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Jim's Steak and Spaghetti House celebrates years of inclusiveness



HANNA PENNINGTON I LIFE! EDITOR

Jim's Steak and Spaghetti House former manager C.M. Gray influenced the restaurant in many ways, even sharing his personal recipes, during his time employed from 1939 on.

By HANNA PENNINGTON LIFE! EDITOR

Jim's Steak and Spaghetti House has been a staple in the Huntington community since 1938, and while the restaurant has withstood nearly all of the country's milestones regarding civil rights and inclusivity, they

recently had the opportunity to make their commitment to equality official by joining the Open to All campaign.

Jimmie Tweel Carder, managing owner of Jim's, said the restaurant's diverse history dates back to 1939 when her father and the restaurant's founder, Jim Tweel, hired an

African American man named C.M. Gray.

"He started here when he was 19, he left to go to the war in 1940, came back in 1942 into the dish department, and from that point on was such a hard worker," Carder said. "He worked himself up to being my dad's manager after just several years."

Carder said Gray's influence in the restaurant was imperative to its success.

"He was a huge instigator in most everything that had to do with this restaurant, a lot of things were his idea, and we used a lot of his recipes," Carder said. "He was a pillar of the black community, but he was a huge pillar in just the community. Period."

Carder said Gray, who was nicknamed 'Bunny,' helped in the hiring of other African Americans in the community.

"We have never been race discriminatory," Carder said. "We have been hiring and serving every person of race, color and creed at Jim's for as long as I can remember."

Carder credits her grandparents, who were originally from Lebanon, for the family's rich history in embracing diversity.

"We've worked our way up and became who we are because of who we were," Carder said.

Carder said she remembers sit-ins during

the 1950's and 1960's at a former restaurant on 9th Street in Huntington called the White Pantry.

"They were doing sit-ins there because they refused to even serve blacks," Carder said. "Therefore, they never hired blacks either."

During 1963, these sit-ins turned violent when the owner of the White Pantry attacked the peaceful protesters.

Looking back at Huntington's history, Carder said she is proud of how far the city has come.

Jim's joined the Open to All campaign, which promotes diversity and inclusion within the community, in January.

"I love it; I think it's time that something like this has happened," Carder said. "I commend all those that have been involved in it and brought it to the attention of the community, all the way to the mayor on down."

Carder said while Jim's has been a supporter of equal rights since its establishment, she is excited to see others joining the movement.

"I think everybody is realizing that there needs to be an open air here," Carder said. Hanna Pennington can be contacted at

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Students, administration discuss issues concerning Marshall, Huntington at Coffee with the Mayor

By TREY DELIDA THE PARTHENON

Marshall University students voiced concerns and asked questions to Huntington Mayor Steve Williams Tuesday, Jan. 19, when he set up in the Memorial Student Center for a Coffee with the Mayor event.

Williams said he and the mayor's office make a monthly effort to come to Marshall's campus because Marshall has always been an integral part of his career.

"Seven years ago, I was running for mayor for the first time, and I came on campus, asking for help in my campaign," Williams said. "I realized if I was going to come on campus and ask for help, then I needed to keep coming back and be providing my assistance."

Many of the changes the university has seen on campus have actually been discussed over coffee with Williams, he said.

"I learn something new every time I'm here," Williams said. "A lot of things we have done, [like] lighting around the campus, inspections of rental property to make sure they are up to code for students, even assistance that our police department can provide."

All of this, Williams said, is done for the safety of students.

Marshall President Jerry Gilbert also typically attends the event, he said, and encourages students to do the same.

"I think students should realize that we have an opportunity in Huntington, that a lot of other universities

and cities don't have, and that is to have a mayor who is willing to interact with our students, who supports our students, who sees that value in higher education, and the value of having an institution like Marshall in his city," Gilbert said.

Williams said he values students' opinions and said he views them not only as students but as Huntington residents.

"As soon as they walk off campus, they're mine. On campus, I still consider them mine," Williams said. "I need to make sure that I'm better aware of the needs of the students, faculty and members of the administration."

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TREY DELIDA I THE PARTHENON

Huntington Mayor Steve Williams, Marshall University President Jerry Gilbert, Student Body Vice President Hannah Petracca and Student Body President Hunter Barclay discuss issues concerning Trey Delida can be contacted at the Marshall and Huntington communities at Coffee with the Mayor Jan. 19.

West Virginia educators strike to kill omnibus education bill

By DOUGLAS HARDING

ONLINE AND SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGER

As developments regarding Senate Bill 451 progressed to allow for seven charter schools across the state, among other additions, West Virginia's major school employee unions called for another work strike Monday evening, less than a year after educators initially took to the streets protesting rising healthcare costs.

Early Tuesday afternoon, the West Virginia House of Delegates effectively postponed the bill, leaving time for delegates who voted to kill it to reconsider and potentially call for a re-vote.

While much of the media's focus has been on the possible impacts of the controversial education bill, many teachers, parents and legislators have observed that the narrative surrounding the bill has seemed to distract the public—and lawmakers— from focusing on the root of West Virginia public education's real problem: a desperate need for a long-term solution for the Public Employees Insurance Agency.

"There's nothing in this bill that touches PEIA," Delegate Chad Lovejoy (D- Cabell, 17) said Saturday during a town hall meeting at Cabell County Public Library in Huntington. "We're not going to do anything about PEIA. That's the problem."

Lovejoy said a bill intended to improve public education would feature mental health care and classroom size improvements along with a solution to PEIA, all features not included in SB 451. "I believe the bill is punitive in nature, and, even worse than that, it has the intentions and would have the consequences of devaluing public education," Lovejoy said. "That's why I voted no. I thought we should kill it."

The bill's punitive nature—that it was intended to punish public employees for last year's strikes—is a reason many local educators and parents say they feel betrayed by lawmakers.

