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Editor’s Note: Cover explanation

As we look through the edition following the tragic plane crash of Nov. 14, 1970, we think about how life on campus and in Huntington changed for so many. The edition, printed just four days after the crash, is filled with poems, photos and tributes to the lives lost. The loss of the 75 impacted life in 1970 just as much as it does today.

Looking through the faded and slightly crumbling newspaper, our editorial staff can tangibly feel the intense grief that is documented forever in print. Every article in that paper shares a different story of a life lost.

“There is no one untouched. There is no one who can hear of this and not feel sorrow and grief. And we, the students, feel the pain so deeply that we cry and cry and wonder how, and why,” Mike Grant, 1970 Student Body President, said on the cover of The Parthenon from Nov. 18, 1970.

This cover is dedicated to the 75 and also to the students and community members whose lives were forever changed by the tragedy. 48 years ago, the lives of students, faculty, staff and the Huntington community changed forever.

By GRETCHEN KALAR
THE PARTHENON

The Annual Fountain Ceremony means something different to everyone, including the President and Provost of Marshall University, who are both from out of state.

“This very somber ceremony is one of the best known nationally,” Provost Jaime Taylor said. “It is going to be a huge honor to be a part of the ceremony.”

The Marshall Thundering Herd football team was returning from a loss to East Carolina University Nov. 14, 1970. Marshall lost 75 people, including 37 football players, the team’s coach, doctors, the university athletic director and 25 team boosters.

Taylor is from Austin Peay State University in Tennessee, and President Jerome Gilbert is from Mississippi State in Mississippi.

“This ceremony brings the feel of Marshall and how everyone comes together around this event,” Gilbert said.

Gilbert first witnessed the ceremony in 2015.

“It was a highly emotional, very moving ceremony,” Gilbert said. “I saw people come together to talk about what happened and how it impacted their lives and how it has brought all of the university together.”

Gilbert said the ceremony is very much a part of the fabric of Marshall University.

“It is a cement that binds the Marshall family together in a very special way,” Gilbert said. “In a sad way, but in a very resilient way where everyone is committed to not forgetting the 75 and remembering them every year coming together as a family. It is a very powerful ceremony. You can see the tears swell up in everyone’s eyes as you stand around out on the plaza and we go through the ceremony. The same emotions come back every year. It is a tremendous event that we have and one of the defining events for Marshall University.”

Gilbert has been the president of Marshall since January 2016.

“As President Gilbert was talking about it you can almost feel the emotion that this will bring out,” Taylor said.

The Fountain Ceremony will have its 48th anniversary this year at Marshall to commemorate the 75 lives lost in the Nov. 14, 1970 plane crash.

“I hope we have a good turn out tomorrow,” Gilbert said. “I hope the students will come because to not experience this is to miss out on something that is truly Marshall. I hope as many of the students as possible can make it.”

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Students’ perspective on the 1970 tragedy

By MEG KELLER
THE PARTHENON

48 years after the worst collegiate sports-related air tragedy in U.S. history, students reflected on what being a part of the Herd means to them.

Several students at Marshall University said they think the 1970 plane crash carrying the Marshall football team, coaches and supporters deserves to be remembered.

“It’s important to understand our past and where we came from,” graduate student Katie Keefer said.

Some students said they feel it is important to memorialize the victims of the crash as a way to bond as a community and show respect to those families who were affected.

Devin Perkins, a freshman from Huntington, recalled his family telling him about their first-hand experiences of the tragedy.

“It was part of the community history I grew up with,” Perkins said.

Perkins said he feels it is imperative to “keep history around” by talking about the 1970 plane crash.

“It’ll always be a part of us at Marshall,” he said. “It helped us grow.”

That growth and perseverance is what created a sense of pride in students like sophomore Roman Bryson.

“I feel proud to be a student here,” Bryson said.

Bryson said he admires the way the Marshall community was able to regrow.

“The fact that we were able to persevere through such a disaster is something to be proud of,” Bryson said.

For Tanner Goff, a junior from Hurricane, West Virginia, remembering those who died in the crash is a matter of respect.

“I still think it is very important that we memorialize these people because it was a part of Marshall history,” Goff said. “I think it is respectful to the families and individuals affected by this tragedy.”

Although he has no first-hand ties to anyone who was personally affected by the plane crash, Ryusuke Sato, an international student from Japan, also said he feels honoring the 75 is a sign of respect. Sato said he likes that Marshall has continued to have a football program that honors the 1970 team.

“There is no profit to forget what happened,” Sato said. “It’s respectful to remember.”

