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Marshall announces change from Pepsi to Coke on campus

By **TAYLOR STUCK**
and **GEOFFREY FOSTER**
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University students and faculty will be seeing red as they head back to campus for the start of the semester.

The university announced last week it would now be a Coke campus as opposed to Pepsi, as it has been for the past five years.

The vending contract with Pepsi Co. expired July 31, said Dave Wellman, director of university communications, which meant it had to be "bid out." Both Coke and Pepsi placed new bids with Coke being awarded the new contract.

"The decision was based on product quality/selection, marketing, pricing, promotional materials, financial offering, ect.,

and was made by a committee of eight people," Wellman said.

Marshall athletic events will still sell Pepsi products at concessions, said David Steele, associate director of athletics for administration and business. IMG College owns Marshall's marketing rights, including soft drink distribution at events.

For students and faculty, this means no more Mountain Dew or Gatorade.

Eli Gates, freshman international business major, said as a football player, they aren't allowed to drink soda, so it didn't really matter much.

"If I were allowed, it would definitely be a negative," Gates said. "Not really a Coke fan."

Multiple students, including Chris Chen, graduate business administration student,

said it doesn't matter either way.

"For me it doesn't matter because it all tastes the same," Chen said.

Changes are in the process of being made. Wellman said Pepsi began removing their vending machines Aug. 4 from all three campus locations in Huntington, South Charleston and Point Pleasant. Coke will begin loading their machines Aug. 11.

The transition should be complete by Week of Welcome, beginning Aug. 20.

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Men wanted in stadium break-in

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The Marshall University Police Department are searching for two men who broke into the Joan C. Edwards Football Stadium Sunday, WSAZ reported Wednesday night.

Police said the two men broke into the stadium Sunday afternoon, setting off several fire extinguishers and leaving with alcohol.

The men were seen driving away in a black Ford truck.

Anyone with any information is asked to call the police.

Federal court takes up gay marriage cases from 4 states

By **MAYA SRIKRISHNAN**
LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

A federal appeals panel in Cincinnati heard arguments Wednesday from six same-sex marriage cases that have worked their way through the courts in Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee.

In all six cases, judges in lower courts have affirmed gay rights by either striking down state bans on same-sex marriage or by requiring state governments to recognize the rights of gay couples who were married in states where such marriages are legal.

In two of the cases, the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals will have to decide whether to uphold same-sex marriage bans in Michigan and Kentucky that were approved by voters in 2004. In the other cases, the court will rule on whether Ohio, Tennessee and Kentucky should have to recognize the rights of same-sex couples who were married in states where gay marriages are legal.

Judges Jeffrey S. Sutton and Deborah L. Cook, appointed by President George W. Bush, and Martha Craig Daughtrey, who was appointed by President Bill Clinton, peppered the attorneys with questions throughout the day, with each state having its turn. Audio of the proceedings was streamed by the court.

Daughtrey seemed to make it clear how she was leaning, at one point saying that since 18 states and Washington, D.C., followed Massachusetts in legalizing same-sex marriage, "it doesn't look like the sky has fallen."

Sutton and Cook gave less indication, frequently challenging lawyers from both sides of each case, but suggesting at various times that deference should be given to voters who supported same-sex bans in Michigan and Kentucky.

"Maybe there's something I'm missing, but I would have thought that the best way to get respect and dignity is through

the democratic process," Sutton said. Cook agreed, commenting that court intervention in the issue "disparages the voters of Michigan."

Attorneys from both sides in the Michigan and Ohio cases went first, each having 30 minutes to argue. Then lawyers from the Kentucky and Tennessee cases followed, having 15 minutes each.

The first arguments were from a Michigan lawsuit in which one lesbian couple were unable to jointly adopt their three children under the state's gay marriage ban. The state's ban was struck down by U.S. District Judge Bernard Friedman in March.

Michigan's solicitor general, Aaron Lindstrom, defended the state's 2004 vote by arguing that changes in law should come "not through the courts, but through the people."

"The most basic right we have as a people is to decide public policy questions on our own," Lindstrom said. He also argued that there had not been comprehensive studies to show how children raised by same-sex couples fared.

Attorney Carole Stanyar, representing the Michigan plaintiffs, argued that "fundamental constitutional rights may not be submitted to popular vote" and that "the Michigan marriage amendment gutted the democratic process."

Stanyar also argued that under Michigan law, gays and lesbians are allowed to adopt children and that adoptive parents are allowed the same rights as biological parents, so therefore the ban shouldn't apply to adoptive parents just because they are a same-sex couple.

Ohio, which has two cases, was up next. Both cases involve the recognition of marriage rights for couples who were married out of state. One

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Garden Market open every Wednesday in Student Center



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ABOVE: The Campus Garden Market is open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Wednesday in the Memorial Student Center. The market sells plants and produce grown in the campus garden.

RIGHT: Angela Kargul, lead gardener, sells produce from the campus garden every Wednesday in the Memorial Student Center.

By **GEOFFREY FOSTER**
NEWS EDITOR

Since 2010, Marshall University's Sustainability Department has been cultivating a free garden for students and faculty. Located behind the Campus Career Center, the garden was open to anybody who wished to pick from it. However, the Campus Garden Market opened at the Memorial Student Center this summer to supplant the former method, allowing lead gardener Angela Kargul to closely monitor the garden and ensure vegetables were not picked prematurely.