"My biggest thought on the bill is everything should've been separate," Staci Wallace, a former teacher and current organizational development specialist with West Virginia Education Association, said. "Putting it all together into an omnibus bill does not suggest that the WV Senate had the wellbeing of our students in mind."

Wallace, too, said the bill seems to be a clear attempt at retaliation for the 2018 teacher strikes.

While some aspects of the bill could be beneficial for students and teachers, she said, the harmful aspects greatly outweigh any perceived positives.

"I 100 percent think the bill is a distraction to keep folks not focused on the fact that nothing is being fixed with PEIA," Wallace said. "Education reform cannot happen when educators do not have a seat at the table."

Issues with PEIA are deliberately not being addressed by lawmakers, Daniella Parent, a teacher at Cabell Midland High School, said.

Educators understand PEIA is funded



DOUGLAS HARDING I ONLINE AND SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGER

Local parent, Jill LaFear, looks on as Delegate Matthew Rohrbach (R- Cabell, 17), Delegate Chad Lovejoy (D- Cabell, 17) and Delegate John Mandt (R- Cabell, 16) read through and discuss Senate Bill 451 during a town hall meeting Feb. 16 at the Cabell County Public Library in Huntington.

currently, she said, but they have been specific in their demands for a dedicated funding source for PEIA to avoid further issues in the [near] future.

"This is just smoke and mirrors," Parent said. "It's a distraction. Most teachers and delegates I've spoken with believe the same." Although few items in the bill are meant to "sweeten the pot," Parent said, the charter school aspect of the bill is "a poison pill" that educators and parents are "unwilling to swallow."

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Residents protest W.Va. delegate's business



MADALYN MCCOY I THE PARTHENON

After West Virginia Del. John Mandt voted for a bill that would allow businesses to discriminate against the LGBTQ community, Huntington residents protested his Huntington business, Stewart's Hot Dogs.

By MADALYN MCCOY THE PARTHENON

Huntington residents protested West Virginia Del. John Mandt's vote for a bill that would allow businesses to discriminate against the LGBTQ community, Feb. 16, at Stewart's Hotdogs on Fifth Avenue, as Mandt owns the business.

A local from Huntington, Jessie Maynard, helped organize the protest against Mandt at Stewart's Hotdogs.

"We feel that the way he has been voting against sexual orientation and sexual identity into the human rights act is inherently homophobic and transphobic, and that is not an acceptable West Virginia value," Maynard said. "We are out here to let his customers know that he supports that sort of bigotry."

Other locals said they are not surprised because they believe it is just part of Mandt manner to vote for something like discrimination.

"He is just not a nice guy," Huntington resident Bobby Lee Messer said. "I have had personal interaction with him, and I think he is a jerk to begin with. If you look at his voting history and what he has voted on and statements he made pre-election, it is very clear he is not for the people."

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Weekly Poll Results		
	Y	Ν
Have you heard of Huntington's Love Your Block campaign?	31%	69 %
Have you planned your Spring Break?	40%	60%
Do you plan to attend the Garden Bros. Circus Feb. 26?	3%	97 %
Are you graduating this semester?	29 %	71%
Do you think the men's basketball team will win the conference tournament?	59 %	41%
Have you or will you attend a Black History Month event?	70%	30%

UKirk reaches out through brews, conversation

By MEREDITH O'BARA

THE PARTHENON

Drinking beer and talking about faith is one strategy a campus ministry is using to unite those who might not be talking about religion.

UKirk is reaching out to students in a way that some individuals might call unconventional, but Chris Bailey, campus minister of the Presbyterian ministry, said UKirk is giving students a chance to take their doubts to a safe space.

"I think doubt is just as much a part of faith as anything," Bailey said. "If you are not wrestling with your faith, or trying to protect it, it is really not a living thing."

With two events, Stouts and Doubts and A-SLAY-ing-Grace, starting again this semester, UKirk, which means "University Church," is hoping to offer safe spaces for students on campus to learn about their faith, Bailey said.

Stouts and Doubts was created to fill the need students might have missed in other campus organizations. The event, which is the third Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Honey Bones, invites students to have an alcoholic beverage while discussing faith.

"It is really intended to be an open discussion where people can feel welcome to come ask questions and be able to ask about stuff without any expectation of having any theological background," Bailey said. "So, it is really just a place to ask questions, check us out, and then also if someone has been burned by the church before, it is intended to be a place where you can have a safe space to work through that."

John Ross, a junior philosophy major and member of UKirk, said he believes this event is part of the movement to make the church more honest, open and transparent.

"The events are opportunities to explore Christianity critically," Ross said. "The church has truly hurt a lot of people, and yet at the same time, the church has truly uplifted and helped a lot of people. Exploring nuances like that are important for Christians in the 21st century to talk about. It's part of a move to be a church that is more honest, open and transparent."

Along with Stouts and Doubts, UKirk has partnered with the LGBTQ+ Office to offer support groups for students in the community who are seeking a faith community, Bailey said. The support groups, known as, A-SLAY-ing-Grace, are now offered twice a month at 9 p.m. in the LGBTQ+ Office.

Ross said this group gives students a chance to look optimistically to the future for a spiritual life.

"I am queer and Christian," Ross said.

"Many of us were raised in faith traditions that were not accepting of queer folks. UKirk's events provide a space to both process the hardships of those past traumatic experiences of being demonized but also look optimistically to the future for what a spiritual life can look like as queer college students in West Virginia."

The event focuses around discussions and meeting the needs of students, Bailey said.

"It is mostly open discussion," Bailey said. "I want it to be matching the needs of the students, so if a student comes in with a particular need that we can address, then we will."

UKirk offers more than these two events. The organization has been on campus since the 1980s and has changed a lot over the years, Bailey said.

"We meet every Tuesday evening at 9 p.m.," Bailey said.



Students and community members dicuss theology at Honey Bones near campus for Stouts and Doubts.

"We have fellowship opportunities, snacks and games. We do, depending on the mood of the group, an in-depth bible study or worship services, usually involving communion."

