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Constitution Week

Recognizing John Marshall's contributions to American government

By **CAROLINE KIMBRO**
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's annual Constitution Week kicks off on Monday to commemorate and educate students on the influence of the United States Constitution and John Marshall's contribution to the American form of government.

Dr. Alan Gould, director of the John Deaver Drinko Academy, said U.S. Senator Robert C. Byrd created Constitution Week to highlight the document underlying our system of government.

Gould said, "Included within federal legislation passed in 2004 was a provision requiring educational institutions that receive federal funds to set some time aside on or near the Sept. 17 anniversary of the document's signing to study the United States Constitution."

President Jerome Gilbert said Byrd was a tremendous supporter of and advocate for the Constitution.

"Byrd carried a copy around with him at all times in his vest pocket, he would pull out the Constitution," Gilbert said. "That was his passion, that people need to understand it. The American people need to read it. It's not very long - understand it and embrace it as the basis of our government."

Gilbert said the 2004 legislation produced a new set of events dedicated to celebrating and educating

students on the backing of American freedom.

"It was put in the Omnibus Budget Bill that year that it be a requirement and at that point, the schools that had not been covering Constitution Week started programming," Gilbert said. "I think it has produced a very interesting set of programs at every campus, in that people in a lot of ways had taken for granted our Constitution and what it means for our system of government."

Gilbert said while the Constitution is the central feature of our governmental system, it is often undervalued.

"Really our system of government is based on the Constitution and without it, or without its being there, we wouldn't enjoy the freedoms and all of the checks and balances in the system that we have, which is the beauty of the American government system," Gilbert said. "And so to me, our Constitution is a tremendous asset in this country and one that we need to recognize as being the foundations of all the things that we enjoy and sometimes take for granted in our system."

Gilbert said Constitution Week at Marshall also provides an opportunity to connect students with the intertwining history of John Marshall's life and the United States' founding.

"I'm a big fan of the founding fathers, I'm a big fan of the constitution. Certainly, John Marshall defined the judicial branch and he looked at the constitution as something that we should revere, as well as Byrd," Gilbert said. "So I think it's great that our students are exposed to things related to the Constitution and are related to the history of this university and John Marshall and his role in interpreting the Constitution as a Chief Justice. I'm very, very grateful that we have such a structured week and tying it to John Marshall I think is a great way to sort of embrace both the founding fathers, John Marshall, and the Constitution all in one celebration that goes on for not just one week, but several weeks."

Ginny Painter, Senior Vice President of Communications, said Constitution Week includes many engaging events.

"The quito tournament is really popular and fun," Painter said. "You know with the students, that and the birthday cake are probably the most popular."

Marshall's annual Constitution Week will include a quito tournament, lecture on civic responsibility, and birthday cake ceremony.

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California challenges Trump's end to young immigrant program

By **DON THOMPSON**
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SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — California sued the Trump administration Monday over its decision to end a program that shields young immigrants from deportation, saying it would be especially hard hit because it has more of the immigrants brought to the U.S. illegally by parents or by parents who overstayed visas than any other U.S. state.

The lawsuit's legal arguments largely mirror those already filed in a lawsuit last week by 15 other states and the District of Columbia. Attorney generals for the states of Maine, Maryland and Minnesota joined California's lawsuit.

California Attorney General Xavier Becerra said California's case is stronger than the first lawsuit, filed last week, because more than 200,000 of the 800,000 participants in the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program live in the state.

"I don't think there's any doubt that California has the most to lose," he said, flanked by two program participants who were brought to the United States as 4-year-olds who now attend college in the Sacramento area.

Rosa Barrientos, 23, of East Los Angeles, who is now attending California State University, Sacramento, said she "was given wings" by the program. If it ends, she said, "I don't know what's going to become of my life."

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Open-air preacher's team, audience grow in numbers

By **DANITE BELAY**
THE PARTHENON

Open-air preachers, opposing students and a man playing the saxophone were the center of attention outside the Memorial Student Center Monday afternoon.

Although Zach Humphrey normally shows up to campus and preaches alone, he had a small team of open air preachers with him this time.

John Adkins, a member of Word of God Open-Air Ministry, said he came out to just share the good word and not stir up controversy.

"We're just trying to get the message to people," Adkins said.

With Humphrey's previous goals to spur religious conversation on campus, some students said they felt uncomfortable with his way of practicing free speech.

"I think it's wrong," freshman Makayla Ward said. "I don't feel comfortable with it."