Neither Sato nor Goff has ever been to the Memorial Fountain Ceremony, but they both said they hope to attend this year. Sato said as an international student he and others do not know many details about the crash, but he hopes attending the ceremony this year will help him learn. He also said he wants to learn more from local students from Huntington and their experiences having grown up remembering the event each year.

The annual Memorial Fountain Ceremony is attended each year by faculty, staff, students and members of the Herd community, but some students said they are concerned they will not be able to attend. The university does not suspend or cancel classes for the event, despite some students saying they feel that is exactly what should happen.

“Classes should be canceled, and people should be encouraged to go to the ceremony,” Perkins said. “Professors should give extra credit to those who go.”

Despite facing the rebuilding of a community and a football team, Marshall has remained supportive of memorializing those lost in the crash for the last 48 years.

“We will never forget. That is why we are Marshall,” Perkins said.

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Mike Grant, 1970 Student Body President featured in The Parthenon, Nov. 18, 1970

The last drops of water leaving the fountain during the Fountain Ceremony in 2017.

SADIE HELMICK | EXECUTIVE EDITOR
Women and Gender Center plans for future following Amendment 1 passing

By JOELLE GATES
THE PARThENON

Marshall University’s Women and Gender Center, in addition to Herd Free, plan to raise awareness about abortion and reproductive healthcare following the ruling on Amendment 1.

The state amendment, which passed during the midterm election, removes state wide protections for abortions if Roe v. Wade were to be overturned nationally.

“Roe v. Wade is still the law of the land, so those protections are still put in place,” Claire Snyder, program coordinator for the Women and Gender Center, said. “Abortion is still legal nationwide. The concern is that should federal protections go away, our state wouldn’t have further protections beyond that.”

Following the ruling, Snyder said she felt scared and frustrated because of the potential obstacles the amendment could create for women seeking an abortion.

“I’m concerned that this might create barriers to women receiving the medical care they need,” Snyder said. “Even some of the misinformation and confusion around this amendment might make women think they don’t have access to care when they certainly do. There has been a lot of confusion about whether this amendment has made abortion illegal in the state of West Virginia, whether the funding is gone or how everything works. For us, it’s really important that women and students understand that they have support.”

In addition to the Women and Gender Center, Herd Free, Marshall’s student branch of WV Free, will also be providing resources to students. Christina MacIver, a junior psychology major and member of Herd Free, said Amendment 1 has inspired her to continue sharing education about women’s healthcare.

“Coming from a conservative state, I’m disappointed but not surprised,” MacIver said. “Although I am discouraged, this has made the spark that was in me turn into a bigger fire. I’m more passionate and motivated now because I know that the votes were so close. That gives me hope.”

Leading up to the election, Herd Free collaborated with WV Free and the Vote No on 1 Coalition to sponsor a phone banking event. Overall, students were able to call 5000 West Virginians to start discussions and share information about the amendment.

“When you’re calling on issues such as Amendment 1 and abortion to rural West Virginians, it can get scary,” Bailey Saville, junior history major and member of Herd Free, said. “At times it was very empowering, especially when you would call an older gentleman who was against the amendment. That was one of the best feelings.”

During election day, the ruling of Amendment 1 passed with 51.7 percent of voters being for the amendment compared to the 48.3 percent of voters who were opposed to it.

Snyder said although this was not the ruling she was expecting, it is important for women in West Virginia to understand the access that is still available to them.

“Regardless of this amendment, currently the full range of reproductive and pregnancy options are available to women and there are resources that can help them access that care whether or not they have the financial resources or insurance to pay for them,” Snyder said.

For now, Snyder said the Women and Gender Center will be working to help educate females on campus and in the community.

“The obstacle with this amendment is that there isn’t a lot of understanding,” Snyder said. “Our West Virginia state constitution provides greater protections for personal safety than our federal construction does. This amendment says that the right to safety doesn’t extend to abortion access. In the future, were there to be future bills that further restrict access, we don’t have the state constitution protections to argue against those.”

For those who may be nervous about the ruling, Snyder said being politically active is more important than ever.

“This doesn’t mean that all legislators are automatically going to vote for restrictions so that’s why it’s more important than ever that constituents are contacting their legislators and having their voice be heard,” Snyder said.

Looking to the future, MacIver said she is determined to continue helping women.

“I’m still hopeful,” MacIver said. “I saw a lot of younger people out at the polls voicing their opinions as a citizen. That’s reassuring and gives me hope.”

For now, Herd Free is focusing their attention on raising awareness about fake reproductive health clinics and birth control. They’re also planning to attend Lobby Day at the West Virginia state legislature in the spring.

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National organization, Marshall students fight sex trafficking

Jerry Gowen reviewed the progress O.U.R. Rescue has made since they began fighting child sex trafficking.

