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New Board of Governors members honored to be appointed, ready to serve Marshall

By **REBECCA STEPHENS**
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin has appointed seven people to Marshall University's Board of Governors.

Of the seven appointed to the board, four are new members. They are Christie Kinsey of Lavalette, Phil Cline of Huntington, James Bailes of Huntington and Tim Dagostine of Charleston.

Kinsey, a financial adviser with Northwestern Mutual, attended Ohio University and The Ohio State University, but has been involved with Marshall through the School of Medicine and her association

with Cabell Huntington Hospital where she served as a board member.

Though new to Marshall's Board of Governors, Kinsey was a member of Huntington Junior College's Board of Governors for 20 years.

"I am grateful for the opportunity to serve and I think it's a real privilege," Kinsey said. "I think Marshall University is the hub of this community."

Cline, an active member of the Marshall and Huntington communities, was student body president in 1955, and more recently served as president of the Alumni Association. He also served as interim president of Alderson-Broadus



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> **PHIL CLINE**
new member of the Board of Governors

University (then Alderson-Broadus College) in 2010.

Cline said he has a keen interest in higher education and is pleased to be appointed to the board and included in the company of the other new members.

"I was very happy and I was very thankful that the governor had seen enough in me to ask me to serve on the board," Cline

said. "I hope to have valuable input into whatever items come before the Board of Governors. I'll certainly learn and listen and try to do the best that I can."

Bailes is an attorney with Bailes, Craig and Yon, PLLC and is a 1960 graduate of Marshall. He said he values Marshall's importance and is honored to be a part of the board.

"I'm very proud of my education at Marshall and very mindful of its importance to the community and the state of West Virginia," Bailes said. "I considered it a distinct privilege and a serious responsibility. I really believe Marshall is extremely important to our area and I think higher education is a very important aspect to the state of West Virginia and one that deserves our attention and full support."

Dagostine is a division manager with Chamption Industries, Inc. and a 1996 graduate of Marshall. He said he and his wife, Ramona, also a Marshall graduate, have a deep interest in the

success of the university.

"Obviously, it's an honor to be selected and appointed by the governor," Dagostine said. "I'm looking forward to serving with the other members."

Dagostine said he is pleased to have the opportunity to serve Marshall and become more involved with his alma mater.

Kinsey, Cline, Bailes and Dagostine will be sworn in with the other three appointees during the board's next meeting, which is Tuesday, Aug. 27 in the Memorial Student Center's Shawkey Room.

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MU fans have spoken, new mascot costume to resemble 'classic Marco'

By **REBECCA STEPHENS**
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

The Marshall community has spoken and their choice is definitive.

In a Facebook contest, which ran from July 24 to Aug. 12, students, faculty, alumni and Herd fans from all over had the opportunity to vote for the new mascot costume. Their choice, however, is not so much "new" as it is more of a return to the look of the "classic Marco" from the 1980s and 1990s.

With 76 percent of the vote, the winning option features Marco with fur-covered legs, hooves and a gentler-looking face.

Matt Turner, chief of staff, said the current costume is worn and needs to be replaced, and the contest allowed the community the chance to make their opinions heard.

There were 3,187 total votes. The winning option received 2,424 of those votes. The option for a partial makeover received 448 votes, and the option to keep current Marco came in last with 315 votes.

"The attention this has gotten doesn't surprise us," Turner said. "People care a lot about Marco and they made it clear they want 'old Marco' back, so we're giving it to them."

Mason Hess, junior nursing major, said he is pleased with



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In a recent Facebook contest, the Marshall community voted for the new Marco costume to resemble that of 'classic Marco' (above). On the left is an example of what the new costume will look like.

the results of the contest.

"I kind of like more of the retro look with Marshall," Hess said. "I like when they went back to the Kelly green, so, you can't go wrong with going back to the old Marco."

Shawna Hatten, a 2012 graduate of Marshall, said she never thought the current Marco looked much like a bison.

"Change is a good thing in a lot of cases and updates are needed from time to time, but the results clearly show that the old Marco look is

embraced by more in the Marshall community," Hatten said. "It is what many, including myself, have been used to for years."

The new Marco costume is set to debut at the homecoming game Saturday, Oct. 5 against University of Texas at San Antonio.

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Student garden focuses efforts on expanding, teaching sustainability

By **DWIGHT JORGE**
NEWS EDITOR

Most students have never heard of the Marshall University Student Garden, but with the garden going into its third year, workers are hoping to spread the word.

The garden is divided on campus between the greenhouse, which is used for flowers, and a vegetable garden located on Fifth Avenue and 22nd Street behind the Career Services building. The garden contains peppers, squash, sweet potatoes and more.

"This year, I pick the vegetables every morning and I bring them around campus to different buildings and departments," Angela Kargul, senior natural resource major, said.

Kargul said she takes the vegetables around campus in order to get the word out about the garden.

"Nobody really knew what the garden was before," Kargul said. "They would see the raised beds and plants, but not know what it was. We just now got a garden sign, so now I go around and tell people we have vegetables and I give them away for free."

Sandy Davis, sophomore political science major, said she had never heard of the garden but is happy we have one.

"I didn't know we had a



DWIGHT JORGE | THE PARTHENON

The sign for Marshall University's student garden off Fifth Avenue. The garden offers a variety of vegetables to students, faculty and staff. Senior natural resource major Angela Kargul said the garden promotes sustainability in an urban city.

garden on campus, but I think it's awesome that we grow our own vegetables on campus," Davis said. "I think it's good that we have one and I will have to check that out when I walk back to my car later."

Kargul said the garden is in the process of expanding to reach more students.

"We are trying to figure out how to put together some kind of stand somewhere, maybe once a week, and maybe ask for donations and to give way vegetables," Kargul said. "Just about everything we got to plant the garden has been donated. So, I would hate to charge."

Kargul said the goal of the garden is to promote and teach sustainability in an urban city like Huntington.