Ward said a couple of weeks ago she walked by Humphrey on campus and overheard a conversation he was having with another student that caused her to intervene.

"He was looking at Muslim students and said, 'All Muslims are terrorists, you're going to hell,'" Ward said. "The reason I came back out here today is because I wanted to know what he was talking about this time."

With a diverse religious population on campus, Ward said there is a

specific way to go about practicing religion and speech openly without targeting others.

"If he was actually preaching about the Bible and how it can save you, that's okay," Ward said. "But he was repeating some of the things he was saying a couple weeks ago, continuing to pinpoint different types of people."

Ward said she didn't think that was the type of thing Humphrey should be doing, but instead preach about God's love and not negative things.

Another student played the saxophone throughout Humphrey's preaching in opposition of Humphrey's practice of free speech.

"I'm not here to force anyone to believe like me, but I am here to seek to influence people in the grace of God to come to Christ and know his forgiveness and mercy," Humphrey said. "That includes warning them of the wages of sin."

With the crowd much larger than usual, Humphrey said he credits the people who argue with him and the student playing the saxophone for drawing attention towards his preaching.

"Whenever there are people who cause a scene, it really helps to get people's attention," Humphrey said. "Then they start hearing the Gospel and that's what really gets them to stick because now we have a solid crowd that we're ministering to."

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Zach Humphrey holds a sign while open-air preaching Monday outside the Memorial Student Center. Humphrey normally preaches alone, but brought a small team of preachers to join him Monday, attracting a crowd of Marshall students voicing their opposition to his positions.

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Student group sends bucket-fulls of flood relief to survivors



United Methodist Students members and Marshall University sophomores (from left to right) Kayleigh Terrel, Jennifer Gerst and Betsy Horton mark up items and hammer down lids on flood buckets to be sent to survivors of Harvey and Irma hurricanes.

By HUNTER ELLIS
THE PARTHENON

United Methodist Students prepared flood buckets to help with disaster relief across the nation Saturday as their first Service Saturday of the semester.

United Methodist Students does a Service Saturday once a month where they go out into the community and partake in a service project to help others.

For this month, the group processed 144 buckets in about five hours.

"With everything going on in Texas, and Irma about to hit Florida, we wanted to do something more than just send money," Ben Wells, campus minister for United Methodist Students, said.

The students who helped put together flood buckets did so at New Vision Depot, a disaster relief hub that is part of the United Methodist Committee on Relief.

"The more we can check, the more that can be ready to be sent out, the more people we're helping," said Betsy Horton, sophomore exercise science major and member of United Methodist Students. "We're helping them indirectly even if we may not be able to go to Texas and Florida to help them."

A flood bucket is a five-gallon bucket that includes items needed to clean up a house when a disaster hits, including brushes, sponges, gloves, clothes lines, cleaning supplies and other items.

"People get this list and they collect these items

from the store and then they send the buckets to the warehouse, but notoriously a lot of the buckets that come in aren't quite done right," Wells said. "There's a formula to it that's been crafted overtime of what works and what doesn't. Often a lot of the items on the list get overlooked or switched out for a similar item."

The group went through buckets that have been collected and made sure they were properly prepared. They emptied buckets and sorted through the items by removing items not needed and adding missing items.

"If we need to fix it, we fix it, repack them properly, seal them up and then they get stacked on pallets and very soon will get loaded on a truck and go wherever they're needed," Wells said.

United Methodist Students meets at 8 p.m. every Thursday in the Campus Christian Center and welcome all students regardless of denomination or religious beliefs.

Each week, the group eats a meal together and does an interactive sermon.

"We provide a family-like community environment where students can explore their faith, ask questions, grow in their faith and get a chance to live it out as well as learning what that means," Wells said.

United Methodist Students is a campus ministry funded and supported by the West Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

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Support group to study and assist victims of sexual assault

By AMANDA LARCH
FOR THE PARTHENON

Kim Kocak created a support group for victims of sexual assault at Marshall University. Sexual Assault Survivor Skills, or SASS, is an eight-week program that focuses on coping skills and healthy ways to deal with the trauma experienced after sexual assault.

Kocak, a graduate student at Marshall, contacted the Northwoods Foundation in Dublin, Ohio to assist her with a research component of the support group.

"The participants will be asked to wear a fitness tracker that measures heart rate and sleep," Kocak said. "This is part of the cognitive behavioral therapy skills and mindfulness approach. This will help the individual start to understand and measure their body's response to what triggers an emotional and physical reaction."

