained or arrested since the movement began Jan. 25, would not be punished.

"The president emphasized that the youth of Egypt deserve the appreciation of their country," Suleiman said in a statement aired on state television. "And he issued his instructions that prevent their pursuit or restrictions on them or denial of their freedom of opinion and expression."

The announcement included few specifics and seemed unlikely to appease protesters who are entering their third week of demonstrations across the country calling for nothing short of Mubarak's immediate resignation after three decades in power. Mubarak has refused to step down, though he announced he would not seek re-election this year.

The large showing by protestors was seen by many as a rebuke to government attempts at concessions that fell well below their demands. Estimates put the attendance at the Cairo protest close to or larger than last week's demonstrations, which attracted an estimated 200,000 people. Google executive and Facebook activist Wael Ghonim briefly addressed the cheering crowd, a day after he was released from police custody.

Some protesters marched several blocks to the parliament building, a spot they had been prevented from reaching before by the army. It was a symbolic move in recognition of November's parliamentary elections, which were marred by mass arrests, pressure on independent candidates, media harassment and a boycott by some opposition groups.

Protesters have criticized the government for corruption, lack of economic opportunity and repression.

Hani Kamal, a 23-year-old recent college graduate, was among those not particularly impressed by Suleiman's announcement.

"He talked about investigating Wednesday's events, which is good, but it's not one of our main demands," Kamal said. "They should start showing good will regarding our priorities but they only want to do reforms according to the regime's own convenience, not according to people's demands."

He said the protesters will wait to see what tangible steps are proposed by the committee for constitutional amendments. But Kamal was less hopeful regarding talks between the Mubarak regime and opposition group the Muslim Brotherhood.

"That's a joke because those so-called opposition parties don't represent the people anyway," he said. "They were handpicked by the regime and real opposition figures or the youth protesters were not invited for any talks."

The crowd built steadily all day and at sunset more people waited in a line several blocks long to pass a security checkpoint at an entrance to the square. Inside, crowds jammed the square, a cheerful, festive gathering that seemed more street fair than determined political insurrection.

Many protesters gaily waved Egyptian flags, and others wore hats, headbands or face paint in the flag's colors.

"I want to change the future for my children," said Mohamed Mohi Al-Din, an unemployed agricultural engineer, who cradled his 14-month-old daughter, Gana, on his shoulder. "I want her to remember this time, when we became free."

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As Knicks seek Carmelo Anthony, reports surface of Lakers interest

BY STEVE ADAMEK
THE RECORD (HACKENSACK N.J.)
(MCT)

And the Melo-drama plot thickens.

Or does it?

Tuesday, with the NBA's trade deadline 16 days away, brought another Carmelo Anthony trade report: The Lakers want him and are willing to trade Andrew Bynum to get him.

The Los Angeles Times cited a Lakers "representative" who quickly shot down the ESPN.com report and a "source" that indicated the team "was unwilling" to trade Bynum, the 23-year-old Plainsboro, N.J., native who's endured frequent knee problems.

The New York Daily News also reported that the Lakers previously turned down a Bynum-for-Anthony scenario (which would, for salary-cap purposes, have to include more players) and that Knicks owner James L. Dolan has contacted his

Denver counterpart about an Anthony-to-New York deal.

So, after the ground shook briefly under the Knicks, who feared Anthony could sign the contract extension with the Lakers that the Knicks believe he'd only sign with them, the report was considered more a ploy to get the Knicks to up their offer for the Denver star.

The offer on the table: Wilson Chandler (a restricted free agent this summer), Corey Brewer (via Minnesota, where he's an infrequent starter) and a Timberwolves' first-round draft pick (which would cost the Knicks Eddy Curry and Anthony Randolph) to Denver for Anthony.

That doesn't come close to the offer the Nets constructed for Anthony earlier this season, which included as many as three first-round picks.

Curry and Randolph, interestingly, missed practice Tuesday for what the Knicks called "personal reasons."

