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Trumka added, "President Reagan and his Republican allies in the Congress dismantled our national energy policy, and it was a Republican Administration that chose instead to give the big oil companies free reign while pumping millions of dollars into the development of nuclear power."

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## ★★★ General Mer Man coach to be enshrined Marshall Hall of Fame tomorrow

By TEDDY PAYNTER  
News Editor

Logan County will soon have its  
athletes inducted into the Mar-  
University Hall of Fame when  
Mer Man graduate and coach  
A. Queen joins Walt

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Wac and Leonard Hallyer to-  
w evening.  
Queen, Marshall's only five let-  
hlete, will be inducted at the  
Marial Student Center at 6 p.m.  
with seven others, including  
Shoebridge, the Thundering  
quarterback who survived the  
plane crash.  
Marshall will also induct 75 of  
players and fans who perished  
notary inductees.

In 1925, Queen became the only  
five-star general athlete at Marshall  
when he lettered in football, base-  
ball, basketball, track and tennis.  
Queen played under the legendary  
Coach Cam Henderson.

A graduate of Man High School,  
Queen returned following college  
graduation to coach at his alma  
mater after a stay at Hurricane and  
Maldon (now known as DuPont)  
High Schools.

He led Man teams for four de-  
cades, beginning in the 1920's until  
he retired in 1950.

Queen's accomplishments in ath-  
letics at Marshall are superior to all  
others. And the MU program has  
been blessed with outstanding ath-  
letes over the years, including  
George Stone, Hal Greer, Tom

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MARIANNE BREWSTER  
Republican Challenger



NICK JOE RAHALL  
Democratic Incumbent

## Brewster takes stand against incumbent

By TEDDY PAYNTER  
News Editor

Fourth District Congressional  
challenger Marianne Brewster told  
the noon gathering of the Logan Ro-  
tary Club yesterday incumbent Con-  
gressman Nick Joe Rahall has been  
simply a "bad lack of leadership."

Brewster, a Republican candi-  
date from Bluefield, said Congress  
can be managed more fairly and  
will be if she is elected over the  
Democratic stronghold.

"I guess I should say, when I'm  
elected to Congress, He (Rahall) has  
done very little for those he repre-  
sents in Washington," Brewster said  
during an afternoon visit to Logan  
County.

"I believe in a better black lung  
system, and most of the miners I've  
talked to feel the same way. It's im-  
portant to coal miners and their wid-

The female Republican, who  
attacked Rahall verbally in re-  
weeks, was critical of Rahall's de-  
cision in 1981, at which time he v-  
for in favor of House Bill 5159.

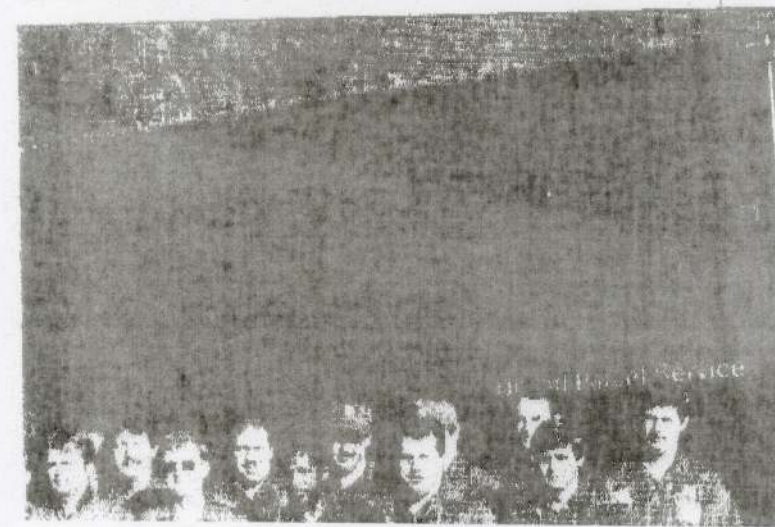
"That made it harder for me to  
get black lung benefits," she  
marked.

Secondly, Brewster said she  
favors a national energy policy  
coal, thus reducing U.S. depend-  
on Middle East oil supplies.

