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Greek Week Day celebration was part of Marshall’s Unity Month, which promotes an open and socially conscious community. Hanna Pennington can be contacted at pennington131@marshall.edu.

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Greek Life collects canned foods, prepares hygiene kits for charities

By MICHAELA CRITTENDEN

The Greek community worked to collect and prepare hygiene kits for charities as part of their community service event during Greek Week on Tuesday to donate to local veterans.

"I didn't honestly think there would be a lot," senior, team captain, Nick Wright, the director of Fraternity and Sorority Life, said students were generous when they were raising love on supplies.

"I know when we ran out of food to make blankets, people started making pillows and blankets out of scraps," Wright said. "And one girl made headbands. They used up everything that was available.

There were also stations set up where students came together to assemble care packages for Harmony House. These packages contained things like shampoo, toothbrushes, washcloths, soap and more to assist with basic hygiene.

Trespassing on grounds

Police Blotter

Police arrested the driver for driving with a suspended license after finding the vehicle, police noticed a small dog crate in the back seat containing a small puppy. The driver was spotted driving down Amanda Street with the small animal in the back seat of the car. The driver was issued a citation for driving with a suspended license and a citation for illegal possession of pets.

Police also arrested a man Monday morning running around campus pursuing a man with a, "Weirder [sic] than usual," said he had ran away from someone reporting a man was wondering around campus "acting erratic." The man was originally seen pulling on the doors at the Honors Center and was later spotted entering First-Year South Residence Hall. MUPD officers went to the building and set up a perimeter to make contact with the suspect. The suspect was also seen going under the One-Stop Commons. When police arrived, they ordered him to come out from under the building. He was then arrested for trespassing and possession of marijuana and possession of an illegal substance.

Trespassing

Campus police arrested a man Monday morning running around Gafflin Hall. MUPD spoke with the man and determined he had possession of marijuana. A warrant was issued when a defendant did not appear at a scheduled criminal court hearing. The arrest was transported to West Virginia Regional Jail.

Marijuana and Alcohol Possession

Marijuana and Alcohol Possession Officers received notification Monday afternoon that there was a smallMarijuana and Alcohol Possession of marijuana and illegal possession of alcohol.

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By COURTNEY ANDREWS
THE PARTHENON

Sophomore pitcher Kailie Williamson (77) winds up to fire a pitch against Morehead State. Williamson tossed nine shutout innings between the two games against the Eagles, including a complete-game shutout with eight strikeouts in the second game.

“Get a really nice performance from (Williamson),” Steele said. “She got ahead of batters and struck them out.”

In the second game, Williamson struck out eight, finishing the day without allowing a run in nine total innings. Williamson struck out 11, giving up seven hits and one walk between the two games.

The sophomore had three runs on four hits, and took the loss. She stepped into the circle and pitched two shutout innings with three strikeouts.

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Becoming a mentor changed my life

By HEATHER BARKER

I grew up with people encouraging me every step of the way and always supporting me in everything I do. I had multiple mentors in my life that I could rely on to give me advice and show up in every stage of my life. I became a big sister to a teenager last October after joining the Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Tri-State family. It took about a month to go through the process of applying, training and finally choosing who I thought would be a good fit to be matched with my little sister Kassidi.

I was extremely nervous when I went to meet her and her mom at their house, but I was immediately greeted with excitement and several animals begging for attention. I am an extremely easy-going person, which pairs nicely with Kassidi’s easygoing attitude and who is not afraid to be honest with me, especially when I start to embarrass her. On our first outing, Kassidi and I went to Pettery Place and absolutely painted in sugar for the most part, but now she comes over to my house and we get competitive over board games, and she complains of my horrible dance moves. I have not seen a change in confidence in Kassidi, but I have seen a change in myself. I’ve had someone think about my own choices but has also allowed me to be more fun and be more of myself.

I am a full-time student and work two jobs while also being involved in my church and campus ministry. At first, I thought I would not have enough time to hang out with her, but it is not as difficult as I thought. She is in almost all the places where I am and is willing to do almost anything I suggest. Think back to the mentors you had or have; wouldn’t you want others to experience that? Become a big brother or big sister to one of the kids on a waiting list of over 70 children by contacting Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Tri-State at 304-522-2191 or bigbigsisters.org.

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Opinion

Paul Ryan is going home, and history has its eyes on him

With midterm elections quickly approaching, Democrats rush to fill the majority in Congress. According to Gallup Poll data, President Donald Trump’s approval rating now sits at low of 37 percent so far in 2018, proving that much of the country is unhappy with the current commander-in-chief, and subsequently, disappointed in Republicans in Congress.

Thanks to failing their promise to repeal and replace the Obama Administration’s Affordable Care Act, and as frustrations over NDA contributions to Republicans rise, the conservative voices in Capitol Hill face for their future. The announcement of the retirement by the Speaker of the House, one of Washington’s most powerful positions, certainly does not help growing political anxiety amongst Republicans.

“It’s like Eisenhower resigning right before D-Day,” Tom Davis, a former Republican congressman from Virginia who once headed the House GOP’s campaign committee, told the Associated Press.

Paul Ryan has been seen as the future of the Republican party, and so for the most powerful Republicans in the House to step down from power is not a vote of confidence for conservatives.

There is a long list of Republicans who have already announced their own retirement, but Ryan’s is the most shocking of all. “Add Ryan’s retirement to the mix,” Lisa Mas, a fellow Republican from Florida, said to the Associated Press.

The upcoming elections could certainly be one of epic proportions, a mark in political modern House history.”

Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, R-Mil, who announced Wednesday he will not run for re-election, holds his weekly news conference at the Capitol in Washington on Thursday. Ryan was asked to reflect on his time as a steady, if reluctant, wingman for President Donald Trump’s policies. (AP Photo/J. Scott Applewhite)

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Editorial

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MU film makers to compete in Green Globes

By RACHAEL COOK
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Marshall University students will have a chance to show their various films at the Film Club and C&M’s Green Globes April 21 at 7 p.m. on Harper Field.

Chase Jarrell, vice president of Film Club, said he thinks West Virginia isn’t a good place for film makers to show their work or even compete.

“This festival gives film makers something to put on their resume. West Virginia is somewhere their family can come out and support them and something that they can have a chance of winning.”

Jarrell said Film Club members wanted the Green Globes to have the festival feel to it, so they decided to have it outside.

Green Globes is not the only film festival taking place at Marshall. There is also a short film festival sponsored by the film studies program. Jarrell said that they are not competing, but he does believe that Green Globes sets a different environment for an opportunity to show their work.

Jarrell also said that the Green Globes will also be featuring music videos. Jarrell said he watched local stories on snapchat and realized music videos often go unappreciated.

“If the weather should turn bad, Jarrell said, they will move the film festival indoors to Smith Hall 154.”

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