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Huntington Police Department combats prostitution, drug abuse with diversion program

By ROB ENGLE

The Huntington Police Department is working to combat drug-related crimes with a number of programs designed to re-direct low-level offenders into treatment rather than jail or prosecution. The Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion, or LEAD Program is a pre-billing diversion program designed for those engaged in drug and prostitution activity to kick their habits and have a chance at legitimate employment. According to Huntington Chief of Police Joe Ciccarelli there have been more than 60 prostitution-related arrests this year mostly double the reported 33 in 2014. "The Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion would allow someone to go into drug treatment, because virtually every one of the prostitutes we arrest is an addict and thus defers the criminal penalty," Ciccarelli said.

In addition to LEAD, HPD works in association with the Women's Empowerment and Addiction Recovery, or WEAR Program, which is directed by Judge Patricia Keller and aimed specifically at seeking treatment for women in prostitution. Ciccarelli said drug abuse is not only closely related to prostitution, but a number of other crimes including robbery, assault and panhandling. Each program is designed to address the underlying drug abuse issue and mental health issues and correct the problem at the root," Ciccarelli said. "In municipal court, we’ve sent a number of individuals into the LEAD program, whether that be prostitution-related arrests, paraphernalia arrests, or any other kind of arrests, for that matter, where there motivation is to support a drug habit."

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Both Waugaman and Interim President, Gary White, mentioned Gilbert’s presence at this year anniversary of the Marshall University plane crash. White said the history of Marshall is about family that rose from adversity. "I think we are well positioned to build upon the foundation and the legacy that those who have come before us have created," White said. "I think Marshall University will once again emerge from adversity with a winning spirit."

When recalled on his past year serving as Marshall’s president and said Marshall’s future in good hands. "I’ve said it more than once that I believe the stigmatism is changing as Marshall’s president and said that he has in not only our students educationally as leaders," Waugaman said. "I believe the stigmatism is changing as Marshall’s president and said that he has in not only our students educationally as leaders," Waugaman said. "I think if he continues to have that student mindset, he will be able to continue that success that we’ve had!"

By MACKENZI KYLE

Several local business owners attended Coffee with a Cop to discuss their concerns with the Huntington Police Department, Wednesday morning at Crumpets and Tea. The quarterly event is usually held at Huntington’s Kitchen, but was moved due to renovations.

Business owners air concerns at Coffee with Cops event
HPD annual report. Overall crime numbers
Ciccarelli said.
Marshall University, specifically the athletic de-
the police force.
business owners to recommend individuals
for Marshall, he doesn’t put an ad in the paper,”
new tactics to find future officers.
officers in 2016 and said he plans on using
In what authorities described as a precision assault, the gun-
Wednesday, killing 14 people and seriously wounding
on a banquet at a social services center for the disabled
The HPD officers reminded business owners
the September Coffee with a Cop.

Ciccarelli said he is hoping to
Christmas season to help the
prostitution arrests have gone up. According to
Ciccarelli, prostitution arrests have doubled

“I think one of the encouraging things I see in
one person at a time, one police officer at a time.

The HPD officers reminded business owners
that they get out. It's money not well spent in

By AMANDA LEE MYERS and JUSTIN PRITCHARD

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Ciccarelli said that will be the case for Marshall.”

The social services center has two large buildings that require
As of Wednesday, Dec. 2. Police responded to reports of an active shooter at a social services facility.

Several people locked themselves in their offices, desperately
After the gunman entered. Some
texted their loved ones or telephoned them and whispered to

"People shot. In the office waiting for cops. We are
a sniper's paradise," he said.

Petticord, blocking hacks as the test the road for reportres
at the shooting scene, said a departmental tradition of

"The one thing we do know is that we have a pattern of some mass shootings in this country that has paral-
ally anywhere else in the world, and there's some
to take out to eliminate some of these mass

Police shot five officers on a mission for Wednesday's mass-
which came just five days after a gunman opened fire at

When it comes to mass shootings, a serious worry. The
strain invaded the Inland Regional Center and began shooting

by police before being reunited with their
one witness, Glenn Wippern, who runs a business on a street, said he heard 10 to 15 shots and
then saw a SUV with blacked-out windows and "very ugly, very slowly.""
By IMANI SPRADLEY
THE PARTHENON
Marshall University’s track and field team opens its season Thursday with the Marshall Opener against Ohio University and Radford University.

Last season, the meet was between Marshall and Ohio and was called the Ohio Dual. Marshall head coach Jeff Small said he expects his team to do well in its first meet of the season.

“I feel like we’re in a pretty good position to win the meet,” Small said. “We beat Ohio last year pretty easily. Also, we’ve been training all year, and we’re feeling pretty confident. I think this is going to be a good, competitive challenge because there’s going to be more athletes in each event with there being three teams.”

Junior thrower Mercedez Dowell said she and her teammates are looking forward to getting the season underway.