"We ask that students do not pick from the garden and come to the market instead," Kargul said. "We were having issues last year with people picking vegetables that weren't ready to be picked and breaking the crops. I accidentally break the plants while picking, too, so it's better to have less people in the garden because it keeps the plants healthier. The market is a better system; you can get everything together in one place at one time. It's just nice to have a central place because last year I was walking

all over campus with my basket and it got very heavy. It's a lot easier this way."

The garden offers various vegetables picked from the garden and young plants that have not yet reached maturity, encouraging people to start their own garden. The market offers both vegetable and herb plants. The items at the market are free, but donations are accepted and welcome. All donations go to-

wards the ongoing cultivation of the garden.

However, the outdoor garden is not the only one on campus.

"Aside from the vegetable garden, we have two butterfly gardens, one in the shade, one in the sun," Kargul said. "Those gardens are designed to attract butterflies, especially monarchs, because they



travel from Maine to Mexico and they need way stations along the way to feed and breed. We also have a rooftop garden and a rain garden by the Child Development Center. A rain garden is for storm

roof top garden in April at the new engineering building."

Although the market is currently promoted as a summer event, Kargul said it will not end with summer session.

"I am going to do this until it snows," Kargul said. "We still have lots of crops and we are just now starting to get more and more vegetables. When we first started the market it was just green vegetables and more plants, but now the opposite is true. We are going to start a fall crop in the greenhouse soon."

The Campus Garden Market is open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Wednesday in the Student Center. Students and faculty can visit the Marshall Sustainability Department Facebook page to see photographs of the assorted vegetables available from week to week.

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"We still have lots of crops and we are just now starting to get more and more vegetables."

> Angela Kargul, lead gardener

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Colleges look for ways to cut cost of textbooks

By **CARLA RIVERA**
LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

It's the middle of summer and while many other students are hanging out at the beach or preoccupied with jobs, Elizabeth Rodriguez is emailing instructors for information about the books she will need as a junior this fall at California State University, Dominguez Hills.

Her method is to find the books early and cheaply through online sites such as Amazon.com and eBay rather than paying full price for texts that can cost upward of \$300 at the school bookstore.

The strategy is much simpler for Cal State, San Marcos, senior Jeffrey "J. J." Gutowski. He's stopped buying books altogether, unless he is convinced he needs them to pass a course, and then he will share a classmate's text or rent one online.

Such pushbacks to the soaring costs of textbooks have not gone unnoticed by officials at California State University, which began a new effort recently to offer more affordable options such as digital textbooks, rentals, buy-back programs and, most significantly, incentives for faculty to redesign courses to use low-cost or no-cost alternatives to textbooks.

The 23-campus Cal State system is also leading a joint endeavor with the University of California and community colleges to develop an online library of free textbooks in 50 popular courses.

As colleges look to reduce the overall cost of education, many are centering efforts on course materials, which, according to Cal State officials, sets an average student back more than \$1,000 annually.

That's an 18 percent addition to an undergraduate's annual \$5,472 tuition. According to the UC website, students pay about \$1,500 for textbooks and supplies, adding about 11 percent to the \$13,200 in overall tuition and fees. And at California community colleges, many students can pay more for textbooks than for course fees, officials said.

A national student survey released in January by the U.S. Public Interest Research Group Foundation found that 65 percent of respondents said they didn't purchase a textbook because it was too expensive — even though most feared that their grades would suffer.

Making course materials more affordable has become key to increasing student success, said Gerry Hanley, Cal State's assistant vice chancellor for academic technology services.

"My goal is to cut costs by 50 percent for all students," said Hanley, who oversees the initiative that helps faculty find low-cost teaching materials. "My real desire is to make materials free for everyone, but I recognize that the creation of content and publication is real work."

Students saved an estimated \$30 million total in 2013-14 in Cal State bookstores by using digital textbooks, renting print copies, buying used ones and using other sources, Hanley said.

A student looking for the intermediate accounting textbook at the Dominguez Hills bookstore, for example, would find a new copy for \$318.75 and a used one for \$239.25. Renting a new copy would cost \$191.25 and a used copy \$153, while a digital version of the text costs \$59.49. Last spring, about 50,000 digital textbook titles were available to Cal State students and faculty systemwide.

Despite the growth of digital formats, the trend is for students to rent hardbacks, campus store manager Brian Lacey said.

Faculty members are also collaborating with libraries and bookstores to offer options that can greatly reduce costs. At Dominguez Hills, a spring sociology course on aging offered a free e-book version of the required \$104.50 textbook through the campus library.

More than 200 of the campus' 750-member faculty have revised their courses to offer low-cost or no-cost alternatives to costly textbooks. For M. Keith Claybrook Jr., a lecturer in African studies, that means using scanned articles, drawing chapters from full textbooks to create customized readers and using e-books available for free through the campus library. Materials for an introduction to hip hop class taught in the spring retailed for \$95.74 but students got them free.

"My role as an educator is to make sure (students) have the tools and resources needed to maximize learning," Claybrook said. "I don't want to penalize my students who have financial hardships or limitations that prevent them from getting course materials; I'm not here to make the bookstore or publishing company rich."

A program at the San Marcos campus offers faculty grants from \$500 to \$1,500 to those who redesign their course syllabus using "open education" resources or creating their own materials. Natalie Wilson, a lecturer in women's studies and literature who is a faculty representative for the program, has redesigned two courses and is revising a film studies class to be free.

