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By LUKE CREASY
THE PARTHENON
Nearly 30,000 runners lined up to race in the 122nd annual Boston Marathon Monday evening. One runner in the crowd has a special connection to Marshall University.

Caleb Bowen, a local product who graduated from Hurricane High School in 2011 and then took on the role of assistant coach for the Marshall Thundering Herd track and field team, had been training for months in preparation for the day.

Though thousands of runners complete the race every single year, it’s no small feat to earn a bib number. A runner must run a qualifying time to be considered, making Bowen’s second consecutive appearance in the race much more meaningful. Marshall track and field head coach Jeff Sloan said Bowen should be proud of what he has accomplished.

“It’s always a great accomplishment for anyone to get accepted into the Boston because it’s a marathon you have to qualify for, whereas most (races) you sign up for,” Sloan said. Qualifying time for Bowen’s age group, males ages 10-34, was 3:15:45, which he handed in with a strong margin. Bowen’s fifth ever marathon race came with its own fair share of challenges, but his preparation didn’t waver.

“Whenever I’m training really well I’ll run about 80 miles in a week. You have to have a couple good long runs in there, for me that’s 15 to 22 miles. The more you do that, the better your body can handle the stress and get used to running at a race pace for long periods of time.”

The biggest factor in Bowen’s finishing time was the weather. He said the snow turned to freezing rain, making race-day conditions in the low 40’s with 15-20 mile-per-hour winds.

However, Bowen said the weather difference in weather—from when he left town and headed for the northeast had a clear impact on his final time of 3:02:10.

“It hurt me, especially the wind. Bowen said. “I’m not the biggest guy, so every time the wind would blow it would push me back. Something I didn’t do well was dress warm enough or dry enough. I wanted a lot of energy early on so I could warm myself up. (The weather) negatively affected me, but it made it a unique experience.”

The adverse conditions of the 2010 Boston Marathon were a reminder to Bowen that even though the course may be the same, each race is its own experience.

“Every race is different. Even if you run the same course, sometimes you will have ‘helpful’ winds, other times, ‘hostile’ winds,” Bowen said. “I think the more you run, the more experience you get, you can feel better, you know how to handle those conditions. This will be one of the most memorable ones I’ve ever run because the conditions were so bad.”

In his mid-twenties, Bowen remains in the heat of his competitive years. The experience continued with the knowledge Bowen has in part of the reason he watched as Marshall’s assistant cross country and track and field coach, Sloan said competition gives Bowen a better perspective with the athletes.

“I think whenever you have a coach who is also competing and still get up and run 20 miles with the kids, I think it helps them to believe in themselves,” Sloan said. “He’s a great role model. He really knows what he’s doing, and the kids know that too. If I’d never asked them what they thought, I think he wouldn’t do on a daily basis.”

Bowen said the job offer from Sloan was a dream come true, as coaching had been a long-time goal for him. “In high school, I always wanted to be a social studen- teacher and a high school coach. That was my goal.”

Bowen said throughout college, he got to see a different side of coaching through our graduate assistants on the staff. “I get extremely lucky with our coach’s offer of a full-time assistant coaching position.”

Even while coaching, Bowen said urban times, the Marshall assistant coach pressed and encourages him to be a role model and have pride in the program. “It’s all in good fun in the end, but it’s a reminder that you have to keep going and the band is strengthened through these times that I feel my presence.”

“At the moment, they’re running better than me,” Bowen said. “They push me to go faster, and of course you make those connections. You hear about other runners’ times.”

Marshall University gave Bowen a place to continue his racing career, both as a student-athlete and a coach. While this was Bowen’s first attempt at coaching, he knew what he’s doing, and train really well for that, and then maybe another couple marathons in the fall I definitely want to qualify for Boston again next year through.”

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By SARAH INGRAM
THE PARTHEON
The Huntington University Police Department assisted the Huntington Police Department and multiple other state and local officials in the city-wide raids to take down drug traffickers Tuesday.

Led by Huntington Police, multiple organizations took part in efforts to help the community, including Cabell County Police and multiple federal agencies to help suppress the people of Huntington from those distributing drugs like heroin and fentanyl.

“The work to help keep our community safe and to keep our community safe,” Chief of Police John Terry said.

The raid was conducted on Magoon Peterson located in Huntington and his brother Willie Peterson of New York. The family has reportedly trafficked excessive amounts of heroin and fentanyl from Detroit to Huntington for years, but the raid has reportedly caused the organization to fall apart.