"We're sitting on the Saudi  
bin of coal right here in West  
ginia. For the past 14 years,  
Rahall has been in office, our  
pendency on Mid-East oil  
grown causing the current Per-  
Gulf crisis," he said.

"I'm a strong believer we  
play catch up. Senator (Jay) I  
efeller has been very vocal

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Kuwait.

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who were ill, flew  
to Amman and that a  
s expected to follow.  
pledged billions of  
p fund the multina-

high ranking Washington official as  
saying Iraqi soldiers were deserting,  
but provided no details.

Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov  
left Thursday for Washington from  
Paris, where he met with President  
Francois Mitterrand. The Soviet  
trouble-shooter, who met with Iraqi  
President Saddam Hussein in Bagh-  
dad two weeks ago, has repeatedly  
indicated Iraq's resolve may be  
weakening.

"I can tell you that in a diplo-  
matic manner I do not dismiss the  
possibility that the Iraqi position  
could be more flexible," Primakov  
told reporters Wednesday.

But publicly, there seemed few  
indications of peace by the major  
players in the gulf. Iraq reiterated  
Wednesday it would never pull out  
of Kuwait and U.N. Secretary Gen-  
eral Javier Perez de Cuellar said  
military intervention against Bagh-  
dad would be legitimate if sanctions  
do not budge Iraqi troops from the  
occupied emirate.

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**FROM PAGE 1**

## Brewster takes political stand

pushing the use of methanol, but at  
the same time Congressman Rahall  
has been silent.

"He has constantly passed up  
chances and opportunities for us to  
promote our own coal here in West  
Virginia while we still continue to  
rely on more foreign oil supplies,"  
she remarked.

Brewster said through May of  
this year, Rahall has introduced 143  
bills, but noted that 97 percent of  
those have failed to become law  
since 1979.

"You'll always read in the paper  
where he has introduced such and  
such a bill, but how many of those  
actually become law. Not many,"  
she stated.

Although Rahall says he is work-  
ing hard to improve highway condi-  
tions in Southern West Virginia,  
Brewster feels he is simply,  
"dragging his feet."

"Our highway system is vital to  
us. Just like I support a new four-  
lane highway on U.S. Route 52. I  
feel this can save lives in Southern  
West Virginia and help our econ-  
omy as well," she replied.

Brewster was also critical of Ra-  
hall's decision to vote in support of  
renewing statutory authority for the  
National Endowment for the Arts to  
the tune of \$117 million this fiscal  
year.

"How can he vote in favor of al-  
lowing the courts to determine  
whether federally supported arts'  
projects are obscene when those  
funds can go to help improve our  
highway systems and make other  
valuable changes in Southern West  
Virginia," Brewster concluded.

Drivers, Ave-  
stance Coalition and Homeless  
Coalition.  
The public is invited to at-  
tend.

## Marine Corps plans celebration

Marine Corps League, De-  
tachment 577, will have an in-  
formal meeting and celebration  
of Marine Corps birthday at 6  
p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 in Ran-  
dy's Steak House on the Holden  
Road.

All members and their fami-  
lies are invited to attend.

## Registration passes 200 mark

Registration for the October  
19-20 reunion of the 1940, 1941,  
1942 and 1943 Logan High  
School graduating classes is  
now over 200, according to Re-  
union Registrar Helen Koshier.

"It seems to be a combination  
of more people wanting to see  
each other and returning home  
in the fall when the hills are col-  
orful and the weather is cool,"  
she said.

## BCPSD to flush hydrants

Buffalo Creek Public Service  
District will conduct hydrant  
flushing today and tomorrow.

Residents are asked to use  
caution when doing laundry.

## LHS Yearbooks for 1990 ready

LHS 1990 Yearbooks will be  
given out from 6 to 8 p.m. Satur-  
day, only, during a yearbook  
party in the Student Center.

No yearbooks will be given  
out before Saturday.

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-I think we need  
to be careful on  
saying Trumka res-  
ponded to Brewster  
at the Rotary Club.  
Could we just say that  
~~she~~ her ridiculous charges  
in the past that she repeated  
at Rotary ~~were~~ prompted by  
the following comments:

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