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Ross said the organization is casual, inviting and open to anyone.

"People are busy with classes and work, so I'd encourage folks to know that UKirk can be a place to just 'stop in," Ross said. "We don't have altar calls or pressure anyone to make life commitments to attending every single meeting. UKirk is casual, open and inviting. The only dangerous thing about it is you may end up liking it."

The next Stouts and Doubts event is 5:30 p.m. Feb. 21. The next A-SLAY- ing-Grace event is 9 p.m. on March 4.

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SGA debates GPA requirements, campaign rules

By SARAH INGRAM

NEWS EDITOR

Conversations became heated as Marshall University's Student Government Association discussed changes to legislation during their weekly meeting that would affect any student considering running for Student Body President or Vice President. Presiding Officer and Student Body Vice President Hannah Petracca cautioned Senate members to remain respectful at the beginning of the meeting.

"I understand that the things we are going to discuss today are a little bit sensitive to most of the people in this room," Petracca said. "Please try to be respectful during the process. You are entitled to your opinion just try to be nice when you say it."

The SGA meeting mainly consisted of

debating GPA requirements for future student body presidents and vice presidents and campaigning rules for future candidates. After receiving time to question the resolutions and offer amendments, the senators voted to reduce the minimum GPA requirement for future student body presidents and vice presidents but chose to postpone a final vote on campaigning rules until next week's meeting.

The senators and executive board explained there is currently a minimum GPA requirement of 3.25 for anyone wanting to be student body president or vice president. The new resolution reduces the GPA minimum to 3.0. This reduction generated controversy when senators tried to take the university's average GPA into consideration.

"I think the GPA requirement should be 3.1 or 3.0 because some people in the judiciary committee said that some people have rough semesters," said Senator Nattia Inyangette in order to explain why she supported the resolution.

Other senators and advisers countered those against the resolution by explaining that keeping the GPA requirement at 3.25 would exclude the majority of Marshall students from running. Matt James, the assistant dean of students for involvement and an adviser of the SGA, spoke about how the minimum requirement does not reflect the average GPA for students, noting that the average GPA for Marshall students is 3.02.

After a general vote and two roll-call votes where each senator took turns

placing their votes for the GPA resolution, there was a 22-15 vote to pass the new minimum requirement of 3.0.

The discussion to add restrictions during Student Government campaigns was postponed to next week after advisers and senators noticed multiple members had to leave the meeting and the new restrictions should be taken seriously, according to James.

These new rules for campaigning would potentially restrict presidential candidates from campaigning in Towers Marketplace, Harless Dining Hall and the food court sections of the Memorial Student Center, but would allow for campaigning in the lobby of the MSC.

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Marshall adviser nationally recognized

By MADALYN MCCOY THE PARTHENON

Each semester students make schedules for the following semester, but sometimes need a little help from an adviser. One of Marshall University's advisers is being recognized by the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) for her work with other advisers but also assists students.

College of Education adviser Kandice Rowe was named the 2019 National Advising Association (NAA) Award winner for the region three excellence in advising administrator.

"Students need someone in the college they feel comfortable with to ask them questions they may not feel as comfortable asking their professors," Rowe said. "I try to advocate for the students as much as I can."

Rowe directs other advisers, but also advises the juniors and seniors in the education department with one-on-one meetings for evaluations.

Rowe is a member of NACADA and will receive the award next month at the conference in Charleston. She is also scheduled to present "Moving Forward with Technology" at the conference.

"It is technology to track clinical placements," Rowe said. "It is going to discuss how as a(n) (education) college we used to track placements by hand, and now we have this new technology to help us."

Marshall's education clinical placements are tracked through an app called Live Text, in which students doing their clinicals will log their time.

"If you could imagine over 100 student teachers with two student placements and each evaluation is about five pages long, that amounts to over 1,000 pages

of paper," Rowe said. "This (platform) makes it a lot easier for us."

After Rowe applied for the National Advising Association Award, two NACADA representatives talked to advisers at Marshall in every college to ask what works best and what can be improved, Rowe said.

"The University as whole is really focusing on advising," Rowe said. "Sometimes advising is picking out the classes for students to take, but sometimes it is much more than that."

Rowe said she does a lot of reporting data, attends meetings and facilitates clinical placements, but she said the best part is meeting one on one with students.

"By the time they leave I feel like we have that connection," Rowe said. "I don't have it with every



PHOTO COUTRESY OF KANDICE ROWE

Kandice Rowe, College of Education adviser, recieved the 2019 National Advising Association Award.

student in the (education) college, but many of them I know by name. The students feel as though they can come to me not only for advising questions, but if they are having trouble in class, or if they are having something going on at home. I feel like I have made that connection with them."

When Rowe submitted her application for the National Advising Association Award, she said she also had to create her own advising philosophy.

"Support, Understand, Celebrate, Challenge, Emphasize, Share and Succeed is my advising philosophy, and together it spells success," Rowe said.

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Police Blotter

By MACKENZIE JONES THE PARTHENON DUI 1st Offense



A white male, age 22, was stopped for speeding on the 200 block of Fifth Avenue on Feb. 9, where he admitted to drinking three 'tall boys' around 11:30 p.m. prior to being stopped. He was then given all three forms of intoxication testing, where he then blew a breathalyzer of 0.105 and continued to fail the other two tests. He was charged for speeding, no insurance, no sticker and improper registration on his car. Afterward, he blew a 0.08 on a secondary chemical test and was taken to the Western Regional Jail.

Petty Larson

Feb. 11, between 5 and 5:40 p.m. a man went to the Marshall University Rec Center, where he left his belongings in the locker room. When he returned, he discovered that the lock to his locker had been broken/opened and all of his possessions were gone. His possessions included his keys, wallet, shoes and others. There are no suspects at this time.

Fraudulent Card Use

MUPD spoke with a female victim who had charges on her card without her approval Feb. 14. The charges came from the Student Center Food Court and Starbucks. At this time, the female still has her card and has contacted her bank. There are no suspects.