"A lot of kids, students and older students have never planted or grew vegetables in a garden," Kargul said. "For the younger kids, some of them don't even know where their vegetables come from. So, this is an experiment to have people learn."

"I think it's a good thing that they are trying to teach students about how to grow vegetables," Davis said. "I mean who doesn't like to eat vegetables? They are great."

Students can contact the Sustainability Department, which is based on campus inside the James E. Morrow Library, to learn more about the garden and to get involved.

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Jewel City Rollergirls win first home game

By **CHARLIE HOUSE**
THE PARTHENON

After two years, Huntington's first flat track roller derby team finally got to experience home field advantage Saturday, Aug. 10 at the Boyd County Community Center in Catlettsburg, Ky.

The Jewel City Rollergirls won their first home bout, defeating Marietta, Ohio's Hades Ladies 351-192.

Jewel City's team co-captains Audrey "Gravy, Baby!" Hamoy and Jen "Jen Ittles" Billups, both graduate students at Marshall University, were excited about finally playing a home bout. Until Saturday, they were exclusively a traveling team, playing as far as Roanoke, Va.

"There's an different energy when you play at home that you can't really recreate if you're not there. Everyone's cheering for you, not against you," Hamoy said.

The bout began with a 'Demo Jam,' written and narrated, in part, by Erin "Annie Knuckles" Hart, a player for Charleston's Chemical Valley Rollergirls. She explained the rules, penalties, positions and scoring.

In each bout, there are two 30-minute periods, with a short break in between. In each period, there are several two-minute intervals in which points can be scored, called jams. At the beginning of a jam, four Blockers from each team assemble behind a starting line, and one Jammer from each team, designated by a star on her helmet, stands at a second starting line behind the Blockers. A whistle sounds, and the players take off.

The Jammer's objective is to score points. She must make it through the pack of Blockers and skate a full lap around the track. Starting with the second lap and ending with the

completion of the jam, every time the Jammer passes an opposing player, she earns a point for her team. The first Jammer to get through the pack is known as the Lead Jammer, and can end the jam at any point by tapping her hips with the palms of her hands held flat.

The Blocker's objective is both offensive and defensive. They help their Jammer get through the pack and score points, while trying to prevent the opposing team's Jammer from doing the same. In contrast to earlier incarnations of roller derby, hitting with hands, elbows, heads and feet is not permitted, as is contact above the shoulders, below mid-thigh and from behind.

As shown by Saturday's bout, scores regularly reach into the hundreds.

"You kind of feel like a superstar," Billups said. "Because you have so many people that know



PHOTO COURTESY OF BRITANNY VANCE

The Jewel City Rollergirls, Huntington's first flat track roller derby team won their first home game Saturday, Aug. 10 against Marietta, Ohio's Hades Ladies 351-192.

you cheering your name."

The co-captains were pleased with how the team played, but said there is always room for improvement. They said they want to work on taking better

advantage of 'power jams,' in which the opposing Jammer is in the penalty box and unable to score points. Power jams can seriously affect the outcome of the game, as they did Saturday.

Next month, Jewel City takes on the Greenbrier Roller Vixens in Ronceverte, W.Va.

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Osprey tilt-rotor aircraft becomes part of president's escort



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A maintenance crew works on an MV-22 Osprey, Camp Bastion, Afghanistan.

By **BEN KAMISAR**
MCCLATCHY WASHINGTON BUREAU

When the president lifts off from the White House lawn, he's joined by a few new wingmen.

On President Barack Obama's vacation flight Saturday to Martha's Vineyard, new MV-22 Ospreys made their debut escorting his staff, Secret Service agents and the news media although not the chief executive himself to the island off the Massachusetts coast.

The Osprey is a tilt-rotor aircraft, which takes off vertically like a helicopter and then can turn its rotors in the air to fly like an airplane. A Marine Corps news release said the Osprey could "fly twice as fast, carry three times as much and fly four times the distance of the older CH-46E helicopter it is replacing."

"It's a lot faster than helicopters are, and can land in most of the places

helicopters can land," said Richard Whittle, a senior scholar at the Wilson Center who wrote a book on the Osprey in 2010. "It's not a perfect helicopter, it's not a perfect airplane, but it combines the most desirable features of both."

Marine Helicopter Squadron One, the group that's charged with transporting the president and other VIPs, will receive 12 Ospreys, at \$70 million apiece, to replace its collection of CH-46E helicopters. Capt. Richard Ulsh, a public affairs officer for the Marine Corps, said the Ospreys won't be used to transport the president.

"If I were a reporter covering the White House these days," Whittle said, "I would be quite glad that they were going to transfer the press pool in the V-22 instead of the old helicopters they used to fly."

Built by a partnership between Bell Helicopter and the Boeing Co., the aircraft is touted as a paradigm-shifter for its unique hybrid design. While the fuselage is made in Philadelphia, many of the parts are made in Fort Worth, Texas, and its final assembly is in Amarillo, Texas.

The Osprey has had a long and sometimes difficult history. It made brief appearances in the late 1980s and '90s as the military worked to create a tilt-rotor aircraft, but two crashes in 2000 that killed 23 people grounded the aircraft. After years of maintenance and a redesign, a new version was cleared for full deployment in late 2005.

In May, Ulsh told McClatchy that the aircraft's rate of Class A mishaps those that cause death, permanent injury or more

than \$2 million in damage is 1.48 per 100,000 hours of flying time; essentially on par with the CH-46.

"There were definitely some troubled times in the very beginning, in 2000," Ulsh said. "... What we've seen now, now going into its sixth year in Iraq and/or Afghanistan ... this is a survivable aircraft, a safe aircraft, a dependable aircraft and highly effective."

He added that the Osprey has a strong resume in combat missions. Osprey pilots helped rescue an F-15 pilot who was downed in Libya in 2011, and were awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for a June 2012 raid in Afghanistan.

