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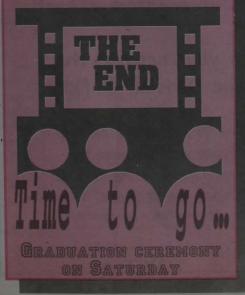
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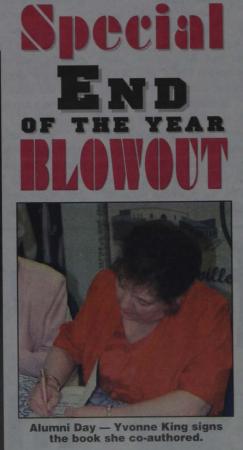
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NATIONAL

Secrecy fight waged on campuses across country

By Doug Johnson, Associated Press

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ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. -- The search for a new president at the University of New Mexico came to a screeching halt in a legal battle over secretive hiring practices.

The fight came as no surprise to a national watchdog group that contends universities across the country are more secretive than the average government agency.

"I don't understand why universities are more secretive than other organizations, but it holds true across the country," said Rebecca Daugherty of the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press in Arlington, Va. "And they will go through some pretty small loopholes to keep things that way," she said.

UNM was sued this month for skirting a court order requiring a more open hiring process during its search to replace President Richard Peck, who is retiring in July. The lawsuit seeks the names of candidates who were interviewed and passed over for the job.

The university contends the release would compromise the candidates' rights to privacy and make it "virtually impossible" for UNM to recruit a good president, said Larry Willard, president of the Board of Regents.

"They would impose ground rules on us that are completely contrary to the way universities all over the country conduct searches," Willard said.

Not so, according to the critics, including the New Mexico Foundation for Open Government, which sued the university April 3 with the Albuquerque Journal.

University searches in at least five other states--Michigan, Florida, Georgia, Texas and Arizona--are more open than at UNM, said FOG's executive director Bob Johnson.

In states with open review laws, candidates tend to go through more stringent background checks. And openness allows the tax-paying public to check on who is being considered for the powerful positions, Daugherty said.

They're finally here!

"Many universities have tried to keep their searches secret, but once sued they usually have to conform to openness," she said. "I probably hear about 20 of these cases a year, and the trend in the courts is towards openness."

In Arizona in 1991, the state Supreme Court ordered Arizona State University to turn over the names of 17 candidates for the president's job. The court ruled the process becomes public when a candidate is ready for an interview.

UNM regents and others argue that fewer people apply if searches are public. They also say applicants lose support at their home campus if their job search is known.

HIV infection rate steady in United States

May 4, 1998

By Chelsea J. Carter, Associated Press

ATLANTA -- The rate at which people are becoming infected with HIV in the United States has held relatively steady despite a historic drop in AIDS cases, suggesting that many people are not heeding warnings about prevention.

There was an estimated decline of 2 percent in the number of new HIV cases diagnosed among people 13 and older from 1995 to 1996, according to a study released by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"We're not seeing good news in the fact that we are not seeing a substantial decline" in the infection rate, said Dr. Patricia Fleming, a CDC researcher.

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Drug companies study turning off cancer growth gene

WASHINGTON (AP) --Drug companies are studying a possible new way to switch off one of the many genes that spur cancer growth, but scientists warn it's too soon to know how well the drugs will work in people.

At issue is blocking a ene named ras that is estimated to contribute to 20 percent to 30 percent of cancers.

This approach to blocking ras has been in the works for seven years," said National Cancer Institute investigator Jeffrey DeClue, who called the work very promising but cautioned that so far the drugs have been shown to work only in rodents.

Ras is an oncogene. That means if it mutates, it can spur cancer growth. The idea is to block the protein that tells the ras oncogene to cause that cell growth.

It takes five to 10 genetic mutations for a tumor to appear, and scientists are working on numerous drugs to attack all the different genes involved.

NATIONAL Page 3 **Psychiatrists: violence** likely unless schools act

By Geof Becker, Associated Press PITTSBURGH--As _ in

other school shootings around the nation, the 14-year-old boy accused of fatally shooting a teacher had talked about killing people. Experts say that such warnings can no longer be ignored.

"It is eerie that this is repeating itself," said Dr. Burt Singerman, director of psychiatry at St. Francis Medical Center in Pittsburgh.

"I really think this has occurred enough times that teachers, principals and guidance counselors need to think about how they would handle students who make these statements about wanting to hurt people."

In the small northwest Pennsylvania town of Edinboro, 14-year-old Andrew Wurst

opened fire at an eighth-grade dance late last Friday, killing a teacher and slightly wounding a second teacher and two teen-age boys, police said.

The violence followed school shootings last month in Jonesboro, Ark., in December in West Paducah, Ky., and last October in Pearl, Miss. The toll from all four shootings: 11 killed and 25 wounded.

About a month ago, Wurst told classmates he wanted to kill people and commit suicide, said friends Triston Lucas, 14, and Ben Mills, 13.

"He had a really sick sense of humor," said Lucas.

Neither boy accepted the threats at face value.

"He would, like, laugh when he said it: 'I'm going to go to the dinner dance and kill some people," Lucas said Saturday in Edinboro.

Mills said he had nicknamed Wurst "Satan" about five months ago because Wurst was a fan of rocker Marilyn Manson and his dark music.

According to the two boys, Wurst said he was unhappy at home and became obsessive about girls.

'He hated his life. He hated the world. He hated school," Mills said. "The only thing that would make him happy was when (a girl he liked) would talk to him."

One of the teens accused in the Arkansas killings talked about shooting people the day before he did, but fellow students didn't take him seriously. The 14-year-old accused of shooting into a prayer circle in West Paducah warned friends to stay away from the gathering. And in Mississippi, the five teens charged with murder

allegedly conspired to take over the school and kill their enemies, authorities have said.

Only after the shootings in Jonesboro and West Paducah did officials there begin talking about how to prevent them from happening. In Arkansas, schools are getting brochures with tips on spotting potentially violent students. Kentucky officials have suggested installing a telephone line to get tips from students about potential problems.

"One of things that parents need to do, I think, is tell their kids that if they hear anything about a kid even joking around about having a weapon, that has to be taken seriously and reported to an adult immediately," said Janet Riggs, an associate professor of psychology at Gettysburg College.

Oh my god! They **banned Kenny!**

MILWAUKEE--They haven't exactly killed Kenny, but at least two suburban schools have banned clothing that depicts characters from the popular cable television program South Park.

The satirical show generated this year's hot phrase: "Oh, my God. They've killed Kenny."

Stormonth Elementary School in Fox Point and Dominican High School in Whitefish Bay have prohibited students from wearing clothes with images of the show.

'The humor characterized in the program is inconsistent with our school philosophy," Michael Maguire, the principal of the Catholic high school, said last week.

Linda Moore, principal of Stormonth, sent a

letter to parents of 520 students in kindergarten through fourth grade. The South Park clothing was causing a disruption, Moore said in the letter.

Moore told the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel shesaw one child wear a South Park T-shirt one day. But she said it attracted the attention of other children. That took ``a little bit of time away from the classroom."

Moore she thinks children who watch South Park imitate the put-downs they heard and become disrespectful of adults and other children.

that some of our children are taping it and sharing it with their the show causing any problems friends, so your child may be watching it when you are not at never heard of the show, the home," said Moore's letter to report said.



"You bastards!" protests animated character.

parents.

Moore, who consulted her staff and showed episodes of the show to the parentteacher organization before sending the letter, said she has received only positive feedback from parents. Moore also banned Beanie Babies in 1996 because they were a distraction.

The Journal Sentinel said "We have become aware most of the principals contacted for the story were not aware of at school. Most principals had

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Student inmates seize prison in mock riot

By Vicki Smith, **Associated Press** MOUNDSVILLE, W.Va.

-- Screams were supposed to echo through the crumbling cell block. Hostages were supposed to get bloody. But Mike Oravec wasn't supposed to die.

He was the ringleader of the mock insurrection last week, the one who was supposed to do the talking and get his fellow inmates what they wanted: cigarettes.

When marshmallow eggs showed up instead, it was all over. "I was talking on the phone and someone throws a sheet over my head and chokes me, really chokes me," Oravec said, laughing over a wett deserved smoke. "They got really mad."

Oravec, a senior English major from Sunnyvale, Calif., was among 200 West Virginia college and high school students who assumed the roles of inmates as the West Virginia Penitentiary at Moundsville was briefly revived.

The Civil War-era prison, with 5-by-7 cells for more than

``We were getting fed up and I said, 'Who's with me?' A bunch of hands went up, so we killed him. We had to show them we meant business."

2,500 maximum-security inmates, was closed in 1995 after the state Supreme Court declared it uninhabitable.

The pretend prisoners were supposed to follow scripts as they seized the complex and tried to fend off heavily armed teams of correctional officers from West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Another 300 officers from 29 states, Canada and Puerto Rico watched as three simultaneous hostage situations evolved.

But Oravec's band of inmates threw the script out with his body.

Brandon Knarr, Oravec's executioner, said it had to be done.

"He just wasn't making any progress with the negotiators," said the criminal justice major from Waynesburg College in Pennsylvania. "We were get-

ting fed up and I said, 'Who's with me?' A bunch of hands went up, so we killed him. We had to show them we meant business."

Eventually, the students surrendered. But Knarr said it was only because they thought the team to trying to roust them was angry they had abandoned the script.

supervises a correctional emer- holster. Each recorder has a pergency response team, or CERT, sonal identification number so in Washington, D.C., said the only the officer who owns it can students had the right idea.

"Tear up that script. It gives the hostage-negotiation team box" for police, who are increas-

there is no script and officers Scerbo said he was inspired to must be able to think on their create the recorder after a New feet, he said.

role players. It could go like to dispatchers.

that," he said.

by Wheeling Jesuit University and the Office of Law Enforcement Technology Commercialization, part of the National Institute of Justice in Washington.

And the site was appropriate. In 1986, Moundsville inmates took 15 corrections officers and a food-service worker hostage. Three prisoners were tortured to death.

The drill was also a chance showcase emerging law enforcement technology, like a recording devices triggered to Lt. Gregory King, who start once a gun is pulled from its control the tape.

The idea is a sort of "black something to think about," he said. ingly targeted by lawsuits, said In a real hostage crisis, Frank Scerbo of Parsippany, N.J. Jersey state trooper was killed in

These kids were good a traffic stop he had not called in

"If ' he'd had The mock riots were set up Holstermatic Witness, it would n't have taken a year and a ha to find out who killed him, Frank Scerbo said.

Other inventions a specifically for crises, includin one that lets officers see throug walls. Another, based on militar technology, lets police track person as far as a half-mile away through smoke, fog or darkness

A telemedical unit, com plete with a helmet camera and video monitors, lets doctors from miles away recommend treatment for injured people.

But all the gadgets and all the training in the world can't prepare an officer for the real thing, said Ed Littell, a 25-year veteran of prisons.

Littell, who also played an inmate Saturday, added realism to the drill by encouraging the students to do what inmates really do: light fires, bang on doors, break windows and shout a lot.

"Intimidation is a big thing if you're a hostage,' Littell said.

Delegate offers to sue over gold dome

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) -- A state legislator offered Tuesday to file a lawsuit against a Massachusetts contractor for a dark blemish forming on the gold dome of the state Capitol.

International Restoration Specialists of Massachusetts said gold leafing would be a longer-lasting alternative to the gold paint that had previously chipped off after a few years, Delegate Rusty Webb, R-Kanawha, wrote to Gov. Cecil Underwood. Webb also is an attorney.

"This being the case, I believe legal action may be justified against the firm," Webb wrote the governor. "The owner either misrepresented the benefits of the gilding, or his company engaged in shoddy workmanship in applying the expensive gold leafing, which may justify financial reimbursement to our state."

Underwood was in Lexington, Ky., and Washington on Tuesday and had not seen the letter, spokesman Rod Blackstone said. "I'm sure we will give it due consideration," he added.

The dome was gilded a decade ago, but a large black smudge has appeared on the north side, which can be seen from Interstate-64.

Directory assistance had no listing for International Restoration in the Boston area.

Essay contest drawing worldwide interest

BUCKHANNON, W.Va. (AP) -- A West Virginia community's essay contest to give away a free wedding is drawing worldwide attention and more presents for the winner.

Justin Griffith, president of the Buckhannon-Upshur Chamber of Commerce, said he has had calls from Germany, Switzerland, Sweden, Canada and England, as well as from around the United States.

To help attract tourists, the chamber is giving away a free wedding, complete with more than \$15,000 worth of prizes including an acre of land and a free honeymoon in Florida.

The trip was donated by the Charlotte Harbor and Gulf Coast Visitors Bureau after an Associated Press story about the contest appeared in Florida newspapers. The honeymoon includes five days and four nights at Palm Island Resort off Florida's west coast.

Essays are limited to 100 words on why a wedding in the hills of West Virginia would be a dream come true. As of Tuesday, almost 400 had been submitted, but none has been opened.

Entries are due July 1, a winner will be chosen July 15 and the wedding will be held in Buckhannon on Sept. 19. The ceremony will be staged in an oversized gazebo on a public common or, in the event of foul weather, in a local church.

Contest entries should be mailed to the Buckhannon-Upshur Chamber of Commerce, P.O. box 442, Buckhannon, WV 26201.



STATE/LOCAL

lays off police

WESTON, W.Va. (AP) -ausinesses in this small Lewis ounty town for years had been ared business and occupationtaxes that are common in ther towns.

Now that Weston has stituted such a tax to escape nancial crisis, a group of busiesses has taken the town to ourt to avoid paying.

The 19 businesses, led by Citizens Bank, say it's not fair or them to take up the city's lack by paying a new tax based m gross income. That is the nly way the state permits cities o tax businesses.