Suspicious Person

MUPD was dispatched on a suspicious person report Feb. 14. A white male, age 32, was seen walking down Fifth Avenue in a hospital gown. They then discovered the male was wanted out of Cabell County on a capias warrant and was taken into jail with a bond set at \$8,000.

Possession of Marijuana

At 1:36 a.m. on Feb. 15 MUPD received a call from Willis Hall for a strong odor coming from the first floor of the building. The resident whom was a white male, age 20, admitted to smoking and gave his baggie of 15 grams of marijuana and his drug paraphernalia to the cops and received a citation.

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'The Trans Closet' gives clothing options to LGBTQ+ campus community

By TIARA BROWN

THE PARTHENON

Transgender students have a safe and inexpensive space to get clothing as Marshall University's LGBTQ+ office's closet allows them to get clothes that help them feel confident in their identity.

It was created by Shaunte Polk, vice president of intercultural affairs, in 2016 and relies on donations from the Marshall and Huntington communities.

The Trans Closet "caters to people who need it the most," said Gabe Brown, LG-BTQ+ student staff member.

Students can go to the LGBTQ+ Office in the basement of the Memorial Student Center, room BW14, to get clothes they need, free of charge.

Clothing options for students include casual clothing, jewelry, swimwear,

make-up, chest binders and more.

"The main focus is the trans community, because a lot of times it's hard for trans identifying people to get out and get clothes that they feel actually express their gender identity," Brown said.

Getting a new wardrobe can be expensive and uncomfortable for some members of the trans community, and the Trans Closet's purpose is to help ease those issues for them, Brown said.

Not only is clothing available, but students can also seek assistance on problems or ask questions because it is an open space for all.

The Trans Closet is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for all students with a Marshall ID.

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Marshall guard C.J. Burks (14) drives to the basket past Middle Tennessee guard Junior Farquhar (1) during the first half of the Thundering Herd's game against the Blue Raiders at the Cam Henderson Center. Burks was one of six Marshall players in dobule-figures and finished the game with 20 points.

Herd snaps four-game skid, defeats Middle Tennessee

Bv MILLARD STICKLER

THE PARTHENON

Six Marshall players reached double figures in scoring Saturday afternoon, as the Thundering Herd snapped its four-game losing streak with a 98-93 win over Middle Tennessee inside the Cam Henderson Center.

"I thought we played with the heart and the passion we have been missing for a while," Marshall head coach Dan D'Antoni said.

The Herd's offense had six players scoring double figures its first of the year, while also leading for the first time this season in bench points to win the game over Middle Tennessee.

Senior guard C.J. Burks contributed a team-high 20 points, going 8-for-16 in field goals, 1-for-4 in 3 pointers, and 3-for-5 in free throws, while senior guard Jon Elmore dropped 19 points. Senior guard Rondale Watson followed close behind with 17 points off the bench and sophomore forward Jannson Williams scored 16. Freshman guard Taevion Kinsey tallied 13 points in a reserve role, while sophomore forward

Darius George added 11 points in his first career start.

D'Antoni said it was a great game for the Herd.

"(West) did a good job. (Burks) was strong and we have been missing that. (Elmore) was really strong there at the end," he said.

Elmore said that the Herd had contributions from everyone.

"When we get guys contributing every night going through how many guys play. You come in with energy. You run our system. You believe in yourself and believe in what we are tying to do as a team. I think we are as good as anybody in the country and I stand by that."

Despite the balanced effort, the Herd's offense found itself going shot-for-shot with Middle Tennessee throughout the contest with both teams scoring 41 first-half. The Herd put up 57 points in a well-rounded second half, compared to Middle Tennessee's 52.

Burks achieved a career-high six steals to help the Herd win the turnover battle, 16-9. George grabbed a team-high seven of the Herd's 25 rebounds to help keep the Herd in scoring contention.

Watson said that George brought the energy in the contest.

"(George) brought that extra effort that we have been needing, that extra boost," he said. "I thought everyone did good. Everyone contributing that is what it takes to win."

Similarly, D'Antoni said that it was a big lift for George.

"(George's) eyes have brightened up in the last month," he said. "It is kind of what we have expected of him all along. Just sometimes life treats you a little unfairly and you got to get back up. He has gotten back up and he can be the difference with (Elmore), (Burks), just making that constant play from your seniors."

With the win the Herd advanced its record to 14-13 and 7-7 in Conference USA play, where it achieved the seventh seed by virtue of winning a tiebreaker in a four-way tie, while Middle Tennessee fell to 8-19, and 5-9 in conference play. Marshall will be in the second pod of Bonus Play, while Middle Tennessee is in the third pod.

D'Antoni said that he does not know any

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Conference USA **Men's Basketball Standings** Through 14 games

	Coi	Conference		Overall	
	W	L	Pct.	WLPct.	
Old Dominion	11	3	.786	21 6 .778	
Western Kentucky	9	5	.643	16 11 .593	
Southern Miss	9	5	.643	15 12 .654	
UTSA	9	5	.643	15 12 .556	
North Texas	8	6	.571	20 7 .741	
UAB	8	6	.571	16 11 .593	
Louisiana Tech	7	7	.500	17 10 .630	
Florida Atlantic	7	7	.500	16 11 .593	
FIU	7	7	.500	16 11 .593	
Marshall	7	7	.500	14 13 .519	
Rice	5	9	.357	10 17 .370	
Middle Tennessee	5	9	.357	8 19 .296	
UTEP	3	11	.214	8 17 .320	
Charlotte	3	11	.214	6 19 .240	

Conference USA Bonus Play Pod Seeding

Pod 1 1. Old Dominion (21-6, 11-3) 2. Western Kentucky (16-11, 9-5) 3. Southern Miss (15-12, 9-5) 4. UTSA (15-12, 9-5) 5. UAB (16-11, 8-6)

Pod 2 6. North Texas (20-7, 8-6) 7. Marshall (14-13, 7-7) 8. Florida Atlantic (16-11, 7-7) 9. FIU (16-11, 7-7) 10. Louisiana Tech (17-10, 7-7)

Pod 3 11. Rice (10-17, 5-9) 12. Middle Tennessee (8-19, 5-9) 13. UTEP (8-17, 3-11) 14. Charlotte (6-19, 3-11)

Conference USA Bonus Play Schedule

Saturday, Feb. 23 Western Kentucky at Old Dominion, 1 p.m. UAB at Southern Miss, 3 p.m. FIU at Florida Atlantić, 4 p.m Charlotte at Louisiana Tech, 6 p.m. North Texas at Louisiana Tech, 8 p.m. Rice at UTEP, 9 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 28 WKU at UAB, 7:30 p.m.