But Chandler, bothered recently by ankle and calf

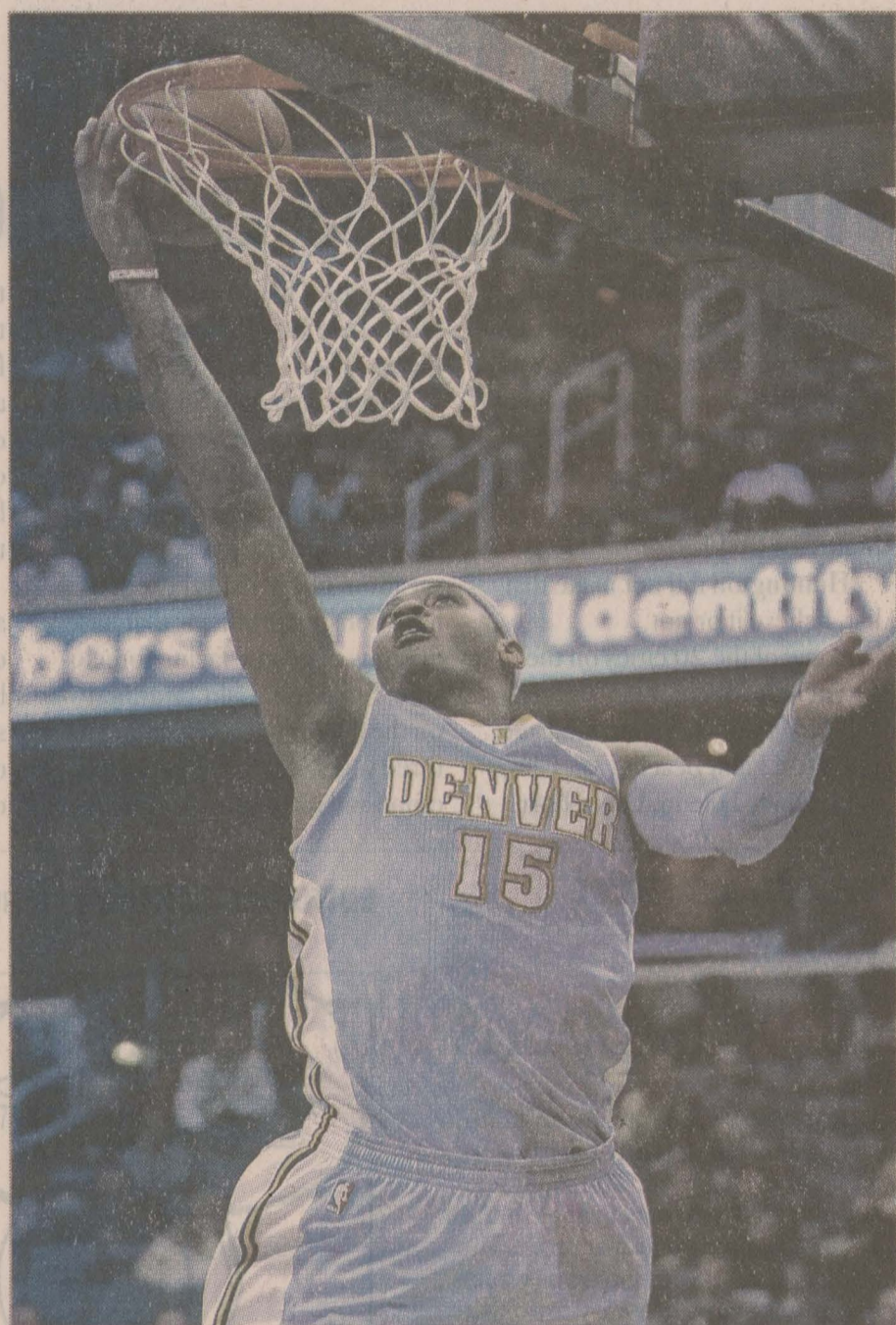
injuries, undertook the full practice amid earlier speculation that an impending deal, as much as his injuries, sidelined him for three games.

He's continually expressed a desire to stay in New York and Denver would have to give him no less than a one-year, \$3.1 million qualifying offer to keep him after this season.

Thus, Danilo Gallinari and/or Landry Fields could come into play in a strengthened Knicks offer for Anthony.