By SARAH INGRAM
NEWS EDITOR

Operation Underground Railroad Rescue screened its new documentary “Operation Toussaint” to Marshall University students and faculty, Monday, Nov. 12, to demonstrate the impact the organization is having on child sex trafficking in countries throughout the world. The organization also recognized that Marshall students have assisted in arrests in countries such as Thailand.

“Operation Toussaint” walkers viewed the process that O.U.R. Rescue takes when they plan to take down sex traffickers in different countries. The documentary specifically went through an operation in Haiti in 2017. Jerry Gowen, the chief operating officer of O.U.R. Rescue, said he wanted the documentary to enlighten people to know they can help.

“My message tonight that I hope people leave with is that everyone can do something,” Gowen said. “Whatever you feel like you can, and everyone is in a different place, but whatever you’re capable of taking on, do it. Go get involved.”

“Operation Toussaint” follows the founder of the organization, Tim Ballard, into Haiti while he and a team of members attempt to dismantle a sex trafficking ring. The documentary contains footage from organizing arrangements before invading rings, undercover work, actual busts and aftercare for children who have been saved.

Ballard described the organization multiple times and said they often go into very dark places.

“We intentionally go to the darkest corners of the earth where there is no hope and find these kids,” Ballard said. “What that does is provide hope for everybody now. Where there was no hope, there’s hope everywhere.”

After the documentary ended, Gowen highlighted how students in Marshall’s digital forensics program have assisted in similar cases of sex trafficking rings in multiple countries.

John Sammons, the director of the Digital Forensics and Information Assurance Program, spoke of how Marshall students are helping fight the battle against sex traffickers.

“Part of the program is called an open source intelligence exchange,” Sammons said. “It’s a vetted selected group of students that do open source intelligence collection and analysis for a variety of clients. What we’ve done for O.U.R. is provide open source intelligence stuff for the operations in advance before their operations in a specific country. This is for when they hit the ground so that they have a little bit of an idea of what’s what.”

The event also consisted of local organizations providing

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Jim’s Steak and Spaghetti updates uniforms

By LILLIE BODIE
THE PARTHENON

The nostalgic Huntington restaurant, Jim’s Steak and Spaghetti House, has changed its uniforms designed in the 1930’s to modern day slacks after 80 years of business.

Jimmie Tweel Carder, owner of Jim’s Steak and Spaghetti House, said changing the uniform was hard due to the significance of the attire to not only the restaurant but also to her father.

“We always had dresses, and my dad prided himself on the dress, because it stayed unique to Jim’s,” Tweel Carder said. “And that was part of our legacy and part of my dad, and it just hurt my heart to have to do it but I’m okay with it now.”

Tweel Carder said the change of uniform was also sought out to be beneficial in gaining new, younger employees.

“We decided that it might be helpful in finding new employees because the younger generation didn’t like the dress, and it could therefore be a help in employment,” Tweel Carder said. “But we pride ourselves on not changing not stubbornly but traditionally. And this will be the uniforms for years to come now.”

Trish Woody, 30-year employee at Jim’s Steak and Spaghetti House, said she had looked for nine months for new uniforms with Tweel Carder because she was not for the change as well.

“I’m here almost more than I am home so it was hard for me to give up after wearing it for 30 years, but we had no choice,” Woody said.

Woody said being an employee at Jim’s for a long duration she has watched many Huntington community members grow up and crave the same uniformity of the restaurant.

“There’s people that come in here that I use to put in the high chair, and they come in here and want the same thing, because their lives are moving fast so they come here and everything’s the same,” Woody said. “And they like that it’s a home feeling and the uniform was just part of it. It’s a step back in time and you don’t see that anymore.”

Woody said to keep this consistency she implanted the same teachings onto new employees that the restaurant’s founder, Jim Tweel, introduced to her.

“When I train I get onto people and I’m very strict on them because I take it back to when I started and the things I knew Mr. Tweel expected I try to instill that in them during training because its important to me I wouldn’t have spent 30 years here if it wasn’t,” Woody said.

Woody said the uniforms do not differ too far from the old ones, and they are easier to access.

“Most people, where the top is white, don’t realize it’s a different uniform at first and this outfit is more comfortable,” Woody said.

Mary Dean, 13-year employee of Jim’s Steak and Spaghetti House, said overseeing the uniforms was more technical than emotional for her so she experiment every option.

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Herd men’s basketball to take on Mount St. Mary’s

By DEREK GILBERT
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall men’s basketball team continues its three-game homestand Wednesday against the Mount St. Mary’s Mountaineers in the Cam Henderson Center.

“They play a very similar style to what we do,” head coach Dan D’Antoni said. “In fact, it’s the same defense and the same offense. I don’t know if (Mount St. Mary’s head coach Dan Engelstad) got it before I did or if I got it before him, but they’re definitely the same.”

