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TELL THE ONES THAT NEED TO KNOW...

The Avett Brothers are headed to Huntington

By SOPHIE WACHMEISTER
THE PARTHENON

The Avett Brothers are taking the stage 8 p.m. Thursday at the Big Sandy Superstore Arena. The seven-member band was formed in 1995 in Concord, North Carolina by brothers Scott and Seth Avett. The band’s website describes their music as, “Honky-tonk, folk, pop, indie and rock.”

Four of the band’s nine albums have made Billboard chart. The most recent album, “Magpie and the Dandelion,” reached No. 5 on the Billboard 200 in its first week.

Mack Gleason, a senior at Marshall University, is happy to see such a big name at a local venue.

“I’m excited to see them in my hometown after seeing them for the last summer,” Gleason said. “It was always a dream of the few songs I knew but didn’t realize how great they really were until I saw them live. Seeing a big act like the Avett Brothers is an opportunity no one should pass up.”

Cara Hedrick, marketing and sales manager at the Big Sandy Superstore Arena, said she expects a young crowd.

Tickets are available at the Big Sandy Superstore Arena box office for $45. Tickets can be contacted at wachtmeister@marshall.edu.

INTO MARSHALL SHOWCASE

Students from the INTO Marshall Academic English Program read folk tales, performed musical pieces and gave lectures all day Wednesday showcasing what they have learned in the program.

ABOVE: Nghi Truong shares folk tales with audience during the INTO Marshall Project Showcase.

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Civil War historian hopes to broaden opinions of history

By MALCOLM WALTON
THE PARTHENON

Richard McMurry, an award-winning author and historian who specializes in the American Civil War, presented two lectures Wednesday on Marshall University’s campus.

McMurry, who travels across the country to give lectures on the Civil War, said he hopes teaching others about it broadens their views on history.

“I’m naive and innocent,” McMurry said. “I think I’m naive enough to hope that if people understand history their lives will be a lot richer. To a large extent, what we do today is very much influenced by the past—good and bad. If you understand it, it will help you cope with it.”

Professor Nat DeBruin, head of archives and special collections for Marshall Libraries, said he asked McMurry to speak because McMurry frequently uses information from the Rosanna A. Blake Collection located at the James E. Morrow Library for his own research.

The Blake Collection is a collection of materials relating to the Confederacy, the southern states, the Civil War and the reconstruction era.

"He's been using our collection for 10 years now," DeBruin said. "So that kind of highlights the fact that we've got some great material right here at Marshall. It's kind of a hidden treasure. But we also asked him to come because this is the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War. In fact, this week in April, President Lincoln was shot. Just a couple of days later, Lee's army surrendered and the war was over. We're all just really impressed with Richard's work and thought he would be a great speaker."
By BRI SHELTON
THE PARTHENON
Marshall University's Academic Affairs, along with an upper level sociology class, presented a Hunger Banquet Wednesday to 150 students.

The event educated the attendees on world hunger by assigning them to a social class, which determined what foods they were served.

Freshman Erika Gibson was a member of the middle class and said she and the event made an impact.

“It’s hard to picture poverty outside of America,” Gibson said. “We see the upper class and that is an American reality for most of our middle class. On a global level, it’s a whole different story though. That’s what this event really pointed out to me.”

Sociology student Katie Simon asked the participants questions once they were done eating, regarding how they felt about the event. She also asked if the audience was surprised. One girl chose not to participate and said, “I feel like if we don’t acknowledge that we have a problem there won’t be anything done about it.”

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Ex-NFL star Hernandez convicted of murder, sentenced to life

By MICHELLE R. SMITH

Former New England Patriots star Aaron Hernandez was convicted of first-degree murder and sentenced to life in prison Wednesday for a deadly late-night shooting, sealing the downfall of an athlete who once had a $40 million contract and a standout career ahead of him.

Hernandez, 25, who had been considered one of the NFL’s top tight ends and a rising star because of his celebrity and the potential he showed as a Pro Bowl athlete, is the second NFL player who has been convicted of murder in less than three years.

In the fall of 2013, Hernandez was accused of killing Odin Lloyd, a 27-year-old semi-pro football player, in what police described as a robbery gone wrong.

Prosecutors said Hernandez organized the killing and drove the others to the scene. The trial ended Wednesday after 12 jurors and three alternates spoke to the judge.

In the 2012 case, Hernandez is accused of gunning down a pair of men over a spilled drink at a nightclub.

All 12 jurors and three alternates spoke to the judge.

In the Lloyd killing, prosecutors were not able to prove who fired the gun, but they argued that Hernandez was the triggerman.

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In the Lloyd case, Hernandez’s lawyer, James Sultan, asked the judge to allow him to present testimony from witnesses other than those already called by the prosecution.

