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Nov. 12. When he transferred to

Bluefield State College Nov. 12.

By MALCOLM WALTON

D’Antoni said this year’s team

is absolutely serious, and here we are now."

D’Antoni jokingly texted back, "I’ll be there

and returning players with more

than 10 years ago, Duhon said he
can’t wait to suit up with the

Herd. He could pressure the ball, move the ball

through to get you a

write it down, remember it, and whenever

a family program," Duhon said. "I talk to

the two or three guys that I coached here

of competition basketball-wise. Coaching

assistant coach Mike Kryzewski for

his coaching leadership skills on and off the

court.

I learned so much from Coach K," Duhon

said. "He’s the best coach in college

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Daniel taking women’s program to new heights

By MARQUEZ DAVILA

Matt Daniel has reinvented the Marshall University women’s basketball program since becoming the head coach.

Before Daniel’s arrival in May 2010, the team had just six winning seasons since 2001. The Herd has seen steady increases in wins since his arrival, but a team that took an even bigger step with the program’s first post-season win in the NCAA era with its first-round victory over Northern Kentucky University in the Women’s Basketball Invitational.

Daniel said last season’s success is a step in the right direction, but he has bigger goals for his team.

“I think it shows real progress and strong momentum,” Daniel said. “But that was also yesterday. And in my profession, it’s not what you’ve measured or you’ve measured on the court yesterday.”

“I think it makes Marshall look really good,” senior forward Leah Scott said. “But even in athletics, in academics and other stuff like that. It’s still a growing process and even a bigger step would be my ultimate goal in 2010 and 2012. Daniel’s ties to Marshall go back to when Billy Donovan was the head coach of the Herd men’s basketball team from 1994-1996.

“I was recruited to play at Marshall,” Daniel said. “I was Billy Donovan’s first scholarship offer as a head coach. I turned it down and he ended up taking Jason (Williams), but that was kind of my tie here.”

During his first season as head coach of the Herd, the team’s women’s basketball team got off to a fast start with a pair of wins over the weekend to begin the regular season.

The Herd defeated Morehead State University 104-101 in its season opener Friday and followed up the performance with a 92-40 victory over Brescia University Sunday in the team’s home debut.

Freshman Shayna Gore led the Herd with 27 points on 10-of-19 shooting in the team’s victory against Morehead State and added 13 points, four assists and four steals against Brescia.

The weekend performance earned Gore Conference USA Freshman of the Week honors.

Gore wasn’t the only Herd newcomer, however, who contributed to the successful opening weekend.

Redshirt sophomore Taylor Porter scored 15 points against Morehead State, coming three of her six 3-pointers and also collected four assists and four steals. Porter produced in front of the home crowd Sunday totaling nine points, five rebounds and three assists and four steals. Porter produced in front of the home crowd Sunday totaling nine points, five rebounds and three assists and four steals.

The offensive production by Porter and Gore goes to show how well the new players have adapted to the system and their teammates. However, before its first game, senior forward Leah Scott said the team wasn’t fully confident in how well the young players were going to adjust to the new atmosphere of college basketball.

“College basketball is so different than high school basketball,” Daniel said. “You just take different steps to different goals and it’s still growing.”

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Marshall women’s basketball head coach Matt Daniel directs his players from the sidelines in the Charleston Capital Classic last season.

Forward Leah Scott attempts to score in a game last season.

Schedule keeps young group close to home in season’s first two months

By MARJORE DAVILA

The secret to the Marshall University women’s basketball team’s early-season success this season could be its schedule. The Herd will play eight of its first 10 games at home and its two road contests are at nearby sites.

Head coach Matt Daniel said the favorable schedule is the most convenient he’s ever had during his coaching career.

“I thought it was important for this young team to be at home where the Herd can get to know them,” Daniel said.

Marshall’s two games away from Huntington in its first 10 of short road trips. The Herd defeated Morehead State University in Morehead, Kentucky 104-101 in its opener Friday and followed up the performance with a 92-40 victory over Brescia University Sunday in the team’s home debut.

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The Herd is 2-0 this season, having defeated Morehead State and Brescia University in the Morehead State Classic. The team’s next game is 6 p.m. Wednesday against the University of Rhode Island at the Camb Henderson Center.