The Herd looks to improve on its 2-0 record coming off a 76-72 win over Hofstra Sunday, in the team’s first home game of the season. Mount St. Mary’s aims to notch its first win of the year after an 0-2 start with losses to NC State and Hofstra. The game will be the Mountaineers’ third of four straight road games to begin the year.

D’Antoni said Marshall needs to improve on its rebounding heading into Wednesday’s contest against the Mountaineers.

“We’ve had a couple periods of rebounding that we’ve got to get better at,” D’Antoni said. “We’ve been a perimeter team for four years. We have to mix it a little bit from the perimeter to the inside with Iran (Bennett) and (Ante) Susic. We’ve got to be better at seeing those opportunities.”

Mount St. Mary’s has struggled with rebounding to start the year and opponents have out-rebounded the Mountaineers by an average of 15.9 per game.

Herd freshman guard Taevion Kinsey is coming off a strong defensive performance against Hofstra, in which he held Hofstra guard Justin Wright-Foreman to four points in the final 10 minutes of the game. Kinsey said that, while he is taking everything on a gamely basis, he is going into Wednesday with the same mindset.

“I’m just taking it game by game,” Kinsey said. “Mount St. Mary’s is a good team, and we’re just going to go in and attack it like every other game.”

D’Antoni said that the game against Mount St. Mary’s is going to be another chance to put his team’s style of play that he has deemed ‘hillbilly ball’ on display.

“It’s always hillbilly ball,” said D’Antoni. “It’s where I’m from, I’m proud of it, and there’s a lot of good people in those merry hills. You know that’s who I am.”

Tipoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Cam Henderson Center in Huntington, West Virginia.

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Herd hoops escapes Hofstra in home opener

By SYDNEY SHELTON
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall’s men’s basketball team won its first home game Sunday, 76-72, over Hofstra at the Cam Henderson Center.

The Herd improved its record to 2-0 and Hofstra fell to 1-1.

Marshall men’s basketball head coach Dan Elmore said he was proud of his players.

“I am really proud of our kids,” D’Antoni said. “To be able to step up and play at that level. We stepped up defensively (in the second half) and we were able to pull it out.”

The game started in a highly competitive capacity and neither team achieved more than a six-point lead in the first half. Hofstra shot 65.4 percent from the field and 37.5 percent from beyond the arc. Comparatively, Marshall shot 46.9 percent from the field and 26.7 percent from three-point range. Hofstra led 42-45 at halftime.

“They were up a couple points, then we were up a couple points, the lead was constantly changing,” Elmore said. “Everybody just did it by committee tonight, and ultimately it prepares us as we move forward.”

After halftime, Marshall started with a 12-0 run, featuring a three-point shot, layup, and jumper by senior guard C.J. Burks. The Herd took a 54-42 lead after the run. After six minutes, the run ended with Hofstra’s senior guard Justin Wright-Foreman making a layup that started a 9-0 run from Hofstra that resulted in them taking the lead, 54-56.

Neither team held more than a five-point until there was under a minute left in the contest. With Marshall up 74-70, Elmore made two free throws which extended the Herd’s lead to 76-70. The Herd held a lead for the remainder of the game.

“The standard has been raised,” Elmore said. “We have bigger expectations and goals that we set this year. I thought our team played great, but when we brought energy like that we are allowed to make a couple mistakes.”

Elmore ended the game with 30 points, eight rebounds, and five assists. Burks followed with 23 points and six assists.

For Hofstra, Wright-Foreman ended the night with a game-high 34 points and six rebounds. Following him was junior guard Eli Pemberton with 19 points and 12 rebounds.

“You want to enjoy what you see,” D’antoni said. “I think we put a real enjoyable package because these kids run and play as hard as they can play. Anytime you see somebody giving it all they got it’s fun to watch and to be a part of that.”

The Herd will be back at the Cam Henderson Center Wednesday against Mount St. Mary’s at 7:00 p.m.

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**By the Numbers Through Two Games**

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Herd football downs Charlotte with depth at running back

By MORGAN GRIFFITH

The Marshall football team scored 17 unanswered third quarter points Saturday to defeat the Charlotte 49ers 30-13 at Joan C. Edwards Stadium.

With the win, the Herd improved to 6-3 (4-2 Conference USA), and Charlotte moved to 4-6 (3-3 C-USA).

“I’m excited about our football team and the way they played,” head coach Doc Holliday said. “We have to come back and get ready to roll but it was a great evening for everybody.”