Meanwhile, Amar'e Stoudemire, who's been in occasional contract with Anthony, said of all the talk swirling around, "You always wonder what's going on, but you can't let that affect your game and affect your professionalism. You still have to play the game of basketball. ... You've got to stay professional and continue to work."

Also Tuesday, coach Mike D'Antoni said big man Ronny Turiaf won't be available Wednesday night for a second straight game because of an ankle injury.



Denver Nuggets small forward Carmelo Anthony scores during their game Tuesday, Jan. 25 against the Washington Wizards played at the Verizon Center in Washington, D.C.

Despite sub-zero weather, Packers and fans enjoy celebration

BY MEG JONES AND KAREN HERZOG
MILWAUKEE JOURNAL SENTINEL
(MCT)

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Fifty thousand Green Bay Packers fans filled Lambeau Field on Tuesday afternoon to welcome back not only their team, but also the Lombardi trophy.

Fourteen years is a long time to wait. After coaches, staff and players were introduced to the crowd during the "Return to Tittletown" celebration, Coach Mike McCarthy was among the last to walk out of the players' tunnel now adorned with a "Super Bowl XLV Champions" banner. He held high the gleaming silver trophy as fans chanted, "Go Pack Go!"

Taking the Lombardi trophy for a partial victory lap, McCarthy paused to let fans closest to the railing touch the coveted prize with gloves, mittens and very cold fingers.

Players emerged from the tunnel with smart phones and digital cameras aimed at the crowd to record the memories. The sound of fans was deafening, and the stadium was a sea of yellow flags emblazoned with "Return to Tittletown World Champions!" as team favorites walked out, including Clay Matthews, and of course, Aaron Rodgers, who turned to the crowd and did his trademark championship belt gesture.

"What's up Tittletown?" Rodgers asked, wearing a green and gold knit cap and black wool coat. The crowd went wild. Rodgers said that until Sunday, his best day as a Packer was the day he was drafted in 2005.

"We skipped school for this," said a giant gold-colored sign held by a group of students from Stanley-Boyd High School, 25 miles east of Eau Claire.

They went to school Tuesday morning, like thousands of other Wisconsin youths. But by the second class period, they decided they had to make a pilgrimage to Tittletown.

Brittney Klapperich, 16, started the Stanley-to-Lambeau Field exodus. She went to her boyfriend's gym class and asked if he wanted to take a road trip to Lambeau.

"I wouldn't miss it," said Josh Langiewicz, 17. After Langiewicz was in, she pulled friend Josh Nichols, 15, out of science class, and her brother, Hunter, 14, out of Spanish.

They cleared it with their parents. Then Brittney's mom found scalped tickets to the celebration online for \$35

apiece. By the time they left Stanley, there were eight kids in two cars, heading to Green Bay.

"My teacher is a big Packers fan, and she said she'd go if she could," Brittney said.

The subzero wind chills caught up with fans, many of whom arrived hours before the one-hour event to hang out in the parking lot and tailgate. In heated restrooms, fans sat on the floor, taking off their shoes and rubbing their feet. The Packers, no strangers to cold weather, stayed warm at the 50-yard-line by huddling around portable heaters.

About 10,000 foot and hand warmers, courtesy of Fleet Farm, were handed out to fans at stadium entrances. They also were a popular item in the Packers Pro Shop, where fans snapped them up to stick in gloves and shoes.

The official temperature was 9 degrees, though the wind chill made it feel like 7 degrees below, according to the National Weather Service.

Among the signs held up in the crowd: "Aaron Rodgers Will You Be My Valentine?", "Proud Owners of Super Bowl Champions Green Bay Packers," "Clay PLZ Sign 4 My B-Day" and "We Liked to Repeat, C U in Indy" referring to next year's Super Bowl, to be held in Indianapolis.

The crowd gave an extended cheer to wide receiver Donald Driver, who said that the fans were just as integral a part of the team's victory as the players and coaches.

The Lambeau party felt like a football Sunday, even though it was a weekday, when fans would normally be at work or school. The parking lot quickly filled with tailgaters, as folks pulled out grills and coolers, tossed footballs and tried to stay hydrated with their favorite beverages. Several fans periodically jumped back in their cars and turned on the heat.

