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Warm weather brings students outside
Local Artisan Shop to host Second Saturday Market

BY ISABELLA ROBINSON
NEWS EDITOR

Local artisan shop, The Red Caboose, and local bakery, Nomada, will be hosting their first Second Saturday Market from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m on March 13.

“We are having artists, vintage clothing vendors and a clothing redesigner Nomada will have their wonderful food products for sale, and we will have a few sales here at the Caboose,” Raine Klover, manager of the Red Caboose said.

Klover said the market will be an outdoor, European-style market.

“When you come to the Caboose, you are going to see locally produced stickers and t-shirts from four West Virginia companies. As well as many books from local authors, local food products, local bath and beauty products and a lot of original art,” Klover said.

Klover said the Red Caboose represents about 150 local and regional artisans.

“We are a part of the Huntington Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, so part of our job is economic development, and we are doing that through supporting local artisans and other creatives,” Klover said.

Shawn Schulenberg, co-owner of Nomada and chair of the Political Science department at Marshall, said he is looking forward to the event after the businesses held a similar outdoor market this December that was very successful.

“There will be a lot of great artisans at the market, including a few students like Ellen Chambers, a Marshall student who will be participating in the event,” Schulenberg said.

He said the Nomada bakery, café and eatery specializes in making everything from scratch in-house, including local organic farm fresh eggs.

The Red Caboose and Nomada plan to continue the market each second Saturday of the month.

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A Second Family for Three Generations of Students

By CAMERON COLLINS
THE PARTHENON

Olivia Burns, freshman elementary education major, is the third generation in her family to attend Marshall University. Her grandmother, Sandra Burns, was the first of their family to attend and graduate from Marshall in December 1971.

“I was the first in my family to attend Marshall,” Sandra Burns said, my husband, sons, nieces, and a nephew also attended the school’s granddaughter (Olivia) is currently going to Marshall, and I have a grandson planning on starting his first year in the fall.”

Sandra Burns, her son John Burns and her granddaughter Olivia Burns consider Marshall University a second family. “Marshall feels more like a family than other schools that I have visited,” Olivia Burns said.

Marshall’s smaller campus is one of Olivia Burn’s favorite things about the university. She has visited her friends at other universities and felt they were all missing the family element that she feels at Marshall.

Sandra Burns and John Burns take pride in their Marshall alumni status and have encouraged their family to become Sons and Daughters of Marshall as well. “I’m proud to have graduated from Marshall. Although it wasn’t easy, through perseverance, I was able to become a Son of Marshall,” John Burns said.

Their love for Marshall has influenced a multitude of other family members to attend Marshall as well. “If my family had not attended Marshall, I definitely think I would’ve considered other schools more than I did,” Olivia said. “I have always heard good things about Marshall from my family, so hearing those things influenced my decision.” In addition to Olivia Burns, her cousin, Isaiah Burns, plans to attend Marshall in the fall, making him the third generation to attend the University in his family as well.

“Marshall is very accepting of any student that has a desire to attend. I feel like Marshall has always been very welcoming and cares deeply about all of their students,” said Sanda.

Many qualities of Marshall and its community have provided the Burns with a memorable and impactful impression they hope to pass on to future generations. “I feel like the plane crash tragedy makes Marshall feel different,” John Burns said. I think the tragedy brought everyone closer together, Marshall wants everyone’s lives to be remembered and honored and wants everyone currently attending campus to feel important as well.”

The Burns’ appreciation and love for Marshall University is abundant and has impacted each of them in many ways. Sandra said, “Marshall means so much to me. I loved the school that was helping me achieve my life goal to teach. I taught for about 38

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By Madison Perdue

To celebrate Women's History Month, Marshall University will host a virtual presentation on Moroccan women's filmmaking on Mar. 26 to commemorate women's international achievements in the film industry.

The event, titled “Accented Cinema: Moroccan Women’s Exilic & Diasporic Filmmaking,” will discuss the history of Moroccan film, the rise of globalization, the adoption of American filmmaking techniques in Morocco, and women’s involvement in the industry.

