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**Turn on the Knightlight**

**By MALCOLM WALTON**

Knightlight Communications, a group of Marshall University public relations students, raised approximately $750 Thursday for River Valley scholarship program.

McCallister-Ethel said that the TIPS scholarship helps the families who don’t qualify for state assistance for a subsidy, but that can afford the true cost of a program like this. Because of the quality of the program, there’s more cost involved.

Suzi Brodof, executive director for River Valley, said the TIPS program has been around for six years and has assisted numerous families with the cost of tuition.

“It’s not just the low-income families, like what you might think,” Brodof said. “Because for the families with the lowest income, there is LINK, which helps provides subsidy. But it’s the people that just miss out on that help that are the ones who struggle the most. And there are a lot of people that fall into that category. So, unfortunately, what happens is as soon as someone might get that help, they just miss out on that help that are the ones who struggle the most. And there are a lot of people that fall into that category. So, unfortunately, what happens is as soon as someone might get that 25 cent raise, it’s just enough to get them out of any type of help.

McCallister-Ethel added, “That was our fee, and I can only speak for ourselves. Yeah, it sounds expensive, but for what you’re getting, to me, it was so worth it. They provide healthy meals to the children. They have a STEM room, which focuses on science, technology, engineering and math. And most of their staff have college degrees. For example, the toddler teacher that taught my two year old, she had a Master’s degree. I think around 80 percent of the staff there have a college degree. It’s not like you’re going there just to have your kid watched. They’re being taught things, they’re learning. And that’s what River Valley offers.”

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**Bone, Dody join voice and euphonium**

**By MIKAILA KEEPER**


Bone, assistant professor of music at Glenville State College, said he was grateful for the opportunity to perform at the recital.

“Glenville State is a nice school that’s so different from like Marshall,” Bone said. “At a lot of the smaller schools, you really wear a lot of hats, and it’s not to say the faculty here aren’t busy in their own ways, it’s just a different type of busy. In larger institutions, you get to go out and perform and smaller schools don’t.

Dody, assistant professor of music at Glenville State College, said because they are busy, they do not get the chance to perform.

“We are really glad to take the opportunity to perform,” Dody said. “Because we are so busy as professors, that is what we study, this is what you do for years and years and years and then life happens and you don’t get that chance.”

Dody said she wrote some of the pieces performed in the recital due to the lack of euphonium and voice music.

The duo performed songs together and they each performed solos.

John Mark Walkup, professor of music at New River Community and Technical College, accompanied Bone and Dody.

A Q & A was scheduled following the concert.

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By KASEY MADDEN
THE PARTHENON
Marshall University’s track and field team heads to Athens, Ohio, this weekend for the Cherry Blossom Invitational.

The Herd is participating in the meet after a successful weekend at the Raleigh Relays in North Carolina last weekend. According to Marshall athletics, about 2,500 athletes competed at the Raleigh Relays.

Sophomore Antonique Butler excelled in the triple jump, placing her in the top 10 of Marshall’s school record books in the event. In the 4x400 meter relay, the team of Loren Dyer, Naja Grey, Shyla Matson and Ashley Johnson scored the most points for the Herd by finishing fourth out of 10 teams.

Assistant coach Dan Yentes said the weather was not the best for the sprinters to perform well Friday.

“I was just really kind of pleased that we got through it without any major injuries or anything like that,” Yentes said. “I think it may have showed a glimpse of how good that they could be.”

Freshman sprinter Andrea Chidester did not compete at the Raleigh Relays because she sprained her ankle before the meet.

Chidester is running the 200-meter at Athens for the first time this season.

“I think we’ll do well,” Chidester said. “We have a pretty good team altogether, and they’ve been working hard. So we’ll see how it goes.”

Freshman Danielle Wright is competing in four events this weekend, including the javelin, 4x100-meter relay, hurdles and the long jump.

Though Wright has four events to prepare for this weekend, she said she is most looking forward to running the hurdles.

Last season at the Cherry Blossom Invitational, the Herd returned to Huntington with four first-place victories.

Coach Yentes said the competition is not as fierce this weekend compared to the Raleigh meet.

“We’re just trying to get a good workout at the meet,” Yentes said. “I think we have a good group of girls who can really put their marks on the school record books if things go well.”

The meet begins Saturday at the Goldberry Track at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio.

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Opportunity to renew football tickets passed, those seats are now ‘clear and open’

By MERCEDEZ SPEIGHT
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University ticket office is getting ready for football season in the fall.

The ticket office wrapped up renewal ticket sales for those who had tickets in the past. Aaron Goebbel, associate athletic director for external affairs said this week the ticket office is in a transition period for ticket renewal sales.

“We’re kind of in that little bit of a transition period where individuals who had them (tickets) last year had the opportunity to renew them,” Goebbel said. “The deadline was last Friday, so if they didn’t renew them, those tickets have kind of become clear and open.”

Goebbel said the demand for more seats has become imminent with the growing success of Herd football.

“At the Green and White game, April 25, the ticket office will have its Choose-A-Seat promotion at Joan C. Edwards Stadium. That morning starting at 10 a.m. we’ll open up the football stadium,” Goebbel said. “Customers who want to buy a season ticket for the first time can kind of come in that day, and we don’t mark seats that are open anymore. But we will have customer service representatives on hand.”

Goebbel said people will have the opportunity to buy seats on the spot that day.

“If you have never bought season tickets and you want to come in, you can come in and say, ‘Hey, look I like this area, I like this section, how much is this, how much is that,’ and we’ll have staff on hand to tell you,” Goebbel said.

Goebbel said Marshall is not where it needs to be or where it should be with the success the football team is having, but he is also not discouraged.

“We have great core fan base,” Goebbel said. “But we need people out in the peripheral and out in the exterior to get more involved on a season ticket base because season tickets are our bread and butter (revenue standpoint).”

Players also sell football tickets.

“Our football players get involved,” Goebbel said. “A lot of our football players do internships and practicum work so people in the community will see them at the local pool, or down at Pullman Square out there selling their next tickets to their own games.”

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### Kids’ Night Out opens Rec Center to children

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