Marshall at Louisiana Tech, 7:30 p.m. Old Dominion at UTSA, 8 p.m. Florida Atlantic at North Texas, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Mar. 3 Louisiana Tech at FIU, noon

UTEP at Charlotte, 1 p.m. Southern Miss at Western Kentucky, 3 p.m. UAB at UTSA, 3 p.m. Middle Tennessee at Rice, 3 p.m. Marshall at North Texas, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Mar. 6

Southern Miss at Old Dominion, 7 p.m. Louisiana Tech at Florida Atlantic, 7 p.m. FIU at Marshall, 7 p.m. Rice at Charlotte, 7 p.m. UTSA at Western Kentucky, 7:30 p.m. Middle Tennessee at UTEP, 9 p.m.

Saturday, Mar. 9

Florida Atlantic at Marshall, noon Old Dominion at UAB, 3 p.m. UTSA at Southern Miss, 6 p.m North Texas at FIU, 7 p.m. Charlotte at Rice, 8 p.m. UTEP at Middle Tennessee, 8:30 p.m.

> Teams who have clinched **C-USA Tournament spots**

Old Dominion	North Texas
Western Kentucky	Marshall
Southern Miss	Florida Atlantic
UTSA	FIU
UAB	Louisiana Tech

Marshall, WKU to square off in Herd's Play4Kay game | Athlete of the week: Lauren



RICHARD CRANK | THE PARTHENON

Marshall guard Shayna Gore (14) looks to drive to the basket during the Thundering Herd's game against North Texas at the Cam Henderson Center. Gore leads the team in scoring at 19.5 points per game.

By MILLARD STICKLER

THE PARTHENON

The main focus for Marshall's women's basketball team taking care of the ball against (Western Kentucky's) defense, Marshall head coach Tony Kemper said in an interview on Tuesday as the Herd prepares to play conference rival WKU.

"(Western Kentucky) changes defenses on you a little bit," he said. "We have to handle their pressure when they bring it."

The Herd fell to Western Kentucky back in January, 85-55, and Kemper said that the Herd has to do a better job at guarding the offense.

"(Western Kentucky) scored in the eighties on us last time," he said. "You can't expect to win a game if it is in the eighties, so we have to do a little bit better job at guarding them."

Despite this, Kemper said the atmosphere around the Herd is positive.

"We are coming off a big win against Middle Tennessee and our (players) are excited about the opportunity to come back and play against a team that they have a lot of respect for," Kemper said. "Western Kentucky is one of the traditional powers in our league and to have a chance to

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Thundering Herd prepares for C-USA Bonus Play

By TAYLOR HUDDLESTON

THE PARTHENON

Following its crucial win against Middle Tennessee Saturday afternoon, the Marshall men's basketball team is sitting in the seventh seed in pod two for conference Bonus Play.

Marshall (14-13, 7-7 C-USA) is set to take on its revenge game against the Louisiana Tech Bulldogs (17-10, 7-7 C-USA) on Feb. 28th at 7:30 p.m.

The conference Bonus Play pod determinations followed all C-USA games Saturday afternoon. Louisiana Tech had its defended its home court against UTEP and UTSA, finishing in the tenth seed. The Herd has to hit the road to Ruston, Louisiana, once again to better its chances for finishing at the top of pod two in order to have a better seed in the conference tournament.

With North Texas falling to FIU and FAU, it drops into the second pod with Marshall sitting in the sixth seed. Marshall lost to North Texas in the regular season and will now have to travel back to Denton, Texas, for its rematch with the Mean Green.

As for the rest of conference, Old Dominion, WKU, Southern Miss, UTSA and UAB all finished at the top of the first pod and are the top five seeds.

Pod two consists of North Texas, Florida Atlantic, Florida International and Louisiana Tech, along with the Thundering Herd.

The third pod consists of the four lowest seeds in the conference: Rice, Middle Tennessee, UTEP and Charlotte.

Saturday, Feb. 23rd begins the Conference USA bonus play for all teams. WKU will start its first bonus game play at Old Dominion. UAB will travel to Southern Miss, FIU hits the road to Florida Atlantic, Charlotte heads to Middle Tennessee, North Texas takes flight to Louisiana Tech and Rice travels to UTEP.

Following all of the first-round games on Thursday, Feb. 28th, WKU will travel to UAB. Marshall will head to Louisiana Tech, Florida Atlantic travels to North Texas, and Old Dominion will finish the day at UTSA.

All teams must play four games during the five remaining conference scheduling dates in order to determine its final seeding.

The top ten teams in C-USA have already clinched spots in the conference tournament. Rice and Middle Tennessee have a two-game lead over the bottom two teams for the two remaining spots in the conference tournament

After all bonus games are played, the Herd will find out its destiny in the conference tournament. It can finish anywhere between the sixth and tenth seed. The Herd has already secured its spot in Frisco, Texas.

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Zaglifa, track and field





Track and Field member Lauren Zaglifa secured second place this past weekend in the Conference USA Indoor Championships, Sunday. Zaglifa cleared a height of 3.86m (12ft., 8in.) tying the Marshall school record that she set in the first meet of the season, the Marshall Opener.