Dr. Touria Khannous, a Harvard University and Columbia University exchange scholar and associate professor of Arabic at Louisiana State University, will be the main presenter. Khannous is a graduate of Université Sidi Mohamed Ben Abdellah (USMBA) in Fes, Morocco. Fes is also home to al-Qarawiyyin University, the oldest university in the world, founded in 859 A.D. by a woman, Fatima al-Fihri.

During the event, Khannous will discuss the films “MaRock,” “Adam,” “L’enfant Endormi” and “Rock the Casbah” to illustrate the cultural elements involved in Moroccan film and their changes over time.

Khannous will also discuss globalization and “accented cinema,” including the sensitivity to films through the lenses of transnationality and multiculturality.

Dr. Amine Oudghiri-Otmani, an English professor at MU, helped coordinate the event. Oudghiri-Otmani is a former international student who also graduated from USMBA. He said this event is an excellent opportunity to reconnect with his alma mater and help Marshall connect with this university.

Oudghiri-Otmani said this was his first time coordinating an event with multiple departments at Marshall, including the Women and Gender Center and the Office of Intercultural Affairs. He said this event’s organization went smoothly, and many staff members were excited about the presentation.

“Though nothing can truly replace face-to-face interaction, these webinars are tremendously helpful,” Oudghiri-Otmani said. “They’re a great supplement and extremely beneficial to students.”

Dr. Walter Squire, MU’s director of film studies, said he was glad to see a multicultural event related to film studies at MU.

“I’m really happy about it,” Squire said. “To be able to teach students about not only African filmmaking but women’s African filmmaking is extraordinary. It’s a great opportunity.”

Dr. Squire said he hasn’t been hosting events in film studies since the pandemic began. He said he postponed the 2021 student film festival, which usually takes place in the spring, until the fall semester. Squire said that while other organizations have been hosting film festivals virtually, it would not be the same experience as those of past years.

“There were so many student filmmakers who talked about how great it was to see an audience, for their films and see how the audience reacts,” Squire said. “To me, that level of community and being able to share your film to see an audience’s reaction is so important that I decided to do it in the fall.”

Squire said that issues with video streaming across multiple devices also contributed to his decision. He also said he didn’t want students to feel anxious that their work may be recorded without their permission.

The Department of Film Studies is co-sponsoring the event, with the Department of Modern Languages, the School of Music, and the Women’s and Gender Center. This event is one of MU’s many efforts to bring educational presentations to students while following COVID-19 guidelines.

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Marshall University investigates claims of large parties

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. (AP) — Marshall University said Friday it is suspending Greek life at the Huntington, West Virginia, school after allegations of large parties held without masks and social distancing.

The university said videos and photos on social media and witnesses appear to corroborate claims that COVID-19 protocols were broken. A separate report of bullying is also being investigated.

In West Virginia, pandemic rules only allow for social gatherings of 75 people, with masks required.

“Marshall University’s number one priority has been, and continues to be, the health and safety of its students, faculty and staff,” Lisa Martin, director of student conduct, said in a statement. “We will not tolerate behavior that potentially jeopardizes our community’s safety and will thoroughly investigate these reports.”

The university in Huntington issued cease and desist letters to 11 fraternities and sororities, suspending activities.

The governor on Friday announced restrictions will loosen at midnight to allow gatherings with 100 people, and indoor capacity limits will no longer apply at restaurants, bars and most businesses, as long as social distancing is maintained.

Students enjoyed the sunshine and warmer temperatures across campus.
By MADISON PERDUE
Reporter
To celebrate Women's History Month, Marshall University is hosting virtual events and one in-person activity to educate students on women's historical achievements and involve students in social activism.

Laura Diener, history professor and director of MU's women and gender studies program, said that while the pandemic has prevented many events from being in-person, the switch to virtual events is very beneficial to students.

"Most of our events are virtual, which is different," Diener said. "Most of the events will be recorded, so people can watch them if their schedule didn't allow them to go. They're also a way for students who can't access campus or live away to still be involved."

MU celebrated International Women's Day Monday, Mar. 8, with the month's only in-person event at the Memorial Student Center. Diener said there were giveaways and opportunities for social media engagement and activism.