Kocak said she hopes to help participants take control of their emotions and move forward from the assault. She said she wants to give these women their voice back.

Sydnee Baker-Combs, counselor at Marshall's Counseling Center, assists Kocak. Baker-Combs fulfills the role

of a licensed counselor that groups like these require. She is there for crisis management in case the sessions become too triggering or emotional for members.

Each week, the members will meet for two hours to practice a different form of therapy, including journaling, art therapy and meditation.

"The group will work to build up the students' coping skills to address their triggers and intrusive thoughts," Baker-Combs said.

Every member will also need to attend individual counseling at the Counseling Center, Baker-Combs said.

Kocak survived childhood sexual assault, which she said partially inspired her to create this program.

"When I tried to get help, there really wasn't anything that could have any good outcomes. Everyone wanted to medicate me," Kocak said.

She said a healthy mixture of group and individual therapy, as well as learning about physical mindfulness, self-care and identifying triggers will help these women feel empowered and overcome their trauma. In Kocak's opinion, medication alone almost never produces

positive results for these situations.

If the initial eight-week program is successful, Kocak and Baker-Combs said they want to continue with new groups of women. Kocak is still in the process of securing the research component, but she said even if that aspect does not work, the therapy will go on for the current group of women and future ones.

"If this works, I want to spread the love," Kocak said. "And if we can teach other people this model, we can have it in other places in the community, not just for Marshall students."

While the recent reports of sexual assault on campus worry her, Kocak said it will not affect the program, as each participant must be at least one year post-trauma and not actively suicidal.

The support group meets for the first time Oct. 11, and it will conclude meetings on Dec. 6. Before students can be admitted, they must be interviewed by a counselor at the Counseling Center, and the group is limited to 10 members each cycle.

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INTO program in need of more American conversation partners



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International students line up at the welcome desk in Marshall University's INTO Center to prepare for Fall 2014 orientation.

By PAMELA YOUNG
THE PARTHENON

Marshall students, staff and faculty have the chance to help guide and mentor international students through INTO's Campus Conversation Partners program.

Kenneth Jones, student engagement coordinator, said the program was designed to give international students the opportunity to meet domestic students and to adjust more easily to the American lifestyle.

"International students have the opportunity to meet someone from the United States, learn about their culture and practice their English outside of class," Jones said.

Jones said the program does not have enough domestic students to participate, leaving some international students without a partner.

"We have a lot of American students that want to participate, but I always have more international students than American students," Jones said. "I only have 15 that don't have partners, but currently, I, in this semester alone, have 70 partnerships which is a total of 150 people."

One struggle matches have is finding times for them to meet up.

"The largest challenge is them trying to find times to meet together because both of them are students, so they have to work around each other's schedules," Jones said. "Sometimes what I hear is that they aren't able to meet with each other often because their schedules don't

work out."

Shahid Ali, a graduate student from Pune, India pursuing an M.B.A in computer science, joined the Campus Conversation Partners program in Aug. 2016 and was partnered with Alex Root.

Ali said their conversations usually surround the topics of learning about each other's cultures and traditions.

"The Conversation Partners program is a great initiative at Marshall which allows you to share your culture and traditions with others," Ali said. "Being from other countries with different traditional backgrounds, it's difficult to adjust to a new environment and people, but my conversation partner made that transition easier."

Root not only had conversations with Ali, but helped him with his driver's license test, helped him with assignments, showed him around Huntington and even travelled to Nashville together. "Not only did I learn to cook some good American cuisines, he also helped me with my English and proofread my assignments, and he even helped me getting my driver's license in the United States," Ali said.

Ali said the only issue was not being able to meet with his conversation partner sometimes due to scheduling difficulties and timing.

"This small difficulty is outmatched by the experiences and memories I have gained from this program," Ali said.

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Hunger issues to be highlighted during local writers' readings

By ALISON BALDRIDGE
THE PARTHENON

Local writers will help bring to light the hunger issues facing the Huntington area by participating in the first A.E. Stringer Visiting Writers Series of the semester at 7 p.m. this Thursday at the Visual Arts Center.

Joel Peckham, assistant professor in the English department, and Laura Treacy Bentley, Huntington native and Marshall alum, are both presenting their works. During the event, non-perishable food items will be collected for donation to the Facing Hunger Food Bank in Huntington as part of National Hunger Action Month.

Sarah Chavez, visiting assistant professor in the English department, is the coordinator for the A.E. Stringer Visiting Writers Series and will introduce the speakers during the event.