Many fans hung out near the team's parking lot several hours before the party, waiting for glimpses and possibly autographs as players arrived to clean out their lockers. Among those signing autographs and waving at fans from their cars were Chad Clifton and Mark Tauscher.

Standing at the 50-yard line during the celebration, Packers general manager Ted Thompson, the architect who put together the Super Bowl-champion team and took a lot of heat when Brett Favre left, basked in the hard-earned moment.

"It's a great day to be a Packer, isn't it?" he said.

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THE PARTHENON EDITORIAL

Huntington is not the most miserable city in U.S.

People may complain about Huntington, but according to a research conducted by Forbes.com, Huntington is not as miserable as some people might think it is.

Forbes.com released a list of 20 most miserable cities in the United States for 2011.

Huntington did not make that list, believe it or not.

Some of the 20 cities on the list include Miami, Fla., Merced, Calif., Memphis, Tenn., Chicago, Ill., West Palm Beach, Fla., Cleveland, Ohio, Toledo, Ohio, Fort

Lauderdale, Fla., Youngstown, Ohio, Detroit, Mich. and Washington, D.C.

Forbes compiled this list based on unemployment, crime, taxes, commuting and sports teams.

Many people describe California and Florida as great place to vacation, but both of these states have housing problems that have millions of people facing foreclosure. Stockton, Calif., was first on the list for the second time in three years. The city has violent crime and unemployment rates

that rank among the 10 worst in the country. Last year in Miami, foreclosures hit one in 14 homes and the city is also plagued with corruption. According to Forbes.com, 404 government officials have been convicted of crimes in the past decade.

Three cities in Ohio qualified as being a miserable city for different reasons. Cleveland made the list because of the weather, a weak sports market and LeBron James' departure. Toledo recently had an economic analysis that revealed that

employment would not return to pre-recession levels until after 2025.

Unemployment has averaged 10.6 percent during the past three years. Youngstown's economy has been on a steady decline since the steel mills started closing in the 1970s. Empty buildings are seen throughout the city, which decreases the average sales price for homes.

And in case you are wondering how the nation's capital is on Forbes.com list, blame it on commuting problems and the

Washington Redskins.

It's easy to be a critic of what Huntington has and doesn't have, but our employment rate, housing market and overall economy is stronger than many other states.

The next time somebody criticizes Huntington, or any city in West Virginia, tell that person there is no city in West Virginia that has been mentioned as one of the United States' most miserable cities.

DELANEY MCLEMORE
WEDNESDAYS ARE FOR WOMEN

Rape happens

Last week, I did my best to talk about something really positive in a negative situation: The amazing support that victims of rape can find in our community at Marshall. The reality is, however, date rape or acquaintance rape has very few positive aspects, even with a fantastic community.



DELANEY MCLEMORE
COLUMNIST

I'm very fortunate in the fact that we have this amazing community that supports what explorations I have made in researching and understanding date rape. One of these professors, Whitney

Douglas, of the English department, is currently guiding me in a research project about the effects of date rape and lent me what has quickly become the most important book I've ever read about the subject.

This book, "I Never Called It Rape: The Ms. Report on Recognizing, Fighting and Surviving Date and Acquaintance Rape", by Robin Warshaw, is perhaps the most well-written, sensitive and accurate exploration of why rape happens, what the after-effects can be, and what it means to be date raped. After reading, though, I immediately had some thoughts that I needed to share.

Most importantly, I have a question. When you read the words "post-traumatic stress disorder" or "depression" or "suicide", what are the first thoughts that come to mind? For the people I asked, post-traumatic stress disorder brought to mind Vietnam vets having flashbacks. Depression and suicide have people imagining an "emo" kid listening to hardcore music and writing bad poetry. Some thought of people they had known who had struggled with their feelings of depression, giving it a real face for their understanding.