The judge denied that motion.

The jury deliberated about 11 hours over three days before reaching its verdict.

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Lloyd was shot six times on June 17, 2013, in a deserted industrial park near Hernandez’s home in North Attleborough. The motive has never been explained.

Police almost immediately zeroed in on Hernandez because they found in his pocket the key to a car the NFL player had rented. Within hours of Hernandez’s arrest, police said he confessed and identified two other men.

Prosecutors said Hernandez orchestrated the killing, summoned his two friends to help carry it out and drove Lloyd and the others to the secluded spot in the industrial park.

During closing arguments, prosecutors also accused Hernandez of pulling the trigger, though the judge said he was not necessary to prove Hernandez was the triggerman.

The judge ruled that Hernandez was the triggerman.

Security video from inside Hernandez’s home showed him building what appeared to be a gun less than 30 minutes after Lloyd was killed.

The surveillance system also captured Hernandez, Lloyd’s girlfriend, and their two children.

Before that one-game contest, the Thundering Herd was 5-4-1 overall and 2-3 in the conference.

The Thundering Herd finds itself four games out of sole-possession of the eighth and final seed for the conference tournament with 15 conference games to play.

The last time those two teams faced off, Old Dominion swept Hernandez in three-games series in May 2014.

The Monarchs outscored Marshall, 23-7, in Charlolette as two of the three starting pitchers who took the mound for ODU were not with the team this season.

First pitch for game one is set for 6 p.m. Friday while games two and three are scheduled to begin 3 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday respectively.

The Thundering Herd will travel to Morgantown for one game against rival West Virginia University before more C-USA action.

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By BY ADAM POLSKY

ODU sits ahead of the Herd at three games out of the eighth seed.

Hernandez, who grew up in Bristol, Connecticut, was an All-American from the University of Florida who was drafted by the Patriots in the fourth round in 2010.
The Man I Knew

BY JOCELYN GIBSON

In the 1980s and 1990s, I knew a man named Mark Murray. Murray died in 2009, and it is possible that I am the last living person to know him personally. Murray was a farmer, a writer, and an artist. He was also a complex and fascinating person who had a profound impact on my life.

Mark was born in a small rural town and grew up on a farm. He was the only child of a farmer and a homemaker, and he spent most of his childhood helping out on the farm. He was a hardworking and dedicated person, and he knew how to get things done.

As a young man, Mark worked on the family farm, but he was also interested in writing and art. He began writing poems and stories when he was in his early teens, and he started painting and drawing when he was in his late teens. He was a natural talent, and he had a unique perspective on the world.

Mark was also a kind and compassionate person. He was always willing to help others, and he was always willing to listen. He was a good friend, and he was a good mentor.

I first met Mark when I was in high school. He was in my English class, and we quickly became friends. We talked about writing and art, and we shared our ideas and experiences. We also talked about life and love, and we shared our hopes and dreams.

Mark was a poet, an artist, and a writer, but he was also a reader. He loved books, and he loved the written word. He was a voracious reader, and he read everything from classic literature to contemporary fiction.

Mark was also a skilled musician. He played the guitar and the piano, and he had a beautiful voice. He was a singer, and he was a songwriter. He was a true artist.

Mark was a man of great faith. He was a Catholic, and he was a devout Christian. He was a man of deep spirituality, and he was always willing to talk about his faith.

Mark was also a man of great courage. He was a man who was not afraid to stand up for what he believed in, and he was a man who was not afraid to speak out.

Mark was a man of great integrity. He was a man who was always honest and true, and he was a man who was always fair and just.

Mark was a man who was loved by many. He was a man who was respected by all. He was a man who was missed by everyone.

I miss Mark, but I am grateful for the time that I had with him. I am grateful for the memories that we shared. I am grateful for the lessons that he taught me. I am grateful for the person that he was.

Mark Murray was a true artist, a true poet, a true musician, a true writer. He was a true friend, a true mentor, a true teacher. He was a true man.

I will always remember Mark Murray. I will always be grateful for the time that I had with him. I will always remember him with love and respect.

By JOCELYN GIBSON

MANAGING EDITOR

By JOCELYN GIBSON

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FOOD GUILT, DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES

By JOCELYN GIBSON

I have been meaning to write about food guilt for a couple of weeks, but after attending the hunger event on campus Wednesday, I started writing about food guilt in entirely different ways.

The original column I had intended to write focused on the ideas of body- and food-guilt. However, after attending the hunger event on campus Wednesday, I started thinking about food guilt in entirely different ways.

The ideas of body- and food-guilt are not new. They have been around for centuries. They have been writen about in books and articles. They have been discussed in interviews and podcasts.