"The goal is to celebrate local writers and to bring awareness to issues of hunger in Huntington and Cabell County," Chavez said. "The representative of Facing Hunger will also be at the reading and she will talk about

food deserts in the county and other things."

Peckham will be reading from his creative nonfiction collection "Body Memory."

"Body Memory' deals with how we process and live with trauma," Peckham said. "There are physical and psychological trauma that I am exploring. I like to think the emphasis in my work is not on the trauma necessarily, but how we live through it and how we keep going."

Peckham said an important aspect of writing is connecting to the reader and actually making them experience moments they can relate to.

"Your first responsibility as a writer is to make the reader be able to experience a moment, idea, place or person along with you," Peckham said. "When you encounter a person that can actually make you feel like you are living through the experience, that becomes a very intimate and powerful communal occurrence. If you can't get your reader to relate with you, then you've forgotten what it is to be human, and writing is about

what it is to be human."

Laura Treacy Bentley is a local novelist and poet from Huntington. According to a Marshall press release, she has had works published in numerous literary journals in the United States and Ireland.

Chavez said she is excited to use this event to connect to the community, while also showcasing local writers.

"I'm thrilled," Chavez said. "I love this event and I feel like this is what art should do. Art should work for its community and provide something outside of aesthetic. I love the opportunity to meet people and the community, and I'm happy to continue this tradition when I took over."

Students and faculty volunteers will be introducing the writers. Each writer will be reading for approximately 15-20 minutes, then a Q&A will allow anyone in the audience to ask questions. Books by the authors will be available to be bought and signed after the Q&A.

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SPORTS

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By ADAM ROGERS
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Marshall wide receiver Tyre Brady put himself in rare air during the Thundering Herd football team's 37-20 loss at NC State in Raleigh, North Carolina Saturday night.

The redshirt junior shattered a Carter-Finley Stadium record for a visiting player and even broke the Wolfpack record after he hauled in 11 receptions and 248 yards.

"I think (he's) pretty damn good," Herd head coach Doc Holliday said. "He's a hell of a player, great kid. He didn't practice much during the week and he went out there and played extremely well. We need him to do that, that's the kind of player he is."

Brady hauled in 11 catches on 16 targets from Litton in the game.

The game plan for the Herd was to get him the ball more in week two, after he caught just three passes for 54 yards and a score against Miami (Ohio).

"We made a concerted effort to get him the ball today," Holliday said during his postgame press conference. "I thought Chase did a good job throwing the ball, and he did a good job of making plays."

The concerted effort by the coaching staff to get the ball to Brady Saturday was prevalent from the start of the game.

On the Herd's second drive of the game, Litton found Brady four times in five tries and three of those completions were for 15 or more yards.

"They count on me to make plays and I just want to be there for them in any way," Brady said. "Every time the ball is thrown my way I feel like I'm supposed to make that play, so I go all out in making the play."

The Miami (Fla.) transfer

finished the first half with six catches for 188 yards and a score, but the Wolfpack defense still could not stop him.

In attempt to stop Brady's ability, NC State tried double and triple-teaming him on the outside.

But that was unfruitful as well, and Brady relished in the opportunity.

"Going in, moments like that, that's what a player wants," Brady said. "The great ones want to be in positions like that."

Brady said he had no clue he broke the stadium record for yards until after the game. He and the Herd were trying to win a game still.

While he did not know his stats during the game, Herd fans realized Brady was on his way toward a Marshall program record in addition to the stadium record.

Brady finished just 40 yards shy of tying former Heisman Trophy finalist Randy Moss' school record of 288 yards in Marshall's 1996 Division I-AA playoff first round 59-14 win against Delaware.

"That's a great blessing for me to be up there by him, with the greats," Brady said. "I didn't even know when I was out there (on the field), I was just playing. I watched Moss when I was growing up. I always wanted to make a Moss catch going over the defender."

One thing that was evident when Litton threw Brady's direction was that they had the confidence in each other that if the ball was thrown in the vicinity, a play could be made.

That confidence in each other was formed during Brady's transfer year and in the offseason.

"We did a lot of stuff. We went to work (in the offseason)," Brady said. "Even when



I was sitting out last year, sometimes I would pull Chase aside and we'd throw to each other. I always went in there and watched film with him. When he was in there breaking down films against other teams, I'd go in and watch with him so I could see

what he sees out there so we could be on one accord."