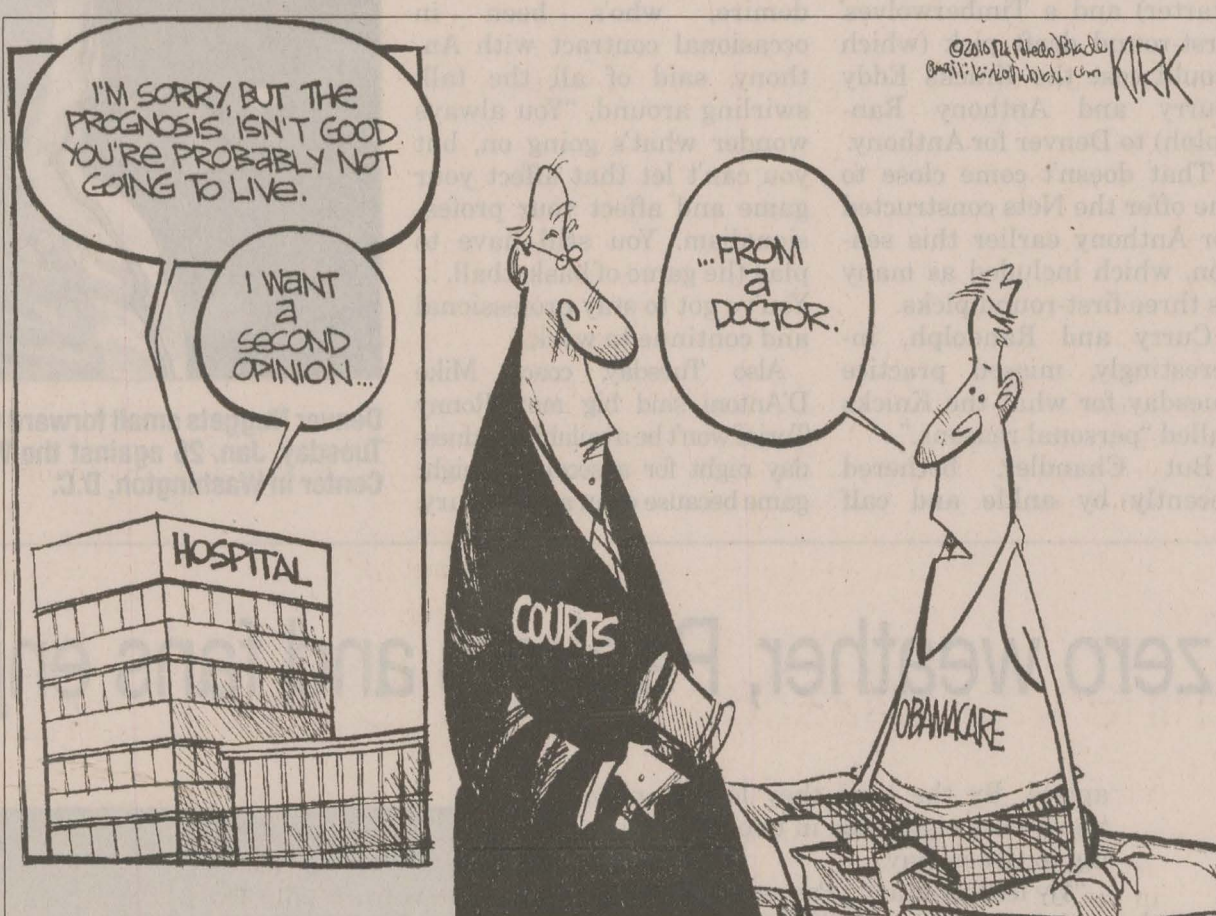
The reality is that while the physical effects of rape can be brutal, the emotional effects are far more devastating. For survivors, the loss of control over their body and their choice is something that can manifest itself into a variety of negative issues. According to Warshaw, survivors dealing with PTSD might share their feelings openly or appear calm and composed. They can struggle with fear, anger, guilt, depression, anxiety, humiliation, embarrassment, or shame. They might have rapid mood swings as a result of the weight of the emotional stress, and many consider suicide as a solution to their problems.

Does this sound like something that anyone, male or female, should have to deal with? Yet, according to statistics from the Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network, one in six women will have to deal with some manner of sexual assault in their lifetime.

Look around you. Count to six. And if you're not horrified, you're not listening.