But despite a cleaner bill of health, Ospreys have crashed three times since they were redesigned, once in 2010 and twice in 2012. The military classified all three crashes as due

to pilot error, but Donald Harvel, a retired brigadier general who worked on the 2010 crash's accident report, has since charged the military with covering up mechanical errors with the Osprey.

He told Wired magazine last year that the aircraft was "just not ready yet."

The \$70 million price tag is daunting. In 2009, the Government Accountability Office estimated that each flight hour of the Osprey costs more than \$11,000.

Ulsh said the figure now was below \$10,000 per hour and that as with all aircraft, continual use would help bring down the price further for the Osprey.

"It's still a very young airplane at the moment," he said. "The more we use this aircraft, folks will start to see the cost per flight hour go down."

New York considering details of appeal to stop and frisk ruling

By **ANTHONY DESTEFANO**
NEWSDAY

City lawyers were closeted Tuesday figuring out how and when to appeal Monday's ruling by a federal judge, who found the New York Police Department's stop and frisk policies unconstitutional and ordered the appointment of a monitor to oversee changes in the practice, a legal source said.

An angry Mayor Michael Bloomberg vowed to appeal Judge Shira A. Scheindlin's decision, saying her ruling was a "dangerous" one for the city.

The city's top lawyer, Michael Cardozo, said Monday he would likely wait for the new monitor, former prosecutor Peter Zimroth, to issue some kind of directive before the city requests a stay of Scheindlin's decision while an appeal is pending. Cardozo didn't offer a timetable for an appeal or say if he would seek an expedited schedule.

A spokeswoman for Cardozo couldn't comment Tuesday about when an appeal would be filed or whether

a request would be made for an expedited hearing.

The issues of policing continue to resonate with Democratic voters, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released Tuesday and taken just before Scheindlin's ruling. Likely Democratic voters support 66 percent to 25 percent the creation of a permanent inspector general, currently proposed by the City Council, to independently monitor the NYPD, the poll showed. Some 60 percent of likely Democratic primary voters also said the stop and frisk policy is excessive.

Professor Franklin Zimring, of the University of California, Berkeley School of Law, said civility would help the New York situation.

"The question of how to balance security needs and civility in policing is ultimately a question of police management," Zimring told Newsday Tuesday.

Along with Zimroth's appointment, Scheindlin ordered new training and called for the NYPD to start a pilot

program of body cameras for officers in precincts with the highest number of stops in 2012 in each of the five boroughs to record police activity. NYPD records show that those precincts include: The 75th in East New York, Brooklyn; the 44th in Highbridge-Morrisania, Bronx; the 34th in Washington Heights, Manhattan; the 109th covering Flushing, Whitestone and College Point, Queens; and 120th in northern Staten Island.

A spokesman for Taser International, a major supplier of such cameras, said they are gaining credence with many police departments.

"You have to look at it that you are protecting yourself," company spokesman Steve Tuttle said. He said the company has supplied cameras ranging from \$299 to \$950 that can be worn on helmets, lapels or glasses to hundreds of departments.

"I think within the next five years, everyone will be wearing a body camera," Austin, Texas, police chief Bill Acevedo said in a recent critical

Scientists say added sugars at levels considered safe are harmful

By **MARY MACVEAN**
LOS ANGELES TIMES

When mice were fed a diet that was 25 percent added sugars an amount consumed by many humans the females died at twice the normal rate and the males were less likely to reproduce and hold territory, scientists said in a study published Tuesday.

The study shows "that added sugar consumed at concentrations currently considered safe exerts dramatic impacts on mammalian health," the researchers said in the study, published in the journal *Nature Communications*. "Many researchers have already made calls for re-evaluation of these safe levels of consumption."

The study's senior author, University of Utah biology professor Wayne Potts, said earlier studies fed mice sugars at levels higher than people eat in sodas, cookies, candy and other items. The current study stuck to levels eaten by people.

The mice lived in "semi-natural enclosures," and the experimental and control groups lived in direct competition with each other. After being

fed the two diets for 26 weeks, the mice lived for 32 weeks in mouse barns enclosures of 377 square feet ringed by 3-foot walls. There were some nesting areas that were more desirable than others.

"Added sugars" are those added during processing or preparation, not those that occur naturally in fruit or milk. The scientists fed the mice a diet that got its added sugars from half fructose and half glucose monosaccharides, which is about what's found in high fructose corn syrup, or HFCS, Potts said. The study, he said, was not set up to differentiate between the effects of different forms of caloric sweeteners.

The Corn Refiners Association, a trade group, questioned the use of mice in the study, saying in a statement that the only way to know the effect in people would be to test people.

"Mice do not eat sugar as a part of their normal diet, so the authors are measuring a contrived overload effect that might not be present had the rodents adapted to sugar intake over time," the group said.

The trade group for the sugar

industry, the Sugar Association, said it was studying the research. But it maintained that the sweetener used in the study was crucial.

"Sugar and the various formulations of HFCS are molecularly different they are not the same product, yet too often, and erroneously, HFCS is referred to as an 'added sugar.'" the statement said. "Only sugar is sugar."

The 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans advise us to limit our total intake of added sugars, fats and other "discretionary calories" to 5 percent to 15 percent of total calories consumed every day. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that from 2005 to 2010, we got 13 percent of our total calories from added sugar.

The male mice controlled 26 percent fewer territories and produced 25 percent fewer offspring, the scientists said. The lower reproduction levels could be the result of a decreased ability to defend their territories, the researchers said. The diet did not affect weight.

Potts said he has reduced the

Longtime voter, plaintiff in voter ID lawsuit, gears up for battle

By **ANNE BLYTHE**
THE NEWS & OBSERVER

Rosannell Johnson Eaton, a 92-year-old Franklin County resident, listened with rapt attention Tuesday as lawyers and the head of the state NAACP outlined their legal challenge of the sweeping revisions to North Carolina's voting procedures.