Brady said seeing the hard work he and Litton put in with each other payoff is the greatest feeling.

"It makes you want to go even harder," Brady said. "Seeing all your hard work pay off puts

you on another level."

The previous NC State receiving yards record at Carter-Finley Stadium was set by former wide out Jerricho Cotchery with 217 yards against the North Carolina Tar Heels in 2003.

The visitor's stadium record was set by Wake Forest's James Brim who had 194 receiving yards against the Wolfpack defense in 1986.

Marshall now must ready itself for the Kent State Golden Flashes in week three. Kickoff is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. ET at Joan C. Edwards Stadium with Hall of Fame Weekend festivities planned before kickoff.

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Top: Marshall redshirt junior wide receiver Tyre Brady (right) breaks away from NC State cornerback Johnathan Alston during the Thundering Herd's 37-20 loss to the Wolfpack in Raleigh, N.C. at Carter-Finley Stadium.

Right: Thundering Herd wide receiver Tyre Brady comes back to the football for one of his 11 catches against the Wolfpack defense in the Herd's 37-20 loss Saturday, Sept. 9.

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Editorial: Still fanning the flames of September 11, 2001



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The National September 11 Memorial and Museum are set for a memorial service Monday in New York. Thousands of 9/11 victims' relatives, survivors, rescuers and others gathered Monday at the World Trade Center to remember the deadliest terror attack on American soil.

For most of us, Monday was not 'just another Monday' to get over with.

Instead, it was a time to stop and reflect on one of the events that has defined our country: the 9/11 attacks that took place 16 years ago.

According to Pew Research Center findings released Monday morning, the attacks remain relative to many citizens' lives today, as nearly one out of every five Americans cite the nation's response to the attacks as the moment during their lifetimes where they felt most proud of their country.

This ranking of pride surpassed other national events, such as the election of our first African American president and our first moon landing, which came in second and third place in the survey.

Despite this moment of unity the attacks culminated throughout our national community, it is also important to note the divisiveness that arose from it soon after.

The threat of terrorism gained a new status and later became the impetus of many government initiatives, including an entire war in the Middle East against extremist Islamic militant groups.

However, fear of terrorism also began its own unique war on the home front against over 2 million Americans whose peaceful faith extremists groups claimed to share.

Muslim citizens across the country faced discrimination and hate crimes due to the increasingly anti-Islamic rhetoric that the government, the media and citizens

continued to spread.

While the Iraq War was brought to an official end in Dec. 2011, the battle still rages on against Muslims and their families here, with incidents such as the recent Manchester Arena bombing fanning familiar flames of hatred that began in Sept. 2001.

This hatred has led to nothing but the shedding of more innocent blood.

With each shooting, each vandalized mosque and each taunt toward a woman for wearing her hijab, our country grows less united.

It happens closer to home than you think. Just last year, a high school teacher from Huntington High School was suspended for anti-Muslim rants she posted online.

This happens despite the fact that Muslims want the same exact thing that we do: for terrorist acts done in the name of Islam to stop.

The Pew Research Center found last year that nearly 82 percent of Muslims in the United States are either very or somewhat concerned about extremism committed in the name of Islam around the world.

It's time that we stop waging a societal war against our Muslim neighbors and start coming together with them to bring a stop to the true enemy: hatred.

If all of us can band together as we once did exactly 16 years ago, we might just be able to achieve a new moment in history where we are all even prouder to be Americans than we were then.

ASK ALEX ABOUT: RELATIONSHIPS

By **ALEX RUNYUN**
PHOTO EDITOR

"HELP ME. I'm seeing/sleeping with a guy that seems great but also doesn't really include me in his day-to-day life. He's older (32 and a working professional) and I don't know how to ask for more than the current situation."

Oh, boy, have I been in your shoes before! This is a common issue, trust me. The days of sock hops and 'going steady' are long gone; I can't remember the last time I heard of someone asking their partner "Will you be my girlfriend?" And there's nothing wrong with that! Putting so much pressure on a relationship-defining conversation can cause undue stress. If you like this guy and you want to be more present in his life, let him know. No need to sit him down and demand to know your position or create a detailed schedule of your time spent together. If the relationship is casual, your conversation about this can be, too. Tell him over dinner you'd like to see more of him during the day; invite him out to see a movie with your friends; ask him to join you at a local music event; go to the Huntington Museum of Art together (it's free on Tuesdays!). If he's a 32 year old working professional, he should be able to handle making and keeping dates with someone he's already spending time with. If he can't do that, you may need to look elsewhere. He is no more in charge of your relationship and time together than you are!