Snyder said this year’s theme for International Women's Day was "Choose to Challenge." Students were invited to think about how to challenge gender inequity and gender stereotypes by engaging in the social media movement. Student volunteers and staff at the Women's and Gender Center coordinated the event’s activities.

Diener said she is particularly excited for the Mar. 15 event "This Side of Paradise: Clothing of the Jazz Age and Beyond," which will showcase women's clothing from the Jazz Age and discuss their historical value. Diener said students from her fashion history class spent time researching them as part of a project last semester.

Lori Thompson from MU's Special Collections, Olivia Trees from the theater department and students working on the project will discuss the online showcase. Claire Snyder, coordinator of the Women's and Gender Center at MU, said she is excited about this event because it showcases students' work and research. Snyder also said she is looking forward to the diverse collection of events at Marshall.

Snyder and Diener said they are excited about The Women in Digital Humanities event on Mar. 30. Jessica Vodden, an MU graduate and former Yaeger scholar, will discuss her journey establishing her path to establishing and owning an all-women market firm, Vodden Labs and Studio.

Snyder said this event is important because much of celebrating women's historical achievements is focusing on current efforts to promote gender equity.

"Celebrating Women's History is not just about the past; it's about the future," Snyder said. "It's about the incredible work that women are doing right now to create a better world."

Snyder said that though coordinating events to fit the COVID-19 guidelines is challenging. She is mostly concerned with keeping students engaged. She said she is proud of the work she and other MU staff have done to make this year’s events interesting to students.

"Students can feel stressed and overwhelmed with schoolwork, so they are not necessarily looking for online lectures to watch," Snyder said. "We worked really hard to find a variety of different topics and different types of presentations so that they can appeal to anyone."

Diener said she appreciates MU’s efforts to celebrate women's history despite the challenges of the pandemic.

"I'm excited that even though so many of us aren’t on campus and things are so different, we are still taking the time to recognize Women's History Month,” Diener said. "I think it's really important that that's one of the things we don't let go of during the pandemic."

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Vaccine Rollout Nears Completion Among Faculty

By TYLER SPENCE
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Most Marshall University faculty members have received both shots of the coronavirus vaccine for all those who requested to receive it. West Virginia has been one of the most efficient states in its vaccine rollout, and Marshall University has been one of the largest providers of vaccines in the Huntington area.

Kristen Lillvis is the Chair of the Faculty Senate, and a professor in the English department said she felt the vaccine rollout has been smooth, and the process of signing up to receive the vaccine over email is simple. "I heard a lot of faculty who have been excited to get the vaccine,” she said.

The rollout has been aided by nursing, medical and pharmacy students, who have served as volunteers throughout the process.

"If we didn’t have those volunteers... we would have to rely on other clinics elsewhere. A lot of people stepped up and are doing jobs they don’t normally do, and it’s made it a lot easier,” said Tracy Smith, who is normally the director of Environmental Health and Safety; however, since last year Smith has been the incident command leader over all things related to COVID19.

The vaccination of faculty and university employees is a significant milestone for the university's path towards going back to an entirely in-person semester. Still, the greater challenge will be the widespread inoculation of students as time progresses.

"Once we get through this round with faculty and staff, we’re not going to receive any more doses in the immediate future, but I do know there is talk as more and more vaccine is made available,” Smith said.

Smith mentioned the possibility of Marshall shifting into having clinics on campus in a broader county-wide vaccination effort.

It is still yet to be seen how the vaccination of students will take place or when it will start. Marshall is still waiting on word from the Higher Education Policy Commission on if there will be allotments of vaccines given to students. Students may likely receive a vaccine through their local pharmacy or another clinic, not necessarily on campus at Marshall.

As more vaccines become available, perhaps as soon as the next couple of weeks, there will be guidance on how this process might start.

"That's our next goal, to get all the students who want a vaccine, to get them vaccinated. We are working on that,” Smith said.

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Bipartisan support for broadband expansion bill in House of Delegates

CHARLESTON — The West Virginia House of Delegates passed a bill Wednesday with near unanimous support by Republican and Democratic lawmakers to make it easier to expand high-speed broadband across the state.