Bob Piercy says his busiess, Piercy Auto Sales and ervice, will have to pay more ecause of the big items he sells. "I'm disgusted, I won't e to you," said Piercy, who is art of the lawsuit.

'I'm going to pay \$300 a nonth," he said. "(Council members) don't want to grow. They want to run people out, it seems to me."

But town attorney Christy Smith said Weston is just catching up to surrounding cities including Bridgeport and Clarksburg that have imposed the businesses tax.

Weston is \$93,000 in debt. according to a report in the Exponent-Telegram of Clarksburg.

The new tax, passed in February, was the first tax created or raised since the 1970s, said Ms. Smith. And the town has even laid off two of its six police officers to save money.

The town of about 5,000 had been surviving on surplus money which dried up this year, Ms. Smith said.

The town's phone, water and electric bills haven't been paid in weeks, she said.

'You can't buy a fire truck for \$20,000 anymore," Ms. Smith said. "I wish there was an easier way to do this.

Weston in trouble, Court agrees to consider **Blackwater Canyon dispute**

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) -- The state Supreme Court voted 3-2 Tuesday to consider whether the state agency that regulates utilities could have intervened in a power company's sale of 3,000 acres in the Blackwater River Canyon to a timber cutter.

Justices John McCusky and Elliot Maynard voted not to consider the case filed by the West Virginia Highlands Conservancy, Inc., Sierra Club, Virginia Wildlife West Federation, Chuck Merrit and James M. Sconyers.

The Public Service Commission ruled last December 30 it did not have jurisdiction to intervene in Allegheny Power System Inc.'s decision to sell the acreage to Canyon Lands Inc. for \$4.85 million. The property later was sold to John Crites and his Allegheny Wood Products Co.

Crites' company is logging a section of the canyon, which is adjacent to Blackwater River State Park. The canyon and park are popular Tucker County tourist locations, attracting more than 750,000 visitors a year. A recent agreement between Crites and the U.S. Forest Service would allow public access to some companyowned portions of the canyon.

The sale also attracted legislators' attention during the 1998 session as senators brought forth a resolution, which was later defeated, encouraging the state to purchase the canyon.

In its ruling, the Public Service Commission said it lacked jurisdiction because Allegheny Power was not a public utility operating in West Virginia. The property was sold by Allegheny's wholly-owned subsidiary West Virginia Power and Transmission Co.

The environmental groups countered that Allegheny, through recent corporate restructuring, provides electricity to West Virginians through its Monongahela Power and Potomac Edison units.

The justices are expected to hear arguments in the case later this year, but did not set a date.

In other matters, the court voted 4-1, with Maynard voting no, to hear an appeal of a Kanawha County Circuit ruling that dismissed Bobby Z. Jeffrey's wrongful death lawsuit against the Department of Corrections following the murder of his wife by two escaped inmates.

Jeffrey's wife, Karen Jean, was murdered Aug. 24, 1993, while she was working at a convenience store in Kevser. Billy Joe Hottle and his cousin Craig S. Swick were convicted for the murders of Mrs. Jeffrey's and two other people.

Focus on economy should improve literacy rate in WV

By Brian Farkas, **Associated Press** CHARLESTON, W.Va. --

Economic changes should mprove West Virginia's literacy ate as today's students realize eading, writing and math skills re necessary to finding a job, says a state literacy advocate.

"The numbers are going to to down because we are now aking a serious look at our eduation and our economy," said Susan Leasure, executive director of LVA-WV, a 28-county adult literacy group.

Leasure's prediction comes in response to a recent national literacy study that shows 20 percent of West Virginia's adults lack the necessary skills to function in everyday life.

West Virginia's ranking places the state within the top 16 in the nation with the greatest literacy needs. The study was performed by Washington, D.C.-based National Institute for Literacy.

The study looked at such skills as an adult's ability to find information in newspaper articles, completing forms and interpreting maps, graphs and charts. One in five West Virginians had difficulty performing each of the tasks.

West Residents in Virginia's southern counties recorded the lowest literacy skills. Thirty-seven percent of McDowell County's adults had low literacy skills. The rate in Summers County was 30 percent, followed by Clay, Mingo and Webster counties, all with 29 percent.

Among West Virginia's cities, Beckley's adult population had the highest rate of low literacy skills at 29 percent. The Charlestonarea unincorporated community of Cross Lanes had 11 percent.

"It's no one's fault," Leasure said of West Virginia's 20 percent rate. "There is just no one reason for a person living in 1998 who cannot read or write." Low literacy skills are connected to poverty, immigration and welfare issues. Nationwide, about 44 million adults struggle with literacy problems, the national study said.

"It (the study) says we need to take a very good look at the population and look at what we can do to reach them," said Leasure. Efforts such as Gov. Cecil Underwood's Mission West Virginia should help as literacy is one of several areas targeted for action, she said.

West Virginians with poor reading and writing skills cannot be easily identified, she said.

"People who cannot read have pretty good coping skills," Leasure said. "It doesn't mean they aren't smart. They are very smart, but somewhere along the line they didn't learn to read or write," Leasure said.

Of the people who seek the group's help, Leasure said many want to learn to read the Bible or become able to handle family financial matters.

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Those attending the ceremony were Ed Hamerick, Pres. Simmons, and many more assembling for the activities that day.

Duke U means greener pastures for Reynolds

By Terry L. Estep, Staff Reporter

NEWS

Physical plant manager Glen Reynolds is leaving Glenville State College for a new position at Duke University in North Carolina.

His new job title will be Project Manager. Reynolds will be responsible for overseeing construction management and contract management. Given the size of the campus, Reynolds will in effect be managing a small city.

Reynolds spent 23 years in the navy. When he retired, he



Reynolds (Submitted) held the rank of full commander. His adaptablility will be tested right away--his last da al GSC is May 8, and his new of begins May 11.

Still, he carries posiver memories of his time in Glenville, including getting to know the workers in the phases cal plant and "allowing then to run with their ideas."

"Glen and [his was Sandra both have been word ful assets to this campus in community," comment Language Division Chair of Palm. "They will be som missed."

Central West Virginia Education Day

By James Arnold, Staff Reporter

On April 28, Glenville State College was host to Central W.V. Education Day. About fifty people were on hand to enjoy the events of the day. Among those in attendance were G.S.C. students and faculty, public educators, county superintendants, and Senator Lloyd Jackson.

The speech by W.V. Teacher of the Year, Ms. Susan Barrett proved to be the highlight of the day. Ms. Barrett gave an inspirational speecho what the results and benefits being an excellent educator in be. Senior Education man Amanda Nicholas comment "Listening to Ms. Barrett va extremely positive enthusias and informative."

Student Survey: Multicultural Fair

Please indicate your interest in the topics below. Please mark the topics in terms of your interest in attending.

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- 1 2 3 4 Speaker and/or performer on Native American culture
- 1 2 3 4 Speaker on teaching the Holocaust (for teacher candidates and others)
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- influence on North American culture?)
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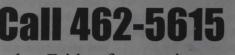
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A jazzy evening from the band

NEWS

By Ann Williams, Staff Reporter

Monday, April 27 The vz Band performed along with Woodwind Ensemble and Brass Ensemble in the Fine rts Auditorium.

The best performance durg the Woodwind Ensemble me from Sara Gower who has uly mastered the art of playing e alto saxaphone. Sara perrmed a solo entitled. allade," composed by Alfred ed. "New for Old" was a jazz et performed by Heather nes and Phil Rossano. "New Old" is a jazzed up version "Twinkle Twinkle Little

The Brass Ensemble cluded songs such as anfare for Four Trumpets", mposed by Garth E. lolyneux and "Colloquy" mposed by Lloyd Conley. lusic major Dustin Brown put



The jazz band and other ensembles provided and enjoyable evening (Heather Ware, Mercury) skill.

together a brass quintet in his spare time and performed during the Brass Ensemble. He was not on the program, but the music instructors were

impressed by the quintet's abilities and asked them to play. The quintet played "Danny Boy", which showed Brown's considerable arrangement

While the above mentioned performances were good, the Jazz Band was what everyone was waiting

for. Two of the most popular songs of the night were "M.O.T." and "St. Louie Blues". Both of these songs featured improvised solos by some of the most talented music majors on campus --Cowen, Hiedi Jeremv Beasley and Dave Bragg, just to name a few.

The best solo performance was by Matt Schoonmaker on drums. During his solo the rest of the Jazz Band left the stage making his solo the focal point of the song "St. Louie Blues". His performance was reminiscent of a rock concert instead of jazz.

By audience reaction, everyone enjoyed the night. GSC student Alissa Harris stated, "The drummer was my favorite, but Dave Bragg was the best baritone sax I ever heard."

complete--

By Ann Williams, Staff Reporter

Job Fair took place riday, April 24 from 9 am to pm. What is Job Fair about? "Job Fair is a program arious school districts to terview teaching candiates." states Jennifer

Services. Recruiters from Gilmer, Wood, Calhoun, Braxton, Jackson, Ritchie, Jefferson, Nicholas, Wirt and Kanawha Counties attended.

During Job here personnel travel from recruiters meet prospective teaching candidates and do a first interview with them.

uggerio, Director of Career during the next academic

year, or if budgets allow, a second interview will take place with those candidates the recruiters are interested in.

"The recruiters said this is one of the best prepared classes they have seen in a long while," Ruggerio stated.

An estimated 35 students were at this event.

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before May 5, 1998. We want to see you in pictures here at the GSC Kanawhachen.

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Janet Bailey promoted

By Ann Williams, Staff Reporter

Assistant Professor Janet K. Bailey has been promoted to the rank of Associate Professor of Physical Education.

She graduated from WVU with a Masters in Physical Education, with an emphasis on Sports Medicine. She taught for 8 1/2 years at Gilmer County High School, 1/2 year at Troy Elementary, and has taught for 10 years at Glenville State College.

Bailey was a medical volunteer at the at the 1996 Olympic games. She was also named the 1993 Female Coach of the Year, along with the 1993 WV Sportwriter of the Year. She was the Advisor of the Tri-Sigmas and Dell Kappa Gamma. She is also an advisor of The Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Bailey's other activities include the Women's Club, and the American Baptist Women Organization.

Bailey is CPR, Basic Life Support, and Aerobics certified. At GSC she teaches Kinnesiology, Exercise Anatomy and Physiology, Physiology, Survey of Dance, First-Aid, and Beginning and Advanced Athletic Training. Next year she will also teach Adapted Physical Education.

NEWS

She is married to to Tom Bailey, a comtoller at West Virginia American Water Company in Charleston.

Batson promoted

By Ann Williams, Staff Reporter

Assistant Professor Dr. Dorman Charles Batson has been promoted to Associate Professor of Business for the coming 1998-99 school year.

Dr. Batson recieved a B.B. A. in Management from Marshall University, a M.B.A. from WVU, and a PhD. in Management from Union Institute. He served in the Army for 2 years before working at Wheeling Pittsburg Steel, where he remained for the next 10 years.

Batson has been teaching since 1983. He taught for 7 years at Salem-Tekiyo before teaching at Montreat Anderson College in North Carolina. He then took up his teaching position at Glenville State College in 1994.

Have fun,

y'all!

By being promoted Associate Professor, this mean his next promotion will make him a full professor. To becom a full Professor will probabl take 5 or 6 more years. Dr Batson states that, "There ar not many full Professors a Glenville State College."

Dr. Batson resides i Doddridge County with his wife Paula. Paula is a school teache there, and is an artist in her spare time. Dr. Batson has three daughters; Jennifer, who is mar ried and lives in South Carolina Wendy and Mary attend GSC Dr. Batson's hobbies include gardening, hunting, and fishing.

Dr. Batson is a well-qualified, personable teacher, one of the best business teachers

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By Ann Williams, Staff Reporter

Instructor Mrs. Theresa Cowan has been promoted to Assistant Professor of Nursing for the 1998-99 academic year.

She received an Associate from Parkersburg Degree College Community and received a Bachelors Degree in Nursing from WVU, where she also earned a Masters of Science

in Nursing.

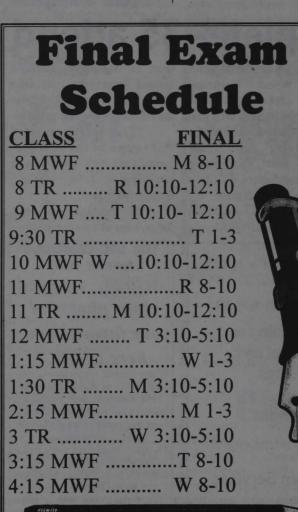
Cowan is now currently enrolled as a post-grad as a Family Nurse Practitioner.

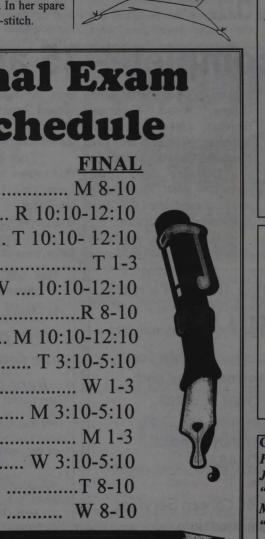
Cowan also has national certification from the American Nurse Association as a Medical, Surgical and Clinical Nurse Specialist. Before deciding to instruct at GSC Assistant Professor Cowan held various placements in the hospital. She

worked in corony care units, medical-surgical units, and OB and ER units. She also taught at Salem College, and taught 3 years at a vocational school.

Mrs. Cowan is also the GSC NCAA Compliance Coordinator, reviewing squad lists for athletics to see if people ar eligible to play. She is married and has 2 sons. In her spare time she does cross-stitch.







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For more information and application, contact the Financial Aid Office

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ON CAMPUS

To the students of Glenville State College...

A message from the president of the college

Now that the 1997-98 school year is at a close, you probably remember all the work you didn't get done, some of the good times you had and some of the significant events of the year.