The day before, North Carolina Gov. Pat McCrory had signed the GOP-designed revisions into law, and the stroke of his pen set off a flourish of lawsuits.

The new law requires voters to show government-issued ID cards, shortens early voting by a week, ends same-day registration and increases the number of poll observers who can challenge a voter's eligibility. The law also ends straight-ticket voting and eliminates preregistration initiatives for high school students.

McCrory said Monday in a YouTube statement that the

new law would safeguard the election process. "Protecting the integrity of every vote cast is among the most important duties I have as governor," he said. "It's why I signed these common-sense commonplace protections into law."

Eaton, who has lived in Louisburg her entire life within seven miles of her birthplace, was one of the first blacks registered to vote in the 1940s in Franklin County. To be eligible to cast a ballot, she had to recite the U.S. Constitution preamble to three county registrars as part of a required literacy test.

Now she's preparing for another voting test as a lead plaintiff in one of the legal challenges of the new elections law.

A proponent of early voting who has spent years helping others get to the polls, Eaton claims that provisions of the new law are too restrictive and will hinder her ability to vote. She has a North Carolina

driver's license, but she fears that the name on it may not match the name on her certified birth certificate. That's because she was born at home and a midwife inaccurately wrote her name on her birth certificate, she said.

In the lawsuit filed in federal court Monday, she contended the new law will force her to "incur substantial time and expense" to correct her identification documents.

"What this is doing is setting back the country," Eaton said. "I don't think people should be doing things like that."

As the plaintiffs in the lawsuits filed in federal and state court explained their challenges of the new elections law, advocates of IDs and other revisions worked to bolster their cases.

J. Christian Adams, a former U.S. Justice Department lawyer, issued a statement Tuesday that was critical of

the NAACP and ACLU, organizations behind two of the lawsuits.

"Groups like the NAACP and ACLU have consistently opposed every election integrity measure, and have even opposed any compromises," said Adams, who was hired during the Bush administration but resigned in 2010 after accusing the Obama administration of having a racial agenda. "They have had long-standing problems even finding plaintiffs who are unable to obtain the free voter identification. This lawsuit is about the politics of the 2014 election, not civil rights. They are trying to mobilize their political base by dishonestly scaring Americans into thinking these new laws to fight voter fraud will impact law-abiding Americans."

Others have accused the Republicans who pushed for the changes as the fear mongers. They argued the bill had more

to do with limiting votes cast than protecting a process that has yielded little documented evidence of voter fraud.

The Rev. William Barber II, head of the state NAACP, looked into the bank of TV cameras trained on the podium

at Tuesday's news conference. With the same fiery oratory he used during the weekly "Moral Monday" demonstrations this summer, Barber described the governor's decision to sign the law as "a vulgar misuse of power."



PHOTO BY CHRIS SEWARD | MCT
The Rev. William Barber, head of the N.C. NAACP, right, confers with lead attorneys Adam Stein, left, and Penda Hair, center, after a press conference where they announced that the group is filing a lawsuit against the recently passed Voter ID bill in Durham, North Carolina.

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Being independent takes 'More Than You Think'

The Ember Days reflect on faith, touring and life as an independent band



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Top: From left: Jedidiah Lachmann, Jordan MacKenzie, Janell Belcher, Jason Belcher and Logan MacKenzie

Above: Janell Belcher experiences the emotion of the music as the band performs.

Below: Jason Belcher plays the guitar with The Ember Days.

Bottom right: The Ember Days perform at Veritas Community Church in Columbus, Ohio on Aug. 8.

By **SAMUEL SPECIALE**
MANAGING EDITOR

In the age of Spotify and Internet radio, many independent bands have called it quits as touring costs skyrocket; but, The Ember Days, an indie rock and worship quintet from Auckland, New Zealand, have put their faith in God to provide as they tour for their latest release, "More Than You Think."

Since coming to America, The Ember Days have partnered with Come&Live, a nonprofit organization that shares faith through music and mission work. Unlike a record label, Come&Live is a Christian ministry that helps bands by promoting and distributing their music for free.

Most independent albums cost \$10,000 or more to produce, but The Ember Days have chosen to fund their albums through crowdfunding websites like Kickstarter.

Jason Belcher said there are pros and cons to being an independent band, but building a community of supporters is his favorite part.

"For us, it's not a gimmick because without supporters we wouldn't be able to record," Jason Belcher said. "It takes a lot of people to raise that kind of money. It really rallies a community around you, and it's really encouraging."

It was that community that helped The Ember Days through trying times when Janell Belcher, vocalist and keyboardist, was diagnosed with lupus weeks before the band left to tour their previous album, "Emergency."

After hearing the news, the band had to cancel their

tour and go on an extended hiatus.

"I was in a wheelchair and really sick," Janell Belcher said. "We [Jason and I] were also having a baby, so we didn't know if that was going to be it, if The Ember Days was going to be done or if we were going to get through this sickness, have our kid and just live normal lives. Obviously, that didn't happen."

During the hiatus, Janell Belcher recovered and the band was inspired to write a new album.

While an unconventional approach, the band once again used Kickstarter and raised more than \$35,000 to make a new album with Grammy award winning producers Ed Cash and Paul Moak.

The new album was released in January and showcases songs about the band's journey of faith through hardship and struggle.

"I never stopped believing I was going to get through it all, but there was a lot of despair and crying out to God to comfort me," Janell Belcher said. "I felt distant from God at the time too, which was even more horrible, but my community around me helped me get through it."

Jason Belcher said faith is important to everything the band does, from writing music to conducting business.

"Faith is definitely key," Belcher said. "Normally, the business side looks like there isn't enough money, but money always comes."

At the start of their tour for "More Than You Think," the band had no money for gas

to get to their first show. Instead of panicking, the band trusted God.

"We had a van to sell, so we prayed," Jason Belcher said. "The van sold at 7:30 p.m. on July 4, the night before we left to tour. This is a miracle tour."