In addition to Zaglifa's second-place finish at the C-USA tournament, she also had one first-place finish, two thirdplace finishes, one fourth-place finish and one fifth place finish this season.

Zaglifa broke the indoor and outdoor pole vaulting record several times during her freshman year. She set her indoor Marshall record at the C-USA Indoor Championship with 3.60m (11 ft., 9.75 in.) and outdoor Marshall record at the C-USA Outdoor Championship with 3.66 m (12 ft.). She became the first athlete in school history to score in the indoor and outdoor C-USA Championships.

Zaglifa's next opportunity comes in March, as the Thundering Herd's indoor season has concluded. Marshall's first outdoor meet is Mar. 14 at the Georgia Tech Yellow Jacket Invitational in Atlanta, Georgia.

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EDITORIAL -No place for intolerance in W.Va. politics

it is still for the wrong reasons.

Charles Dickens once wrote that we are all "fellow passengers to the grave, and not another race of creatures bound on other journeys." This short passage, though originally part of a monologue about Christmastime from "A Christmas Carol," can be taken to heart yearround. We could all benefit from understanding its message that people are all the same, all destined to the same eventual fate, and we should treat each other as equals all the time.

One person who could especially benefit from this is West Virginia Republican Delegate Eric Porterfield. His recent comments comparing the LGBTQ community to the Ku Klux Klan have sparked numerous debates and calls for him to resign. Also, in a recent interview, Porterfield alluded to drowning his children if they ever came out as gay or lesbian to him.

It is commanded in no religion, creed or doctrine to hate our fellow man, or fellow travelers to the grave, if you will; rather, love seems to be a fairly universal commandment. If Porterfield is unable to love those whom he disagrees with, he should, at the very least, be able to tolerate them. His intolerance leads to disrespect and unfairness. People are allowed to disagree with how others choose to live their lives, but they should never hate or slander them. Porterfield could learn from this as well. Especially as a politician. Politicians are elected as representatives, but who is Porterfield representing?

"The LGBTQ is a modern-day version of the Ku Klux Klan, without wearing hoods, with their antics of hate," Porterfield said.

This is still America, the greatest country on Earth,

West Virginia is making national headlines again, and and he is entitled to freedom of speech and his opinions, but there are many things wrong in this statement. Most are obvious and do not need to be further dissected here, but another error comes from Porterfield's claim that the Ku Klux Klan is no longer modern. No, Porterfield is surely mistaken if he thinks the KKK has diminished even slightly. They are still spreading their own messages of hate, sometimes accompanied by violent actions, which sounds more like political terrorism than what Porterfield accuses LGBTQ community of. Even if white supremacists do not identify with the klan directly, they still have many of the same values; values that the LGBTQ community surely does not share. Instead of killing, the LGBTQ community wishes to not have their members killed by those who hate them. Instead of oppressing the freedoms of minorities, the LGBTQ community looks to secure freedoms for themselves.

> On the other hand, many of the commenters on social media in opposition to Porterfield reduce themselves to attacking and insulting his appearance. For one, Porterfield is blind. For another, what do his looks have to do with is statements; what does making fun of him accomplish? It is just another example of intolerance and hatred, although on the opposite side. It is okay to disagree; Americans have disagreed with one another since the start of the nation, but it must be done in a respectful manner. That is the only way any positive outcomes, agreements or changes can be accomplished. Attacking Porterfield's looks will not change his mind and gets us nowhere.

> Hate and intolerance are like fire; they cannot be fought with more of the same.







By AMANDA LARCH MANAGING EDITOR

"Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt" is one of my absolute favorite comedic television shows. If you're unfamiliar with this Netflix original series, I'll give a brief synopsis. If you are familiar, please don't get bored and quit reading. The show centers around Kimmy Schmidt, a woman who was kidnapped as a teenager and recently rescued from an underground bunker, where she was held captive with three other women (I know it sounds depressing, but it's actually a comedy).

Kimmy, the eternal optimist, doesn't want to dwell in the past, and she certainly doesn't want to be known as a 'Mole Woman' for the rest of her life. After appearing on the Today Show in New York City, Kimmy decides not to return home to the fictional town of Durnsville, Indiana; instead, she wants to make a new life for herself in the city. Kimmy soon meets Lillian, a landlady who offers her a place to stay if she can find a job. She stumbles into getting hired as a personal assistant to the rich and vain Jacqueline Voorhess, and then she's able to share an apartment with Titus Andromedon, an aspiring singer and actor. And so the wacky adventures begin.

The show's final episodes were released on Netflix last month, and I have yet to watch them because once it's over, I know I'll miss it so much. For one, I'll miss its absurd sense of humor and ridiculous running gags. I love to laugh, and "Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt" has kept me laughing through each of its four seasons so far. It's definitely one of the stupidest funny shows I've ever watched, and I mean that in the nicest way possible.

I'll also miss how positive Kimmy is and how she always finds the good in anything, even when she was trapped in a bunker by a crazy man. Her wide-eyed innocence and genuine love for the world is refreshing in a time when so it is so easy to be mistrusting and cynical. Finally, I'll miss the heartwarming depictions of friendships. This crazy cast of characters work through their differences and become close friends, helping advance careers, accomplish goals, survive relationships, find independence and recover from trauma. They're supportive of one another but don't hold back with their jokes and jests either.

Fans of the "The Office" will adore Ellie Kemper as Kimmy because she's so similar to Erin, with her big smile, positive attitude and goofiness. Also, Kimmy is a redhead, so you know I already support this show wholeheartedly; her hair shines as bright as her personality. Fans of "30 Rock" fall in love with Jane Krakowski's performance as Jacqueline; plus, Tina Fey created the show, and she guest stars in a few classic episodes.

If you're looking for a well-written and award winning show that will make you laugh, cry and maybe even help you work through difficult situations of your own, look no further than "Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt" on Netflix. I promise you won't regret it.