Whether you are a graduating senior or whether you will be returning to Glenville State College next year, I think you can look upon the past school year as one of the best. People make any college, and Glenville State College has always had an abundance of good people. Student, faculty and staff

successes this year attest to the quality of our school.

I am proud of the students who attend Glenville State College, and I am proud of the graduating seniors. Those who are going into the world of work will take their places proudly along side thousands of other Glenville State College graduates.

Glenville continues a tradition of reasonable cost and quality education.

Have a great summer and a healthy, happy life. William K. Simmons, President



Glenville State College President William K. Simmons (Heather Ware, Mercury)

ORGANIZATION NEWS

Alpha Rho Tau

We would like to invite any new freshman who are art eductaion majors to come to our meetings and join the fraternity. The meetings are held every first and third Thursday of every month in room 213 of the AB building (the painting/sculpture room) at 3pm to about 3:40 pm.

Colors of Pride

Colors of Pride will held its last meeting of the semester on Thursday at 12:30 p.m. in the speech room of the Fine Arts Building. The coming year promises a greater involvment in creating a safe and sociable atmosphere for gay and lesbian students. Contact a member for more information. Trips to Morgantown to attend WVU's gay and lesbian organization are being planned. To facilitate student schedules, meetings will be moved from Thursdays at 12:30 to Sundays afternoons/evenings, pending full input from voting members.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

The Glenville State College huddle of Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets every Thursday at 12:15 in room 206 of the Physical Education Building. President:Bob Wible; Vice-president:Rashod Gillespie; Secretary:Sam Dowell; Program Coordinator:Dawn Nolan.

Students in Free Enterprise

S.I.F.E is an organization that helps teach others about the free enterprise system. Members of S.I.F.E. also engage in community service such as the Adopt-a-Highway program, a food and clothing drive (which took place before Christmas), and Make-a-Difference Day, which consisted of hosting at-risk children to a GSC football game. S.I.F.E. currently meets every Thursday at 12:30 in room 101 in the Administration Building and welcomes people from all majors.

Nicholas County Extension Update

By Kelly M. Woods, Staff Reporter

As reported in the October 7, 1997 issue of the *Mercury*, the Nicholas County Center is expanding its facilities to better serve the student and faculty population at the Summersville extension site.

It soon became apparent after opening the center in 1986 that the increasing student body would outgrow the existing facilities. About 3 1/2 years ago, planning began to expand the current facility. Construction on the new 9,800 square foot addition started in the fall of 1997.

This addition will serve a student population of approximately 650, as well as the 65 faculty members that teach here. The center uses both main campus professors as well as adjunct professors for its instructional program. According to Robert Bailey, NCC Administrator, "This expansion will be a real plus for our student body. These new facilities will enable us to offer a greater number of classes over a period of time."

The new facility will house a multi-purpose science lab, a fully-functional distance



Construction continues on the Nicholas County Center (Kelly M. Woods, Mercury)

learning resource center, and at lease three additional classrooms. It will also allow for more storage space, additional restrooms, a large vending machine area, a huge student lounge area, faculty lounge, and office space.

Currently, Glenville State College offers approximately 115 classes at the Nicholas Center. When construction is completed, the multipurpose science lab, distance learning center, and other facilities will enable GSC to offer a greater

learning resource center, and at lease three additional classrooms. It will also allow for tunity for education.

> Pre-planning for this faciliy included the possibility for future expansion. Since Summersville is growing so rapidly, the need for this type of center may increase. Nichols Construction Company, the general contractor, has moved steadily towards completion of the new building. At their current pace, the new classrooms and facilities will be ready to accept students in the fall.

Winterplace Ski Resort

Winterplace Ski Resort is buried with snow! Winterplace set a new record for the most snow made in the month of March! Make your plans to head to Winterplace for fantastic skiing and terrific late season discounted prices! Ask about special weekend events! Call 800-258-3127 for daily skiing information. Ski until 10 p.m. every night!



A Message from the Mercury We would just like to say to the family of young Timmy McWinn...

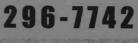
Sorry 'bout the dog. Bad Bruiser! Bad!



Houses for Rent

3-Room House, completely furnished, good neighborhood. Close to college.

5-Room House, fully furnished, in good neighborhood. Close to the college.



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Chi Beta Phi's last meeting for semester

By B. J. Woods, **CBP** Correspondent

The Chi Beta Phi had their last official meeting of the spring semester on April 14, 1998. This was not only a meeting to close out the semester, but there was much more that was accomplished.

Eric Goddard is the only Chi Beta Phi member who will be graduating on May 9. Mr. Peck presented Eric with a National Pin to wear on his graduation gown. We are all very proud of Eric.

Brandon Craft and Dave Tingler were inducted into the Chi Beta Phi. The Alpha Iota Chapter of Chi Beta Phi is honored to have these two men.

There was a drawing for \$49. The winner was Kelly Woods.

At press-time, the Chi Beta Phi will be ending their semester with a picnic on April 28, at 5 p.m. at the recreation



Above: Mr. Peck presents National Pin to Eric Goddard. Right: New members Brandon Craft and Dave Tingler (Photos submitted)

center. As this semester draws to a close, the members have so much to be proud of. They have got the National Meeting preparations started and they learned much this semester with all the speakers who took their time to come and speak to the group.



Movie Night with Matt Cottrill

By James Arnold. Staff Reporter

Movie Night with Matt Cottrill was a great ending to an outstanding G.S.C. Week. Who could turn down free popcorn, free movies and a night with Matt Coftrill?

About .30 students gathered in the Pickens Hall lounge for the festivities. The movie selection was Matt's own. A Chris Tucker combination started the night off with the hillarious Friday and Money Talks.

The crowd gathered enjoyed the off-color comedy and had a blast. The third movie selection was the recent release Kiss the Girls.

House Director, Eric corn!"



Stalwart defender of the innocent, scourge of Old Testament prophets, and the former Pioneer for GSC--Matt Cottrill. (File Photo)

Poirier said it best when he commented, "It can't get any sweeter, Matt, Matt, and free pop-

King, Pashevich sign books for Alumni Day

Chancellor Clifford Trump visting campus

Dr. Clifford Trump, Chancellor of the West Virginia State College System, will visit the Glenville State College campus on Wednesday, May 6, to meet with campus constituent groups and to host a public meeting.

Schedule for the visit:

Faculty Senate	11 a,m.	Ver
Student Congress	12 p.m.	Ver
Staff Council	1 p.m.	Ver
Public Meeting	2 p.m.	Ver

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The purpose of the visit is to appraise the GSC campus and community of the progress and the process for selecting a new president.

For more information, contact Mark Loudin, ext. 115, or Allison Adler at the Central Office (304) 558-0699.

By Eric Ware,

Staff Reporter To add to the activities during Alumni Day last Saturday, the GSC Bookstore sponsored a book signing for newly published authors Yvonne King and Olga T. Pashevich for their grammer book

Grammatically Speaking. "Today feels great,"

King stated. "This is the fun part." The activities for the book signing included a small briefing about the book and refreshments.

The new grammar book, King explained earlier, is simple an effective, going through all the uses and rules of grammar that can be used in schools or as



Pashevich and King with the grammar book (Heather Ware, Mercury)

a reference. At this time, the grammar book is now up to 50% in sales and is being adopted by Clay County schools this Fall.

"The response is very good," states Pashevish, "we're looking forward to the second printing."

Grammatically Speaking is now is 25 states and in six

countries. The popularity for the grammar book is the simplicity in explaining grammar and its uses. Recently, a teacher visiting from Russia took back 14 copies of the book back to her classrooms after seeing how simple and effective the book is. This, both King and Pashevich say, is the reason they began the project.

"The book started as a 27 booklet in Wood Co.," explains Pashevich. The book took off from there and became the final copy today, keeping the same simple and effective approach.

"We wanted the book to be simple and basic," King replied earlier. "Many grammar books get too involved.'



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Special Primary Election Issue

Message about Elections | One vote can make a change

Mercury's Special Election lition. This is offered as a

Amy

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blic service to e students of lenville State llege and any her person that ght find it use-

One of the ost common cuses for not oting is the that ery little is

nown about candidates and ues. Here is the information, I vou have to do is read and cide for yourself. Most liticians are very willing to lk with the public about their ews and goals. I was sursed at how willing some candates were to provide inforation for this project. Several indidates expressed concern r the amount of interest that ung people showed in our wernment. There were candites that did not respond to empts made to collect inforation on their candidacy.

Hello, and welcome to Others agreed to send information and did not while one or two candidates volunteered information before ever

being contacted. Included infor-

mation on voting, campaign finance and political parties because it seemed to me that a lot of people were not familiar with these important components of elections. Information about local candidates, elections and

general statistics is available in county clerk's office, and information on state level can be found at the secretary of state's office. Many newspapers or T.V. news program is bound to broadcast any new or important information concerning the election.

Around nation's citizens vote, and young people are a very small percentage of that half. Young people will be inheriting a govemment in which most of them will have never participated in CONT. ON PAGE 6

By Amy Smith Staff Reporter

In 1996, the last general election there were 1,404,000 people that were eligible to vote in the state of West

Virginia but only 970,745 members of the voting age population were registered. If you think that's bad, the news gets even worse.

Only

636,459 of the people that were registered actual-

by those who are elected to serve the citizens of this state. Unfortunately many people feel that their vote won't make a difference.

is going on to make an

informed decision, so why bother. One vote does make a difference and can make changes that can have a profound impact on our lives. If you don't believe me, take a

look at history.

*1776 One vote gave America the English language instead of German.

*1868 One vote saved President Andrew Johnson from impeachment.

*1875 One vote changed France from a monarchy to a republic.

*1923 One vote gave Adolf Hitler leadership of the lic.

Nazi Party.

One vote has already had a profound impact on everyone's life in one way or another. We live in democratic society and every law is either directly or indirectly influenced by a vote.

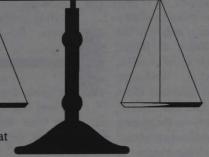
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Based on the past it is safe to assume that one vote will make a significant difference in our history and lives again.

So why run the risk of another Adolf Hilter, or of your grandchildren speaking another language?

News, campaign materials and people are some of the best ways to learn about candidates or political issues, and often candidates running for office are eager to talk with the public about issues, and to answer questions.

Remember elected officials are there to serve you, as a member of the general pub-



ly voted. Less than half of the people in West Virginia vote, but yet all citizens are affected

half our

> Another excuse commonly heard is that not enough is known about what

History of Voter's Rights

By Amy Smith Staff Reporter

The History of Voter' thts in the United States of nerica

The right to vote is one things that characterize our erment as a democracy. The ht to vote has really come ng way to include all of our ion's citizens.

In 1792 only a few white le property owners were guareed the privedledge to vote. It k almost two hundred years til all Americans, of voting age ardless of race or sex, were aranteed the right to vote. The nsitution made little mention voting, leaving the power to vern the vote with Congress d the Supreme Court. The preme Court has been the savof many of our basic rights cluding the right to vote.

The Constitution has been ended five different times in ler to extend the right to vote groups of people that were preously excluded. The Fifteenth endment added in 1870 guar-

enteed to persons regardless of race, color or previous conditions of servitude. In 1920, after fighting for over half a century for the right to vote, the ninteenth amendment forbade restriction on sufferage

****** based on sex. the During ***** the ******* sixties twenty third and amendforuth ment allowed citizens of Washington

D.C. to vote in Presidential elections, and also ended all attempts to wealth or property.

The twenty-sixth amendment, ratified in 1971, lowered the voting age to eighteen. In the 1972 general election virtually every adult over the age of eighteen was guaranteed the right to vote

The constitutional amendments did not bring about immediate change. Southern states were re-admitted to the union after the civil war on the use of grandfather clauses uncon-

acceptence of the fifteenth amendment. Immediatly after the presidential election of 1876, the issues concerning black voting rights were left in the hands of the state and local governments.

> The Supreme Court upheld state laws and practices on the premise that the constitution did not guarentee the right to vote and that it was the state's responsibility to

define voter qualification restrict the right to vote based on even in federal elections. State and local goverments found other ways to prevent people, particularly blacks, from voting. Ancestory and literacy were used to determine voting eligiblility. Above and beyond having to prove their literacy, citizens had to prove that their ancestors were entitled to vote in 1866.

In Guinn v. United States (1915) the Supreme Court upheld the literacy tests but found the stitutional

In a second case decided on the same day, United States v. Mosley the Supreme Court ruled, "the right to have one's vote counted is as open to protection by Congress as the right to put the ballot in a box." It was not until 1964 that the Supreme Court ruled that literacy tests violated the fifteenth amendment. Justice Hugo Black stated, " Laws like this, which leave the voting fate of a citizen to the passing whim or impulse of an idividual registrar."

The Supreme Court took action in the governing of primary election in the early forties. Common to the south were 'white primaries" and the court quickly ruled that this was a violation to the fourteenth and fifamendment rights, teenth because being excluded from the primary is like being excluded from the general election.

Poll taxes were an annual taxe placed on each citizedn that desired to vote, with the sup-

tryong to vote twice. It actually helped limit suffarage to whit voters in the south. Bills to end the poll tax were presented in every Congress from 1939-1962. Although only four states required poll taxes in 1960, Congress was finally able to eleminate them from law in 1962. While writing the decision for Harper v. Virginia State Board of Elections. Justice Douglas wrote that " Wealth, like race, creed, or color is not germane to one's ability to participate intelligently in the ellectoral process."