"The textbook marketplace is broken with the problem being that the people choosing the textbooks aren't the ones who are actually buying the books," said Emily Rusch, executive director of the California Public Interest Research Group.

David Anderson, executive director for higher education at the Association of American Publishers, said publishers are doing their part to provide students with more alternatives, including offering more digital content that can rent for 60 percent less than the hardback.

But he cautioned against the use of free online materials that may not provide the quality that faculty are used to, which could shortchange students.

"Forty percent of students who go into a four-year university don't graduate and 20 percent need some form of remedial education," Anderson said. "For entering college students that need help, these learning materials are tailor-made to give them that help."

Cal State's open library was established under 2013 legislation to rein in skyrocketing education costs. The system received \$2 million in grants and state funding and a council of academic appointees is reviewing free online books that can be used in the three higher education systems. The library so far includes texts

for courses in chemistry, communications, economics, history and math.

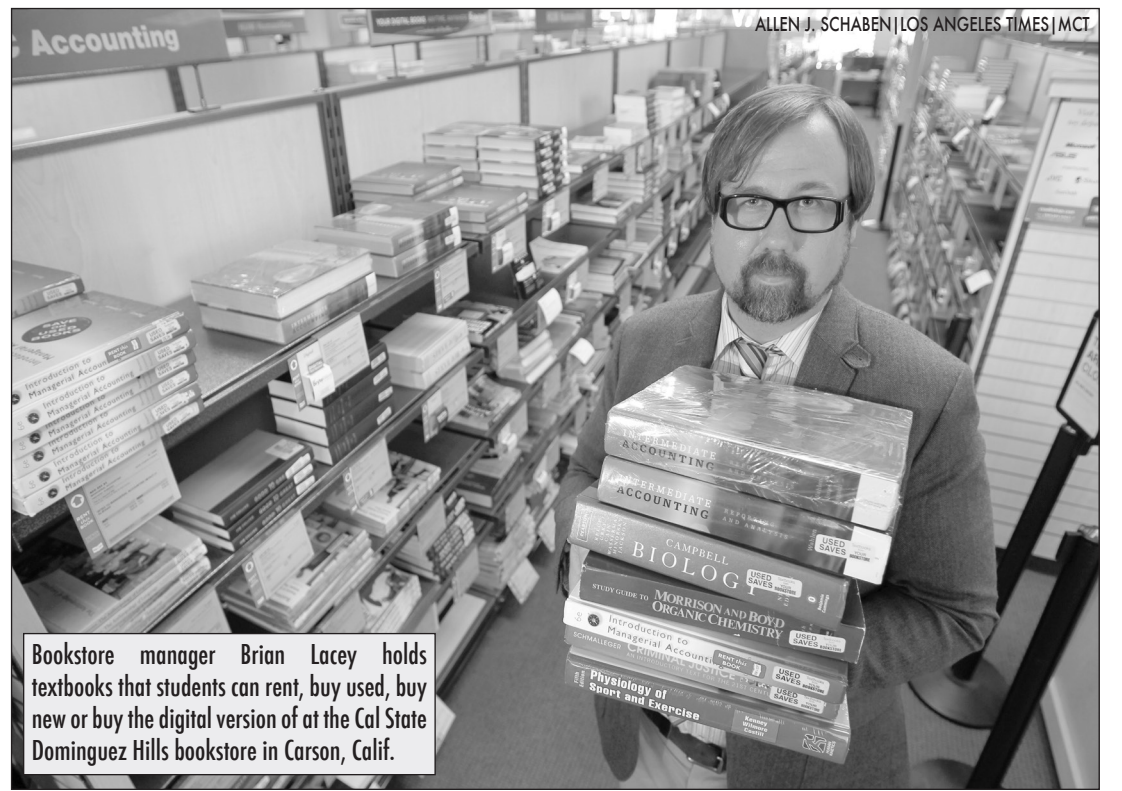
Katie Boggs, a San Marcos senior majoring in business administration, said more of her professors are using older textbook editions and creating their own, cheaper workbooks that reduce costs considerably. But she still sometimes shares books with classmates, and said students need more upfront information about ways to avoid paying full price at the bookstore.

"Some professors have told us you can borrow books at the library, and it's a nice resource when they're available but they are few and far between," said Boggs, 21.

Rodriguez, meanwhile, learned that in her upcoming business law class, professor Charles Thomas is creating a cost-saving soft-bound reader using selected chapters from the full textbook — good news for someone who pays for materials out of her own pocket.

But she employs other efficiencies, such as finding used books that have little highlighting and no torn pages, using Post-it notes rather than writing in the margins, and then selling her copies to other students at a discount.

"I guess I've become sort of an expert," Rodriguez said.



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involves two gay men who sued to be listed as the surviving spouses on their dying husbands' death certificates. In the other lawsuit, three lesbian and one gay couple sued for the right for both spouses to be on their children's birth certificates. U.S. District Judge Timothy S. Black ruled against the state in both cases in December and April, but the orders were stayed pending appeal.

Solicitor Gen. Eric Murphy argued that such a change could raise implementation issues.

When asked by Sutton to detail such issues, Murphy said a legislative response would be needed to do things such as change wording on birth certificates from "a father and mother" to "parent one and parent two."

"There's no doubt that it would require new laws being passed," Murphy said.

"Or forms being reprinted, perhaps," Daughtrey said.