House Bill 2002, relating to broadband, passed with 98 yay votes and one member absent. The only nay vote came from Del. Pat McGeehan, R-Hancock.

HB 2002 creates a statutory framework to support, encourage and expedite the expansion of broadband throughout the state. It also creates additional consumer protections for reporting sub-par internet service.

“This bill represents our latest efforts in speeding the deployment of broadband and reducing the overall cost of expanding broadband service for West Virginians,” said House Technology and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Daniel Linville, R-Cabell.

The bill expedites permit processes for installing broadband along rights-of-way during Division of Highways projects. It improves “dig-once” regulations that allow multiple internet service providers to install fiber broadband at the same time without digging multiple trenches. It also allows internet service providers to install broadband for any utility dig.

The Division of Highways would have to create a flow chart of regulating agencies to provide internet service providers to obtain a notice to proceed when it comes to broadband placement on highways projects. It creates a timetable for regulators to approve applications from internet service providers, automatically approving those projects if the regulator hasn’t come to a decision by a specific time.

The bill codifies the existence of the Office of Broadband within the Department of Commerce. The office was created late last year, but HB 2002 officially brings it to life and lays out its duties and shares some responsibilities with the Broadband Enhancement Council.

It defines “unserved” parts of the state as areas that only have one provider and do not have at least 25 Mbps for downloads and 3 Mbps for uploads, matching the Federal Communications Commission’s definition, as well as defines “underserved” as areas with only two providers and less than 100 Mbps for downloads and 50 Mbps for uploads.

Consumer protections include required notifications to subscribers when prices increase, refunds or bill credits for internet outages due to no fault of the customer and empowers the Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General’s Office to investigate complaints about service.

The bill also empowers the House Technology and Infrastructure Committee, the Senate Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and Legislature’s Joint Committee on Technology authority to compel internet service providers to testify before the committees. Linville’s committee voted Feb. 24 to seek documents and testimony from Frontier Communications regarding its broadband projects, its federal grant funding, and its post-bankruptcy plans.

HB 2002 has vocal support from members of the House Democratic minority who see the bill as a bipartisan effort to expand broadband into rural parts of the state.

“It’s something that many of us have been somewhat crying in the wilderness about for a long time, and especially those of us that represent rural areas and living in rural areas,” said Delegate Brent Boggs, D-Braxton. “It’s been frustrating at best.”

“This is something that we absolutely have to vote for. This is something we need to support,” said Delegate Cody Thompson, D-Randolph. “Broadband and high-speed internet access will be to West Virginia what the interstate highway was in the 1950s. It’s something we need to get moving on.”

Nine internet service providers were able to pull down $362.1 million last year for broadband expansion projects in 119,267 unserved Census tracts in West Virginia over the next 10 years through the FCC’s Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Phase I Auction. Republican lawmakers have also pledged to increase funding over the next three years for broadband expansion and have at least one bill moving to make permanent the removal of broadband loan insurance caps.

“We’ve got to do something on this,” Linville said. “I feel like this is the first step this year, and I don’t think it’s the last step that we will take this year. This bill ... empowers us to do it ourselves. It lets West Virginians make decisions about the infrastructure that West Virginia needs.”

The next stop for HB 2002 is the state Senate.

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Women’s basketball to open C-USA tourney with LA Tech

By NOAH HICKMAN
THE PARTHENON

After splitting against Middle Tennessee State in the regular-season finale, the Marshall women’s basketball team opens the Conference USA tournament as the No. 5 seed in the East division, taking on No. 4 west division seed Louisiana Tech Wednesday at 3 p.m.

Head coach Tony Kemper said that he is pleased with how his team is playing late into the season.

“I think our team is playing really well,” Kemper said. “I’ve been saying that this team had a chance to do good things all year.”

The Herd finished the regular season with an overall record of 8-10 (7-9 in C-USA), while LA Tech had a regular-season record of 13-9 (8-8 in C-USA).

The two teams played earlier in the season and split the series.

LA Tech ended up getting swept in the two-game series, as it would not score more than 53 points in any of the games against the top-ranked Lady Owl C-USA defense.