The voting Rights act was passed in 1965 and was a major step in guarenteeing the right to vote for all of age citizens. Voter's registration now required federal supervision in areas were less than half of the voting age voted, and were literacy tests were required in the past year, and literacy test were completely abolished. State and county goverments were then required to notify the federal posed desire to keep voters from goverment of any changes no

Special

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A look at the Supreme Court

By Amy Smith Staff Reporter

Ask any person on the street what the function of The Supreme Court is and many times no one has an answer. To better understand the big picture, here is a brief description about the Supreme Court

SUPREME **COURT OF APPEALS** A restriction placed on candidates running for Justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals is that they must be admitted to practice law in this state ten years

prior to their election. The Supreme Court is made up of five judges, a Chief Justice and four justices. Judges are elected to serve twelve year terms. The position of Chief Justice is rotated annually within the members of the court. Robin J. Davis, presently Chief Justice, Margaret L. Workman, Larry V. Starcher, Elliot E. Maynard and John F. McCuskey are the current Supreme Court members. West Virginia is one of ten states with an appellate court, and has both original and appellate jurisdiction. The next step in the legal process would be the United States Supreme Court, but like the National Court it has discretionary jurisdiction, meaning it can refuse to hear any

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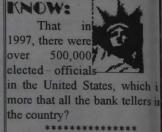
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wife, Marianne and their

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That the phrase "In Goo We Trust" was made the nation al motto on July 30, 1956, bu had appeared on U.S. coins a early as 1864?

OUFSTION:

Who was the 16th President of the United States?

Who was the first presi dent of U.S.S.R.?

John Yoder is one of two

Warren McGraw WV Supreme Court of Appeals candidate



Warren McGraw, candidate for justice of Supreme Court of Appeals

Randolph McGraw is a democratic candidate for Justice of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals. Mr McGraw is currently the prosecuting attorney for Wyoming County, where he resides with his wife. They are

Warren

parents of three children, two of which are also lawyers. He was educated at University of Charleston, West Virginia University Graduate School and Wake Forest University. Warren McGraw was admitted to practice law in this state in 1963.

Mr. McGraw has a long history in the West Virginia court sys-

tems; he has played both the roles of prosecutor and defense attorney. In the state of West Virginia he has served as an arbitrator.

He has experience in representing both the individual and commercial corporations. Warren McGraw is also familiar with courts outside of West Virginia, he has worked before United States District Courts, U.S. Court of Appeal, and the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

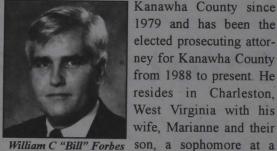
J.B. Parker represented Warren McGraw at the Gilmer County Democratic candidate's night and said ' I'm not a lawyer, but I don't need to be to tell you that Warren McGraw is the right man for the job. He is a capable man, who is honest and believes in hard work. Mr. Parker went on to say that Warren McGraw's whole family is involved with public service for the state of Vest Virginia.

In 1980 he was elected the 44th President of the enate and served as President until 1984. He was electd to the Wyoming County Board of Education in 1986. n 1996 he was elected to the position of Wyoming County Prosecuting attorney, which he is currently hold-

Bill Forbes Justice of Supreme Forbes is a Democratic can-

didate for Justice of the **Court of Appeals** Supreme Court of Appeals.

Mr. Forbes has been actively practicing law in Kanawha County since



William C "Bill" Forbes

local high school. They also have a son who is in his first year at West Virginia University.

Bill Forbes is calling for a stop in the misuse of Justice. He is especially concerned with the corruption of judges and job of the courts to protect the rights of the citizens. In his statement of candidacy he says.

One way to keep the judiciary branch within the power of the people is to elect judges to public office as opposed to the appointment of judges to public office. When asked by the Charleston Gazette should judges be appointed and if not should they be elected in non-partisan elections, William C. Forbes responded " Judges like all democratic office holders should face the voters. They should be subject to public scrutiny and recall. Governors who appoint judges are partisan politicians. Bar associations are dominated by special interest. Denying the public vote without clearly superior alternatives would be undemocratic. The elections should be bi-partisan."

John Yoder WV Supreme **Court Candidate**

Republican candidates for th West Virginia Supreme Court. He received a B.A

degree in government and economics from Chapma College, a Juris Doctor degree from the University of

Kansas School of Law and a M.B.A. from the University of Chicago. He has practiced law for the past ten years in Harpers Ferry, where he resides.

Yoder has been active in the Judiciary Branch of the government. He was a circuit judge from 1976 to 1980.



John Yoder, WV Supreme **Court** Candidate

In a national competition he was selected to work as a Judicial Fellow for the United States Supreme Court. In 1983 John Yoder was appointed by the Attorney General of the United States, as the first Director of the Asset Forfeiture Office at the United States Department of Justice. Mr. Yoder is the only West Virginia practicing attorney to hold so high of an office. He has specialized in constitutional law cases. complex civil cases, and employment law cases. For the past seven year he has been "of counsel" for the law firm of Burch and Cronauer, P.C.

While serving in the West Virginia Senate the Political Editor of the Charleston Daily Mail said, 'He carefully considers the facts before committing himself to vote on any issue. Also they say he is not in the pocket of special interest groups."

John Yoder was elected to the Senate in 1992, and in 1996 was a Republican nominee for the State Supreme Court. John Yoder feels that his experience nakes him the most qualified candidate for the State Supreme Court.

Special

12th District Senate

In July of 1997, Joseph M.

Joe Minnard Minard announced that he would be running for State Senate of the 12th district on the Democratic ticket. Minard has lived in Harrison County, West Virginia all his life. He is the father of six grown children.

Mr. Minard receive a Bachelor of Science Degree in business and accounting from West Virginia University. He was elected to the West Virginia House of Delegates, serving Harrison County during the years 1983-1990. If elected, Mr. Minard would be returning to the senate; he was elected for the term 1990-1994.

During his twelve years in the legislature, Mr. Minard was present and voting in more than 8,000 roll call votes and had a 99% voting record. The Charleston Gazette chose Minard as one of the top six most effective members of the Senate in 1993.

"My personal record of prior legislative service and a proven list of accomplishments during my tenure in the House and the Senate translate into positive public services for the citizens of central West Virginia. My record of leadership and accomplishments truly demonstrates my concern for this district and the people who live here," said Mr. Minard. Education was and is a big concern of Minard

Mr. Minard has served and lead numerous community groups and organization in the Clarksburg area.

Rebecca White is Rebecca White the incumbent candidate for the Senate represent-

Senate and believes that her re-election is important to

the growth of the 12th district. Senator White lives on a farm near Good Hope in Harrison County with her husband, Bill and their family. She graduated from Marshall University.

retired school teacher of thirty-two years, one of Senator White focuses is children's issues and education. She would like to continue affecting West Virginia's schools in a

running for 12th Dist. Senate

Senator Rebecca White is

positive manner. " The world we leave behind is our legacy to our children. We must correct the problems created by wrong choices.

At the Gilmer County Democratic candidate's night she stated, "I am absolutely livid about what is happening to our children's education and their teachers.

" I want your support and your vote," she states. "I want to be your voice in the Senate, not just a vote.

Ron Fragale canidate for Senator f o r

district which includes Braxton, Gilmer, Harrison and Lewis counties. Delegate Fragale is currently serving the Harrison County delegate district and

three democratic candidates

Ron Fragale is one of

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Senator representing the 12th doubles as a teacher at South Harrison High School. He

Ron Fragale resides in Clarksburg with his wife Christine and their daughter

Ron Fragale was elected in 1990 and has been recognized as a "top vote-getter" in Harrison County. In the last eight years he has finished first or second in elections for the four delegate district.

Delegate Fragale has served on numerous committee of the House of Delegates including Select Health Care, Transportation, Political Subdivision, Government Organization, Park and Recreation and Education committees

At the Gilmer County Democratic candidate's night he stressed the importance of the right to vote. "I am exercising my right to run for public office and to vote, these rights are the foundation of our nation. I would encourage all people to exercise these rights."

House of Delegates

Delegate **Brent Boggs**

Delegate Boggs is seeking re-election to the House of Delegate from the 34th District.

Delegate Boggs, the incumbent candidate on the democratic ticket currently resides in Gassawasy, WV. He and his wife Jean are the proud parents of two Braxton County High School students. Delegate Boggs attended Braxton County School High and Glenville State College

He was elected to the House in the 1996 election and currently serves on the House Committee on Education. Delegate Boggs has previously served on the Roads and Transportation and Agriculture and Resources Natural committees of the House of Delegates.

Following his

graduation from Glenville State College he was briefly (two years) employed by the West Virginia



Brent Boggs is running for House of Delegates, 34th District.

Department of Welfare and then became a locomotive engineer. Delegate Boggs was writing legislation and pressing for worker and public safety issues. A lobbyist is someone who tries to influence a legislator's vote concerning the interest group they represent. Currently Delegate Boggs is Assistant VicePresident and National Political Affairs of Director the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He is a member, trustee and Sunday school teacher at Gassaway Baptist Church. Delegate Boggs is also a 32nd Degree Mason and a Shriner.

Delegate Boggs stated at the Gilmer County Democratic candidate's night that he would like to see Gilmer County have a unified voice in the House of Delegates.

He would like to see more money for Glenville State College, the lack of access to Gilmer prevents its County growth

Delegate Boggs made a distinction between serving and representing and wanted it to be clear that he was more than a representative he was a public servant.

Tommy Lee Crutchfield Candidate for House of Delegates

Tommy Lee Crutchfeild is a Democratic candidate for the House of Delegate in the 34th District. Mr. Crutchfeild received a B.A. in History and Political Science from Glenville State College. He received his teacher certification at Davis and Elkins College and he also received a Master's degree in

Forestry from West Virginia University. Crutchfeild Mr. resides in Burnsville with his family. A former

teacher in both Gilmer and Braxton

Counties, he is concerned with educational issues in public school systems. At the college level Mr. Crutchfeild is concerned with the costs of text books which is not included in tuition.

If elected he pledges to find a solution to the text book issues concerning college students and their families. He also addressed the lack of jobs for college graduates in West Virginia.

"I would also like to implement

incentives to keep our graduates in the mountain state."

Tommy Lee Crutchfeild has a strong interest in the environment. He received the Governor's Award for outstanding park employee; he was a park ranger for five years at the Cape Henlopen State Park in Delaware. Mr. Crutchfeild was employed at North Bend State Park and Black Water Falls State Park both located in West Virginia.

He calls for a unified Gilmer

County. He quoted Benjamin Franklin saying, "We shall all hang together or we shall all hang

separately."

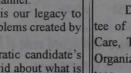
Delegates, 34th District.

He would like to see each county have direct representation in Charleston but this is not always possible.

"I would like to see the people of Gilmer County to at least have a united voice in their future."

He was also sponsered by Jae Spears as a member to the Senate's Sergeant-At-Arms Committee for two sessions.

Tommy Lee Crutchfield is running for House of



ing the 12th district. In 1994 she was elected to the

Special

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The parties on the hill

By Amy Smith Staff Reporter

Political parties have shaped the government since their creation in the 1870's. America has had what is called a two party system, although third parties have existed and also influenced our government. A political party is a group created in order to elect people to public office so that political power is achieved and its' beliefs and philosophies may become public policy.

Parties have many functions in shaping today's government ranging from organizing voters and candidates to translating public desires and needs in to policy.

The Democratic party is the oldest party and came into existence in 1972 as the Democratic Republicans. Thomas Jefferson was the first Democratic elected Republican president and is also credited with founding the party. The party was referred to as the Democrat Party during the 1830's. West Virginia is considered a Democratic state, because most of its voters and leaders

democrats. are Republican party was formed in 1856, and replaced the Federalist Party or Whig Party. In the election of 1860, Abraham Lincoln was the first elected Republican President. The two parties generally disagree on many policies and practices or on how to effect those issues.

Both support education and a balanced budget but

have two entirely different philosophies on those issues. The Democrats are generally considered liberal while more

Today's Republicans tend to be conservative.

The libertarian party just made the ballot in West Virginia. The party began in 1976, and still is on the rise. The party is has recently gained enough numbers to be on the ballots in several states. Several states have had libertarian representation in their government.



List of those who signed code of fair campaign practices

Candidates listed signed CFCP and are running to serve Braxton, Gilmer and **Lewis Counties:** United States House of

Representitives 2nd Congressional District

Bob Wise (Democrat) 2-6-98

West Virginia Senate 12th Senatorial District David L Hinkle 2-4-98 (Republican) West Virginia House of

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Paul Janes (Democrat) 2-23-98

33rd Delegate District Clinton Nicholas 1-30-98 (Democrat) Wanda Richards (Democrat) 2-7-98 William F. "Bill" Stemple 2-27-98 (Democrat) Walker David Α. 2-22-97 (Democrat)

The code of fair campaign practices is an agreement that a candidate may choose to sign agreeing to only spend a set amount of money.

Almost all forms of communication cost money, and the more money one has to spend, the easier it is to communicate with the general public.

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drawn with attention to the county lines, minority voice, and offered a political balance. Sandra Day O' Conner wrote the opinion for the case Shaw v. Reno (1992) and said "Racial gerrymanding, even for remidial purposes, may balkanize is intoo competing racial fractions; it threatens to send us further from the political systems in which race no longer matters."

Voting is now a constitutional right guaranteed to every able, of age citizen. Still yet, very few citizens participate in this right

Perhaps the long strugle of the right to vote, and its complicated history has discouraged voters

Circuit Judge: 14th District, 2nd Division

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Jack Alsop **Circuit Judge** incumbant

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Webster County is the appointed incumbent for the position of circuit judge in the 14 the dis-

Alsop

trict and would like to be elected for the unexpired term. He is one of two democratic candidates for the position. Judge Alsop received both his undergraduate and law degree from West Virginia University. A former prosecuting attorney for Webster County, he has

also a private practice in West Virginia since 1977. He and his wife. Linda a school teacher in Webster County are the proud parents of three children, Rob, Jill

and Jenny.