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Jena's Creative Corner

By JENA CORDLE CONTRIBUTOR

Penelope's Necklace

Early morning rise, crisp trees and chill bumps on their skin. It wasn't unusual for middle aged Sal Finman to be lurking on his neighbor Penelope, early in the morning, attempting to pretend he's only interested in the newspaper. Sal, salesman, boring and content with a neat and well groomed exterior, found satisfaction in the ordinary. Penelope, 20 something woman who found satisfaction from lovers and a night out, with soft skin and dark black hair; yet nothing ordinary about her.

This seemed to be a normal exchange for them both. Sal at dawn fetching his paper, Penelope at dawn returning from a night well spent. On rare occurrence these two had short and somewhat awkward encounters. Not always because of Penelope's walk of shame, or Sals eagerness to watch Penelope come home, but because they were just neighbors. They were nothing alike; they came from two different worlds with never a real reason to interact with each other.

"H-hi," Sal uttered out, working up the courage to greet her. He had wondered when it was the right time to speak with her, she had an interesting schedule and routine that hardly coexisted with his own.

"Hello Sal," She replied with a faint smile. He never cared how she spent her nights; he never wondered who she was with. He was a 34 year old man, but a lonely one who often thought about her and her adventurous lifestyle. He eyed her appearance, well dressed for a night out, hair in kinky curls. She was indeed a sight for sore eyes, but she was sporting something he never noticed before. A rather dangly necklace, it was hard to identify, but from what he could see it was metallic and shiny.

"How are you this morning?" He asked timidly.

"I'm okay, I can't complain. How are you?" She was very sweet, a woman like her doesn't have to give a boring man like him the time of day, but she always did when they happened to converse- which wasn't often.

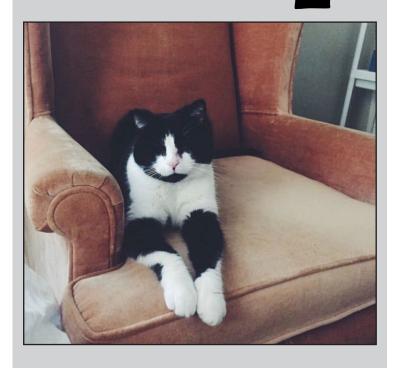
"I'm good too, just checking for the paper," He replied nervously.

"You do that every morning huh?" She asked inquisitively. Sal indeed made waiting for the paper his morning routine, but it was never for the paper. Not that she needed to know that.

"Uh yeah... gotta stay informed on current events!" He said silently cringing at how awkward hewas. A low chuckle emitted from her as she walked off into her quaint house. In Sal's eyes, Penelope was a mysterious figure; everything about her intrigued him. He wished that one day he could follow her inside.

Months had gone by and he hadn't see much of Penelope; she wasn't going out as much. Or at least he wasn't catching her at the right time anymore. The flower bush outside her house was beginning to wilt, and he could feel the dreariness surrounding it. He used to peek outside his window and

Parthe-Pet



Stevie the cat wonder is an adorable blind rescue cat owned by Abby Lambert.

Stevie says, "I love spending my day looking out the window." Follow him on Instagram at @steviecatwonder!

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In addition to distracting the media and public from the PEIA situation, SB 451 is also likely against Article XII Section 10 of the West Virginia Constitution requiring a majority of voters to approve establishing a new independent school district or organization, Jill LaFear, a local parent, said.

"This bill is proof our lawmakers don't listen to their constituents," LaFear said. "We're all for education reform, but educators, parents and students must be involved in the decision-making."

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play on Play4Kay Day, which is our cancer appreciation day where we bring attention to cancer across women's basketball, I think it's even better. So, they are excited about the opportunity on Saturday."

The Thundering Herd defeated Middle Tennessee on the road, 59-53, last Saturday and Kemper said he would like to see the Herd emulate its

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thing about the Bonus Play system.

"I don't know," he said. "I am kind of a change artist myself. If you are going to be a change artist and make things change you can't predict outcomes or decide if there is going to be failures or

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watch her water them from time to time. In the sun her skin was golden and dewy, whereas his was pale and dry. He knew he should moisturize more often. Although he didn't see much of her, the sun started to rise so he approached his mailbox and waited for the paper like usual. Instead, there was an envelope poking out of his little green mailbox. Out of curiosity he wasted no time in checking the envelope out; it was a letter. The letter had no return address, just the name SAL written across it. The envelope was torn to shreds. He had no care to salvage what was left, his only interest was what the envelope contained. Upon ripping it open,

toughness from that game in the upcoming matchup.

"This bill was truly created to

LaFear said she wholeheartedly

Instead of combining every-

thing into one omnibus bill,

lawmakers should work with

educators and constituents to

improve each issue individually,

Jenny Anderson, director of Fami-

lies Leading Change, a statewide

coalition to help improve public

education, said Monday during a

public meeting regarding SB 451

at Marshall University's Memorial

Student Center.

supports the educators' work

stoppage.

"(Our team) was awfully gritty and awfully tough to be able to find a way to win (against Middle Tennessee) on the road in, if not the toughest, then one of the toughest places in Conference USA," Kemper said.

Kemper said that the Herd just needs to keep being steady in its preparation and its energy level

winners before you do it. There

are no total guarantees about

anything. I don't know what is

going to happen. Everybody is in

the same boat. So, it is what it is

and after it is all done and evalu-

ated. We will see if we need to go

forward with it or that will be it."

something slightly heavy fell out.

Sal crouched down in order to

see, and much to his surprise, it

was the same shiny necklace Pe-

nelope wore around her neck. He

immediately opened the letter

I know this may come as a sur-

prise that I have written you this

letter. You're a good neighbor Sal,

I was wondering if you could do

me a favor. Tend to my flowers, I

am leaving but I will soon come

back. I am a lonely girl, my flow-

ers are all I have, as me and my

mother planted them together. In

hopes you believe me and will do

me this favor, I am leaving you the

most precious jewelry I own.

and began reading.