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By ALEC HILDEBEIDEL

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For The Parthenon

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"The styles are complete opposites," Kilgore said. "We’re going to run the floor here. Take the shots when they’re there and try to score 90 points a game. Last year, it was to try to average 75 points a game. It doesn’t matter where you are on the floor; it doesn’t matter what time is left. Of course, given the situation, you may need to change, but it’s all about confidence.

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The West Virginia natives, as well as the rest of the Herd, Browning is accustomed to head coach Dan D’Antoni’s playing style because it is similar to the style he played at Logan High.

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Each of these players have impressed some of the players who have been with the Herd for a while, like senior guard Justin Edmunds.

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The West Virginia natives, as well as the rest of the Herd squad, begin their regular season against the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tennessee Thursday.

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People packed the Student Center Plaza Saturday morning for the annual Memorial Fountain Ceremony commemorating the 75 people who lost their lives in the 1970 plane crash.

This year’s ceremony took place on the day of a home football game, which was the sixth time the Herd has played a game on the Nov. 14th anniversary.

Doc Holliday, Marshall head football coach, said when her friend was ten years old, she told her parents, “I have a friend who is a veteran and needs a kidney transplant. He has been waiting for a long time,” said Michelle Knapp, local advocate for organ donation.

“The topic of organ donation and Donor Sabbath are controversial topics for some, but there are others who are much different on the response. It’s personally how Donor Sabbath is amazing. It brings everyone together to help get more organ donors in the world,” said Beth Zirkle, volunteer for the Center of Organ Recovery and Education.

Zirkle has worked with C.O.R.E for about four years now and said she has learned more than she ever could have imagined. Zirkle said West Virginia is the third lowest state in organ donation rates in the country.

“I hope to see one day not go statewide but nationwide and” said Zirkle on getting West Virginia to the highest rate,” said Zirkle.

Zirkle got involved with organ donation following the death of her best friend. She said when her friend was ten years old, she told her parents that if anything ever happened to her, then she wanted to help people by becoming an organ donor. Zirkle said her friend died in November of 2011 and went into the donation process.

Zirkle’s friend saved a total of 14 lives. Zirkle said the Donor Sabbath is a great thing to have, and it helps clear up a lot of myths.

“People believe a lot of myths, a big one being that their religion does not support organ donation. However, all major religions support organ donation,” said Zirkle.

Zirkle said she believes people should talk about organ donation in order to bust the myths. She said most religions view organ donation as a final act of kindness and she thinks this fact should be celebrated throughout the entire year and not just during November. According to www.donationsource.org, 22 people die each day in the United States due to the organ shortage, and the site also said a single donor can save and help up to 60 people.

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According to www.donationsource.org, there was no cost to participate in the Donor Sabbath, and it is supported by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as well as the service administrations at national, state and local levels.

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International Festival promotes the sharing of cultures, traditions

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THE PARTHENON

Cultures from around the world were represented Sunday at the International Festival at the Big Sandy Arena.

The event, held by the Marshall University Center for International Programs, was free to the public and gave people in attendance the opportunity to take a look at cultures and countries from all over.

Twenty different countries and organizations had booths set up where they were answering questions, displaying art, giving out food samples and more.

“I was really interested about the diversity and to see how every country or culture would come out and represent themselves today,” said recent graduate, Claudine Dalberiste. “Everyone is an ingredient to this atmosphere, I feel like everyone brings a new tradition and new culture to this melting pot here in Huntington.”

For $5, attendees could purchase food tickets in packs of 10.

Ten restaurants were in attendance, including Julian’s Market, Fratelli’s Italian Restaurant, Casa Grande, New China Garden Buffet, Black Sheep Burrito And Brews, Chateau D’Italia, La Famiglia, Hibaichi Japanese Steakhouse, Chipotle Mexican Grill and Sodexo.

Kay Kantrai, senior biology major, attended to represent Thailand.

“We wanted to show people our heritage,” Kantrai said. “We are going to a little info, showing our language, our temples and the alphabet. I don’t think people realize that both the United States and Thailand have been such big allies for such a long time.”

Not only were attendees able to look at booths set up by organizations, they were able to witness groups display native dances and watch a world fashion show.

Fans had the chance to see Batman and the Batmobile outside of the Big Sandy Arena before the event.

“This is our fourth time participating in this event today,” Saudi Arabia Student Association president Abdullah Asiri said. “Now we’ve come out today with the biggest section in the entire event today. We’ve invited the Mayor to come out with us to cut a cake as we celebrate our fourth anniversary here today. It’s an honor to be able to here and exchange cultures and knowledge with everyone.”

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