Jim Douglas Candidate for **Circuit Judge**

A democratic candidate for Circuit Judge, Jim Douglas has been practicing law in West

Virginia Jim Douglas, candisince 1977, date for Circuit with a Judge focus on

family and school law. He has a private practice in Sutton, West Virginia, James Wilson Douglas Attorney at Law. Jim Douglas resides just outside of Sutton with his wife Rita. In 1973 he received a B.A. from the University of Charleston, Magna Cum Laude.

He continued his education with a Master's degree in German History and Literature in 1975, and in 1977 he received a law degree from the West Virginia University, School of Law

James Wilson Douglas



Judge Jack Alsop

Chairman of the Regional Jail and Correctional Facilities Authority until his appointment in 1996 by Governor Caperton. Judge Alsop has appeared in many courts,

including the Supreme Court of the United States. At the Gilmer

county candidates night he stressed efficiency and that one of his priorities will be the prompt disposition of cases in the court system.

was the elected prosecuted attorney for Braxton County, WV between 1985 and 1988.

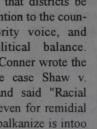
He has been admitted to practice law in various courts such as, United States District Court, Northern and Southern District Court of West Virginia, Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court.

Jim Douglas was a member of the West Virginia State Bar Board of Governors from 1994 to 1997.

"I am interested in the young people of the community, a dedicated supporter of academic and sports programs," states Jim Douglas.

He is currently an adjunct professor of Business law at Glenville State College. Summersville branch, and also taught similar courses there in 1993-94 school year.

While speaking at the Gilmer County Democratic candidate's night he stressed the importance of education and computer literacy. " I feel that computer literacy is something I could bring to the job of circuit court judge.



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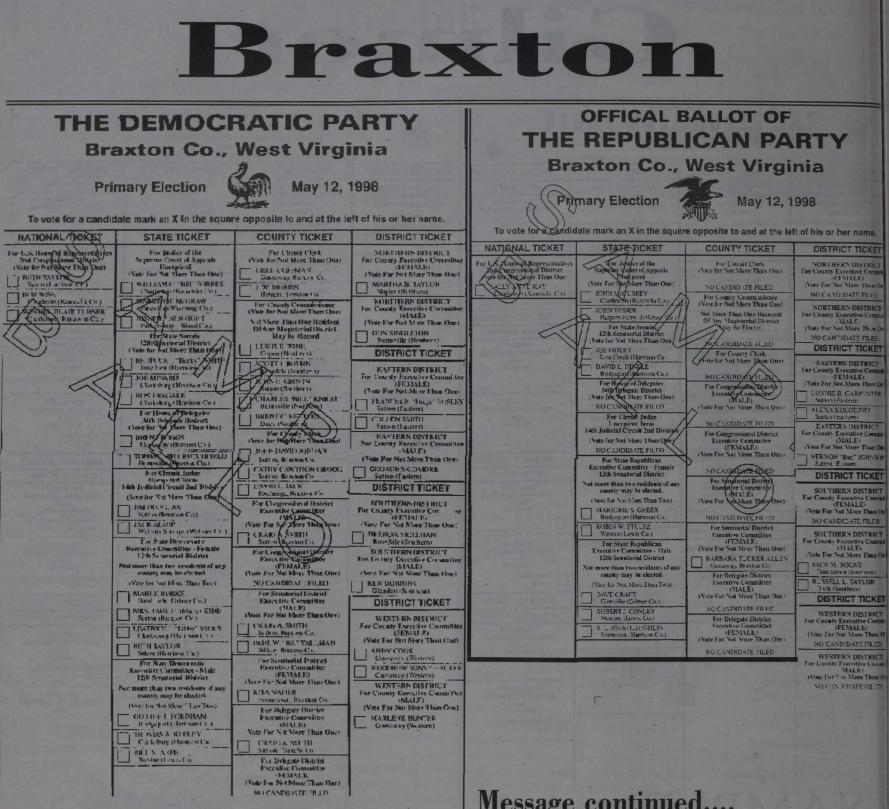
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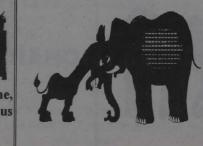
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DID YOU KNOW:

That the Pledge of Allegiance was written by two journalists as a promotional stunt for a children's magazine, Youth's Companion, to be recited on Columbus Day in 1892?



Message continued....

or even know much about. Our country is a democracy centered on a government for the people, by the people and of the people, however a large number of people do not feel accurately represented in the government, and only half of the people participate in the election process and even smaller number even run for office

Democracy and the freedom it offered is something that our ancestors fought and died for. Since then we have served as a role model for other countries, and many other people in other nations have also fought and died for the right to vote.

Democracy is the world's most encompassing and powerful forms of government yet American citizens take it for granted. People are dying for a voice in their government and half Americans won't even acknowledge their own right to vote. So be informed and take action in your government, VOTE.

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By Amy Smith Staff Reporter

Politicians tend to have their own type of language in polictics. Here are some political jargon used in this election.

Primary election - is used by the two major parties, Democrats and Republicans, to make their party nominations for the general election.

Closed primary - West Virginia has a closed primary. For the primary election may only vote the ballot of the party of which you are registered. Voter's who are not registered as one of the three recognized parties, may request to vote the Republican party ballot or they vote a nonpartisan ballot.

General election - is held in the fall and the party winners of the primary election run against each other for the desired position. The ballot for the general election is open; you can choose any candidate regardless of their or your political party.

elected to that position in the previous election and still holds that position.

Appointed incumbent - a candidate currently holding a position because the

incumbent stepped down from the duties and appointed that candidate to fill the normally elected position.

The appointed incumbent needs to run Incumbent - the candidate who was in the next election to keep the position, even for an unexpired term.

Unexpired term - an elected position that has no term limits set. Candidates for judicial positions are usually unexpired.

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Special

By Amy Smith Staff Reporter

On April 17, 1998, the Gilmer County Democratic Executive League hosted a meet the candidates night. Thanks to several donations and large donation from Joe Minard they were able to provide a nice spaghetti dinner with a large desert selection.

A small prayer of thanks was offered by Circuit Clerk, Lane Smith After signing in here was time for the candidates to mingle and to set up campaign materials. Candidates were given the option of speaking after dinher. Most candidates or their epresentatives chose this option, but all were recognized.

All candidates that poke were concerned with tonesty and hard work. Candidates were asked to keep speeches short, between three and five minutes each. Candidates for Justice of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals were asked to speak first and they represented only two of the three democratic candidates. Ginny Grottendieck spoke for William C. "Bill" Forbes, and J.B. Parker represented Mr. Warren McGraw.

The candidates for Circuit Judge 14th District, Second division were Jack Alsop and Jim Douglas. Jack Alsop, the incumbent stressed experience and efficiency. Jim Douglas, an adjunct professor at G.S.C.'s Nicholas County Extension stressed the importance of education and felt that his knowledge of computers would greatly benefit the position of circuit judge. He describes himself" a judge for a change."

Joe Minard, Ron Fragale and Becky White the three democratic candidates for the State Senate all spoke. Joe Minard addressed Gilmer County's unique business needs while Ron Fragale and Becky White, also the incumbent, stressed education. Ron Fragale currently teaches in Harrison County and Becky White is a retired teacher of thirty-two years.

Issues that concerned Gilmer County were directly addressed by the candidates running for the House of Delegates. Gilmer County is currently divided into

three different delegate districts and has delegates serving them in the 7th House District, the 33rd House District and the 34th House District. Paul Janes

Joe Minard, Ron Fragale was the only representative Becky White the three from the 7th district and is one of two democratic candidates for this district. He called for unification of the voice of Gilmer County.

> "Gilmer County could have one of the most powerful voices in the house," Janes said, "if the three delegates representing Gilmer County would work together."

Both of the candidates running on the Democratic ticket in the 34th delegate districts, Delegate Brent Boggs and Tommy Lee Crutchfeild called for a different type of

> ported the idea that Gilmer County should have one delegate district to represent its voice; allowing everybody in Gilmer County to

be able to have the

same choice of candidates for the House of Delegates. Clinton Nichols from the 33rd district was represented by his son Aaron Nichols.

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The candidates for the Gilmer County Executive Committee were recognized, followed by a brief speech by Lane Smith the candidate for and the current Circuit Clerk. All three candidates for the County Clerk's position spoke in the order of Charles O. Greynolds, Caren Jenkins and Beverly Marks.

The night ended but nearly everyone remained to talk and interact with each other on this year's issues. The Mercury will be continuing to follow this year's primary election, watch for the special edition inside the May 4, 1998 issue.

The night proved to be very successful to the public.

A look at the Libertarian Party

By Amy Smith Staff Reporter

The Libertarian Party created in 1976 is slowly becoming recognized as a national party. The last general election qualified the Libertarian prty to be able to nominate presidential and vice-presidential candidates from over twenty three states.

This is the largest third party in the history of the United States, and is the only party beside the Democrats and Republicans to have their presidential ballot in all fifty states including D.C. and Guam.

In West Virginia the Libertarian Party has bal-

Democratic and Republican Parties. The Libertarians gained ballot access after the 1996 general election, because the party received more than 1% of the total vote for governor. 2.6% of the total vote for governor was achieved by the Libertarian Party.

The Libertarian Party has two options of choosing their candidates for the election because they received less than 10% of the total vote for governor. They can choose the candidates through political party convention or like the Democratic and Republican parties, use

lot access along with the
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the 1998 election the
Libertarian party candi-
dates will be chosen by
political party conven-
tion.

The nominating convention will be held Saturday, May 9, 1998.

The Libertarian party must have nominations, certificates of announcement filed with the filing officer and must be accompanied by the correct filing fees.

The candidates nominated at this convention will be running against the Democrats and the Republicans in the fall general election.

A remember for this election: Vote!

Smith presents paper at Political Science Convention

Mike Smith attended and presented a paper at the fiftysixth annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association on April 23-25 in Chicago, Ill. In addition to presenting a paper Smith attended several panels and visited the book exhibits.

Smith's paper was titled "Various uses of cases in Teaching Constitutional Law." Smith based the paper on his experiences teaching Constitutional Law and Civil Liberties. He desribes two ways to use cases in such courses. One involves asking students to brief Supreme Court decisions. Students prepare organized summaries of the opinions written by justices to explain their decisions. The other way of using cases involves designing cases for students to debate. Teams of students argue the opposing sides of a case.

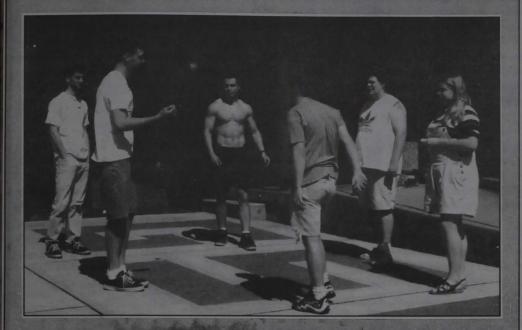
Smith was a member of a panel titled "Teaching with Case Studies: Methods from Across the Disclipline." Other papers concerned using cases to teach about gender issues, teaching public management as a class case study, and using cases in teaching international politics. Smith said "the panel was excellent. All the presentations were of high quality. The panel was well attended and well received."

Meetings in the Midwest Political Science Association are held annually in Chicago. Smith began attending the meetings when he was a graduate student at Northwestern University, which is located in Evanston.



HEALTH/RECREATION

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(L-R): Aaron Keller, Matt Basnett, Brian Weese, Mike Nelson, and the Student Currently Known as "Pugsley" enjoy a game of hacky-sack in at Pickens Hall (Terry L. Estep, Mercury)

Resort seeks new policy for nude skiing

CRESTED BUTTE. Colo. (AP)--Skiing sans clothing long has been a winked-at tradition at Crested Butte Mountain Resort, which opens its slopes at no charge during winter's last hurrah.

But this year, perhaps prompted by sunshine and moderate temperatures, not a few dozen but hundreds of skiers shed their clothes and turned unruly.

'It just doesn't have that light, fun feeling anymore," said resort spokeswoman Gina Craft. "It's gotten out of hand. The behavior was inappropriate and aggressive by the end of the day. And our mountain is a family mountain. This is something we can't tolerate anymore."

The April 19 melee forced the shutdown of one of the mountain warming centers and resulted in vandalism and a general trashing of the Mount Crested Butte Town Center at the base, authorities said. Police, including one officer who was struck with a

beer bottle, made more arrests for drugs, alcohol and disorderly conduct in one day than they normally make in a month.

The tradition began years ago, when a handful of hardy local fans tossed of their clothes for a few runs. But word got around and it first became a problem a few years ago, when skiers began riding lifts and entering facilities without attire.

That prompted the resort to make that choice of dress, or lack thereof, off-limits on the lifts and in the mountain establishments. Skiers adjusted and whipped off their clothes at the end of lift rides.

But this year, hundreds among the crowd of 4,500 on the slopes were skiing in nothing but sunglasses and boots.

Kraft said she doesn't know if tightened rules will include a total ban on nudity on resort property. She said resort officials will work with law enforcement to come up with a reasonable policy.

Brothers win national titles, magazine cover with kneeboards

By Lynn Wooten, Associated Press them the Flight Brothers.

No, David and Jonathan McDonald aren't aviators, but they do enjoy a day of piloting -kneeboards, that is.

On any given pleasant afternoon, chances are the brothers and their buddy Bill Rossini of Gastonia can be found on Lake Wylie or Lake Norman, twisting, flipping and sailing high above the water. Their talents have landed them lucrative sponsorships from water sports companies and national titles, not to mention magazine covers.

About 10 years ago, the McDonalds, already accom-

into a water sports store where they discovered a video monitor GASTONIA, N.C.--Call displaying a promotion tape.

The person on the tape was out on the water, being pulled by a boat, but this was a gig the McDonalds had never seen before.

Kneeboarding.

'Once we saw that video, man, it was all over," David recalls. "We had to do it."