With multiple locations raided throughout the city, locations in Beverly and one location in Ohio, 15 federal targets were arrested as of Wednesday afternoon. In total, roughly 90 people are expected to face charges in West Virginia and Michigan.

This tookdown has students and community members taking a moment to relax and hope for a better future.

Gaby McClellan, a sophomore criminal justice major, said drugs on campus will lead to a decrease in the student body. "The amount of drugs will help to decrease the student body." McClellan said.

"This was a huge win for Huntington. It was a huge win for Huntington and the people of Huntington." Sloan said.

The raids and arrests were results from Project Hun- ton, a memorandum U.S. Attorney Mike Stewart announced in February to stop the epidemic of drug use in Huntington.

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Earth Day celebrations took over the Memorial Student Plaza with various booths of activities and information for students to partake in.

By HANNA PENNINGTON

Earth Day, which is typically April 22, came early for the Marshall University community on Tuesday afternoon as student organizations and outside groups filled the Memorial Student Plaza with educational and entertaining activities promoting sustainable and green living.

Amy Parsons-White, sustainability coordinator, said the goal of the Earth Day celebration was to inform campus members of small things everyone can do to live sustainably.

“You don’t have to move the earth in order to live sustainably,” Parsons-White said. “We’re trying to let people know that there are little things you can do every day. You can use less water when you brush your teeth, you can ride a bike instead of driving a car, you can cut your hair short. There are all kinds of little things we can do. I want people to know how simple it is to do that."

Each day will feature different available free goods, such as survival kits, a free lunch for students on Tuesday, donuts and coffee, CABS will offer various activities throughout the week, including yoga and games at Marshall’s Recreation Center; free massages; virtual reality games; the Pets’ Pacor event; the B-Fly 5K racewalk; and Graduate inauguration for seniors. A benefit softball tournament will take place 11 a.m. on the Rec Center’s field April 29 to finish out the week’s activities.

“Each team will pay $50 to participate and at least one proceeds will benefit Huntington’s All: Louis Community Center,” Plat said.

Maricah Owens, member of CAB, said she is most excited for Thursday, when the organization brings in dogs from a local shelter to give students the opportunity to spend time with them.

“My favorite part about the week will most definitely be our signature event, smoothie-spoch. Owens, junior psychology major, said, ‘My hope is that each event will be successful, and we always have a great turnout during this week, so it’s one of the biggest events we have. That’s so much to do and we can do all of them at a time to hopefully fit everyone’s busy dead week schedule.’

This will be CAB’s fourth year of participating in Stress Relief Week, but Plat said some elements will differ from previous years.

“CAB will be participating in Stress Relief Week since it started at Marshall nearly four years ago,” Plat said. “While some of the events have remained the same over the years, one’s focus, survival kits, massages— we always try to incor-

By AMANDA LARCH

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Stress Relief Week kicks off Monday

by Marshall University’s Campus Activity Board.

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Malcolm Marshall students will have the opportunity to shape their own future at Marshall this spring on a new initiative called The Parthenon.

"The Parthenon," Executive Director of Marshall’s Student Center, said this is the school's newest initiative to establish a student-run board and community. "The Parthenon" will serve as a central calling point for student organizations and community groups.

"The Parthenon," who has been a part of the student center's leadership team for two years, said this new initiative will lead to more opportunities for students to have leadership roles and be involved in the community.

"The Parthenon," said, "We are excited to have more students involved in the community and leading the initiatives that make a difference in their lives and in the world."

"The Parthenon," also said that this new initiative will help to increase visibility and recognition for student organizations and community groups.

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**CONFIDENT PACERS EAGER TO PROTECT HOME COURT AGAINST CAVS**

**By Michael Marot**

INDIANAPOLIS—The Indiana Pacers look bound and determined to atone for last year's early exit in the playoffs.

They will withdraw...  

while coach Nate McMillan didn't provide specific details about what adjustments he might make, the Pacers figure the simples things—numbers and running— will be key at this time. They have no idea what's going on, but I'm really happy with the...
A farewell from your Student Body Vice President

By ALEX O’DONNEL

STUDENT BODY VICE PRESIDENT

Serving as your Student Body Vice President has been the best honor of my life at Marshall University. The experience since being sworn in has been invaluable, and I truly want to thank each of you for sharing your Marshall story with me the past few months.