Dear Sal,

divide us," Anderson said. "It was definitely retaliation from last year and a clear diversion from working to fix PEIA."

Anderson said she supports the teachers striking because she feels they have no other choice.

"The senate put public education in danger, and the teachers and service personnel have no other way to take a stand at this point," she said. "We need an extreme showing of solidarity."

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that it brings to the court.

"(The Herd) has done a good job of doing that all year. That needs to be a constant," he said. "I guess it is something I have grown to trust them on that (the Herd) will be ready to play."

Marshall and WKU tipoff Saturday at 1 p.m.

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The Herd returns to action in Bonus Play at Louisiana Tech and at North Texas. Marshall's final two home games come against FIU and Florida Atlantic. Millard Stickler can be con-

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-Penelope

Millions of questions roamed around in Sal's head; they didn't have much of a friendship, they were hardly acquaintances. Why did she trust him, with her flowers and her necklace? Him of all people. He analyzed the necklace, a small metallic pendant with a fingerprint engraved into it.He moved his finger slowly and gently around the fingerprint feeling the grooves. He had wondered whose fingerprint it might have been, to make it so precious to her. Mostly, he wondered when she was coming back.

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These potential new rules raised concerns with senators and executives including Student Body President Hunter Barclay who brought up that the rules do infringe on the First Amendment Right to free speech.

Others, including Sen. Hunter Reedy countered Barclay by explaining students may feel uncomfortable if approached while trying to eat.

"I remember whenever I did go to the dining halls and everyone was campaigning and people just get bombarded," Reedy said. "I would like to see if we could not have (campaigning) at all within the dining halls."

The SGA meeting for Feb. 26 is expected to include a final vote on the new rules and restrictions for presidential campaigning.

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POLICE BLOTTER cont. from 5

Possession of Marijuana

A white male, 18 years of age, was given an arrest citation for possession of marijuana, Feb. 6.

Petty Larceny

Feb. 11, between 5 and 5:40 p.m. a man went to the Marshall University Rec Center, where he left his belongings in the locker room. When he returned, he discovered that the lock to his locker had been broken/opened and all of his possessions were gone. His possessions included his keys, wallet, shoes and others. There are no suspects at this time.

Destruction of Property

A total of four Coca-Cola vending machines had been broken into in Smith Hall and Harris Hall and others damaged between Feb. 1 through Feb. 8. MUPD is active in looking for suspects at this time.

Hit and Run

At 6:23 p.m. Feb. 12, a white male, age 23, struck a vehicle and was given a citation for a hit and run. MUPD then received a call on a car being parked in the fire lane at Towers, and his vehicle was towed. The male was also trespassing on campus and was intoxicated. However, the man could not be charged with a DUI because he was never seen driving the car; the car was only seen in new locations.

Drug Offense

MUPD received a call Feb. 13 at 10:54 a.m. about someone in a dorm smoking marijuana and the strong odor that was coming from the room. After tracking down the room the odor came from, the male admitted to smoking and was issued a citation for possession of marijuana.

Possession of Marijuana

At 1:37 a.m. Feb. 14, an officer noted an individual sitting in their car and a strong smell/odor of marijuana. When confronted, the male, age 21, handed over his 15grams (or less) of marijuana and was cited and written a citation, then released.

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Honey Bones, a sweet escape for students, community members

By ANNA MARSH

THE PARTHENON

Honey Bones, a restaurant that focuses on traditional Southern-style fried chicken and side dishes, took the place of Black Sheep this past summer near Marshall University's campus.

Olivia Zarilla, a junior print journalism and broadcast journalism double major, said she loves to go to Honey Bones because of its location.

"I love to go to Honey Bones because it is right across from Smith Hall, which is where most of my classes are located. So, it is actually more convenient than walking to the Student Center, and it is about the same price," Zarilla said.

Honey Bones cook Justin Jenkins shares similar sentiments with Zarilla, but through a hands-on work experience.

"Working at Honey Bones is really chill, it's like working at a mom-and-pop type place, and it's not hectic like a corporate restaurant," Jenkins said.

Sometimes working at bigger corporate style restaurants the owners do not make personal connections with their employee's, Jenkins said, but that is not the case at Honey Bones.

"The owners really know their employees and keep an eye on what goes on in their restaurants so they run smoothly," Jenkins said. "Working in bigger restaurants or chain restaurants kind of feels like you are just part of a machine, like they know you are an employee, but they don't know your name or how you're contributing. At Honey Bones, I feel like I am valued and the cooks and owners aren't there just to make money, they genuinely care about the food and people and love what they are doing."

Honey Bones being close to campus allows students and faculty to take a break and get a bite to eat in-between classes.

"I usually sit down and eat because it is not very timeconsuming, and if I have to get to class, I just take it with me," Zarilla said.

Zarilla said Honey Bones has an atmosphere where students can get away from campus for a bit, pull out a book or laptop and take time to study or find other ways to decompress without feeling rushed out as one might at other restaurants.

Zarilla said Honey Bones also has great food, offering an array of sandwiches, chicken and waffles, salads and waffle fries.

"My favorite thing to make is the waffle fry poutine," Jenkins said.

The owner of Honey Bones also owns Bahnhof, Black Sheep and the V-Club. All of these businesses are located in Huntington.

"Throughout all those places, there is a resemblance in both PAGE EDITED AND DESIGNED BY SARAH INGRAM | INGRAM51@MARSHALLEDU



the quality of the food and beer and the overall atmosphere," Zarilla said. "While each place has something that makes it special, they are all welcoming, professional, relaxing and it is apparent the owner cared about the details to make them that way."

Zarilla said she thinks all these businesses are relatively successful because, until several years ago, Huntington did not have a lot of options for different styles of cuisine. She also said there are not many places in the area with local artists, like at the V Club, so she thinks people enjoy those places because they bring the community together and expand it.

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