Against MTSU, Marshall was without one of its leaders in the series – senior guard Kristen Mayo. Due to a knee injury, Mayo’s career at Marshall is finished.

Four Marshall basketball players make all-conference lists

By GRANT GOODRICH
SPORTS EDITOR

Four Marshall basketball players, two from the women’s team and two from the men’s team were named by Conference USA to different all-conference teams.

Junior guard Taeion Kinsey was named to the men’s All-Conference USA first team on Monday. Senior guard Jarrod West and sophomore guard Savannah Wheeler were named to their respective All-Conference USA second-team lists.

The same day West was also named to the all-defensive team as well the all-academic team.

On the women’s all-academic team, senior guard Kristen Mayo was named Friday, making it the first Marshall women’s basketball player named to the all-academic team since Kendra King did it in 2007.

Mayo’s final season with the Herd ended after suffering an injury in the win against North Texas Saturday, Feb. 27. She was second on the team in scoring at 10.3 points per game while maintaining a 3.8 GPA in elementary education.

As the women’s basketball team heads to Frisco for the C-USA tournament without Mayo, Savannah Wheeler will have to take on a heavier burden. She leads Marshall in scoring with 17 points per game.

Her point per game total is sixth-best in the conference, and her free-throw percentage is second best.

On the men’s side, Kinsey leads the Herd in scoring at 20 points per game, a number that also places him as the second leading scorer in all of Conference USA.

Kinsey’s 54.2% field-goal percentage is second only to Western Kentucky’s Charles Bassey.

Kinsey is joined on the all-Conference USA first team by Charlotte’s Jahmir Young, North Texas’s Javion Hamlet, WKU’s Bassey and UTSA’s Jhivvan Jackson.

On the second team, Jarrod West is joined by Malik Curry of Old Dominion, Tavin Lowan of UAB, Keaton Wallace of UTSA and Taveion Hollingsworth of WKU.

West made the third-team last season, averaging two more points than he is this season, 14.2 compared to 12.2. However, West’s game far extends from his point production. West leads C-USA in assists per game (6.0), assist-turnover ratio (2.8) and steals per game (2.5).

West, Kinsey and Wheeler will lead their teams on the court this week in C-USA tournament play.

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Men’s basketball heads to Frisco for C-USA tourney

By GRANT GOODRICH
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About a year ago, Marshall was preparing to play Louisiana Tech in its second game of the Conference USA tournament, but on that day, March 12, 2020, the sports world shut down – and soon after, the United States would follow.

It was a day for the history books – the day the pandemic became real for many Americans. As things stand a year later, the pandemic is still raging, but the panic has subsided, allowing for sporting events to be played within a system of regulations.

For Marshall, it is practically getting a redo at last year’s C-USA tourney, with 2020’s roster still intact.

The Thundering Herd has made the trip to Frisco, Texas, and awaits its opponent. As the No. 3 seed in the East, Marshall will take on either the No. 7 West seed Golden Eagles or the No. 6 West seed Owls at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Marshall did not play Southern Miss this season, and although it was scheduled to play Rice, the series was canceled and not rescheduled.

If Marshall advances from the first round, it will play the No. 2 seed out of the West, UAB.

Junior guard Taeveion Kinsey is pacing the Marshall offense with 20 points a game, but redshirt sophomore Andrew Taylor is coming on strong for the Herd late into the season, averaging 18.3 points per game and shooting 62% from the three-point line in the last four.

Senior guard Jarrod West is weaning his way back from an ankle injury suffered in game one against North Texas on Friday, Feb. 26.

The Thundering Herd will need all three of its guards playing at a high level in order to achieve the team’s goal of winning the C-USA championship.

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Middle ground for campus carry

By Carter Truman

Executive Staff

Campus Carry Bills — If there ever were a contentious topic to be spoken of on campus, this would be it. The introduction of six of these bills into the West Virginia Legislature means that people will take sides. Once again, opinions will be shaped by the first three articles about this debate that you find on google. I will admit that I, too, formed my opinion on this topic from Google University. Still, having spent at least two hours skimming through websites, datasheets and the proposed Campus Carry Bills themselves, I feel more than qualified to offer my opinion on the topic. I think colleges and universities, on an individual basis, should be allowed to choose whether or not they allow concealed carrying of weapons on campus: here’s why.