On April 22, we'll officially hand over the position of Student Body Vice President to Hannah Petracca. Over the past couple months, I have grown to know Hannah quite well, and I know that she will do a great job as your Student Body Vice President.

For now, however, I want to share with you some closing thoughts on our current transition. First, remember that Marshall is not just a university – it is a community. You are never alone. I am the proud member as vice president and as a student at Marshall, helping to organize the candlelight vigil for Larry Aaron. It was a true demonstration of Marshall’s unparalleled sense of community. Continue doing this – there are so many memories you will remember after you graduate.

Second, take advantage of what Huntington has to offer you. For example, the Marshall community is quite proud to have the Huntington Museum of Art, only a 10-15 minute drive from campus. Few students have heard about this, so this month student government took an afternoon to visit there, have fun, and promote this Huntington asset. It was a blast, and I encourage you to stop by if you have never done so. This is just one example – whether it be visiting the museum, volunteering at the All-Louis Center, or just walking downtown on a warm spring evening, your Marshall experience is incomplete without the experiences found within the City of Huntington.

Third, use your voice. It is your most powerful weapon. There is nothing more beautiful than seeing downtown Huntington and the surrounding area, one of the largest drug teardowns in state history and a Netflix documentary that brought our community’s struggles to the red carpet.

And exactly a year after the announcement, TIME Magazine listed their picks for the 100 most influential people in the world, with Huntington Fire Chief Jan Rader making the cut.

“As the first woman to lead a professional fire department in West Virginia,” Sen. Joe Manchin wrote in his nomination for Rader, “she broke down barriers for young women across our state and continues to serve as the leader of West Virginia and America need right now.”

It was the year that gave Huntington citizens...
Prosecutor: Prince thought he was taking common painkiller

By AMY FORLITI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Prince thought he was taking a common painkiller but instead ingested a counterfeit pill containing the dangerously powerful drug fentanyl, a Minneapolis prosecutor said Thursday as he announced that no charges would be filed in the musician’s death.

Carver County Attorney Mark Metz said Thursday that no charges would be filed in the music superstar’s May 21, 2016, death at his Paisley Park estate, near an elevator. Several videos show that no charges would be filed in the musician’s death.

A federal drug case Dr. Michael Todd Schulenberg alleged wrote a prescription for oxycodone in the name of Prince’s bodyguard, intending for the patient painkiller to go Prince. That prescription was not linked to Prince’s death.

Prince was 57 when he was found alone and unresponsive in an elevator at his Paisley Park studio compound on April 21, 2016. His death sparked a national investigation by Carver County and federal authorities.

While some of the substances found at Paisley Park included legitimate pharmaceutical containers, some of those pills were later determined to be counterfeit, and state and federal authorities have been investigating the sources of the fentanyl for nearly two years.

“My focus was lasered in on trying to find out who provided that fentanyl, and we just don’t know where he got it,” Metz said. “We may never know... it’s pretty clear from the evidence that he did not know, and the people around him didn’t know, that he was taking fentanyl.”

Metz’s announcement effectively closed the case.

There is no doubt that the actions of individuals will be critiqued, questioned and judged in the days and weeks to come,” Metz said. “But suspicions and innuendo are simply insufficient to support any criminal charges.”

After the announcement, the U.S. Attorney’s Office said it also had no credible evidence that would lead to federal criminal charges. A law enforcement official familiar with the investigation told The Associated Press that the federal investigation is now inactive unless new information emerges. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because the federal case remains open.

Authorities alleged Schulenberg, a family physician who saw Prince twice before his death, said he thinks the drug bust was beneficial for the overall community. “We’re all part of the community,” Terry said. “I don’t think a lot of our readers are drug users, but we feel the effect of it. And this makes the whole environment safer.”

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Prince presents the award for favorite album - soul/R&B at the American Music Awards in Los Angeles, Nov. 22, 2015.

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“We will no longer tolerate drug dealers, drug traffickers, violent criminals or illegal guns on the streets of the city of Huntington,” Stuart said in a release explaining the moment. “Our goal is simply to make Huntington the Safest City in America.”

Terry said that while he does not believe many of Marshall’s students use heroin or fentanyl, he said he thinks the drug bust was beneficial for the overall community. “We’re all part of the community,” Terry said. “I don’t think a lot of our readers are drug users, but we feel the effect of it. And this makes the whole environment safer.”

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