Two cases were heard from Kentucky. One was filed by three couples last year seeking to have their marriages from other states recognized by Kentucky, and in July, U.S. District Judge John G. Heyburn agreed. The second case involves Kentucky's ban on gay marriage, which was struck down by the same judge in February. Both rulings are on hold pending appeal.

While lawyers for the plaintiffs argued that the state has no rational reason to prohibit same-sex couples from getting married, the state's

attorneys said Kentucky has an economic interest in married couples having children to maintain population stability. Daughtrey criticized this argument, calling it "circular logic."

In the Tennessee case, three same-sex couples sued to be recognized on their children's birth certificates. In March, U.S. District Judge Aleta Trauger issued an injunction against the state, blocking it from enforcing the gay marriage ban against the three couples, who were married states where same-sex marriage is legal.

"No one can deny that marriage has other aspects, but they are not the reasons the Supreme Court identified it as a fundamental right," said Tennessee acting Solicitor Gen. Joe Whalen, also arguing the economic and population point.

"There's not a logical link between procreation and what these laws are attempting to do," said Bill Harbison, who represented the plaintiffs. "They don't further procreation."

According to University of Richmond law professor Carl Tobias, this ruling could be pivotal. If the 6th Circuit decides against same-sex marriage, it would add pressure to the U.S. Supreme Court to settle the issue in its next session, which begins in October and ends in June, he said.

Federal appeals courts in Denver and Richmond, Va., have already ruled in favor of gay marriage, and on Tuesday, Utah appealed the Denver-based court's ruling to the U.S. Supreme Court in hopes that it would uphold the state's ban.

There was no indication when the 6th Circuit panel would issue a ruling.

NEWS BRIEFS

H.E.L.P. Program offering test prep courses

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The Marshall University H.E.L.P. Program is offering test preparation courses for PSAT, SAT and ACT this fall.

Sessions will cover basic test-taking strategies for the areas of reading comprehension, mathematics and writing.

The first session will be Aug. 12 through Sept. 11 and the second sessions will be Oct. 14 through Nov. 13. All sessions meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

All sessions will take place in Myers Hall. The cost is \$250 for a five week course.

Limited spots are available. Call Susie Bruhin at 304-696-6473 for more information.

Deadlines approaching related to hiring of student, adjunct and temporary personnel

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Deadlines are approaching related to the hiring of fall 2014 student, adjunct and temporary personnel.

All graduate assistants must sign a Graduate Assistant Contract and departments must complete at Personnel Action Form. Both documents need to be in the Graduate Office by Friday. This new process is required to put GAs officially on the payroll and to comply with the Affordable Care Act.

All Personnel Action Request forms and Personnel Action Forms must be in the Human Resources Office by Aug. 12.

All Electronic Personnel Action Forms must be in the Payroll Office by Aug. 15.

A slide presentation can be found on the wvOASIS blog, www.marshall.edu/wvoasis, with additional information about the processing of personnel actions for fall 2014.

Email human-resources@marshall.edu, call 304-696-6455 or stop by Old Main 207 for more information.

Appalachian Studies Association looking for interns

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The Appalachian Studies Association is looking for interns to work with the national association with a regional focus.

Both graduate and undergraduate students may apply.

Interns may help plan and execute a conference with international membership attendance, facilitate research awards in ethnicity and gender in Appalachia and work with the newsletter, website and social media.

For more information, visit http://www.marshall.edu/ucomm/files/web/ASANeedsYou!_August2014.pdf or contact Christopher Leadingham at 304-696-2904 or email asa@marshall.edu.

Dean's list available on Marshall's website

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The names of Marshall University students who made the dean's list for the Spring 2014 semester are available on the Marshall University website.

To make the dean's list, students must have a 3.3 or above grade point average for a minimum of 12 hours. Marshall has 2,564 students included on the website. Students who requested their names not be published are excluded from the list.

Many students and their parents have requested that Marshall make the dean's list available to publications that cover their hometowns.

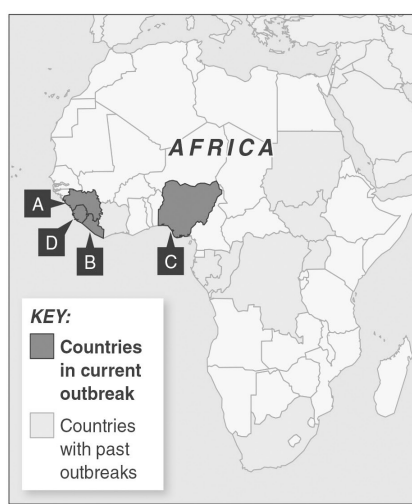
Each student's name, hometown, county (for West Virginia) and state are included on the dean's list, which is accessible at <http://www.marshall.edu/ucomm/deans-list-for-spring-2014/>.

See more at: <http://www.marshall.edu/ucomm/university-communications-press-release-2/?pressid=3634#sthash.Up8AJSJQ.dpuf>.

Ebola death toll rises to 932 in west Africa

The outbreak of Ebola virus in West Africa this year is the most widespread and deadliest occurrence of the disease yet. Most recently Liberia shut down a major hospital in the capital Monrovia after a Spanish priest and six other staff members contracted Ebola.

Country	NUMBER OF EBOLA CASES AND DEATHS as of Aug. 6			Total of confirmed and probable/suspected
	New	Probable/suspected	Confirmed	
A Guinea	Cases	0	144	351
	Deaths	5	135	228
B Liberia	Cases	48	373	339
	Deaths	27	154	128
C Nigeria	Cases	5	9	0
	Deaths	0	1	0
D Sierra Leone	Cases	45	115	576
	Deaths	13	39	247



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By MEGAN OSBORNE
LIFE! EDITOR

The first time The Front Bottoms came to the V Club, the band had a crowd of about 30 people to entertain. Over 100 fans came out to support the band for its second visit, ending a two-month long tour.