“I think this first meet will go really well,” Dowell said. “We’re all really looking to beat our PR [personal record]. We just had an inter-squad meet, and we all did better than we had ever hoped.”

Small said while he is confident in his sprinters and hurdlers, he feels the team’s throwing will be the most improved area of the team this year due to several new additions.

“We’ve got four or five really good freshman throwers that will make an immediate impact for us,” Small said. “I think we’re just stronger overall this year, but what’s going to really make us stronger is our new throwers. I think they’re going to re-write the record book. We have a couple of freshmen that we think will qualify for nationals.”

Dowell said aside from adding skillful throwers, she thinks the team will have a good season due to players and coaches feeling more comfortable with one another.

“It just feels like a family environment,” Dowell said.

Thursday’s meet begins 7 p.m. on the Jeff Small track in the Chris Cline Athletic Complex.

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Akers nominated for Community Service Award

Junior guard McKenzie Akers goes up for a shot last season against the University of Southern Mississippi during a game at the Cam Henderson Center.

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THE PARTHENON

Although Marshall University women’s basketball junior guard McKenzie Akers may not be able to make her impact felt on the court this season after tearing her ACL in a pre-season practice, she has continued her role as an off-the-court playmaker.

Akers was nominated for the 2016 Allstate Women’s Basketball Coaches Association and National Association of Basketball Coaches Good Works Team. The award recognizes a select group of student-athletes who have shown dedication to community service.

Marshall head coach Matt Daniel said Akers has been a quality member of the Marshall program and has consistently represented the university well in the community.

“McKenzie is always looking to be a contributor to our program,” Daniel said in a news release. “She has always been a great ambassador.”

Akers’ nomination stems from her volunteering at several organizations and schools within the community.

Akers has invested her time at Saints Joseph’s Catholic School Basketball Clinic, Highlawn Elementary Annual Trick-or-Treat, the Facing Hunger Foodbank Backpack Program, Jefferson Avenue Church of God Nursery, Church Leader at Jefferson Avenue Church of God, FCA Leader at Marshall University, concession stand volunteer at Marshall football home games and the Youth Commission Christian Club at Huntington High School.

Akers was one of 257 nominees for the award. The final list of 20 award recipients will be announced in February based on the votes of a 10-member panel. Members of the Allstate WBCA Good Works Team will be honored during the 2016 WBCA Convention and at the 2016 NCAA Women’s Final Four in Indianapolis.

Last season, Akers averaged 6.4 points per game and played in all but two of the Herd’s games. Akers made 87 three-point field goals last season, which ranks 10th all-time in Marshall history.
WHERE WILL IT END?

By JOCELYN GIBSON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

I am not a people who don't support abortion telling other women what they should and should not do with their bodies. It's been said a million times, but I will say it again, if you don't like abortions, do not have one. You don't want people to shout about abortions, you don't have to shout about how much those people deserved it or joke about a serious incident. Just stop. If you have the luxury of a health care and don't need an abortion, stay away from Planned Parenthood both physically and in your thoughts because there are people who do need the services provided by Planned Parenthood, and they deserve to receive those services in an environment safe from violence and harassment. When a shooting occurs at a Planned Parenthood clinic, it shouldn't spark a debate about abortion. We should be questioning how and why shootings are still occurring so frequently in the United States and looking for solutions while mourning the loss of the lives that were lost in the tragedy.

It's not any of our business what services victims were seeking and it doesn't even matter what services Planned Parenthood provided, none of that justifies mass shootings. Abortions are a perfectly legal service to provide and a perfectly legal service to seek and people who think it's justification for killing need a reality check. Abortion isn't a tragedy; it's a medical procedure—one that helps women and thus society. We shouldn't have to make excuses for abortion or try to shrivel it in the other services Planned Parenthood provides. Abortion is a right that many have fought for and one that we don't want to lose and one that never, under any circumstance, warrants violence towards those who provide or seek the service. Long story short, shouting people isn't going to make anyone join your side of the debate. Those who already agree will defend the shooter and no one's mind will be changed.

We don't solve problems with violence; we create more problems and we would all be better off if everyone kept their negative opinions to themselves in the wake of a tragedy. Tweets about how Planned Parenthood brought violence upon itself have no place in a compassionate society. I don't care what your beliefs are about Planned Parenthood or the services they provide, people lost their lives because one person decided to express his opinions with a gun and when you say Planned Parenthood had it coming you are his actions which were not under any circumstances OK. Jocelyn Gibson can be contacted at gibson243@student.marshall.edu.

WHEN SOMETHING HAPPENS ON CAMPUS? PROBABLY ON TWITTER.

By JOCELYN GIBSON
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Deputies and officers from several law enforcement agencies escort people from the building and surrounding buildings at the site of a mass shooting that killed multiple people and wounded others, in San Bernardino, California, Wednesday.