Charlotte scored on its first possession with a one-yard touchdown run by graduate-transfer quarterback Evan Shirreffs. The point after attempt was good and put the 49ers up first 7-0. Marshall answered with five minutes to play in the first quarter with a 23-yard field goal made by redshirt junior kicker Justin Rohrwasser to make the score 7-3.

Marshall took the 10-7 lead with three minutes left in the first quarter after a one-yard rushing touchdown by redshirt senior running back Anthony Anderson. The play was a result of a blocked punt by Marshall’s redshirt freshman defensive end Darius Hodge, which was recovered by the Herd on the one-yard line.

The Herd extended its lead in the second quarter 13-7, after a 33-yard field goal made by Rohrwasser. Right before halftime, Charlotte answered with a 40-yard field goal of its own by freshman kicker Jonathan Cruz to make the score 13-10.

The second half started with a Marshall turnover. On a run around the left, Anderson fumbled and the ball was recovered by Charlotte senior defensive back, Ed Rolle. The fumble ultimately resulted in a 49ers 35-yard field goal by Cruz to tie the game at 13.

Marshall re-established the lead, 20-13, after a four-yard touchdown run by redshirt freshman running back Brenden Knox. Knox was in the game for injured running backs redshirt senior Keion Davis and redshirt sophomore Tyler King.

“It felt great,” Knox said. “All of the backs, we just push each other to be the best that we can possibly be and today was my time to step up.”

With 4:39 left in the third quarter, Marshall added to its lead after a field goal by Rohrwasser to make the score 23-13. The Herd continued to extend its lead in the third quarter with a touchdown to make the score 30-13. The touchdown was the result of a 10-yard pass by redshirt freshman quarterback Isaiah Green to junior wide receiver Obi Obialo.

The Herd’s defense had six sacks on the day and ten tackles for a loss. Redshirt senior linebacker Frankie Hernandez had 1.5 sacks and 2.5 tackles for a loss. Marshall held the 49er offense to 185 total yards while the Herd recorded 325 total yards.

Marshall continues conference play Saturday at 2:30 p.m. as it takes on the University of Texas at San Antonio at Joan C. Edwards Stadium.

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Herd football report card

STAFF REPORT

OFFENSE: B-

The first half performance wasn’t great by any means and Marshall only had a three-point lead at halftime. What the run game did in the second half, however, was perhaps its best performance of the season. Brenden Knox, who has spent the majority of the season as the fourth running back on the depth chart, had 22 carries for 116 yards and became the first 100-yard rusher Charlotte has allowed all season.

As a team, Marshall became the first team to run for more than 150 yards against Charlotte’s third-ranked rush defense, totaling 152 yards. Receiver Tyre Brady also appeared to get back on track hauling in six passes for 95 yards.

DEFENSE: A

Aside from the first drive, where Charlotte drove the ball 75 yards and scored a touchdown, the Herd defense flat out dominated the 49ers. Charlotte had just 72 passing yards for the entire game and managed a measly 2.8 yards per carry on 41 attempts (113 yards).

The Herd totaled 10 tackles for loss and six sacks as a team, as Charlotte quarterback Evan Shirreff’s never got into any sort of rhythm after the opening drive.

SPECIAL TEAMS: A+

Justin Rohrwasser made each of his three field goals and Robert LeFevre rebounded from a shaky performance last week by placing three punts inside the 20. Darius Hodge also blocked a punt, which set up an easy Marshall touchdown.

Marshall football takes on UTSA in last home game of season

By MORGAN GRIFFITH

The Marshall University football team looks to add another conference win at Joan C. Edwards Stadium Saturday at 2:30 p.m. against the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Heading into the contest, Marshall is 6-3 overall and 4-2 in the Conference USA, while UTSA is 3-7 overall and 2-4 in C-USA.

“You turn on that tape and they have got some of the best receivers in our league,” Marshall head coach Doc Holliday said. “They’ve got some good players on defense, and we just have to make sure we are prepared, have a good week of preparation and go out there and play hard.”

Saturday’s game will be the third matchup between the two teams. Last year, UTSA beat Marshall in San Antonio, 9-7, after a game-winning field goal with two seconds left by kicker Jared Sackett. The series is tied between the Herd and Roadrunners, 1-1.

Sackett, who kicked the game-winner last year against Marshall, was named one of 20 semifinalists for the Lou Groza Collegiate Place-Kicker Award for the second straight season. He has made all 15 extra-point attempts this season, and is 9-of-13 from 40 yards or more.

Senior quarterback D.J. Gillins made his first start for the Roadrunners last week versus Florida International University, where he suffered an injury in the final minute and will miss the rest of the

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Why we remember

“On a rainy hillside in Wayne County, West Virginia, the lives of 75 people were lost in the worst single air tragedy in NCAA sports history. Among the losses were nearly the entire Marshall University football team, coaches, flight crew, numerous fans, and supporters. The event marked a boundary by which an entire community would forever measure time... before or after ‘The Crash.’” (Marshall University Libraries Special Collections - Plane Crash Memorial).