However, the way that I think about food guilt has changed. I now think about food guilt in a different way.

I have come to realize that food guilt is not just about the way that we think about our bodies. It is also about the way that we think about food.

We are so used to eating food guilt is wide ranging and it is common. We are so used to eating that we think about it as something that we do without thinking. We are so used to eating that we think about it as something that we do without feeling.

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The Green Grocer fills a need in Alderson

The Register-Herald

By Tina Alvey

Above: This photo shows goods at the Alderson Green Grocer in Alderson, W.Va.

The tables and chairs welcome shoppers at the new cafe inside the Green Grocer. Dawn Painter operates the cafe as a commercial venue separate from — yet connected to — the nonprofit grocery store. Formerly a manager at the Marshall University Student Union in Beckley, Painter said the cafe is an important part of the mission of the store, the Green Grocer.

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When I know people in my community and around the globe don't have the basic daily resources they need, I can't live the life I thought I could. There are things I want to do. It isn't fair to them or to me. The world could be a better place if everyone would make the effort to tap into or help their community.

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Feminist Thursday

Fed up with the way things are? Join us on April 23 as we explore the ways in which the multiple forms of oppression face women.

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CIVIL WAR

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additions for Marshall.

Deffen said he appreciates the way McMurtry brings the soldiers of the Civil War to life through the information he gathered.

“When you hear him speak or read some of his work, you’re getting an idea of the common man during that time,” Deffen said. “Those are the guys that fought the battles, carried the mirrors and marched 20 miles in the day. It’s really very interesting how he brings these people to life. They were human beings, just like you and I.”

McMurtry said throughout the numerous years of re- searching the Civil War, he helps the people during that time period most interesting.

“The individuals I’ve come across, both high and low, is what truly fascinates me,” McMurtry said. “It’s because we can know them so well through the letters and diaries. People at other times in his- tory would probably be just as interesting, but unfortunately, we don’t have the information to compare them.”

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Green Grocer fills a need in Alderson

Niels Hutchins/Photo Editor

Above: This photo shows goods at the Alderson Green Grocer in Alderson, W.Va.

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The Green Grocer was estab- lished by its founders as a way “to help people get what they need without going to Low- eway.” Also explained, it’s a vision that is already being fulfilled.

“The first day, just people poured through the door,” Allen said. “One lady said she wanted to make a pot of soup, but she needed an onion and didn’t want to drive all the way to Lewisburg just to get us onion. So she bought that onion here.”

Sheri Hopkins, Marshall student, echoed Allen’s words when asked for her opinion of the new store.

“It’s awesome,” Hopkins ex- claimed. “I brought my mother in the store today just to look, but they have more here than

“I’m so glad they opened this place,” she said.

Another visitor to the Green Grocer was Alene Osborne, a local community outreach worker who also teaches at Alderson El- ementary School.

“I see a lot of people becoming more interested in what’s happened here,” Osborne said. “They know it’s a place to get groceries, but when they come in they’re see- ing it’s a community effort, it’s a chance to connect.”

Another stop for people to gather informally is another place, the cafe as a commercial ven- ture separate from — yet connected to — the nonprofit grocery store. Formerly a manager at the Marshall University Student Union in Beckley, Painter said the cafe is an important part of the mission of the store, the Green Grocer.

“I love cooking real bar- b Que,” Painter confessed. “It’s hard, dirty, greasy meaty work — not glam- orious at all. I’m not familiar with restaurant kitchens.”

Gordon Ramsay (a TV chef and restaurateur) to life through the informa- tion he gathered.

“When I go to a restau- rant and I get the wrong order or my order isn’t exactly how I wanted it, I don’t send it back. When I order too much and can’t finish it, I ask for a box (or better, bring my own). I just can’t get behind wast- ing food.”

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To apply for the position, email Jocelyn Gibson at jgibson243@email.marshall.edu.
Murphy Efrem Mitchell is one and a half people years old. He came home to his owners when he was about two months old and is the sweetest cat in the world, according to his mother. He enjoys playing outside, sunbathing, looking at birds, cuddling, having his belly rubbed, and running from one end of the house to the other as fast as he can. You can find Murphy sitting on window sills or in his leather chair. He is always up for a good game of hide and seek.

In this Feb. 6, 2015 file photo, Jack White performs at the 2015 MusiCares Person of the Year show at the Los Angeles Convention Center in Los Angeles. White says he’s about to take a long break from performing live but not before holding five mysterious, acoustic-only shows in the five states where he hasn’t yet played. The performances will be announced at 8 a.m., local time, on the day of the show. Tickets will cost just $3, be limited to one per person and available only at the venue door starting at noon on the day of the show, according to White’s website.

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