Yet another mass shooting occurred in the United States Wednesday, this time at a facility that serves children and adults with developmental disorders.

According to USA Today's investigative report "Behind the Bloodshed," approximately 75 percent of mass killing victims die of gunshot wounds.

First the United States takes a queue from other countries, inconsistent lives will continue being taken by hateful and mentally ill people who get their hands on weapons.

As gun owners across the country cling to their right to own weapons, other countries have imposed strict gun control laws in response to mass shootings. Australia, for example, hasn't had a mass shooting since its lawmakers passed buybacks and tighter restrictions on firearms in response to a shooting in 1996.

Australia's restrictions also led to a decrease in gun-related suicides.

Mental health is also treated more seriously in other countries. Many mass shooters carry out shootings because of mental health-related issues; mentally stable people don't just kill people.

What will it take for the country to come together as a nation and carry out actions against gun violence that have proven to be effective in other countries? Almost every state has seen a mass shooting. "It'll never happen close to me" is as ignorant a statement as believing strict gun control laws won't lead to the end of mass shootings.
Civil War reenactments keep history alive

By MACKENZI KYLE
THE PARTHENON

It has been said, in many different ways, those who do not learn from history are doomed to repeat it. In a year when many people believe their history is being altered by those who deem it to be unfair, unjust, inappropriate or worse, there are those who are determined to keep it alive.

The Civil War was the bloodiest and deadliest war ever fought on American soil, claiming the lives of more than half a million.

“The Civil War should not be honored, no war should ever be honored,” Jean Hilton read as the annual Guyandotte Civil War Days ball comes to a close. “But the men that fought for their beliefs should be.”

To many men, women and children across the Eastern United States, reenacting the Civil War is a way to preserve the history that changed the country forever.

Hilton, who has been reenacting as a widow named Miz Rosebud for over 25 years, closes each ball with these words. “For in so doing, they changed the United States profoundly and thereby changed the whole world,” Hilton said.

Civil War reenacting is done in many different ways with different levels of accuracy and intensity. Events like the annual reenactment of the Battle of Gettysburg, are kept as historically accurate as possible in order to teach the public about the past. However, some reenactments are considered to be more “hardcore” and involve marching into the middle of the woods with everything needed for the weekend to camp and live like a Civil War soldier. Civil War reenacting has many different aspects, which can accommodate everyone, frequently making most reenactments a family affair.

“I remember a couple times before he left, looking at all the stuff in the truck and in the garage,” Logan Sirbaugh, 16, recalls how he got involved in reenacting with his father. “Once I was old enough to go, I borrowed some of his uniform and went with him,” Logan Sirbaugh said.

Logan Sirbaugh and his father Dan travel from Parkersburg, West Virginia, to reenactments all over the area. “This year we traveled to about 15 of them,” Logan Sirbaugh said.

“Gettysburg was the farthest,” Dan Sirbaugh said. The father and son travel together almost every weekend between March and October to different Civil War reenactments. “There’s only been about twice in a year we’ve had two weekends in a row off,” Dan Sirbaugh said.

The Sirbaughs are not the only parent-child reenacting duo. Lisa and Shannon Rawlinson of Huntington said they enjoy going to reenactments together as well.

“I got sucked in through Major Sheets,” Lisa Rawlinson said. Mike Sheets teaches history at Huntington Middle School and also runs a Civil War reenacting club for middle school boys known as the Western Virginia Military Academy, or WVMA. The club’s sister group, Lizzie Cabell’s Finishing School for Young Ladies, is a reenactment group for middle school girls.

“My daughter came home every day from school saying, ‘I hate history,’” Lisa Rawlinson said. “One day she comes home talking about this Civil War group she wanted to join.” “I still hate all but Civil War history,” Shannon Rawlinson, now a freshman at Huntington High, said. Shannon Rawlinson continues to be actively involved in Lizzie Cabell’s Finishing School for Young Ladies, as a mentor to the younger girls.

The two Huntington Middle School reenacting groups participate in many events together. The groups strive to teach history, as well as a variety of other life skills, through interactive activities.

“They learn history, they learn general etiquette, they learn responsibility,” Lisa Rawlinson said. “I just think it’s nice that they get to go a certain number of hours or days without electronics.”

The Rawlinsons said they enjoy reenacting together and usually attend four or five reenactments a year.

Civil War reenacting is a popular hobby, trade or lifestyle, depending on how one chooses to view it. Whether a reenactor chooses to participate in highly historically accurate events or those considered more “hardcore,” most reenactors have one thing in common. As Hilton, or Miz Rosebud, concludes her speech each year, “We remember, we care.”

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Members of the Western Virginia Military Academy raise their flag after taking over the cannons at the reenactment of The Battle of Guyandotte.

Shannyn Kyle, 16, a member of the Lizzie Cabell’s Finishing School for Young Ladies, aids Andrew Gooding during the reenactment of The Battle of Guyandotte.