"Okay so there's this guy who I know likes me and has for a while and keeps kind of making moves at me? Like passive aggressively flirting with me. Problem is I am not interested and also am in a happy and long-term relationship, so how can I let this other guy know that I want to be left alone? It's really old and has been for a long time."

To put this simply: you are not in charge of this guy's feelings. You are in charge of your feelings, and it seems like you're feeling violated and annoyed. Do not allow his passive aggressive flirtation, disrespect for you, and disregard for your relationship to continue! You don't have to let him down easy, you don't have to try not to hurt his feelings, and you don't have to be nice to him. If a man is making you uncomfortable or is making continued unwelcome advances, stand up for yourself. Be as transparent as possible. If you want to explain that you're in a happy relationship, that's fine, but you don't owe him any explanation. If you haven't already, tell this guy "no," plain and simple. If he can't take "no" for an answer, cut him out of your life!

"I'm afraid to commit to another person in fear of being heartbroken again. It's so easy for me to just cut things off before they get started. Of course I don't think I've found the right one. I do, on the other hand, live a busy life and having a girl might complicate things right now. Where would you suggest I go from here?"

You're right: it doesn't seem like you're ready to commit to a relationship right now, and doing so will add another layer of complication things. That said, cutting off potential relationships is defeatist. Avoiding relationships just because you're afraid to get hurt is not a sustainable strategy for human interaction. A bit of bad news: heartbreak is inevitable. This life is full of people and circumstances that will tear you up inside and leave you that way for a long time. The good news: when you let love into your heart, all those hard things become easier to deal with. Easier said than done, I know. My advice to you is to continue going about your busy life with an open mind, and an open heart.

This column is the opinion of one person and is not a substitution for professional help. Free counseling services are available to all Marshall students on the first floor of Prichard Hall.

To submit questions anonymously, visit alexrunyon.sarahah.com. For comments or concerns, e-mail runyon113@marshall.edu.



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US marks 9/11 anniversary with resolve, tears and hope



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President Donald Trump lays a wreath during a ceremony to mark the anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Monday at the Pentagon.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Americans commemorated 9/11 on Monday with tear-streaked tributes, a presidential warning to terrorists and appeals from victims' relatives for unity and hope 16 years after the deadliest terrorist attack on U.S. soil.

Looking out at the solemn crowd at ground zero, Debra Epps said she views every day as time to do something to ensure that her brother, Christopher Epps, and thousands of others didn't die in vain.

"What I can say today is that I don't live my life in complacency," she said. "I stand in solidarity that this world will make a change for the better."

Thousands of family members, survivors, rescuers and others gathered for the hours-long reading of victims' names at the World Trade Center, while President Donald Trump spoke at the Pentagon and Vice President Mike Pence addressed an observance at the Flight 93 National Memorial near Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

Elsewhere, thousands of Americans marked the anniversary with service projects. Volunteer Hillary O'Neill, 16, had her

own connection to 9/11: It's her birthdate.

"I always feel a sense of responsibility to give back on the day," O'Neill, of Norwalk, Connecticut, said as she packed up meals in New York City for needy local people and hurricane victims in Texas and Florida.

Nearly 3,000 people were killed when planes hijacked by terrorists hit the trade center, the Pentagon and a field near Shanksville on Sept. 11, 2001, hurling America into a new consciousness of the threat of global terrorism.

Reflecting on a tragedy that still feels immediate to them, victims' relatives thanked first responders and the military, worried for people affected by Hurricane Irma as it continued its destructive path as a tropical storm and pleaded for a return to the sense of cohesiveness that followed the attacks.

"Our country came together that day. And it did not matter what color you were or where you were from," said a tearful Magaly Lemagne, who lost her brother, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey police officer David Lemagne. She implored people to "stop for a moment and remember all the people who gave their lives that day."

"Maybe then we can put away our disagreements and become one country

again," she said.

Trump, a native New Yorker observing the anniversary for the first time as the country's leader, assured victims' families that "our entire nation grieves with you" and issued stern words to extremists.

"America cannot be intimidated, and those who try will join a long list of vanquished enemies who dared test our mettle," the Republican president said as he spoke at the Pentagon after observing a moment of silence at the White House.

When America is united, "no force on earth can break us apart," he said.

At the Flight 93 National Memorial, Pence said the passengers who revolted against hijackers might well have saved his own life.