“In the middle of Huntington, West Virginia, there’s a river. Next to this river, there’s a steel mill. And next to the steel mill, there is a school. In the middle of the school, there is a fountain. Each year on the exact same day, at the exact same hour, the water to this fountain is turned off. And in this moment once every year, throughout the town, throughout the school—time stands still.”

The day has come, once again, another year having passed by since that day in 1970, a day that would linger in the memories of Marshall University and the Huntington community for years to come.

The fountain roars still in the morning, awaiting its finale, when in one quick moment, the water stops flowing, and slow, steady drips are all that remain. Silence is its new song. Pause. Stop. Reflect. Remember.

“We remember the players and students who were just beginning their lives—promising young people with futures wide open. We remember the coaches and staff who devoted their time, energy and devotion to a team and their community, fostering passion in young lives.

“We remember the community members, fierce supporters of Marshall and Huntington, lovers of the Herd.

“We remember the flight crew who lost their lives, those who went to work and never came back.

“It’s no secret that Marshall football is important to the Huntington community. In so many ways, it may just be the heartbeat. Our football program, and subsequently the community as a whole, is marked in history as one of tragedy and adversity. In this same span though, we are marked in history as overcomers, and every time the Thundering Herd tales to the field, we are reminded of that.

“In a society that feels increasingly selfish, a world steeped in darkness and hopelessness, it is here on this one day at this one time that we are reminded that even in the darkest of times, when life seems too overwhelming that we can go on. In a culture that feels divided and angry, we can see clearly reflected in the fountain’s waters the faces of our neighbors, our classmates, our friends and family. At the fountain ceremony, there is no us and them. There is simply, “we are...”

“We can see that to be human requires empathy and compassion and hope. We can see the power that can be found when we come together as one unit, as one team.

“At Marshall University, we will always remember. It is who we are. It is the responsibility of being a son or daughter of Marshall, to carry on the traditions of remembering, to carry on a devotion to community.”
We missed Jeff today...

By RALPH TURNER
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Jeffery Nathan or Nathan Jeffery?
I remember the first day in the beginning reporting class.

Was that student’s first name Jeffery or Nathan?
They both sounded like first and last names.
The name stood out. At that time – in September, 1969 – it was because of the unusual ring of the name alone.

But in a few days Jeffery became Jeff. The name didn’t stand out anymore just because of the “ring” of the name. Jeff Nathan was something special.

In Journalism 201 beginning reporting, students do very little actual reporting for the University newspaper. Work is mostly confined to classroom exercises.

I made a special notation beside Jeff Nathan’s name in my class book early in the semester. It was to remind me he was doing something special.

“He writes stories” was the note to myself. It is a reminder that Jeff did more than required. He was not satisfied with writing only the required articles. He was out covering news events, interviewing and writing stories for publication.

The next semester came Journalism 202 – advanced reporting. This is the class where aspiring journalists really begin to get their feet wet. They write for actual publication.

The class requirement – two stories a week.
Again Jeff was something special.
I don’t need to look back at the class register. I can well remember what Jeff did.
But it’s there in the class records – five, six, seven stories a week.

Reporting 202 was more than a class to Jeff.
Jeff not only covered his own assignments, but was always available, anxious and ready to do whatever else was needed. He became a major part of The Parthenon.

Editors picked him “reporter of the week” several times. At the end of the semester there was no doubt in any editor’s mind as to who they would pick for “reporter of the week.” They went through the process of discussing all the top writers, but they knew who it had to be. Jeff.

And Jeff carried the title well. To some the honor of being one of the “reporters of the week” didn’t mean that much.
But to Jeff it did. He was proud of it.

“You know many people recognized my picture in the paper and said ‘you’re the reporter of the week,’” Jeff once remarked.

Then came last spring.
Jeff was one of the first to sign-up for a reporting summer internship on a daily newspaper. He wanted to be near home during the summer so he worked for the Marietta, Ohio, newspaper.

It was no surprise last September when Jeff was one of the first students back on campus anxious to start the new publication year with The Parthenon.

Jeff was a natural to be sports editor.

Again, he wore the title well.
Some often joked with Jeff that he should install a bed in the newsroom. He was almost always there except when covering an assignment. He was there long after his paper had gone to press. He was working on a sports column for the next day – perhaps another “Fearless Fosdick” prediction on college football game outcomes.

“We should call this Jeff Nathan edition,” one copy editor commented one day when Jeff had written about half the copy for that day’s newspaper.