First, I feel it is best to point out that these bills only affect public colleges and universities — institutions of higher learning that receive state funds. These bills do not affect private colleges and universities. The first thing a person will likely Google to get some clarity in this debate is how many states allow carrying a concealed weapon on campus; nevertheless, the answer, it turns out, is very nuanced. You see, while 11 states expressly permit the carrying of concealed weapons, 23 states allow colleges and universities to make their own rules about concealed carrying. It’s easy to lump these all together and say 34 states allow concealed carrying on campus, but this is incorrect. The difference between the 11 states permitting concealed carry on campus and the 23 states giving colleges and universities a choice is a night and day comparison. The essential difference here lies in whether a public university should have a say in your right to carry a concealed weapon on campus.

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Women, let’s keep moving forward

By Brittany Hively

Executive Editor

I once shared a post on social media about my husband and I having healthy, strong debates. The importance of this post was the fact that, at one point, women could not have done this in the United States. Even today, there are countries where women would never dare to disagree with their husbands.

I think it is even more important to think of how far the world has come in terms of women’s rights. I mean, women did not gain the right to vote until 1920. That was only 100 years ago. We continually see more and more positions filled by women for the first time. Women are official referees at some sports for the first time, and let’s not forget, the United States has its first female vice-president.

We are moving forward. While we still have a long way to go for full equality, I believe it is essential to look back and see how far we have come and continue to work towards equal rights for everyone.

Below I am including my post from last year for more context. I originally posted it on March 8, 2020.

“My husband and I rarely fight. But we do have some strong debates. One common debate is on privilege. While having a healthy and loud debate today, Bub runs through the house yelling, “FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT” and laughing.” While it’s a joke in our house, I think about how across the world, some women would never be able to debate a different thought than their husbands’ because that would be talking back or out of place.

I think about how so many years ago this wouldn’t have been a reality in America. While we’ve come such a long way as a society, we still have much work to do. Here’s to the strong women before us: the strong women we are and the strong women we’re raising for the future.

Happy International Women’s Day!

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How we failed a generation
How we broke Generation Z

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Over the past decade and a half, American society has made wildly poor choices that have broken a generation, all while debating whether or not actions have consequences.

If one is simply making a prediction, Generation Z would have been top of the list in potential. Kids should be more innovative, and thanks to the internet, the playing field had been lowered where knowledge was as accessible as water. More kids wanted to go to college, and after a childhood-defining recession, the economy was on the upswing. Kids should be healthier, smoking wasn’t cool anymore, keeping up mental health was the name of the game. But instead, Generation Z deserves praise for even making it to adulthood.

By every metric, we have failed Generation Z and set them up for failure by our decisions. As someone usually listed as in-between Generation Z and Millennials, I have been fortunate enough to avoid many of the most significant disasters this generation must endure through their teenage years but have seen their repercussions firsthand. There are three significant disasters this generation will be cant disasters this generation must endure through their teenage years but have seen their repercussions firsthand. We took away graduations, proms, summer camps, and sports and just seeing their friends daily. We ripped the entire social fabric of what it means to be a teenager away without asking, and many of it without good reason.

Meanwhile, their parents went to work, and their older siblings at college went to the bars. The mental health side effects cannot be overstated. Depression, anxiety, loneliness, despair, and hopelessness were all high among Generation Z before the pandemic. Imagine what it is now.

Before the pandemic, we created a toxic political climate immune to the winds of change and radiating a foul stench of vitriol that can be smelled blocks away from the nearest white pride rally. Generation Z has grown up with conspiracy theories undermining the most essential facets of our government. Even with the most charismatic President in a generation, who inherited an economy in collapse and a country in the palm of his hands, he couldn’t avoid partisan hard-lining and obstructionism. This generation was up close and personal to the political wasteland we created. We taught Gen-Z to be activists, to fight injustice, and spot corruption, and then fought them while they did.