The Republican vice president was a member of Congress on 9/11, and the Capitol was a possible target of the terrorist piloting Flight 93. Instead, it crashed near Shanksville after the passengers took action. Thirty-three passengers and seven crew members were killed.

The ceremony on the National Sept. 11 Memorial plaza in New York strives to be apolitical, allowing politicians to attend but not to speak. Yet last year's 15th anniversary ceremony became entangled in the

presidential campaign when Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton left abruptly, stumbled into a van and ultimately revealed she'd been diagnosed days earlier with pneumonia.

This year, the focus remained on the names read out beneath the waterfall pools and lines of trees.

While many Americans may no longer interrupt their days to observe the 9/11 anniversary, the ceremony remains a touchstone for many victims' families and friends.

"I'll come every year for the rest of my life," said Rob Fazio, who lost his father, Ronald Fazio. "It's where I get my strength."

After 15 years of anniversaries, the reading of names, moments of silence and tolling bells have become rituals, but each ceremony takes on personal touches. Name-readers Monday gave updates on family graduations and marriages and remembered loved ones' flair for surfing or drawing on coffee-shop napkins.

A few never even got to know the relatives they lost on Sept. 11, 2001.

"I wish more than anything that I could have met you," Ruth Daly said after reading names in remembrance of her slain grandmother, Ruth Lapin. "I'm very proud to be your namesake. I hope you're watching down on me from heaven."

Delaney Colaio read names in honor of the three relatives she lost: her father, Mark Joseph Colaio, and her uncles, Stephen Colaio and Thomas Pedicini. Just a toddler on 9/11, she is now making a documentary about the children who lost parents in the attacks.

"I stand here as a reminder to the other families of 9/11 and to the world," she said, "that no matter how dark moments of life can get, there is light ahead if you just choose hope."

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She was joined by 21-year-old Eva Jimenez of Visalia, who is attending the University of California, Davis, and said she is terrified that the program might end.

The lawsuit alleges the Trump Administration violated the Constitution and other laws when it rescinded the program.

It was announced as Mexico's top diplomat, Foreign Relations Secretary Luis Videgaray visited California's state capital to meet with lawmakers and DACA recipients as part of a two-day trip.

California's state lawmakers are also expected to soon unveil changes to a bill aimed at limiting state and local officials' cooperation with federal immigration authorities. California already has some of the most protective laws in the country for immigrants detained by local law enforcement. The state has limited police's ability to detain immigrants for federal deportation agents since 2014, and requires jailers to inform inmates if agents are trying to detain them.

Illinois recently passed more even protective legislation that bars law enforcement from detaining immigrants solely for deportation, said Shiu Ming Cheer, senior staff attorney

at the National Immigration Law Center. A handful of cities including Chicago and San Francisco, meanwhile, are refusing to cooperate with new federal requirements for tougher immigration enforcement, prompting the Trump administration to threaten to withhold funding.

The lawsuit relied mainly on procedural arguments, saying federal law requires that such decisions be made for sound reasons and only after the public has a chance to make formal comments. It said the administration failed to follow a federal law requiring it to consider negative effects of the decision on small businesses.

The lawsuit also said the Trump administration and immigration officials could use information provided by program participants to deport them and prosecute their employers. That would amount to misusing sensitive information provided in good faith by program participants, the lawsuit claimed.

"We don't bait and switch in this country," Becerra said.

Though Maine is listed as a plaintiff, its participation happened because Democrat Attorney General Janet Mills signed the state up. She has

frequently broken with Republican Gov. Paul LePage in joining other states in lawsuits that run counter to his conservative views on immigration and other issues.

LePage sued Mills earlier this year for abuse of power. Mills, a 2018 gubernatorial candidate, recently called on the Trump administration to maintain DACA. LePage is prevented from running again because he is in his second term and is prohibited from seeking a third one by the state's term limit law.

The University of California has also filed a legal challenge to ending the program.

Unlike the lawsuit filed in New York last week by the other states, the new challenge does not make the argument that Trump's decision was motivated by anti-Mexican bias.

Instead, it hones in on statements by Trump administration officials that the young immigrants in the program rob U.S. jobs from Americans and that the program led to a surge of Central American immigrants.

U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced last week that new applications for the program are being halted and that it the program will end in six months if Congress

does not take action.

He said the administration was acting because President Barack Obama created the program without Congressional approval in what he called "an unconstitutional exercise of authority."

