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**INSIDE:**

Week-long closing first since ‘70s

By ANDY PAPER
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University cancelled the majority of classes on all campuses last week due to an extreme snowstorm, which hit Huntington early Feb. 16. Ginny Painter, senior vice president for communications and marketing, said the decision to cancel classes is more complicated than one might think.

“We have to consider not only the road conditions near campus, but also our parking lots and roads that com- muters have to travel,” Painter said. “We have to balance the safety of our students and employees with the edu- cation factor and students getting to their classes.”

A joint committee including Painter, Interim President Gary White, Vice President of Operations Brandi Jacob- Jones, Provost Gayle Ormiston, Marshall Police Department Chief Jim Terry and Executive Director of Marshall Health Beth Hamers decide whether or not to cancel classes.

Painter said if bad weather is forecast, she and the other members consult at See SNOW page 5

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City Council approves $6.5 million bond, addresses snow removal

By LEXI BROWNING
THE PARTHENON

Huntington City Council approved an ordinance pertaining to sewer revenue bonds Monday and praised the work of city employees’ dedication to clearing snow-covered roads during its meeting at City Hall.

The ordinance, which passed its third reading and public hearing, authorized the financing and issuance of $6.5 million in sewer revenue bonds. Councilman Mark Bates sponsored the ordinance.

Huntington Mayor Steve Williams said the bond will just start to reduce the backlog.

“There are two projects that are neces- sary,” Williams said. “Pipe that are coming into the treatment plant and pipes going out of the treatment plant are on the verge, if we don’t act quickly, of collapsing and causing a catastrophic event.”

The Huntington Water and Stable water plant and filter approximately 13 million gallons a day. The pipelines measure at 54 inches in di- ameter and stretch hundreds of feet. Louis Akers, director of the Huntington Wastewater Quality Board said pricing the bonds will be the first step after the ordi- nance’s passing.

“The city approved us selling bonds, and we will sell those bonds to individuals and institutions so they get the bonds and we get the money,” Akers said.

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AP WAS THERE: 70 years ago, Marines raise flag on Iwo Jima

By ERIKA JONK
THE PARTHENON

The Huntington Cabell Wayne Animal Control Shelter made rounds on the street looking for signs of life during the evening of Wednesday, Feb. 11. Scott Iseli, director of the Animal Control Shelter, was concerned for the welfare of his or her pets during the extreme temperatures. “It’s brought all of our animals inside during these cold temperatures, which is a total of 10 dogs that were brought here by the public,” Iseli said. “We are asking everyone to bring their dogs in during the evening if they can. If they can’t, we can wood chips or straw during the winter months.”

By ANDREA STEELE
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University is teaming up with the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Services to offer a support group for traumatic brain injury survivors and their families. "We want to give what people are looking for," said Allie Childers, a counselor at Marshall. "We would do that," Childers said. "We want to give what people are looking for." Marshall students who are survivors of brain injuries or are students in the field of communication disorders can get involved with the BIG program.

POLICE BLOTTER

By TYLER FEREN
THE PARTHENON

A $600 Dell laptop was stolen Feb. 12 from an unsecured room in East Hall. Upon viewing video surveillance, MUPD was able to identify a suspect. Warrants have been obtained for the suspect’s arrest.

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By KASEY MADDEN
THE PARTHENON

In 1980, Mike Hamrick hung up his football helmet and relocated his diploma in secondary education from Marshall University. Hamrick put his original goal to become a teacher and coach high school football like his father.

Thirty-five years later after college graduation and after working in athletic departments across five other states, Hamrick is now Marshall’s Athletic Director.

Hamrick’s journey to Marshall was one he anticipated.

“When I left Marshall I said, ‘You know what, one day I’m going to come back here and be the athletic director,’’ Hamrick said.

Hamrick was a starting linebacker for two seasons, and his older brother Ed Hamrick was the place kicker for three years.

After the novel recruited Ed Hamrick, Mike Hamrick said he felt in love with Huntington.

Hamrick said he saw an opportunity to play football at the collegiate level and receive a solid education.

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During Mike Hamrick’s freshman football season with the Herd in 1974, the team beat the then nationally ranked, Miami of Ohio.

Miami was ranked 14th, and Mike Hamrick said there was little hope Marshall would win.

Mike Hamrick said the game started with around 6,000 to 7,000 people in attendance, but when runners circled Hün- tingen that Marshall was ahead at halftime, around 12,000 to 13,000 people came to watch the second half of the game.

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The two moved to Las Vegas where he started working with the Athletic Department at the University of Nevada.

From there, Mike Hamrick served as the assistant athletic director at the University of Kansas and Illinois State University.

He served as the athletic director at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock and East Carolina University.