Logan MacKenzie, guitarist, said the band has gotten used to experiencing miracles while being out on tour.

"In the past, our vans kept breaking down, and we never had the money to fix them because mechanical problems would cost like a thousand dollars, but then we would randomly get \$1,000 out of merch on those nights," MacKenzie said. "It's random things like that when you really see God providing."

Jason Belcher said the band is thankful faith produces miracles, so they use their music to give back to God.

"Faith plays into our philosophy because we see that God is creative, and we are in his image, so we are creative," Jason Belcher said. "For us, the music is just an expression of the most beautiful creativity that we can come up with. It's just a response to the majesty of God through music."

One month into the tour, The Ember Days has a long road ahead of them. The band will continue touring the country through September and invite people to download their music for free at comeandlive.com.

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OPINION

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EDITORIAL

College is what you make of it

Summer vacation is almost over. In less than two weeks, many optimistic students will start their first year of college while others start what they hope will be their last.

Once the semester starts, this edition of The Parthenon will still be at newsstands around campus; so, it is the staff's desire to offer advice to incoming and returning students.

The start of a new semester is always exciting as new opportunities present themselves, but students need to focus on their goals, lest they lose sight of what really matters: getting an education.

For many students, this will be their first time away from home. Newfound freedom can be a good or bad thing depending on the student, but balance is necessary to make it through the first year of college — or the final year, for that matter.

Balance takes discipline, but creating a schedule and managing one's time is a simple way to stay on task during difficult stretches in the semester.

College tuition is too expensive (even at Marshall University) to make mistakes that require redos or transfers.

For some, balance will not be a problem, but some students have to make time for classes and extracurricular activities like work, church, sororities, fraternities and intramural sports.

Extracurricular activities are an important part of fully integrating one's self into college life, but they must not come at the expense of education.

The future of America is in the hands of college students, and the future is what one makes of it.

Many students might have their sights set on a future school or career somewhere else and spend their entire time at Marshall not taking advantage of what it has to offer. Others may only be here to fulfill an agreement with their parents. Regardless, it would be foolish not to invest in learning and enjoying everything Marshall and Huntington has to offer.

College, like the future, is what one makes of it. To have a positive experience, one only needs to keep their sights set on learning as much as they can and enjoying the experiences of college.

Online Polls

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Which business would you rather see come to Huntington?

Chipotle
Trader Joe's
Apple Store

Which Marco would you like to see in the upcoming semester?

Current Marco	24%
Marco with a partial makeover	27%
Marco with a full makeover	49%

Voice your opinion. It is your right. Answer our poll at www.marshallparthenon.com or tweet us your answer at @MUParthenon.

COLUMN

Protecting security and privacy

By ROBERT MEEROPOL
LOS ANGELES TIMES

A few weeks from now, a military judge will probably sentence Bradley Manning to serve several decades in prison for violating the Espionage Act of 1917. I feel a kinship with him. My parents, Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, were convicted of violating the same act in 1951. They were executed two years later.

That is only the beginning of my sense of connection with Manning. The prosecutors, and now the judge, have labeled his actions espionage, theft or other unsavory terms. However, what Manning really did was reveal the truth of our government's actions to the American people and the world.

In 1975, my brother and I began our effort to reopen our parents' case by filing a massive, precedent-setting Freedom of Information Act suit against 17 government agencies. Reporters asked us whether we were concerned that the material we sought would merely prove our parents' guilt. We answered that we believed the public had the right to know what was in the secret files even if it did not support our belief that our parents had been framed.

Although the revelations of the ensuing 38 years have, on occasion, challenged my convictions, today I remain convinced that my brother and I set the right course. From more than 300,000 previously secret files we forced into the public eye over the decades, including the release in 2008 of grand jury witness statements that had been kept under wraps almost 50 years, the American people have gained a much clearer picture of what actually happened in my parents' case.

We now know that my parents' trial judge collaborated with the prosecution, that witnesses perjured themselves and that evidence was fabricated; but we also know that my father, co-defendant Morton Sobell and others did provide valuable military information to the Soviet Union during the 1940s. What they transmitted, however, was not the secret of the atomic bomb as the government claimed to justify the death sentence, and the government executed my mother even though officials knew she did not engage in any espionage.

The nuanced understanding we gained from learning the truth about what went on behind the scenes has provided us with very valuable lessons both about security failures and the increased need for constitutional protections in times of crisis.

The whole experience convinced me that citizens must know what the government is doing in their name. This is the only way people can make the kind of knowledgeable judgments essential to a functioning democracy. Manning wrote shortly before his arrest: "I want people to see the truth ... regardless of who they are ... because without information, you cannot make informed decisions as a public."