The result leads to a youth resentful of their adult counterparts who symbolize a block in the change they see needed across the political spectrum. If the upcoming generations don’t respect the institutions or the adults who were in them, our democracy is at risk of falling apart.

The internet is the final institution that failed Generation Z. The internet and social media are only now taming themselves and trying to leave behind its reputation as the wild west of society.

Social media may be the single biggest destroyer of Generation Z. Instagram’s decision to take away how many likes you can see in the photo is the right decision. Kids on these apps were constantly subjugated to comparison themselves and trying to leave behind its reputation as the wild west of society.

Combined with the late 2000s and early 2010’s epidemic of cyberbullying, this combination proved to be fatal for some. Amanda Todd is a notable and early example, while thousands of others marking memorials in their high schools each year. Some schools chose to ignore them to move on, and some add a rock to a garden in remembrance. Instead of structural change, self-introspection, and additional support — our nation adds rocks to gardens in remembrance.

Generation Z deserves an apology from almost all of us. If you are ever upset with this young generation, remember we made them this way.

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Mayo said that basketball is a team effort, and she wants to show support for the team any way she can.

“It's one thing for me to be here, but it's another thing for me to be positive and be here,” Mayo said. “(Marshall) is still playing good basketball whether I'm there or not.”

The Herd offense is scoring a C-USA worst 60.8 points a game, while LA Tech’s offense is fifth-worst in C-USA, scoring 65 a game.

Defense is a strength for both teams as Marshall is giving up 63 points per game (third-best), and the Bulldogs are giving up 59.9 points per game (second-best).

Marshall is led by its sophomore guard, Savannah Wheeler. She averages 17 points, 3.9 rebounds and 2.7 assists; she was named yesterday to the All-Conference USA second team.

The Lady Techsters are led by junior guard Keiunna Walker who averages 16.2 points per game and four rebounds.

The C-USA women’s basketball tournament will take place in Frisco, Texas.

The game is scheduled for Wednesday, March 10 at 3 p.m. and will air on ESPN+.

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Parthe-Pet

Mollie is the dog of a big family which includes Parthenon reporter Noah Hickman. She is a sheepdog/poodle mix that resides in a little town called Aldie, Va., she is exceptional at cuddling, and she is still relatively young at two years of age.

If you have a pet you would like featured as the weekly Parthe-pet, please email a photo and brief bio to parthenon@marshall.edu

Weekly Social Media Poll

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This poll was conducted on The Parthenon’s Instagram, @MUParthenon, with an average response of 80 individuals.

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The Burns’ appreciation and love for Marshall University is abundant and has impacted each of them in many ways. Sandra Burns said, “Marshall means so much to me. I loved the school that was helping me achieve my life goal to teach. I taught for about 38 years, and that wouldn’t have been possible without my degree from Marshall University.”

Marshall University has provided the Burns’ with a sense of family for five decades. Sandra and John hope to pass this on to future generations of their family so that they too can enjoy all that Marshall has to offer and has offered them.

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For now, it’s essential to recognize that no one can argue after seeing the statistics, that students and faculty feel unsafe if concealed carrying on campus is allowed. But should a person’s right to do something be abridged because of the feelings of others? I don’t think anyone would argue a news article shouldn’t be published because someone would feel bad if it was or that you should be arrested for saying something mean and hurtful. If you’re going to make a good argument for limiting someone’s right to do something, you should have to prove it presents a significant and real threat to others, not just that you feel it might be.

All that being said, I think colleges and universities should be allowed to choose what they want the rules to be on their campus; this is the best middle-ground solution. Schools could look at their students’ needs, the surrounding area, and the police presence on campus and then make a good case for or against concealed carrying. Students would also have the option of going to a different school if they disagreed with a college or university’s decision. Giving schools the power to choose also means students and their feelings would be more represented. Instead of gathering multiple schools from across the state and making a case in front of the state legislature, students could organize on their campuses, pushing change there. And as a bonus, this would cause a headache for campus administrators and higher-ups, as no decision they make could ever satisfy everyone. Who doesn’t love when college administrators and higher-ups, as no decision they make could ever satisfy everyone. Who doesn’t love when college sucks as much for the people running it as it does for the students?