And, boy, have they. The McDonalds and Rossini were among the first kneeboarders on Gaston area lakes and are now ranked professionally as kneeboarders and wakeboarders.

Kneeboarding involves a person kneeling on a board about half the size of a surfboard and holding onto a rope attached to a boat. By aiming for the plished water-skiers, stepped wakes--waves created by the boat as it cuts the water--the kneeboarder launches himself into the air to perform different moves and tricks.

Kneeboarding is the fastest-growing water sport, the guys point out. However, wakeboarding is booming in popularity, too. Wakeboarding is similar to kneeboarding except you stand up--much like snowboarding, just on water.

The guys didn't always take to water.

"I was terrified of the water," says Rossini, 26, a native Californian whose parents had a vacation place at a lake. But pictures he found in water-ski magazines proved too alluring. "I couldn't believe that there were people out there doing these things."

Little could he have imagined that one day he would end up on the pages of those magazines. A kneeboarder for six years, Rossini is sponsored by water sports equipment manufacturer Hydroslide, as is David McDonald, 30, who graced the March cover of WaterSki magazine. Jonathan McDonald, 28, represents competitor O'Brien.

They've all held national titles and have even had certain moves they innovated named after them.

"It's more than just competing," Jonathan says. Like the others, he has been sent across the country as far as Australia, England, the Bahamas. Guatemala and Canada to represent his sponsor doing things and seeing places he might not otherwise. He's also designed a board for O'Brien.

And for each of them, their kneeboarding and wake-

boarding has provided extra spending money. Successful kneeboarding pros can rake in \$20,000-\$30,000 a year, while pro wakeboarders can haul in some \$50,000 through competitions and endorsements.

Age is no object, either, with people turning up at competitions ranging in age from 5 to 55.

But there is risk -after all, these sports can send a person sailing 15 feet or more into the air during the most radical maneuvers. There's no guarantee how you'll land.

Rossini headed to the emergency room four times last year. Common injuries include broken ribs, ruptured eardrums and broken noses.

'Usually, it's just hard knocks. You can shake it off easily," he says.

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Past years to remember

It doesn't seem that long ago when I first came to campus and thought of the new beginning I was making. Now it seems like a faded memory, like the old trees shedding their leaves for the winter, but I can still remember all the nice things GSC offered me. And so. in this very last issue of The Mercury, I'm a part of, I would like to say that college life has defiantly been something to remember.

It seems like only yesterday we won our big GSC game at Homecoming, or took off with trophies in track. It seems only yesterday that cheers of the fans rave at the pep rallies and the band plays on for the home team. It seems like yesterday I was a part of that band and marching out onto the field. The cadence booming, the cymbals loud and piercing, and then I remember the fans. Who could forget the cheers!

But now as graduates of Glenville State we move on, and what a road to conquer. Our next step in life is a step similar to the step we took when attending college. It's an unforgetable step full of mystery, hard work, determination, and living in the natural order of the work world. But never forget college life, its one of the most important times in our history. It's one of the most important part in a new future.

So now we're going to graduate and the years are faded, like the leaves and the fost on windshields.

Now we're taking a step a head.

With the changes happening here at GSC life will go on and the beauty of this is the mystery. It seems some are just starting a new life here, and some are ending their years here also, but remember, GSC is a part of who we are. It is the ringing bell tower in our hearts. It is the knowledge we gained in our minds. It is the time we spent, through all the laughter and the tears, it is the a part of our

life. And so, to finish I've got to this. say...remember those past years and smile. Why And don't forget the Me? cheers. Don't ever forget the cheers!

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Concert Choir and Chamber Singers performance marred by loud kids

By Ann Williams, Staff columnist

The Concert Choir and Chamber Singers, with conductor Keith Hann performed Thursday, April 23 to a suprisingly large audience.

They sang songs such as Deum" by Mozart, "Te "Hallelujah from Mount of Olives" by Beethoven, and Everlasting" "Glorius by Cousin. While this is definitely not my taste in music, the members of the Concert Choir and Chamber Singers had very good voices. I thought Christopher Simpson's baritone on "You Gotta Take Me As I Am" by Schwartz was especially well done.

Audience reaction to the concert seemed to be mixed.

"I wish I could have understood more of the words they were singing," commented sophomore Allison Tant.

Most of the songs were sung with non-English words.

music was too churchy, but I liked it."

I can't really write a really great review, because it was hard to pay attention to the concert with so many young children in the audience, and most of them shoudn't have been there to begin with.

I know this statement will make some non-traditional students angry, but it was very distracting to have children yelling and crying throughout most of the performance.

I talked to Paul Johnson, one of the Concert Choir members, and asked him if he could hear the children in the audience. He said that he could. Most of these children were sitting in the back row, and he was standing on stage, if that gives you, the readers, any idea of the noise level these children

Laura Conrad commented, "The were creating. Don't get me wrong, I like children, but I also believe that if a child is too young to behave or enjoy the show, they shouldn't have been brought to it in the first place.

> It is my hope for the Choir Members, Chamber Singers that perform, and the audience that wants to enjoy the show, that their next performance can be better enjoyed without distractions. I also hope that if children are brought again that they will be better behaved.



SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

All articles submitted for publication in The Mercury must be typed and double-spaced. Stories and announcements should be addressed to Annie McCourt, News Editor. The deadline for stories and announcements is Wednesday at 5 p.m. for publication in the next week's paper. All photographs should be submitted to Heather Ware, photo editor.

And now for a word from the Faculty Senate President.

Dear editor,

As President of the Glenville State College Faculty Senate for the last two years, I would like to take this opportunity to publicly acknowledge the dedicated members of the Faculty Senate and the countless hours they spent in the thoughtful examination of various campus issues.

The Senate met twice monthly (the second Thursday of each month at 12:30 and a monthly Tuesday night work session) during the academic year and conducted regular business meetings regarding faculty issues and concerns on campus. In addition, the Senate Executive Committee met frequently to follow up on items and set agendas. During the course of the year, the Faculty Senate discussed issues of concern to faculty, addressed topics brought to the attention of the Senate and served the interests of the faculty in regard to the development of campus policies. As the year draws to a close, the Senate is preparing a Summary Report of all its activities and correspondence for distribution to each faculty member.

The 1997-1998 Faculty Senate was comprised of the following members: Nick Bassett (Parliamentarian), Kathy Butler (Vice-President), Tim Carney, Mike Caulfield, Kay Chico (Treasurer), Joe Evans (Past President), James Hilgenberg (ACF Representative), Yvonne King, John McKinney, Chris Orr, Paul Peck (Secretary and Past President), Terry Reale, Harry Rich, Mike Smith, Rick Sypolt, and Don Wildermuth. These men and women approached every meeting with enthusiasm and the utmost professionalism and I am indeed honored to have worked with each of them.

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My thanks also to the faculty members who contributed their time on Senate Committees and/or attended Senate meetings or forums. Additionally, I extend my appreciation to all faculty who willingly served throughout the year on various campus committees. Finally, thank you to the Heflin Center staff for arranging meeting space for the Senate meetings.

Allow me to close by once again extending my sincere gratitude to the members of Faculty Senate for their support of my role as President over the last two years and for their fierce dedication to the betterment of Glenville State College.

Sincerely,

Cheryl F. McKinney, CPA **Faculty Senate President**

A call for revival in end-time churches

Dear editor.

Will our christian church reject our Lord's final message given to us in Revelations 3:14 or will we bring his judgement of being vomited out of his mouth upon ourselves?

As a lay minister, I have mailing completed just 130,000 hand-addressed letters to all of the churches in the southern states. I asked for no money or support except that they join me in fervent prayer for a nationwide revival.

The apathy that our Lord and Apostle Paul predicted for our age was painfully obvious for very little attention or action was aroused by the letter and request. This, of course, was of much concern to me for I have great compassion for the great number of people who profess Christ while their lifestyles are a living testimony that they

have been deceived--possibly by the "wide gate" doctrines and practices that are so prevalent in many churches today.

I, therefore, will continue to do all I can to warn individuals of their spiritual jeopardy because they continue to listen to the counsel of men instead of that of the Scripture and the Holy Spirit. Many non-Scriptural precepts and practices have been brought into our end-time church and these have been instrumental in bringing about our complete apostacy or falling away.

Beware of "false teachers" and pray fervently and frequently for our church and our country. Unless our Lord sends us a revival soon, neither our church or country will be strong and successful much longer.

Br. Raymont Senn

Roundup: Vi rou stat The Herald-Dispatch of

Huntington:

Maybe it was the glue that was used. Maybe the goldleaf itself wasn't properly applied. Whatever the reason, an ugly black streak mars the north side of the gilded state Capitol dome in Charleston.

Application of the goldleaf was a controversial topic some years back when it was done. But that controversy was mostly defused when an anonymous Charleston businessman stepped forward and wrote a check covering much of the work's cost.

Now businessman Lawson Hamilton has shed his anonymous role and added his voice to those calling for the dome's cleaning and repair. Secretary of

Administration Joseph Markus reports that repairs are planned and a New York firm involved in the restoration of the Statue of Liberty has been retained as a consultant on the project.

That's good to hear, for the ugly streak on the Capitol dome has been allowed to spoil

the building's otherwise handsome appearance for too long.

The Inter-Mountain of **Elkins**:

There can be little doubt that juvenile crime is on the increase

We read of the school shootings in Arkansas, of sexual assaults on children by children, of gang violence, of murders, rapes, robberies and other mayhem that sickens the mind when you realize those acts were committed by mere children.

And a look at police reports in Elkins and surrounding communities show that it is not just a "big city" phenomenon.

Frequently we hear calls for stiffer penalties for juvenile offenders. The logic behind "Try them as adults, that will make them think twice about it" is becoming more accepted. And more and more states are looking at trying juvenile offenders as adults.

We disagree. Filling our prisons and jails with teens and children isn't the answer.

With crime, adult or juvenile, is much thought given to the possible punishment before the act is committed or is it an act of impulse, anger or selfish desire? Does an 11-year-old boy think about the penalty of an adult court system before he opens fire on a playground full of classmates? Do 8- and 9-yearolds only abuse a 3-year-old after realizing that because of their age, they won't go to prison? Do teens think about jail before loading up the pickup truck with friends and beer and heading out into traffic on U.S. 33? The answer to all such questions is "no."

Yes, something has to be done about juvenile crime, but trying children as adults is not the answer. We, as a society, must teach our children the difference between right and wrong and not count on the fear of punishment to keep them in line.

Certainly some people think it easier to lock up troubled youths instead of making an effort to solve their problems. That, in itself, explains a lot

about society's troubles and shows that these problems didn't start with this latest generation.

Clarksburg Exponent-Telegram:

Requiring inmates to pay for some of their medical care is only fair. Prisoners who can pay their share, should pay their share. And the state should do everything it can to save taxpayer money by reducing unnecessary medical treatment for prisoners.

The state Division of Corrections spends a big chunk of money each year on health care for inmates -- \$12 million, to be exact.

And much of that money pays for treatment that is unnecessary, according to Correction Commissioner Bill Davis. Davis said inmates fake illness or injury so they can get a visit to a doctor and, along with the visit, a change of scenery, a chance to cause trouble or a way to get out of work.

Before anyone gets the idea the state is going to deny inmates health care in order to save money, here are the details

of the plan: Inmates will have to pay \$5 for each doctor visit. Inmates who don't have the money to pay won't have to pay. Inmates won't have to pay for emergency treatment (unless an injury is self-inflicted). And inmates won't have to pay for treatment of chronic illness, mental illness or follow-up care. It's not known yet exactly how much the plan will save, but similar plans in Pennsylvania and Tennessee have cut health care costs by 50 percent, according to Davis. He estimated West Virginia's savings will be in the millions.

A bill enacting the makeinmates-pay plan was passed by the state Legislature this year and signed into law by Gov. Cecil Underwood on March 27. Corrections officials are now drawing up a policy that will detail such things as when an inmate will be exempt from the \$5 fee. It's hoped the plan can be put into effect on Aug. 1.

Making the state's 2,389 inmates pay a share of their medical costs-we think it's only fair.

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By James Arnold, Staff Reporter Recently Jimmy DeCicco was elected new mascot here at Glenville State

College. DeCicco, a 1995 graduate of Mussleman High School is anxious and ready to take on his new role as Pioneer. As a sophomore, Jimmy takes on the huge responsibility of leading our athletic teams to battle. Jimmy has recently received his musket and he's awaiting his costume.

"I'm looking forward to

New Pioneer DeCicco (Heather Ware, Mercury)

this oppurtunity", he said. When asked what he looks forward to, he responded, "Beating Shepherd's ass!"

ioneer Jim DeCicco Amos springs ahead for WV

By Greg Talkington, **Associated Press** MORGANTOWN, W.Va. -

SPORTS

- Amos Zereoue has little to prove.

The diminutive tailback has shattered virtually every West Virginia University rushing record in just two seasons. In fact, he's only 24 yards shy of the career rushing mark of 2,648 yards held by Artie Owens.

Yet Zereoue insists spring drills were worthwhile to his development.

"I can still get better at the fundamentals," he said. "I need to improve my blocking and get better as a pass receiver.

"I've been playing here for two years and I'm'not saying I'm at the point where I want to be. I can still improve and make myself a better player."

Maybe so, but don't expect to see much of Zereoue crashing into linebackers before the season starts this fall. WVU's coaches aren't about to risk an injury to a player who accounted for nearly 40 percent of the offense in 1997.

"I don't need to see what Amos Zereoue can do," veteran

coach Don Nehlen said. "He'll get enough work to learn some of the new stuff we're putting in.

"But we certainly don't want to take a chance on banging him up."

Offensive coordinator Dan Simrell agreed.

'Amos Zereoue doesn't have to prove his toughness to any of us," Simrell said. "But he can still work hard and get sharper mentally as well as physically."