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MICHAEL ADKINS
LEXICON OF REASON

Gayle Manchin is a bad apple

The apples don't fall far from the tree when it comes to politics in West Virginia. The Manchin family has firm political roots that extend throughout the state. Sen. Joe Manchin's son secured employment as a member of the West Virginia Tourist Commission and Manchin's cousin became the executive director of the West Virginia School Building Authority. Let's not forget that Manchin's daughter, Heather Bresch, was fraudulently granted a master's degree by West Virginia University. Joe Manchin even appointed his wife, Gayle, as a member of the West Virginia Board of Education.



MICHAEL ADKINS
COLUMNIST

There is nothing wrong with members of the same family holding political positions. However, it is clearly wrong to appoint family members to office, to vote on a public employment decision concerning a family member, or to otherwise use family power for personal gain at the public's expense. Blatant nepotism fails to pass the test of any ethical standard.

Gayle Manchin is a bad apple because she has rejected calls to recuse herself from voting on an employment decision for her cousin, Mark Manchin, who has applied for the position of state superintendent of schools. Gayle Manchin is expected to cast a favorable vote for her cousin later this week. The West Virginia Education Association and Charleston Gazette Op-Ed author Dale Lee have raised ethical objections to Gayle's activities. There should be no doubt; it is extremely unethical for Gayle Manchin to vote her cousin into office. The potential for bias, real or perceived, diminishes the credibility of this personnel action.

Some political pruning is desperately needed in West Virginia. Citizens should not tolerate flagrant bias and nepotism. It is time to vote the Manchins out of office and elect a political limberjack who will truly represent the people. The great citizens of West Virginia should remain mindful of the elitist, nepotistic and unethical conduct associated with Joe and Gayle Manchin. We shouldn't let a few bad apples spoil the bunch of excellent public servants in our state.

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Local quartet offers singing valentines

THE PARTHENON

With Valentine's Day fast approaching, some may still be searching for a truly unique gift for their significant other. If this is the case, then the Thundertones Chorus' singing valentines might just be what you're looking for.

"The singing valentine is not just a gift, it is an experience that is a romantic expression of love delivered by an authentic barbershop quartet," says Terry Edgell, the

vice president of marketing and public relations for the Thundertones Chorus.

The singing valentines package includes two old-fashioned love songs performed by a barbershop quartet, a memento gift and a personalized Valentine's Day card. The two songs performed as part of the package are "Heart of My Heart" and "Let Me Call You Sweetheart".

"We have sung literally hundreds of singing valentines over the last

nine years, and almost everyone has a unique story to it," Edgell said.

The Thundertones Chorus will be delivering singing valentines Friday through Sunday in the Tri-State area. Singing valentines are \$50.

"It is an opportunity for us as a group to perform some classic barbershop harmony in relatively public venues, and be the messengers of a heart-felt sentimental moment," Edgell said.

Multi-player video games have medical benefits

BY ELIZABETH STEWART
THE PARTHENON

Massively-multiplayer online role-playing games are enjoyed by more than 25 million people worldwide, according to a study by the University of Wisconsin.

Students looking for an entertaining and beneficial extra-curricular activity may choose from many different MMORPGs.

There are a variety of MMORPGs available from medieval fantasy to space adventures. The games also range in price from free to pay to play. Pay to play can either be a monthly subscription or one time purchases of in-game loot.

"I play Runescape because it is free to play and doesn't take up too much memory on my computer," said Chris Dorsey, Marshall University 2011 graduate.

Playing MMORPGs has benefits beyond alleviating boredom. According to the study, the MMORPG format is beneficial to education. The study cites the immersion of the player into the world, allowing

them to make mistakes and see real-world consequences, such as the collapse of an economy with no real ramifications.

"Gold farmers came into Final Fantasy 11 and affected the economy so bad, prices tripled in the game," said Jason Williams, Marshall University graduate student. Gold farmers are players hired to build characters up in MMORPGs to sell for real life money.

MMORPGs also give students the opportunity to meet people from all around the world.

"I've met people from Germany, China, France and all over the United States," Williams said. Increased socialization skills are another benefit of playing games, according to the American Psychological Association's website.