Hailing from New Jersey, the four-piece band consists of Brian Sella, vocals and guitar, Matt Uychich, drums, Tom Warren, bass, and Ciaran O'Donnel, keyboard, trumpet and guitar.

"This was our best tour so far," O'Donnel said. He said in terms of everyone getting along and overall smoothness of the tour, it couldn't have gone better.

The band had been touring the country, opening for Say Anything along with The So So Glos and You Blew It!. The tour-ending show at the V Club was an explosive headlining spot for The Front Bottoms that the members collectively decided was a great end to being on the road.

The entire time the band was on stage, Sella expressed how much he loves performing in West Virginia, and for good reason: the band sold out at 123 Pleasant Street in Morgantown in March and nearly did so at the V Club.

The nature of The Front Bottoms' music promotes a high-energy show atmosphere with its sing-along nature and unique sound. The energy of the band was contagious, causing every fan in the house to shout the lyrics to every song sing-along style throughout the band's set.

At the end of the night, the band members packed up and drove through the night back home to New Jersey for some well-deserved rest to prepare for the next move.

Coming up next for The Front Bottoms is a European tour as well as a slot on the Riot Fest lineup in Chicago in September.

O'Donnel said that though he was not an original member of the band, no one ever anticipated the popularity The Front Bottoms would reach, playing large festivals and touring Europe. He said that the original thought behind the band was that "maybe some people would enjoy it and we'd get a few free beers out of it."

"There's not much we can do past this point without making another album," O'Donnel said.

Sella said to the crowd that he plans on including a shout-out to "all his friends in West Virginia" on the next album, as a way to profess his appreciation for the fanbase that has built up here.

The band recently released a 6-track EP called "Rose," a collection of songs that The Front Bottoms had been playing for awhile, but were recorded before the self-titled album that was released in 2011. According to the band's website, the EP is named after Uychich's grandmother Rosemary, and includes all of her favorite songs. The LP will be available Aug. 26.

With a vocal styling similar to that of Say Anything, tongue-in-cheek lyrics comparable to Brand New, and an instrumental aspect similar to that of Neutral Milk Hotel, The Front Bottoms are sure to take listeners back to the broken hearts and broken rules of high school, with a mature twist. Anyone can sing along due to how relatable the songs are.

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TOP: Giant letters "TFB" adorned the stage as The Front Bottoms played. The band played a set that included songs from its 2013 album as well as those written during the inception of the band. MIDDLE: The Front Bottoms' frontman Brian Sella tunes his guitar while talking to the crowd during the band's set at the V Club Thursday, July 31. Sella said the band loves performing for the fans in West Virginia. BOTTOM: Sella (LEFT) sings and plays guitar as Ciaran O'Donnel (RIGHT) switches between trumpet and keyboard.



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EDITORIAL

Senate race continues, four candidates vie for W.Va. seat

Four candidates are in the running for West Virginia's open Senate seat: Democrat Natalie Tennant, Republican Shelley Moore Capito, Libertarian John Buckley and Mountain Party candidate Bob Henry Baber.

Buckley welcomed Baber, issuing the statement, "I am hopeful that Baber's entry may contribute to a more substantive debate over issues, rather than merely about where the

candidates are in the polls three months out from the election."

According to Baber's platform, he supports "transitioning, over time, from coal to alternative energy sources, primarily solar."

The Mountain Party as a whole seeks a living wage for all West Virginia workers, promotion of healthy lifestyles in order to decrease medical expenditures for preventable disease and the elimination of

the sales tax on clothing and food.