Looking at the 5-foot-8, 203-pound Zereoue, it would be hard to imagine him getting much sharper from a physical standpoint. He can bench press more than 400 pounds while still running a sub 4.4 40-yard dash. And Zereoue says he sel-

dom worries about injuries.

"I'm not worrying about injuries because once I do that, I won't be playing football like I can and do the things I want to do," Zereoue said.

Coming off a season where he rushed for 1,589 yards and 18 touchdowns while finishing 10th in the Heisman Trophy voting, Zereoue knows the national spotlight will be shin-

ing on him every week.

He says he's more than willing to trade some of his time for the attention it will bring to him and the team.

"The last time we had any notoriety was in 1993 and in '88 when Major (Harris) was here and up for the Heisman," Zereoue said. "I want that type of atmosphere here again, for people to realize we're a top team again.

"If that means putting pressure on myself for that to happen, then that's what I'm going to do."

Zereoue claims he'll have little trouble keeping focused on football.

"The distractions will be tough but I'll get through it," he said. "Any time you're mentioned for the Heisman, it can be distracting.

'But it's also a compliment ... a compliment to me and a compliment to my linemen and those guys around me."

The distractions start early --WVU opens with national power Ohio State on Sept. 5 at Mountaineer Field. The game will be televised nationally by CBS.

College Hall of Fame to honor teams, players who died in plane crash

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP)--The College Football Hall of Fame on Friday dedicated bronze plaques honoring 45 Marshall players and coaches who died in a plane crash. Teams from from Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo and Wichita State will also be remembered.

Sam E. Clagg, former chairman of the University Council at Marshall, will attend the ceremony at the Hall of Fame.

Marshall's plane crashed just short of the airport near Huntington, W.Va., on Nov. 14, 1970, killing 37 players and eight coaches among the 75 that died in what still is the worst sports disaster in U.S. history.

Irack Spotlight:

By James Arnold, Staff Reporter

This week's track spotlight is on sophomore Sarah May Weadon.

Sarah is a 1996 graduate of Pocahontas County High School. Her duties on the Glenville State College track team consists of the 400 meters and the 4x400 relay teams.

Sarah's favorite events

are the 400 hurdles, and the 4x400, 4x800 relays.

"Track has been a blast this year and we're improving," Sarah commented. "Next year we'll be even



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NASBAR TOD 20 The top 20 in the NASCAR Winston Cup points and money standings through April 26: 1, Rusty Wallace, 1,318 2. Jeremy Mayfield, 1,282 3. Terry Labonte, 1,256 4. Dale Jarrett, 1,255 5. Jeff Gordon, 1,245 6. Mark Martin, 1,149 7. Bobby Labonte, 1,120 8. Bill Elliott, 1,105 9. Dale Earnhardt, 1,085 10. Jimmy Spencer, 1,079 11. Ken Schrader, 1,040 12. Michael Waltrip, 1,035 13. Ward Burton, 1,009 14. Bobby Hamilton, 988 15. Brett Bodine, 977 16. Jeff Burton, 976 17. Ted Musgrave, 943 18. Johnny Benson, 932 19. Ernie Irvan, 932 20. Chad Little, 906

Tom Nozica named **University of** Charleston Athletic Director

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) -- Longtime University of Charleston baseball coach Tom Nozica has been named the school's athletic director.

Nozica, who has coached Charleston's baseball team for 29 years and served as associate athletic director, will replace Linda Bennett.

Bennett also serves as the school's women's basketball coach. Bennett has coached at Charleston for 12 seasons and served as athletic director since 1990

Nozica said he will continue to coach the baseball team.



Friel and Ramezan Ohio newspaper: Baseball pressing conference champs Schott to sell Cincinnatti Reds continued the winning ways by

By James Arnold, Staff Reporter

The Glenville State College track team travelled to W.V. Wesleyan on Friday, April 24 for the WVIAC track meet. The day was perfect for track conditions, in fact it was the best weather all year. Although Wheeling Jesuit proved to be the conference power house, Glenville had many outstanding performances.

Jonathan Ramezon started the winning tone off with an awesome performance by taking the conference championship in the 1500 meters.

Harper, Wes Karns and Dwight White Freshman Randy Friel also proved that he is "FOR

REAL" by winning the conference championship in the 400 and 800 meters. His outstanding performance caught the eyes of other WVIAC schools.

taking third in the 4x100 and

4x400 relays. Both relay teams

consisted of Randy Friel, Greg

Other Pioneers who did well - Tina Mallow took second in the high jump, Wes Karns placed third in the 200 meters, and Amy Thomas did well in the The Pioneer relay teams shot-put.

By Joe Kay.

Associated Press CINCINNATI (AP) --

Major league baseball has not urged Marge Schott to sell her share of the Cincinnati Reds, a baseball source told The Associated Press.

The Cincinnati Post reported Wednesday that baseball is trying to persuade Schott to sell the team before her suspension is up on Nov. 1. Otherwise, the other owners would consider extending the length of her punishment, the newspaper said, quoting anonymous sources.

However, a ranking baseball official, speaking on the condition he not be identified, said Schott's case is not actively being considered by the owners and officials, and probably won't be until later in the season.

The source also said that baseball has hinted to Schott that it would be happy if she agreed not to resume running the team when her suspension ends later this year, but is not trying to persuade her to do so.

NL president Len Coleman and Reds managing executive John Allen declined to comment on the matter. Schott, who is recovering from a broken hip, did not answer her phone at home.

Schott agreed to give up authority to make day-to-day decisions in June 1996, following another round of inflammatory comments. Allen will run the team until at least Nov. 1, when she's allowed to return.

Baseball officials are pleased with the direction Allen has taken. Under her agreement

with baseball, Schott is allowed only to negotiate for a new stadium and approve the annual budget.

Baseball has grounds to suspend her again if it chooses. Schott was accused of using the names of Reds employees to fake 57 car sales contracts in 1995 in order to meet a sales quota and keep her General Motors dealership.

GM dropped the matter when she agreed to sell her Chevrolet-Geo dealership in suburban Montgomery last year. Baseball owners have not yet considered the matter.

Under her partnership agreement, Schott has controlling interest in the team until Dec. 31, 2000, when it's possible that the minority partners could vote her out.

Briton reaches North Pole, completes "Grand Slam"

RESOLUTE, Northwest Territories (AP)--A British adventurer reached the geographic North Pole on Wednesday, becoming the first person, to conquer adventuring's "grand slam," the expedi-

David Hempleman-Adams, 41, of Swindon, England, and his Norwegian partner, Rune Gjeldnes, arrived at the pole at 9:32 a.m. local time, 54 days after they left Ward Hunt Island in Canada's Arctic, said expedition manager John Perrins.

Hempleman-Adams was trying to complete what is known as adventuring's grand slam: reaching all four poles-geographic and magnetic, north and south -- by foot and climbing the highest peaks on all seven continents.

"They're at 89.999 degrees, which basically tells me that they're at the pole because you won't get 90 degrees on ... the satellite reading," Perrins said from his base in Resolute, Northwest Territories.

Just to make sure, the trekkers criss-crossed the area, said Perrins, chief executive of the Mitchemp Trust, a Britishbased fund that finances adventures for underprivileged children. Hempleman-Adams is its day.

Relaying messages from a nearby radio base, Perrins said the two were tired but in high spirits. He planned to retrieve them by Twin Otter aircraft Thursday.

Gjeldnes, a 26-year-old marine, and Hempleman-Adams left on skis from their starting point north of Ellesmere Island on March 5. Pulling supplies on sledges behind them, they were resupplied by air twice.

Surviving on a diet of oilsoaked muesli, pastas and chili along with a little chocol te, the adventurers battled drifting ice and were sometimes forced to walk around rugged terrain and open water, all adding nearly 100 nautical miles to what was supposed to be a 773-kilometer (480-mile) trek.

"It was a little bit rough," said Perrins. "You've got a lot of sea ice that builds up there which is called rubble. It looks like big ice cubes that have fallen out of the sky."

The rubble was so bad the two were limited to less than 10 kilometers (six miles) a day before they reached open ocean and the terrain smoothed somewhat, enabling them to do up to 28 kilometers (17 miles) a

City: Burning down the couch has got to stop

By Vicki Smith, Associated Press

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (AP)--Setting fire to the sofa, the longstanding West Virginia University way of celebrating sports victories or protesting losses, has become a potentially deadly practice that city officials say must end.

City Council is contemplating an ordinance that would prohibit indoor furniture from being put outside, where overzealous students periodically set it ablaze.

A WVU student escaped his burning apartment Sunday after neighbors woke him up. Someone had apparently moved a couch onto Chad Rhodes' porch and torched it.

Normally, students haul their own furniture outside and start the bonfires in their yards or on the sidewalks or streets.

Councilman Ron Justice said Tuesday it's time for the city to add the practice to its image-improvement agenda.

ers have focused on condemning and tearing down dilapidated houses, and in the past month, they have ordered 140 property owners to spruce up. Old furniture is the next target.

"It's been an aesthetic problem," Justice said. "It's a safety problem now."

borough The of Indiana, Pa., home to Indiana University of Pennsylvania, tried to pass a similar ordinance several years ago but abandoned its efforts

"The big problem with that ordinance is who's to determine whether it's indoor or outdoor furniture," said Indiana Officer Howard Zoning Abrams.

Students cannot be singled out, and one elderly resident complained that the only chair he could comfortably sit in was an overstuffed piece from his living room that he moved onto the porch, Abrams said.

And if you have a covered For two years, city work- - porch, is that indoors or out-

doors?

"We contemplated doing it for years. There's just too many problems," he said.

In Indiana, "the big problem isn't the fires," Abrams said. "It's unsightly."

It's also unsafe. IUP students have been known to drag sofas onto the roofs of their houses, he said.

Indiana has passed an ordinance requiring annual inspections of all buildings occupied by someone other than the owner, and Greek housing is inspected twice a year, Abrams said.

Sofas can be removed for health reasons if, for example, inspectors believe they could house rats, Abrams said. But banning furniture outdoors altogether will be tough, he said.

"They may pass it, but they won't be able to enforce it," he said of Morgantown. "And the first time they go to court and lose, it's all over."

SCIENCE/TECH

The Virtual Librarian Flip burgers or work the web? You decide.

By Ben Bruton, Guess Columnist Summer's here, and the time is right...for finding a job! At least, that's what those of you about to graduate are no doubt thinking as the semester draws to a much-anticipated halt.

Well, when you wake upon the morning after your graduation night's festivities, face-down on the floor amidst a clutter of empty liquor bottles, just remember this: your job future depends on the Internet.

It's no joke. In a 1996 survey, 150 business executives were asked if a strong understanding of the Internet would be important for their career advancement in five years' time. The results proved conclusive: 76% of the executives felt that the Internet would play a significant part in their future advancement.

The remaining 24% are now scraping roadkill of I-79.

The moral? Get to know your Internet! If you don't have a computer or Internet access, seriosly consider investing your time and money in getting yourself online...soon!

A few years ago, the Internet was still gradually filtering into American mainstream culture. Now it's a household word. When your mom startes talking about e-mail and "the information superhighway," then you know it's time to get with the program.

Today's employers are looking for Internet-savvy young people to fill their ranks. They want bright young minds who know how to create Web pages, who are adept in programming languages like Java, or who at least know how to find their way around *Windows 95*.

In today's job market, Internet skills are no longer a preference--they are a requirement. For those of you who continue to bask in blissful ignorance of the Internet, the future looks

ow bleak.

A 1997 survey polled 100 employers to determine if companies were hiring applicants with appropriate Internet skills. Results were dismaying; about two-thirds of those polled noted a significant shortage in the number of people with adequate Web skills.

As I see it, the problem has less to do with public awareness and more to do with general laziness. We all know that the Internet is out there, but few of us want to take the time to study it and discover new applications for its use. For many, the Internet remains a vague concept, something that we hear about on TV or in the newspaper, but which is still not an accepted part of most people's lives.

To be able to compete in an ever-shifting job market, you 1998 graduates will need to strive to make the Internet a part of your everyday routine.

The times they are achangin', folks.

ODNR Advises against feeding ducks bread, corn

By John Wisse, Associated Press COLUMBUS,

COLUMBUS, Ohio--Meals of bread and kernel corn could be fatal to ducks.

A bacterium known as clostridium botulinum Type C was identified in the 1930s as being responsible for causing botulism poisoning in birds, particularly waterfowl and shorebirds. While the original sources are varied, wildlife biologists have identified bread and spoiled foods that are fed to ducks as a significant cause of avian botulism death.

Decaying vegetation from changes in water level and quality also can lead to the spread of this bacterium and its toxin.

The Division of Wildlife advises people not to feed waterfowl. In some communities, ordinances prohibit the feeding of ducks and other birds and wildlife in certain areas.

In 1997, about 1.5 million ducks in Canada and the United States died from avian botulism, the worst such recorded outbreak in nearly 50 years, according to Ducks Unlimited, a nonprofit wetlands conservation group.

In Ohio, the largest single outbreak killed nearly 1,000 waterfowl in 1980 on the Cedar Point National Wildlife Refuge near Toledo.

In late summers, more water evaporates because of the heat, which leaves aquatic vegetation dying and fermenting, said Mark Shieldcastle, a wildlife biologist. Microorganisms and other bacteria then form.

Botulism is most likely to spread in late summer when waterfowl are in their molting stage and unable to fly. As a result, they are largely confined to some areas where they may feed heavily upon food provided by people.

The clostridium botulinim Type C bacteria is a stealthy killer, too.

While thought to be more prevalent in the western half of North America, this form of bacteria can and does exist undetected in the sediment of various ponds and lakes, sometimes for years.

Undressed on the net--Shots fired in digital star wars

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) -- Angry about being digitally undressed on the Internet, *Melrose Place* star Alyssa Milano filed lawsuits Tuesday against several online firms.