Other benefits cited by the APA website are increased cognitive health and hand-eye coordination. A study of 33 laparoscopic surgeons found that those who played video games were 27 percent faster at advanced surgical procedures and made 37 percent fewer errors

compared to those who did not play video games.

"When you become a leader in the game, then you have to coordinate a lot of different people and things," Dorsey said. Honing leadership and multi-tasking skills is another benefit of playing MMORPGs according to the APA.

Another benefit cited by the APA is the distractibility caused by gaming. Those in intense pain or attempting to quit smoking or over eating can use gaming to distract themselves.

"I can't stand TV, I have to be doing something. That's how I got started playing MMORPGs," Williams said. Playing games is a better option than watching television according to the APA website, because of the active role gamers' minds must solve analytical problems and react quickly to stimuli.

MMORPGs are an entertainment option for students that have more benefits than just filling leisure time.

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Hearing to examine radicalization of U.S. Muslims

BY RICHARD A. SERRANO
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WASHINGTON — Abdulhakim Muhammad was born Carlos Bledsoe, played high school football and attended business school in college. He mowed his grandmother's lawn. He also converted to Islam at a Memphis mosque, studied in Yemen, and while there fell in with a group of fundamental extremists.

By the time he returned to the United States, federal law enforcement officials say he had been dangerously radicalized as a domestic terrorist. When he allegedly opened fire with an SKS automatic rifle on a Little Rock, Ark., Army recruiting station, he became part of a rising trend — one of 50 Americans arrested on terror charges in the last two years.

From May 2009 to last November, authorities broke up 22 homegrown terror plots, compared with 21 during the previous eight years.

The House Homeland Security Committee opens hearings Wednesday into the terrorist threat in the United States. In the weeks ahead, the panel will hold sessions on the domestic radicalization of American Muslims.

Most of the suspects are being recruited in this country by foreign organizations through the Internet, community activities or in some instances, local mosques.

For al-Qaida, tapping into a new generation of potential terrorists already here is easier and cheaper than finding ways to get attackers into the country, though the result has not approached anything close to the death toll of Sept. 11, 2001.

"The threat is real, and the threat is different, and the threat is constant," Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr. said recently.

Some suspects have displayed a chilling dedication.

Muhammad, charged with killing one soldier and wounding another, has written the judge asking to plead guilty to capital murder. He

is ready to die for al-Qaida.

"I wasn't insane or post-traumatic, nor was I forced to do this act," he wrote from jail. The shootings, he said, were "justified according to Islamic Laws and the Islamic Religion, Jihad — to fight those who wage war on Islam and Muslims."

The committee chairman, Rep. Peter T. King, R-N.Y., has rebuffed claims from religious and civil rights groups that the hearings will unfairly target Muslim-Americans. He remains determined to blunt what he calls "the significant change in al-Qaida tactics and strategy."

"Al-Qaida has realized the difficulty it faces in launching attacks against our homeland from overseas," he said Tuesday. "Thus it has adjusted its tactics and is now attempting to radicalize from within our country."

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Cain

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and write questions and find out if they really understand."

Cain is coming to Marshall on behalf of Turning Technologies, a company that produces different audience response systems to be incorporated in to classroom and other lecture settings. According to their website, "More than half of all U.S. colleges and universities use Turning Technologies' response solutions on campus, and recognizable organizations like Hewlett Packard, Johnson & Johnson and the McDonald's Corporation take advantage of our polling solutions in a variety of formats from internal decision making to high-stakes events."

"Clickers can be used in a way that doesn't help, like anything else," said Cain. "I want to tell instructors how to use them well. What are you going to use it for? That's sort of the niche that I take with this."

As well as informing

education professionals about "clicker" technologies, Cain has a special interest in e-professionalism, the practice of professional behavior online and in a social media setting.

"On Facebook, your personal situations can easily become public situations," Cain said. "You don't want to post bad things about professionals online if you are going in to a professional field."