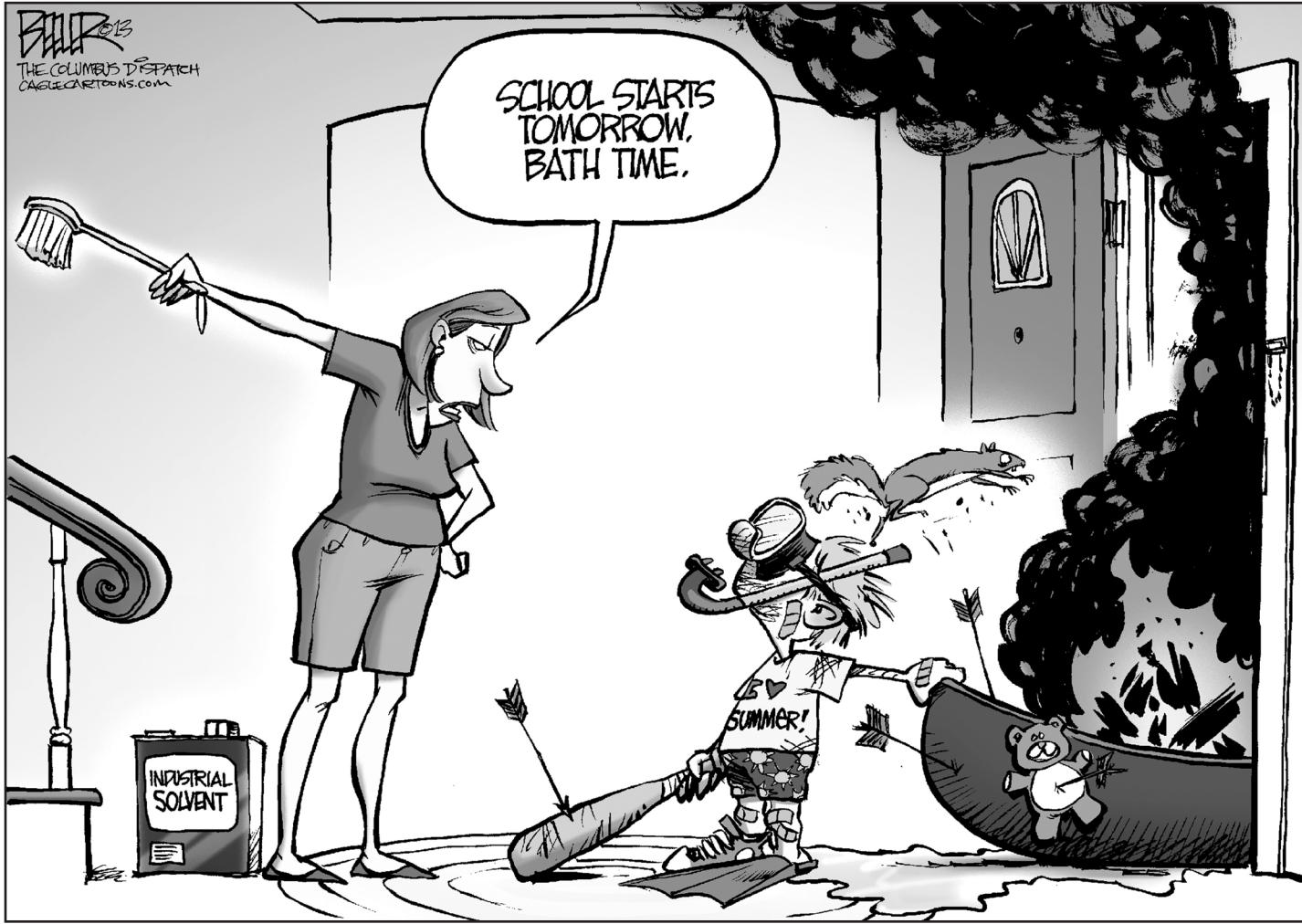
Some think Manning is a traitor. He released classified material that embarrassed the U.S. government and could put us at a disadvantage when dealing with other nations. I think the idea that we should elevate the interests of our country above those of all others, at a time when so many nations have weapons of mass destruction, threatens the security of every person on the planet.

My parents placed their faith in the U.S.S.R., a nation they felt represented the interests of the working class, which they believed included the vast majority of the world's people. I think they were misguided. While some countries may be a lot better than others, none has evolved to the point of deserving uncritical support. Although I do not reflexively reject the application of all state power, my primary identification is with humanity as a whole.

Manning also wrote: "I can't separate myself from others," and he continued, "I feel connected to everybody ... like they were distant family." Isn't that how we all should be thinking? Manning believed that everyone in this messy human family we've created deserved to know the truth, and he was so appalled by what he considered U.S. war crimes in Iraq that he felt compelled to act. He will go to prison for that.

Meanwhile, those responsible for the things Manning revealed will go unpunished. And our leaders will continue to do everything in their power to hide the truth.

I wish all the world's armies were made up of people like Bradley Manning.



COLUMN

Fourth Estate inspires a generation

By CODI MOHR
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Over the past weekend, I had the opportunity to journey across the country to Los Angeles, Calif. for the Fourth Estate Leadership Summit. The conference, presented by Invisible Children, brought together more than 1,400 activists, young people and educators from around the world to spend the weekend at the University of California Los Angeles.

With an intent to create a united front in the fight against the Lord's Resistance Army in central Africa, Fourth Estate provided students with education and inspiration and left me with a new view of the world around me.

The first thing I noticed as I climbed the monstrous hills of UCLA's campus was the undeniable energy surrounding attendees and staff. Each person seemed just as eager to meet me as I was to meet each of them.

Throughout the summit, we attended five main sessions in UCLA's Royce Hall. We sat through films, talks and live performances by experts in the fields of film, business, journalism, economics and international justice. After a jaw-dropping performance by The Legion of Extraordinary Dancers, Jason Russell, co-founder of Invisible Children, set the

tone for the weekend with a thematic statement.

"Your life is bigger than your best dream for it," Russell said. "Find the dream of your life, and pursue it with all your might."

The power behind Russell's statement soon became evident as The Buried Life, a group of four men made famous by an MTV reality show of the same name, announced the donation of a bionic arm to a girl born without her right hand.

Taking the audience from one emotional moment to the next, we were shown Sundance award-winning documentary, "Blood Brother." The film tells the story of Rocky Braat and his work in an orphanage for HIV positive children in India. As the credits rolled and Braat took the Royce Hall stage with Surya, one of the children who comes near death in the film, the auditorium erupted with applause.

The night was heartwarming, and few if any eyes were dry by the end.

Bright and early the next morning, 1,400 of us wearily made the twenty-minute trek to Royce Hall for the second main session of the summit featuring talks by Ben Keesey, Invisible Children CEO, iO Tillet Wright, artist and activist and Dan Pollotta, author and activist. We spent the remainder of the day in

smaller group sessions with varying subjects. I attended "Is Religion Destroying the World?," a discussion of different perceptions of organized religion, and "Best of the Internet," a screening of the videos inspiring the creative minds of Invisible Children.