“Es, in 2009 I was ready to change my job and do what I said I wanted to do in 1976,” Mike Hamrick said.

According to the athletic department, Mike Hamrick’s work in his six years as athletic director has put $42 million into improving facilities or building new facilities, such as the Critis-Oletha Athletic Complex and the Veterans Memorial Soccer Complex.

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Access to crisis pregnancy centers is more obtainable than access to Planned Parenthood. Options for pregnant women diminishing in W. Va.

By AMANDA GIBSON

After these rare and much anticipated snow days, the piles of snow are soon going to turn into piles of homework. As everyone catches back up with their studies, you might find yourself under more pressure to get your homework done than usual. So, throughout the next week, make sure to prioritize and make yourself aware of your deadlines so you can stay on task.

Prioritize. Something is a priority if it is important to you. Students usually have grandchildren, so it is important to them to be able to stay on track and finish their schoolwork. Those who are caught up with their studies may find themselves in a better mood.

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The Loving Story to show at Drinko

By CAITLIN FOWLKES

The United Social Club, Brandie Gore, the president of the Black United Students Social Club will show “The Loving Story” at the United Student Social Club at 7:30 p.m. Saturday. It will be free to attend.

The short film is about the 1962 case of Mildred Loving and Richard Loving, and African-American and native-American woman, Mildred Loving, and African-American man, Richard Loving, and their marriage was declared illegal. The film is the opportunity for remembrance during Black History Month.

The film is a documentary compilation of newly found home videos of the couple, their lawyers and photography.”

According to President of the Black United Students Social Club, Brandie Gore, the film should last about 45 minutes. There will be a reception and discussion after the film.

The movie won the Peabody Award in 2013, two years after its release.

There is no cost to attend the movie. Caitlin Fowlkes can be contacted at fowlkes2@gmail.com.

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5:30 a.m. to compare notes and make the decision.

While the snow had melted significantly towards the end of the week, temperatures had dropped below zero causing another point of concern for the committee.

“The reasons we cancelled classes on Thursday and Friday were so cold because we were afraid students wouldn’t have the proper attire,” said President of the Black United Students Social Club, Brandie Gore. “I believe it was either the winter storms of ’77 or ’78.”

“Some of the things we want to look at are what the folks at the site are going through,” said Robert Lauby, the railroad agency’s chief safety officer. “Some of the issues we want to look at are still under the cars in the pileup.”

Investigators have reviewed video from cameras on the locomotive’s front and rear, along with video from another train that passed the CSX train minutes before the derailment. The train’s data recorder also has been recovered.

“Now we can begin work on the forensic investigation,” said Feinberg.

The investigation will include inspecting the damaged tank cars, recovering damaged rail and reviewing maintenance and inspection records. CSX will release a new release.

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**Humans of Huntington**

By EMILY RICE | THE PARTHENON

A Glimpse into the Lives of the City's Strangers

What’s your major? Nursing

What would you say was the happiest moment of your life? The first time I got an IV in, or the first time I traveled abroad.

If you could give one piece of advice to a large group of people, what would it be? Don’t second guess yourself, just do it.

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**Lawyer talks craft brew legislation at Black Sheep**

By KELSEY LIVELY

The Parthenon

Black Sheep Burritos and Brews welcomed Charleston Lawyer Robert Absten Monday to share the upcoming changes in legislation for craft brewing laws in West Virginia at Tap Takeover. The changes will allow pubs and breweries to sell beer directly to the public through the sales of growlers. (Growlers) is a bottle that is used to take craft beer off the premises, they can be as small as 20 ounces or as big as a gallon, Absten said. “They are generally about a half gallon and are usually a standard jug with a handle on the side, sometimes they are an iodine bottle type shape.”

The current laws only allow craft breweries to sell beer directly to the public. The small size of local breweries limits the production of their beer to only produce draft beer.

“As it stands right now, there are 11 breweries in the state of West Virginia,” Absten said. “Eight of those are brew pubs and three of those are production breweries. A lot of those don’t have the capacity to can or bottle so they can only sell draft beers that can only be sold in a restaurant or a bar. People can’t take them home to share, people can’t take them home from out of state. So if you get growler sales available people would be able to buy local West Virginia beer and take it from a place like Black Sheep.”

Senate Bill 273 is currently pending in the West Virginia senate. Absten said some legislators have some concerns about the generational influence of a culture based on alcohol.

“There are some legislators who have expressed concerns about alcohol in general about a culture of alcohol consumption,” Absten said.

Legislators are also concerned that a traditional, three tiered distribution system will no longer work.

“Some legislators have voiced some concerns about the three, tier distribution system and whether this bill goes too far and interferes with the traditional system,” Absten said.

The bill is currently pending approval. Kelsey Lively can be contacted at lively37@marshall.edu.