Cain and other Turning Technologies staff members are this year's Spotlight Vendors, and will be available throughout the length of the Tech Summit. He will speak in Drinko Library room 138 on Thursday, Feb. 10 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. The Tech Summit will be on Feb. 9 and Feb. 10 in Drinko Library from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days. For more information, log on to www.marshall.edu/muonline/training/tech-summit.htm or contact Kristen Huff, Instructional Technologist, at 304-696-3192.

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Tutor

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types of students from all types of disciplines come in for assistance.

Cao said that, after receiving his master's degree, he plans on returning to Vietnam where he will pursue his career in physics and mathematics.

According to Clark Egnor, executive director of the International Studies Program, there are roughly 400 international and exchange students on Marshall's campus. The international studies hosts both exchange students, who are on campus either for a brief period or for a long increment of time.

Anh Dao, graduate student in human resources, from Hanoi,

Vietnam, said that by tutoring the student receives more personal attention than in a classroom setting.

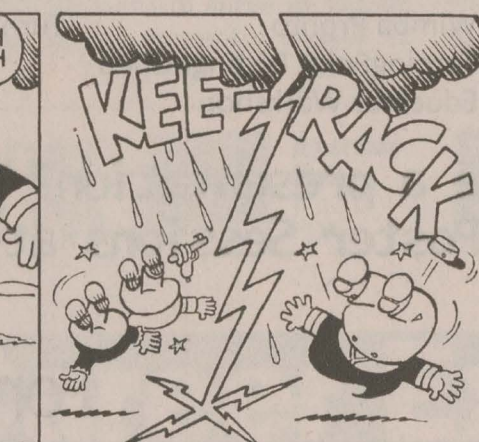
"Professors are always working with the entire class," Dao said. "When students come here they are able to talk one-on-one with a student tutor. The attention that the student receives with us is more personal than a classroom is able to provide."

Dao said that by serving as a tutor she has been able to meet fellow students that she normally would have never met.

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BIRKE WELCOMES NEW STYLE



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A diverse work of art is represented at the Birke Art Gallery. The artwork ranged from 2-D and 3-D sculptures and installation. "Plastic Series 2: Field" is one piece displayed as an "Expressive Cloth".



JOHN YEINGST | THE PARTHENON

Artists take advantage of the multiple techniques available using rich appearances and traditional textiles.

BY JARED ROACH
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's Birke Art Gallery has opened a new exhibit featuring an art form that many might not expect. "Expressive Cloth" features art pieces made of textiles and weavings by contemporary fiber artists.

"Many of the works in this exhibition were created using multiple techniques, resulting in a complex, rich appearance not found in traditional textiles," said John Farley, director of the Birke Art Gallery and Huntington's Gallery 842. He described the pieces as a diverse assortment of work by contemporary fiber artists.

"Expressive Cloth" represents a first for Marshall, as the Birke Art Gallery has never featured a fibers exhibit until now.

"I wanted to introduce fiber art to Marshall students and members of the community who are not familiar with fiber art," said Myuki Cook, assistant professor of fibers and coordinator of the exhibit. Cook said the show will feature a variety of fiber techniques such as dye, quilt, Jacquard weave, embroidery and rug.

"It could be any form 2-D and 3-D sculpture and installation. Also it allows artists to play with color," Cook said.

Working as both an artist and a coordinator for the exhibit, Cook was responsible for organizing all

major aspects of the show. This included inviting the artists, selecting the work and arranging it in the gallery in addition to working on her own pieces, "Plastic Series 2: Field" and "Plastic Series 3: Ocean".

"I like using my hands to transform ordinary materials to meaningful art as a visual communication," Cook said.

"I believe that her goal was to demonstrate through this exhibition the wide range of applications and techniques used by contemporary fiber artists," Farley said.

"Expressive Cloth" will feature the works of fiber artists Amie Adelman, Robin Lynne Haller, Carol LeBaron, Aaron McIntosh and Marjorie Durko Puryear.

"Each has his or her own individual style and method of expression," says Farley, commenting on the uniqueness of each artist's style.

The opening reception for "Expressive Cloth" will be held from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 8. Cook will be in attendance to speak about the artists, their work, techniques and her role as the coordinator of the event.

"Expressive Cloth" will be on display until Feb. 24 at the Birke Art Gallery located on the first floor of Smith Hall. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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