The final day of sessions left us wondering if it is possible to actually die of inspiration. Not only did attendees raise \$28,340 (and counting) to fund "come home" fliers dropped into the Congo over a group of LRA fighters, but we also witnessed the first public speech of the newly appointed U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, Samantha Power.

The night ended with a theme song composed by Hans Zimmer, a flash mob dance with LXD and a raging, all-night dance party.

The Fourth Estate Summit was more than I ever could have imagined it would be. I walked away from the weekend with a new outlook on the world and a self-awareness I had never before experienced. I have learned to find the beauty in togetherness, and aim to, in the words of South African anti-apartheid movement leader, Jay Naidoo, "Create a tsunami of hope that will overwhelm those who divide us."

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Herd getting defensive

By WILL VANCE
SPORTS EDITOR

For the 2012 edition of Thundering Herd football, the defense was the proverbial Achilles Heel, giving up over 40 points per game and ranking No.119 out of 120 in scoring defense.

So far in 2013 summer practice, however, the demeanor of the defense has been night and day from last season. A new defensive coordinator in Chuck Heater and several new and returning pieces are factoring into a defense that looks totally different.

"They're a confident group," Head Coach Doc Holliday said. "Chuck [Heater] and that whole staff have done a tremendous job and there are a lot more athletes out there than there have been in the past."

Heater joins the Herd's coaching staff with 37 years of coaching experience, including winning national titles with Florida in 2007 and 2009 coaching with Doc Holliday.

Along the defensive line, returning defensive ends Jeremiah Taylor and Alex Bazzie have embraced a leadership role with the team.

"What we do up front sets the tone for the defense," Bazzie said. "If we don't set the example the guys behind us can't follow."

Between Bazzie and Taylor at the defensive tackle position, a combination of youth and experience is creating results. Seniors Brandon Sparrow and James Roush, who was injured last season, bring experience to the position while freshman Josh Brown and redshirt sophomores Steve Dillon and Jarquez Samuel have shown they are ready to contribute.

"It's coming together real well," Sparrow said. "In my career here we've been pretty light at the defensive line and it's great to have quality depth and not just bodies."

The 6 foot 7 inch, 292 pound Brown in particular has been one of the young stars of summer camp, proving almost impossible to block in one-on-one drills.

"He's getting better every day," Sparrow said of Brown, "just like the rest of us."

At linebacker, Jermaine Holmes has won the battle for middle linebacker after battling Cortez Carter for the position in the spring. Junior transfer Neville Hewitt has found his place at the strong linebacker after picking things up remarkably quick.

The team has played primarily a 4-2 scheme so far, but when going 4-3 redshirt senior linebacker Derek Mitchell has come in at weak side linebacker.

Jermaine Holmes said that Coach Heater's coaching has helped the linebacker corps that struggled last season.

"He's been telling us to run to the football and trust the man next to us," Holmes said. "We didn't really hear that last year."

The secondary has made the most



Senior defensive tackle Brandon Sparrow (left) and redshirt sophomore safety D.J. Hunter bring down the ball carrier against Memphis during last seasons game at Joan C. Edwards Stadium.

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dramatic change after Heater was made the secondary coach as well as defensive coordinator. After both safety positions were vacated after Dominick LeGrande and Okechukwu Okoroha left after last season, D.J. Hunter and Taj Letman have been playing safety for the first team defense.

Hunter, a redshirt sophomore who was moved to linebacker last season due to injuries, has easily made the transition back to his natural position. Letman, a redshirt sophomore transfer, has brought more physicality to the position. Letman said Coach Heater is different than other defensive coordinators he has played under.

"Coach Heater is probably my first real defensive coach who knows exactly what he's doing, I call him the Guru," Letman said. "He's had a lot of players he's transformed into great players on and above. He's kind of tough on me sometimes because he expects more out of me, but he knows what he's doing so I just do what he says step by step."

Injuries decimated the Herd's cornerbacks last season, with Darryl Roberts lost for the season and Travon Van leaving the team after being moved from running back to corner. Remaining corners Keith Baxter, Monterius Lovett and Derrick Thomas had difficulties staying healthy, many times suiting up on Saturday without being able to practice all week.

Now, Roberts has returned from injury and has been practicing with the first team defense opposite a rotation of Lovett and

Thomas. The cornerbacks have also been bolstered by Corey Tindel, who has played nickel corner in the defense's 4-2 scheme.

"We've been learning technique and different stuff that [defensive coordinator Chuck] Heater wanted to teach us," Thomas said. "He's really specific and he specifies on a lot of small things, so I feel like we're understanding what we're doing more and not lining up wrong, so we've improved a lot."

Coach Heater has also tailored his scheme to match his players.

"Coach Heater likes to run man coverage because our corners can cover very well, so that's an advantage for us," Roberts said. "We can match up in base, nickel or dime."

During the teams first summer scrimmage the improvement on defense was apparent. After being bullied by the offense much of last season and the spring, the defense held starting quarterback and reigning C-USA MVP Rakeem Cato to 10 of 16 passing for 97 yards and an interception, and back-up quarterback Blake Frohnapef, who could start for many C-USA teams, to 9 of 16 passing for 69 yards and an interception as well.

"At this point in camp, if the defense isn't a little bit ahead of the offense, we have a problem," coach Holliday said. "A year ago I couldn't say that and we had problems, but right now I think they're where they need to be and they need to get better."

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There is more to fall sports than football

COLUMN

By BRAXTON CRISP
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As the fall semester approaches, student athletes from fall sports have been returning to campus for training camps. While football has garnered most of the attention for this month of August so far, men's and women's soccer and volleyball are getting prepared for the start of their seasons.

Among the biggest storylines for those programs are the new facilities they'll each enjoy. By now, everyone knows about the \$8 million Veteran's Memorial Soccer Complex being built a few blocks down 5th Avenue. From Joan C. Edwards Stadium, but the volleyball squad will be the first to compete on a new hardwood floor being installed inside the Cam Henderson Center later this month and the beginning of next month.