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Worship Directory

FIFTH AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH
1135 Fifth Avenue
Corner of Fifth Avenue & 12th Street in downtown Huntington
Sunday Morning Worship – 10:45 am
Social distancing & wearing masks required
Visit our website for Worship Services and for other times of Bible study, worship, and activities for children, youth, and adults.

www.fifthavenuebaptist.org
304-523-0115

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Catholic

St. Peter Claver Catholic Church
828 15th St. (on 9th Ave) Htg.
304-691-0537

Sunday Mass: 11:00 a.m.
Daily Masses: 12:00 on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
Confession by appointment

Rev. Fr. Douglas A. Ondock

Our Lady of Fatima
Catholic Parish & Parish School
545 Norway Ave., Huntington • 304-525-0866
Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 8 am, 10:00 am & 6:30 pm
Spanish Mass: Second & Fourth Sundays of each month at 9:30 am
Las misas en Español: los domingos segundo y cuarto de cada mes a las 9:30 am
Confession: Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 pm or by appointment
www.ourfatimafamily.com
Father Paul Yuenger

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
2015 Adams Ave. Huntington, WV
304-429-4318
Mass Times: Sat. 5:00pm, Sun. 9am, Confessions on Sat. 4:30pm-4:45pm or anytime by appointment
Office Hours Mon-Fri. 9am-12pm
Rev. Fr. Thomas

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church
HUNTINGTON, WV
526 13th Street
(304) 525-5202
Pastor: Fr. Dean Borgeymeyer

Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 Noon, 5:30 pm
Confessions
Saturday 8:00 am-8:25 am
Saturday 4:00 pm-4:25 pm
Sunday 4:00 pm-4:25 pm
Tuesday 5:00 pm-5:25 pm or by appointment
When you look at where you’re standing in the moment, you do not typically picture what could have been in the same place thousands of years ago, but that’s exactly what Marshall’s most recent art exhibit hopes to achieve.

“Vanishing Points,” a photography exhibit and collection by artist Michael Sherwin, is a series that highlights forgotten indigenous sites, important archaeological/historical sites as well as modern settings to bridge the past with the present.

Michael Sherwin, an Associate Professor of Art at West Virginia University, said that his appreciation for the mysticism and importance of placement, presence and land started with his childhood.

“If I look back on my childhood, it really makes sense,” Sherwin said. “It was really defined by adventure, which was largely influenced by my very energetic, restless father who would take us on road trips when we were younger. That’s when I really fell in love with travel, adventure and the Mid-West.”

Sherwin said that his adventures taken during the early years of his adulthood led him to take an interest in spirituality, especially the teachings of eastern religion and indigenous philosophy.

Sherwin also said that even still, he wasn’t inspired to start Vanishing Points until he had discovered protests about a shopping center being built upon an indigenous burial site in Morgantown. His first image of the series is one that overlooks the shopping center.

“So, I started doing some extensive research,” Sherwin said, “studying maps from the 1800s, meeting with historians, scholars, and archaeologists.”

Sherwin said that after doing such extensive research, he couldn’t help but feel like these places had long since been forgotten, and he began to follow the trail left behind, capturing images along the way.

This exhibit features various multimedia elements as well as a dozen photographs taken and developed from film camera footage.

Gallery Director and Facilities Coordinator, Jamie Platt, said that Sherwin’s emphasis on consciousness goes beyond the photograph itself and extends to the process as well.

“It’s not something people do now because digital technology makes it easier,” Platt said. “But there’s a real gravity to the way the images look because of the way they are processed that you don’t get any other way. Even if you have no idea what the difference could be, I feel you can see that there’s something really special about them.”

Platt said that because this is a one-of-a-kind exhibit, she hopes that people will come out to see it and experience what Sherwin expresses in his photos.

Anyone is welcome to view Vanishing Points at the Charles W. and Norma C. Carroll Gallery at Marshall’s VAC building until Friday, March 12. Viewings can be arranged during open hours or via appointment.

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