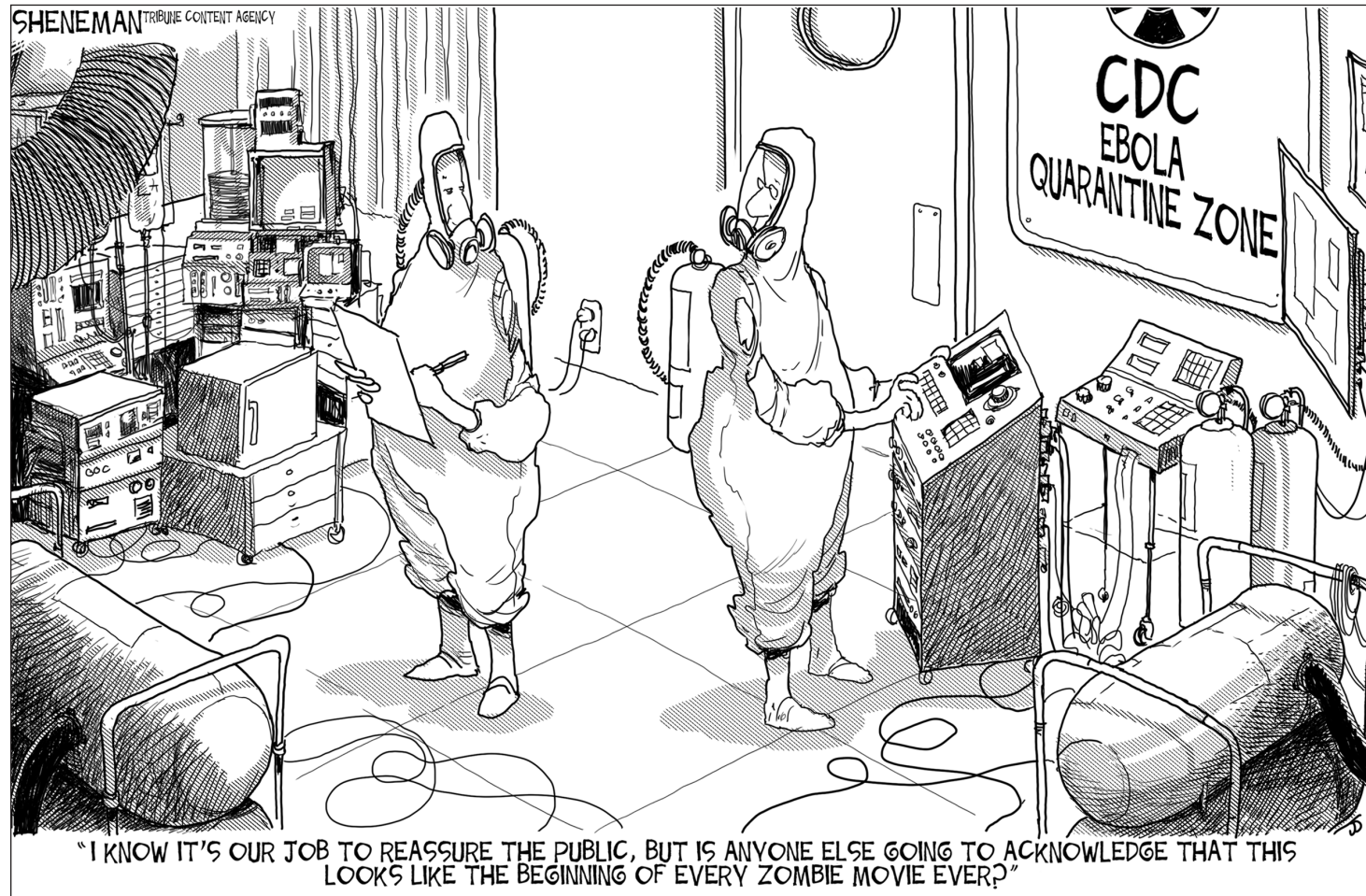
Buckley refers to himself as a "pro-life libertarian" meaning he considers abortion "infringement on the rights of another person."

"The voters now have four choices in the race, instead of three: environmentalist Big Government, liberal Big Government, moderate Big Government or libertarian small government," Buckley

said in a statement released Friday.

It is true, the voters do have four choices now and deciding will require an in-depth analysis of all the issues and the platforms of each candidate.

Because all the candidates have starkly different stances on the issues, voters will have to consider all the positions carefully to make an informed decision in the upcoming election.



COLUMN

The Great Divide: violence vs. sexuality

By **GEOFFREY FOSTER**
NEWS EDITOR

The cultural divide between different nations is probably reflected best through television and film—at least that much is true when comparing America to Europe.

Broadcast TV particularly demonstrates this divide. American shows tend to feature a lot of violence, while European TV often features sex and nudity. Critics are especially fond of saying that violence on American TV is emblematic of our culture, arguing that it is a reflection of who we are as a people.

They even posit the notion that American television reflects a culture bred on violence and hate, while European television reflects a culture based on love and affection.

A popular quote, the originator of which is a mystery, says, "I'd rather my child watch a film of two people making love rather than two people trying to kill each other." While it is hard to argue that point, I do not think the difference between TV content reflects what we value as a culture—it just reflects opposing points of view.

Many folks from across the pond seem genuinely confused why the FCC bans nudity on American TV, yet seems to have no issue with violence, but the answer is very simple: When Americans watch violence on TV, it is fake. No real punches are being thrown and no actual blood is being drawn.

We are viewing fabricated violence. When someone is shot on TV, we are just watching corn syrup and red dye exploding from a pouch hidden under an actor's shirt.

However, when we watch nudity, we are seeing an actual naked body—nothing fabricated. It is the difference between what is fake and what is real.

Despite that distinction, a common belief among many critics is that violent television breeds violent and psychotic behavior, resulting in high rates of assault, murder and rape. I have to disagree.

TV does not cause violence, violent people do.

Psychotic behavior is not a learned trait; it is the result of psychological issues caused by many different factors, such as years of systematic abuse or a chemical imbalance in the

brain. Television is not responsible for that behavior. Perhaps a violent person enjoys those programs in an unhealthy manner, but such shows are not responsible for placing a weapon in that person's hand.

It is hard to say which is worse: exposure to excessive violence or excessive sex. Are Europeans perverts and sexual deviants because they grew up watching television programs and commercials filled with sex? Are Americans bloodthirsty maniacs because of the same? Different threads of research produce different answers, leaving the truth buried somewhere under a heap of statistical records and questionnaires.

Movies reflect this cultural divide, as well—even movies made by the same person. Take director Alfonso Cuarón, for example. Cuarón was the director of last year's groundbreaking film "Gravity" and 2004's "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban," both extremely popular and acclaimed films here in America. What people may not know is that he also made a movie in Mexico called "War in Heaven," which contains scenes depicting

un-simulated sex acts.