The two suits could be the first shots in a communicationslaw version of star wars. Experts say the stars could win in court and still lose on the Net.

Entrepreneurs make millions by selling celebrity images, often nude and often fake, on computer lines. While some operators peddle shots from movies or television, others simply superimpose a famous face on a digitally doctored torso.

Defendants in the Milano suits include John F. Lindgren, registered owner of nudecelebrity.com in Minnesota. In an interview with the Los Angeles Times, he acknowledged receiving complaints from Miss Milano but said he ignored them and was waiting for ``something really serious.''

Lindgren, 21, said he would remove the Milano pictures from his site, but would try to keep his business running because it brings in more than \$10,000 a month. Other defendants operate locally and in Canada.

Mitchell Kamarck, Miss Milano's attorney, wants to ignite a broader attack against sex sites.

"Celebrities are realizing for the first time that the Net is a dangerous force if it's not corralled," he said. Experts aren't sure that the Net can be corralled. An attempt by Congress to outlaw indecency on computer lines was overturned last year as an infringement of the First Amendment.

More online peep shows pop up every day. Established ventures can make up to \$80,000 per month, according to executives at Cybernet Ventures. The Van Nuys company handles credit card transactions and age verification for thousands of adult sites.

"I don't think you can stamp it out," said Anthony Lupo, a Washington, D.C., attorney who specializes in Internet issues. "The law may be in Hollywood's favor, but there's enormous demand for these pictures, and it's so easy to do."

Spay, neuter pets for better health

STARKVILLE, Miss. (AP)--Having pets spayed or neutered not only helps control the pet population, but it also helps protect the animals from serious medical problems.

Dr. Cory Langston, associate professor of veterinary medicine at Mississippi State University, said spaying females before their first heat cycle eliminates the threat of uterine and ovarian infection or cancer. These are common in unaltered females.

Risk of tumors in the mammary gland, the milk producing gland, also can be reduced tremendously by spaying.

"If a dog is spayed before her first heat cycle, her chances of developing cancerous tumors decreases to less than one percent," Langston said.

A high percentage of mammary tumors are malignant, and if allowed to spread to the animal's lungs or bones, they can be fatal, he added.

Neutering males helps prevent testicular tumors and most prostate problems, Langston said. It also decreases the chances of dogs roaming and fighting.

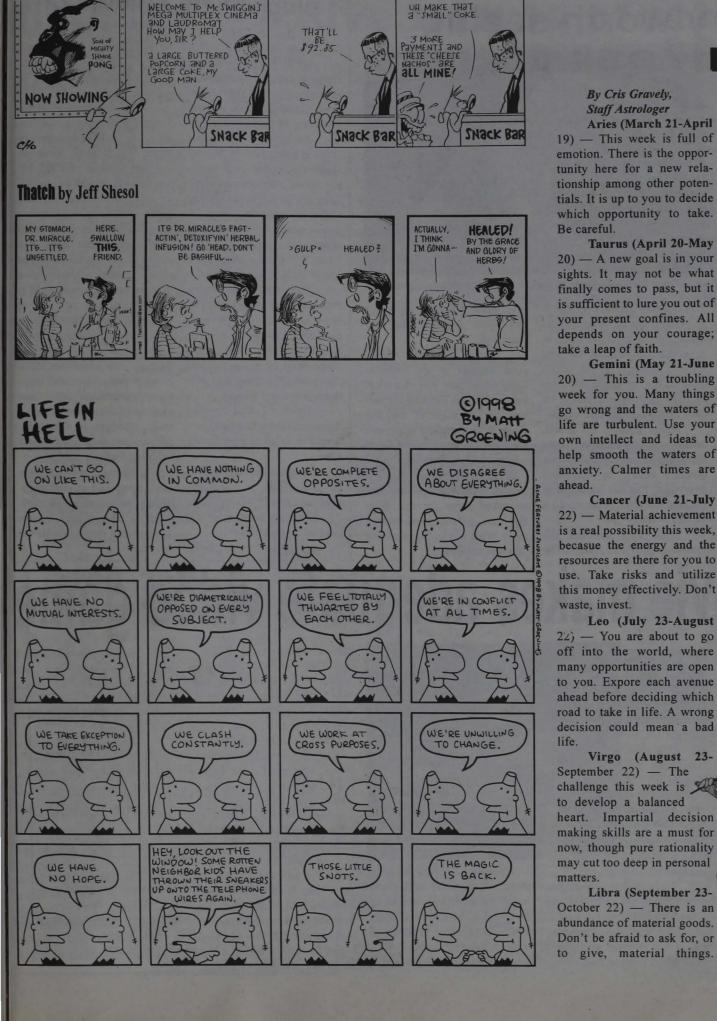
Sterile pets not only have a greater life expectancy, but they also make better pets for families. Sterile pets become calmer, more content and more affectionate.

He said neutering male pets also makes them less aggressive toward other male animals.

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LIBERTY MEADOWS by Frank Chow



Magical **Mystical** Predictions

By Cris Gravely,

Staff Astrologer Aries (March 21-April

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use. Take risks and utilize

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waste, invest.

Share, share alike this week and the rewards will be greater than any yet.

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Scorpio (October 23-November 21) - Be a hermit this week. Take time for yourself in order to acquire wisdom and patience. Not only will you feel better, but you will have a stronger sense of your identity.

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21) - After a time of hurt and withdrawal, a new oportunity for love is on the horizon. This begins with love of self, a delicate quality that must be nurtured or it will vanish.

Capricorn (December 22-January 19) - Time to look in the mirror and find out what is bad in your personality. By gaining knowledge of self, you can release energy and free yourself from self-disgust.

Aquarius (January 20-Fabruary 18) - This week, expect ongoing contentment in the realm of the heart. Especially in love matters, things are not going to change for quite a while; enjoy what you have.

Pisces (February 19-March 20) — A more "down to earth" phase of life is about to begin. This can be a proposal, a marriage, or the birth of a child. Whatever it is, you will discover that you are not only physical, but also spiritual.

decision could mean a bad Virgo (August 23-September 22) — The challenge this week is to develop a balanced heart. Impartial decision making skills are a must for now, though pure rationality may cut too deep in personal

Libra (September 23-October 22) — There is an abundance of material goods. Don't be afraid to ask for, or to give, material things.

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City of Angels--a heavenly love story worth seeing

By Brent Wood, Staff Columnist The recently released film City of Angels should tug at the

heart strings of everyone. The film stars Nicolas Cage and Meg Ryan discovering the most important thing in the universe: the power of love.

Cage is an angel sent to Earth to observe and guide humans through their everyday life. On this occasion he arrives at a hospital where he waits to take a soul back to heaven. This time it is different, for he meets a beautiful doctor played by Meg Ryan. As he looked into her eyes he saw something that angel are not able to feel--passion and sorrow.

His curiosity and admiration for her led him into something more than he was expecting. After letting her see him, he began to create a relationship. He wanted to live through her, see through her eyes, feel through her body. But in his attempt to understand who she was and what life meant, he fell in love with her. One day he meets a mysterious patient-played by Dennis Franz of



America's sweetheart, Meg Ryan, has a date with an angel.

NYPD Blue--who knows exactly what Cage is. When Franz discovers the angel has fallen in love with the woman, he tells Cage "falling." If an angel decided too, he could fall from heaven, give up everything he ever knew, and become human.

Cage goes to his friend, another angel played by Andre Braugher (*Homicide Life on the Streets*) where he discussed everything that has happened in the past few days. What would it be like to really live?

This film matched the emotional power of *Titanic*. The

example of the genre.

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love story portrayed by Cage and Ryan, reaches deep into your soul.

There was some skepticism whether or not Nicholas Cage could play this character, but the reaction between the two was on the scale of the Big Bang. With sorrowful music and truly original story, this film is sure to touch the world.

In this film, as he takes the souls to heaven, Cage's character asked about the one thing that the person remembered most. What will be the one thing you will remember? Heller denies he plagarized *Catch-22*

By Rayner Pike, Associated Press

NEW YORK -- Joseph Heller and his publisher denied last Monday that he plagiarized *Catch 22* from a novel published 10 years earlier.

An amateur bibliophile wrote a letter to *The Sunday Times* of London two weeks ago noting "the amazing similarity of characters, personality traits, eccentricities, physical descriptions, personnel injuries and incidents" in Heller's 1961 book and *Face* of a Hero by Louis Falstein.

The letter from Lewis Pollock led the *Times* and The Washington *Post* to investigate, driven in part by a Heller biography last month that quotes him as saying he had "borrowed" actions and settings from other writers.

Heller told The Associated Press that he hadn't known of Falstein, who died in 1995.

"I'm amused that there'd be such a fuss or that much interest in it," Heller said. "It's irritating because of the implied insinuations."

The points of similarity

begin with the authors themselves, both Air Force veterans from Russian-Jewish families in Brooklyn who served in Italy during the war.

Both novels are set at the Mediterranean base of an American bomber squadron in World War II. Both focus on terrified airmen forced by bureaucratic muddling to fly an excessive number of dangerous missions over Nazioccupied Italy, the *Times* said.

Each writer used the powerful and evocative image of a wounded soldier whose body is encased, mummylike, in a white cast.

"In World War II there were lots of soldiers, sometimes drunk and firing their weapons and sometimes stuck in white body casts, and there were outbreaks of both diarrhea and idiotic censorship," said Andrew Giangola, spokesman for Simon and Schuster, Heller's publisher.

"Saying that two writers can't cover this ground completely independent of each other is absurd and maybe more absurd than what Heller can dream up."

Bad movie makes adequate video game

By William Schiffmann, Associated Press

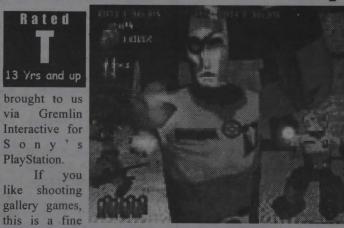
Sly Stallone isn't Olivier, but he's made a few interesting movies.

Judge Dredd wasn't one of them.

A real clunker, it told the story of an unpleasant future where the criminal justice system has evolved into a world without cops or courts. Instead there are judges who track down bad guys, pass sentence and carry it out-right on the spot. The criminal rarely survived this process.

Each judge is armed with a dandy, multipurpose weapon, known (tongue in cheek, no doubt) as a lawgiver.

The game du jour, which carries the name of the movie, is



Options include the usual sound adjustments (I suggest turning off the music and cranking up the sound effects), three difficulty levels, and a means to save your work on a memory card.

There are tons of 'ups to

gather while you're fighting, including a variety of improved weaponry, a temporary shield to ward off enemy firepower, medi-kits to restore health to 100 percent and a heart icon to give you an additional life.

Goodies are hidden everywhere, and usually are marked by red arrows. My advice is to shoot everything that looks breakable. You get points for damage and you might find something useful.

An info screen pops up at the end of each level, giving you your score based on how many androids you dispatched, how accurate you were and how much damage you did. You get bonus points for streaks killing a number of bad guys without missing. Graphics are clean and colorful, with excellent explosions. Control is basically aiming and firing, since your progress is controlled by the CPU. Sound effects are pretty good.

There's just one problem with this game, a problem it shares with other light gun-type productions. Nothing ever changes. The same bad guys pop up at the same place, at the same time, every time you play.

So running through the game a few times really decreases the fun unless you'd rather rack up a huge score than face a new challenge. To me, the lack of change really decreases the replay value--and makes buying the game a less attractive proposition.

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Whodunit? They did--"Out on a Limb" displays creative talents of students

By Terry L. Estep, Staff Columnist You've seen them act. You've seen them sing. You've probably even seen them swinging swords around on stage.

But if you missed "Out on Limb," a night of student-writen plays, you haven't seen anyhing.

"Out on the Limb" is the culmination of the efforts of stulent director Ezekiel Flowers nd the creative talents of Cris Gravely and the other actors who have graced the stage on Glenville State College. It's a inique cadre who have stormed he stages at every opportunity.

The twist, of course, is that "Out on the Limb" springs entirely from the minds of Glenville State College students.

The one-hour program opened with Cris Gravely's

"The Laundromat," a short char- cased further the acter piece that sets up the joke and punchline effectively.

In the laundromat, Carol Tenny faces off against the everversatile Lisa Belknap for control of the only remaining dryer. The scene works; Belknap's costume, with a bulbous behind, was hysterical to look at.

"Patience, Patients," also by Gravely, starred a post-costume change Belknap as an eccentric psychiatrist who holds conversations with her right hand (named Mr. Winky), Tenny as her receptionist, and director Flowers as an increasingly disturbed patient.

"It will be interesting to see if they pull it off," Gravely confessed before the show started. "If they get the words wrong, everyone who got a copy of the Trillium will know it."

"Patience, Patients" show-

slapstick capabilities and comedic timing of the actors.

After a short intermission, the troup performed "Whodunit?" The one-act play, written by Flowers, actually came into being as an acting exercise.

For the exercise, meant to illustrate the use of accents, stu-

dents had to improvise a 20-minute scene. The scene they created became the play, which emphasized stage combat skills as well.

The play brought together a unique assortment of characters.



The cast and crew of "Out on a Limb," written, performed, and financed by Glenville State College students (Terry L. Estep, Mercury).

> Becky Seymour and Chris Kenna shared a riotous love scene, Lisa Belknap became even more maniacal, and Jen Smith shone as a Brit punk-rocking chef covered in blood and attitude.

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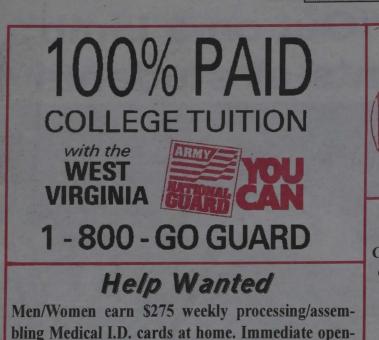
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