Then came the Oct. 8 disturbance near campus.

This had nothing to do with sports, but Jeff was one of the first ones on the scene to cover for his newspaper. He joined the handful of other editors working all night to put out a special edition.

And the Thundering Herd football team – Jeff stood by them all the way.

The record was three wins and six losses.
Jeff as “Fearless Fosdick” predicted a win almost every week. The two times he didn’t, he had The Herd losing by only three points and then he hoped he would be wrong.

“Miami-20, Marshall-7 – I hope I’m wrong,” he wrote, “but Miami’s defense appears to be too much for The Herd. Miami’s the pick, but with all the spirit generate by the ‘Buffalo Babes’ watch for a possible upset.”

Sports editors for the school paper are expected to get to all the home games and some away games, but few have made it to every game.
Jeff didn’t.

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Amendment 1 is a giant step back for West Virginia women

By RILEY SMIRL
COLUMNIST

Since last week, we’ve had a midterm election and received the results. I was so excited to vote; I took my time to educate myself on who I was voting for, and maybe more importantly, on the amendments I could vote for. When I heard about the Amendment One on the West Virginia ballot this midterm, I was shocked. This amendment is a giant step in the direction of the stripping of women’s rights in this state. As a young woman who has grown up here and is going to be living here throughout her young adult life, it is hard to watch a majority of the people in your state vote in favor of a ballot measure that restricts your ability to make decisions about your own body. I have done my homework on what exactly it entails, and I know it does not make the termination of a pregnancy illegal, but for so many women in our region, when you take away their financial assistance, they cannot afford to do so, no matter the circumstances they may be in. It was the one thing I made sure to tell everyone in the state who could vote when they asked me what exactly was on the midterm ballot: “Vote no on amendment one.” Yet, here we are a week out from election day, and it seems as if there are more people in the state who disagree with me than the number of people who feel like I do.

This is where my conflict stems from. I love my state, I have spent my entire life here, and going to college here has only made me appreciate it more, but we cannot make headlines for moving the progression of women’s rights back in time. I am proud of where I am from but so disappointed in the amount of people that live here and who feel this way toward women. I’m not trying to force my beliefs and views on anyone else. Pro-life or pro-choice, that’s up to you. But this is not a matter of letting people believe what they think is morally right or wrong. This is about preventing women from doing what they know is best for them, wherever they may be in their lives and whatever circumstances have lead them to this decision. I am a young woman in West Virginia, and I know now more than ever that I want to help those in this area who are as terrified by this election result as I am. With every surge forward in progress, there is always a push backward. I believe that this is the push backward we have been given, and the one I am going to work to fight against. If you’re a West Virginia woman and feel the way I do, know I’m with you, and I believe we can work together to retain those rights that so many are trying to take from us. This week, I couldn’t talk about an issue that’s only affecting me because I am a freshman, because this is so much bigger and so much more important as a college student and a woman, and this is an important step in how I am entering the world on my own for the first time.

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information on where Huntington residents can get help or try to help others in dangerous situations. Members from the CONTACT Rape Crisis Center and the local volunteer group associated with O.U.R. Rescue said they believe the screening on campus is a good way to help make people aware.

“Awareness is everything,” Amy Stowasser, a victim advocate with CONTACT, said. “If we don’t know there’s a problem, no one can be there to fix it or attempt to do their part.”

Stacy Cossin, a senior digital forensics and information assurance major, said she agreed with Stowasser, stating that helping sex trafficking victims can be something students assist with even if they did not think they were capable of helping.

“I think it’s a way to open people’s eyes to understand that human trafficking is actually happening and that we as students can take steps to eliminate this and make people more aware,” Cossin said.

Students interested in getting involved with O.U.R. Rescue can find information and volunteer applications at ourrescue.org.

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season. The Herd can expect to see either freshman Jordan Weels or sophomore Bryce Rivers at quarterback this week. Neither player has started for UTSA.

As receiver, senior Greg Campbell Jr. leads the team with 40 catches and 393 yards, averaging 43.7 yards per game. On offense the Roadrunners also have senior running back Jalen Rhodes, who has 1,952 career rushing yards. Rhodes is averaging 22.4 yards per game.

This season on defense for the Roadrunners, junior Josiah Tauaefa, has been a problem for opposing offenses. He leads the team with 87 total tackles, 10 tackles for loss, 3.5 sacks and two forced fumbles. Tauaefa is one of 10 semifinalists for the Butkus Award, which honors the nation’s best collegiate linebacker. UTSA defense averages 6.8 tackles for loss per game, which ranks fifth in C-USA.