The content of these films dictated where they could be shown. No American theater would ever show such a film. It only happened once in this country: In 1972, the pornographic movie "Deep Throat" was released in theaters nationwide. Even then it was banned in large parts of the country and led to a series of obscenity litigations. Perhaps we should have begun with something slightly less controversial to ease Americans into the idea of releasing such movies to the big screen.

Whether or not these cultural differences reflect good or poor values inherent in the country where they are shown is a debate that will never end. However, I think it is a person's values that determine how such content bleeds into their everyday lives and, by extension, their culture as a whole. Furthermore, to judge an entire culture as a single entity with no recognition of diversity or individuality says way more about the critic than the society he or she is critiquing.

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Online Polls

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What is your favorite summer leisure activity?

Swimming
Reading
Playing video games

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COLUMN

An interesting experience in security

This is the eighth in a series of columns about Halie's experiences in Tanzania.

By **HALIE PUTOREK**
GUEST COLUMNIST

Flying back to the United States is an interesting experience. I flew out of Ethiopia July 5 and was headed to Dulles International Airport outside of Washington, D.C.

Because there have been so many recent terrorist attacks in Kenya, Somalia and abductions in Nigeria, the United States government issued travel warnings throughout Africa.

I was flying home the day after Independence Day during a wave of violence happening in the part of the world I was leaving.

I made it through security, and was sitting in the terminal waiting to board the flight to D.C. Suddenly, the terminal was filled with loud and threatening shouts. Everyone became silent and looked in the direction of the shouts.

Later, I heard an American behind me say, "I was expecting to hear gunshots. I was ready to hit the deck." Gunshots did not follow the shouting, and everyone calmed down.

It turns out that a man going through security had an item apprehended by security and was not at all happy.

This experience unnerved me for several reasons.

The fact that the entire terminal of people became silent as death during the shouting indicates that everyone was worried. The fact that everyone in the area stood up to look in the direction of the shouting indicates tension and fear. The term "fight or flight" comes to mind.

In the wake of recent violence in East Africa, most travelers were around the area were cautious and worried—even if the fears were subconscious.

Media outlets broadcast international conflict with urgency and, sometimes, over exaggeration. I do not mean to criticize, as I believe it is important for people to know about events happening around the world. Sometimes, however, I cannot help but think that we worry more than is helpful or necessary.

For instance, the response from the crowd in Ethiopia was appropriate. There was an unknown individual shouting in a tone that indicated anger and threats.

An inappropriate response to the shouting, however, would be a decision to never leave the United States because an individual worries that the next shouting person they encounter will be a violent person.

Even though I am cautious while venturing out in the world, I try not to let fear consume me. The world is full of creative, intelligent and kind people. The shouting man in the airport is probably not a bad person. He is a human.

Maybe he just lost his cool. Our world is a beautiful one and a crazy one. I hope that everyone tries to see the beautiful parts along with the chaotic.

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Thundering Herd men's basketball 2014-15 schedule

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Opponent

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Feb. 21
Feb. 26
Feb. 28
Mar. 5
Mar. 7



Concord (Exhibition)
Jacksonville State ^
Savannah State ^
West Virginia Tech
@ Louisville ^
Morehead State
Cleveland State ^
South Carolina
Penn State
West Virginia %
King University
@ Arkansas State
@ Nevada
@ Akron
@ Western Kentucky *
Old Dominion *
Charlotte *
@ Florida International *
@ Florida Atlantic *
UTSA *
UTEP *
@ Southern Miss *
@ Louisiana Tech *
Rice *
North Texas *
Western Kentucky *
@ Middle Tennessee *
@ UAB *
Florida International *
Florida Atlantic *
@ Old Dominion *
@ Charlotte *

C-USA schedule expanded to 18 league games

HERDZONE

Marshall University men's basketball announced an 18-game Conference USA schedule for 2014-15 on Wednesday, in concert with the league. Coach Dan D'Antoni's Herd revealed its 13-game non-conference slate last month.

With the Conference USA membership having changed once again this summer, the C-USA schedule is expanding from 16 to 18 regular season games.

In D'Antoni's first season on his alma mater's sideline, the Herd will play eight of the 13 other C-USA teams once and five others on a home-and-home basis. Marshall's five home-and-homes are with Western Kentucky, Charlotte, Old Dominion, FIU and Florida Atlantic.

"We are excited about the conference schedule since that is a way for us to get into the NCAA Tournament and that will also be a good measuring stick for us moving forward," said coach D'Antoni. "We will look for that competition to prepare us for later in the season since our goal is getting into the NCAA tournament. Playing against strong competition will help us get better and help us reach our goals."

After opening with a road trip to its new travel partner Western Kentucky in the inaugural C-USA game for the Hilltoppers on Jan. 4, the Thundering Herd will return home to the Cam Henderson Center the following weekend to face Old Dominion and Charlotte.

Marshall will make its first trip to the Sunshine State since the 2012-13 season against UCF as the Herd faces FIU and Florida Atlantic.

The Herd plays all four Texas schools in C-USA at the Henderson Center this season.

Marshall plays host to UTSA and UTEP, then travels to Mississippi and Louisiana, for dates with 2013-14 C-USA regular-season co-champions Southern Miss and Louisiana Tech.

Continuing the trend of hosting schools from the state of Texas, Rice and North Texas will face the Herd inside the Cam Henderson Center. Marshall downed the Owls last season in Houston, after having fallen to the Mean Green in Huntington earlier in 2014.