The opening of the soccer facility presents many new opportunities, particularly ones involving scheduling. Often times, teams from around the country wouldn't come play against The Herd in Huntington citing a questionable playing surface at the old Sam Hood Field. Other common reasons why teams wouldn't make the trip to Huntington included the lack of a true "bench" area and no onsite locker rooms. None of that holds true anymore. The teams will move into new locker rooms and coaches into new offices sometime in the next couple of weeks prior to the teams getting their first game action on Aug 23 when the men's team scrimmages against a group of Marshall Soccer alumni and the women play the first sanctioned game against Campbell.

The volleyball team will hit the road for much of the first two weeks of the season,

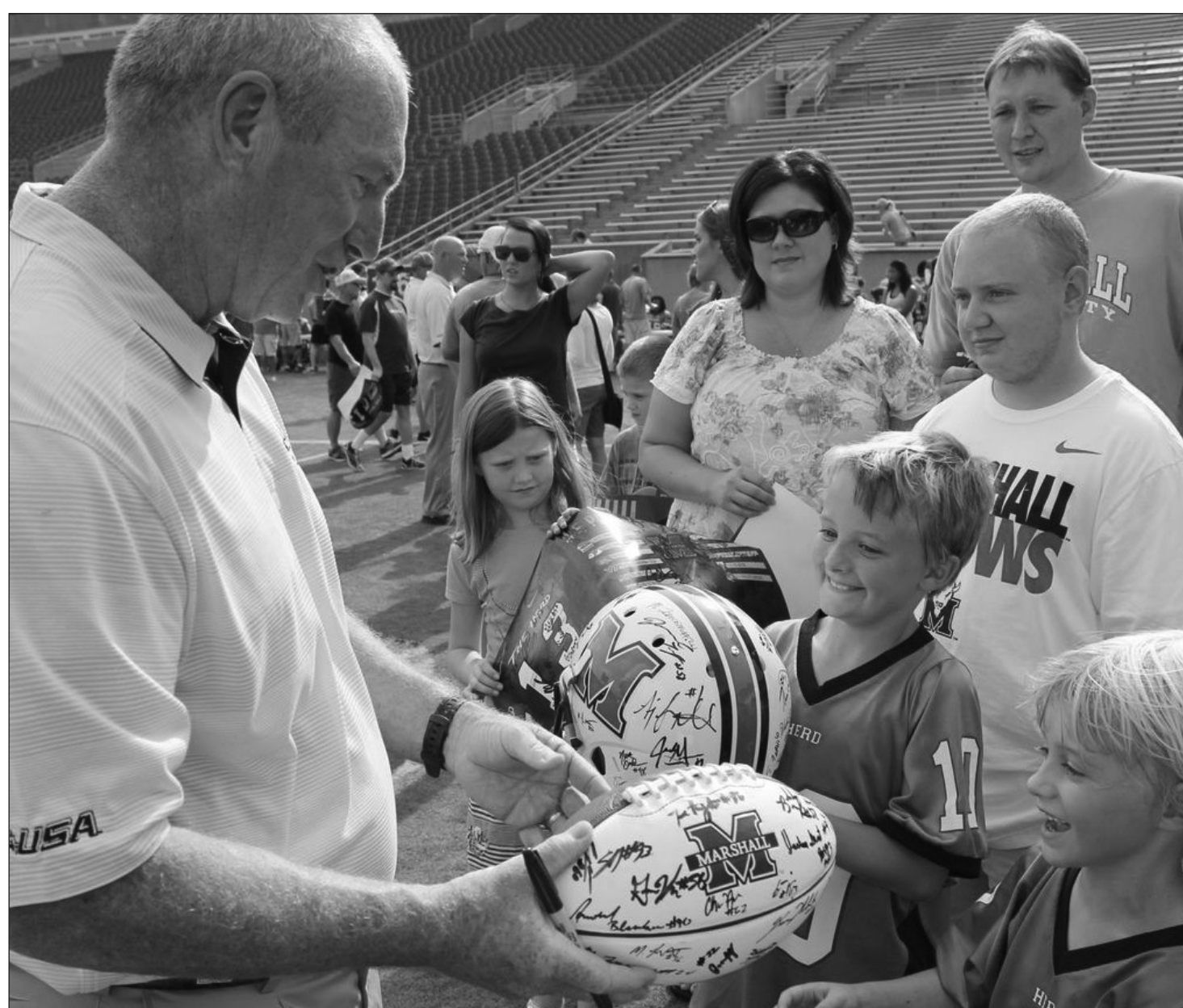
before hosting East Tennessee State at home, then welcoming Eastern Kentucky, Southern Illinois and Kent State as part of the Thunder Invite Sept 13 and 14. That will be the first competition held on a brand new arena floor which will replace the current hardwood that has been in use for the better part of 15 years.

In speaking with women's soccer head coach Kevin Long this past week, he could not emphasize enough how excited he is for the ability for the games to be streamed on the Herd-Zone.com All-Access channel online so the families of players could watch the games from anywhere with an internet connection. That capability was not available before because Sam Hood Field did not have internet service.

There is also plenty to be excited about in terms of the sports themselves. On the women's soccer front, forward Erin Simmons was selected for the preseason All-Conference team as a sophomore. Men's soccer head coach Bob Gray enters his 19th season with the youngest team he's had in his tenure at Marshall. Speaking of Gray's tenure, he's the longest tenured coach of any head coach at Marshall University. Volleyball's senior outside hitter Laura Der garnered preseason All-Conference recognition herself, and the Herd returns a plethora of players as well as adding some new ones via transfer and out of high school.

Despite the fact that soccer and volleyball don't pull in the thousands of dollars and fans that other sports do, there is still plenty to be excited about for fall sports at Marshall. Don't believe me? Just wait for each squad's home opener.

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Marshall head football coach Doc Holliday signs memorabilia for young fans at the teams fan day Sunday at Joan C. Edwards Stadium.

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