On offense for the Herd, redshirt freshman quarterback Isaiah Green was 15-of-25 for 178 yards and threw one touchdown in last week’s victory over Charlotte. Through five starts at Marshall, Green has 102 completions for 1,286 yards.

Green had help last week from redshirt freshman Brendan Knox, who was the first player to rush for 100 yards against Charlotte this season. Knox was in for injured running backs redshirt senior Keion Davis and redshirt sophomore Tyler King.

During his running back debut, Knox registered 116 rushing yards and one touchdown. Redshirt senior wide receiver Tyre Brady is also a threat on offense for the Herd. Brady had six catches for 95 yards versus Charlotte.

Marshall’s defense has yet to allow 150 rushing yards in a single game this season. Redshirt senior linebacker Frankie Hernandez recorded a career high 11 tackles versus Charlotte. In that same game, redshirt senior defensive lineman Ryan Bee was credited with 1.5 sacks, which makes it the 18.5 sack of his career. Bee and Hernandez are two of 18 seniors that will be honored and play their last game at Joan C. Edwards stadium Saturday.

“Anyway you play your last game here at the Joan its emotional for the seniors,” said Holliday. “It’s important that we send them out the right way.”

Marshall is 12-0 at home against schools from Texas.

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Students begin to feel the chill as semester comes to a close

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As the weather takes a dramatic shift on Marshall University’s campus, students are beginning to feel the chill. With the weekly forecast in Huntington only showing a high of 48 degrees and a chance of rain most days, students are attempting to stay warm as they finish the fall semester.

Students flocked to the campus Starbucks in the Memorial Student Center Nov. 12, bundled in sweaters and beanies, hot drinks in hand. It is clear that the cold has set in on campus, and students are adjusting to the chilly bite of a West Virginia autumn.

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“A struggle experienced by many Marshall students this time of year is the challenge that comes with leaving a warm bed and having to venture out to classes. “It’s hard for me to come to class on a cold day like this because I commute,” Hannah Hickman, first-year criminal justice major, said. “It’s so easy to just stay under your covers and watch Netflix during this time of the year.”

“Students are beginning to bundle up for the cold weather, with highs reaching only 48 degrees this week. so cold that we want to stay in bed. But this is a busy part of the semester for a lot of us, so we just have to keep going.” Hannah Graham can be contacted at graham155@marshall.edu.
Hiking Herd makes strides in nature

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Hiking Herd, Marshall University’s club for nature lovers and all things outdoors, formed earlier this semester after two Marshall students and close friends went on a backpacking trip to Cumberland Island, Georgia, over spring break.

“Kelsey and I both love the outdoors and anything to do with camping and hiking,” Hannah Currey, vice president and co-founder of Hiking Herd, said. “We started the club because we want to do these things year-round, not just during spring break.”

Currey, junior dietetics major, said she would recommend the club to any students wanting to try something new, challenge themselves to be more active and healthier or wanting to make new friends. There is no prior hiking experience required to join the club, she said.

“Sometimes, in our busy and hectic lives as college students, we forget to stop, breathe, turn off our phones and laptops and just go outside,” Currey said. “Hiking Herd is our way to escape the college scene for a few hours.”

Sometimes people, especially college students, need to recharge themselves, and there is no better way to do so than connecting with nature, Currey said.

“Nature keeps us grounded,” Currey said. “We all breathe the same air, and it’s air the world provides us.”

Nature and being active and outdoors more often, Currey said, can be therapeutic for people in multiple ways including to relieve stress, improve one’s immune system, help maintain weight and improve mental health with the release of dopamine in the brain.

Kelsey Peters, Hiking Herd’s president and co-founder, said the club is special because of its heavy emphasis on friendship and enjoying the outdoors more so than on hiking ability.

The club encourages beginners to join to increase their time in nature while also improving their hiking skills, Peters, senior dietetics major, said.

“We don’t do any activities that are too strenuous and would require a really high level of physical fitness,” Peters said.

Peters said she believes people spend too much time on their phones and computers, and it is important to disconnect sometimes to connect with nature. Hiking, she said, is her favorite way of calming herself when she feels overwhelmed and stressed.

“Nature is food for the soul,” Peters said. “It really calms me and brings me joy.”

Hiking Herd currently have scheduled meetings once a month on Mondays. The next meeting will be Monday, Nov. 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the John Spotts room in the Memorial Student Center.

At meetings, Currey said, the club’s members usually discuss fundraising ideas and plan times and locations for upcoming hikes and events based on majority rule.

Hiking Herd’s most recent event was a hike at Barboursville Park, Sunday, Nov. 11.

Club members are planning a snow-tubing and skiing trip for the winter, since the weather will not be particularly suitable for hiking, Peters said.

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