WKU will make a trip to Huntington for the second-straight season on Feb. 14 with Marshall having defeated the Hilltoppers, 74-64, before a crowd of 5,113 on Nov. 26, 2013.

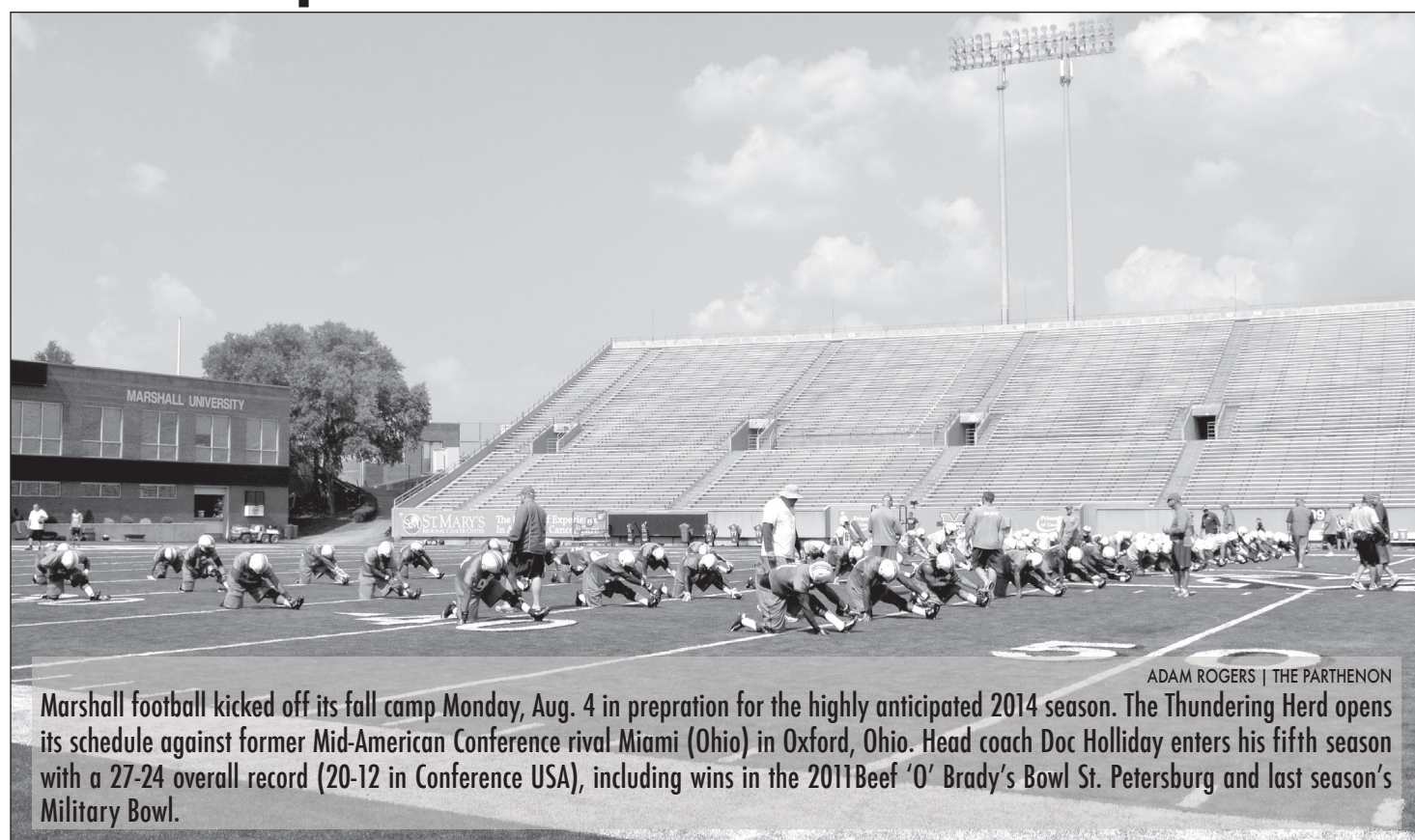
A two-game swing at 2013-14 C-USA regular-season co-champion Middle Tennessee and UAB will start a six-game stretch leading into the C-USA Tournament that will include four road contests. The home dates sandwiched by two road trips are against FIU and the regular-season home finale versus Florida Atlantic. The Herd then goes to Old Dominion and Charlotte.

The 2015 C-USA Tournament will be hosted by UAB in Birmingham, Alabama, from March 11-14. 12 of the 14 teams will make the field.

Game times will be announced at a later date.

^ - Global Sports Showcase
% - Capital Classic in Charleston
* - Conference USA Game

Fall camp in session for Marshall football



Marshall football kicked off its fall camp Monday, Aug. 4 in preparation for the highly anticipated 2014 season. The Thundering Herd opens its schedule against former Mid-American Conference rival Miami (Ohio) in Oxford, Ohio. Head coach Doc Holliday enters his fifth season with a 27-24 overall record (20-12 in Conference USA), including wins in the 2011 Beef 'O' Brady's Bowl St. Petersburg and last season's Military Bowl.

Remaining open practices:

Thursday, Aug. 7 - 3:45 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 8 - 2:30 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 9 - 1:30 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 10 (Fan Day) - 4 p.m., gates open 3:30 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 11 - 9:15 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 12 - 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Aug. 13 - 9:15 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 14 - 2:30 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 15 - 9:15 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 16 (Big Green members only scrimmage) - 7 p.m., gates open 6:30 p.m.

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