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34th Annual ChiliFest heats up at Pullman

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The 34th annual ChiliFest took place Saturday, blocking off Third Avenue in front of Pullman Square to make room for booths of chili, music and the raffling off of a Toyota Rav 4 donated by Advantage Toyota.

ChiliFest takes over downtown Huntington every fall to raise money for the local Ronald McDonald House from both chili sales as well as raffle ticket sales. Jaye Toler, director of development for the Ronald McDonald House, said that they had high hopes for donations to the Ronald McDonald House this year, especially from the Rav 4 giveaway.

"It's my job to raise \$650,000 a year so that we can operate, just to make the program work, and this is the biggest fundraiser that we have in the year," Toler said. "We've already sold a ton of tickets for the Rav 4 in advanced, so we already started the day with \$25,000, and that's a record year for that. We couldn't do it without all the people who made chili, serve chili, volunteer and participate by buying chili. This is a team effort in the truest sense."

Toler went on to explain that her involvement wasn't merely because of her position at the

Ronald McDonald House, but her personal experience with the organization as well.

"When I was 11 and my brother was diagnosed with pediatric kidney cancer, he was treated at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, where Ronald McDonald House started," Toler said. "So, I've always been connected. I always donated, and I always came to all of the events. We've always been invested in the mission. And when this position came up, people actually brought it to me, but for me, it was full circle. I'm taking care of the siblings of really sick kids the same way they took care of me."

Each ticket sold allowed for those in attendance to taste test chili from one of the vendors present, who in turn were able to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House charity as well as get their name in the drawing for the chili judging.

"This is our 8th year, and we keep coming back to raise money," John Opperman, Coalminer's Breakfast Chili vendor, said. "We've already raised about \$20,000 this year for Ronald McDonald House, and we are looking to raise about \$5,000 by the end of the year. It's just a great way to get people together, raise money and have a good time."

From the booths, to the volunteers, to those in attendance, ChiliFest's 34th annual event raised about \$73,366 that will go to the Ronald McDonald House and help the organization to continue its work in the Tri-State.

Sarah Boyd of Barbourville won the Rav 4 raffle.

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Volunteers Lydia Waybright and Ben O'Dell serve chili for west end's market, The Wild Ramp.



LCD Soundsystem at Bonnaroo in Manchester, Tennessee in 2016 on their revival tour.

Review: LCD Soundsystem's 'American Dream'

By **TOM JENKINS**
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As James Murphy walked off the stage at Madison Square Garden, he had promised that would be the last time the world would hear from LCD Soundsystem. New York's coolest, and yet most self-aware band had played their final show in 2012.

That was until last year when the band announced their resurrection. LCD Soundsystem had signed on to headline big name festivals around the world, including Coachella and Bonnaroo. All in anticipation for their fourth studio album, "American Dream."

The album is the follow up to 2010's "This is Happening" and reached to number one on iTunes sales chart on Sunday, a long-time dream of LCD's front man, founder and leader James Murphy. "American Dream" reached 85,000 records sold which was partially due to the ticket and album sale bundle that they offered fans when they bought their tickets.

"American Dream" is in many ways the band's most emotional sounding record to date, with synths orchestrating Murphy's emotions and the slow crescendo of songs that the band is most well known for in their song "All my Friends."

In many ways, this album is a return to form from their album "Sound of Silver." Songs like "other voices" and "emotional haircut" give that up tempo beat and witty lyrics the band is known for, but in songs like "oh baby" and "call the police," Murphy and co. enter into sound that was different and still refreshing to fans.

The 47-year-old front man has built his career on singing about becoming old and learning about how to maintain that cool factor. In "American Dream" though, that is less of the focus for songs, instead the ending of friendships, music's integrity, and heroes.

2016 saw the loss of many of music's greats, that namely being David Bowie, a hero of Murphy's who finally was able

to collaborate with Bowie on his posthumous album "Blackstar." Bowie is a clear influence on LCD Soundsystem's sound and the loss of him was detrimental to the band.

In an interview with the Guardian, Murphy even attributed Bowie being a key reason for the band's return.

"I spent a good amount of time with David Bowie, and I was talking about getting the band back together. He said, 'Does it make you uncomfortable?' I said 'Yeah,' and he said, 'Good - it should. You should be uncomfortable' ... David was always making himself uncomfortable."

LCD Soundsystem is currently on a massive world tour playing their new songs off the album. "American Dream" is a 70-minute departure inside the head of James Murphy, and when you are in there, it is a profound journey that is always self revealing.

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