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West Virginia became a state on June 20, 1863 by Abraham Lincoln’s presidential proclamation. June 20 was informally celebrated across West Virginia over the next six decades until the West Virginia Legislature gave the holiday formal recognition in 1927.

- West Virginia State Museum Education website
Welcome To Marshall

Welcome to the College of Engineering and Computer Sciences. These are exciting times in the college. We have approximately 500 undergraduate students in 7 programs and 100 graduate students in 9 programs. For the past year, we have been engaged in an effort to become more efficient. What this means is that we are reducing all of our undergraduate degree programs to 124 credit hours if possible, and we are creating Accelerated Master’s Degree (AMD) programs for all of our undergraduate disciplines. If a student excels in their undergraduate program, they can possibly get a master’s degree within one year of finishing their B.S. degree, making them more marketable and it increases their starting salary by $10,000 or more upon graduation.

We are an engaged college. We have active student organizations in several of our departments, including civil engineering, mechanical engineering, computer sciences and electrical engineering and applied science and technology. Additionally, we have a leadership program where students can engage in extracurricular activities to help in recruiting and advertising the college’s programs.

We are excited for the new year ahead of us and we look forward to getting to know you. We hope that you are also excited and enjoy your time in the college. If you are already one of our majors, we look forward to seeing you in our classes. If you are still undecided, we hope that you will give us a try!

David Dampier, College of Engineering and Computer Sciences

The College of Arts and Media (CAM) is home to many of the brightest and most creative students at Marshall University. Our college is composed of four schools—the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, the School of Theatre and Dance, the School of Music, the School of Art and Design. CAM is also the home of the Marshall Artists Series. When I think about our four schools and search for a common denominator, it has to be communication, and that’s what makes life in our college so exciting. In the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, you’ll use words in a variety of print and broadcast journalistic media, advertising and PR. Words are also essential in the School of Theatre and Dance where the spoken word is combined with stagecraft and movement. In the School of Music, you’ll use expressive organized sound as a means of communication, sometimes using words as well. Finally, in the School Art and Design, communication finds life through expressive visual art across a wide array of media. CAM also hosts two interdisciplinary programs. The first is the CAM Video Production program, which combines journalistic video with digital video art. The other is our new Musical Theatre program, which combines music, theatre and dance. So, whether you want to major, minor or just participate, come explore the world of arts and media with us in CAM.

Wemdell Dobbs, College of Arts and Media

The College of Health Professions is excited for the dawn of a new academic year at Marshall University. Putting so many of the restraints of Covid-19 behind us we are ecstatic to return to mostly normal classroom, clinical, and laboratory settings. We are eagerly preparing our facilities to train the next generation of healthcare providers across the medical spectrum and look forward to you being part of that future. The College of Health Professions houses majors in Athletic Training, Biomechanics, Clinical Laboratory Sciences, Communication Disorders, Dietetics, Exercise Science, Health Sciences, Medical Imaging, Nursing, Physical Therapy (doctoral degree), Public Health (master’s degree), Respiratory Care, Social Work, and Sport Management. We train the future of healthcare... and that future is you.

Welcome to Marshall University and the College of Health Professions.

Michael Prewitt, College of Health Professions
Welcome to Marshall University’s College of Liberal Arts (COLA). We are proud to offer programs that can help you become the smarter, more talented, successful person you are meant to be. Our majors in COLA focus on the knowledge you need to think, analyze, reason, solve problems, communicate, collaborate, and lead.

All these disciplines are valuable in helping us understand who we are, where we came from, and how we can improve our communities, our culture, and our working relationships. They also have strong economic value. Our graduates find excellent careers in business, law, education, health care, government, social service, entrepreneurship, technology, media, finance, communication, and many other fields.

We are called the “liberal” arts because the skills we emphasize are necessary for free citizens to productively participate in the social, political, and economic life of their communities. We want to help you make the world better by making yourself better. We are excited to help you start your journey to a better self, a better community, and a successful career.

Robert BookWalter, College of Liberal Arts

Welcome to Marshall University’s Class of 2025! I am so excited to be getting back to “normal.” Your last time in high school wasn’t exactly what you expected, but we are looking forward to a fall semester with lots of opportunities. We will still be taking some appropriate precautions of course, but you will find many activities and events that will make this the best fall term ever. The first year of college can be very daunting, perhaps away from home for the first time, responsible for more than you’ve ever had to be, and facing lots of new situations. There are many people here who want to see you have a successful experience. Reach out. Ask for information or assistance. Be open to meeting new people. And while you are on campus, look around. Listen. Smile. Your best friend for life might be the very next person you meet. Your time at Marshall will have an impact on the rest of your life, both in preparing for a career and in growing as a person. You will look back and remember so many wonderful things…the things that are in front of you right now! If you are still trying to decide what that career might be, I encourage you to consider the College of Education. Teaching is a rewarding career, and the COEPD is a great college!

Teresa Eagle, College of Education and Professional Development

On behalf of the dedicated COS faculty and staff, it is my pleasure to welcome you to – or back to – Marshall for the start of the 2022 Academic Year. We are glad that you are here, and I want you to know that, whether you are in a COS major or not, we are here to help you reach your goals.

COS faculty and staff are here to help you find your place, and navigate your pathway to success. For example; if you are interested in studying anything from individual molecules to galaxies, we probably have someone who is conducting research in your area of interest, and who welcomes undergraduate students in his or her research group.

Welcome to Marshall University, you are now a member of an elite group – the sons and daughters of Marshall. Be proud, and don’t forget – we are here to help!

Charles Somerville, College of Science
Pride is back: ‘Drag Me To Brunch’ Picnic

By ISABELLA ROBINSON
NEWS EDITOR

In-Person Pride events returned to Huntington as over 800 people went to the ‘Drag Me To Brunch’ picnic on Sunday.

“It was Huntington Pride’s first live event since last February 2020,” said Ally Layman, President of Huntington Pride.

The picnic featured a drag show, local businesses such as Full Circle Ceramic, as well as LGBTQ+ resources across the tri-state area.

“We want to plant a seed of love in the community of Huntington, where the LGBTQ community can be themselves,” said Layman. “Sunday was an amazing event that brought out so many people in our community.”

Free Mom Hugs were readily available for any picnic-goers who may have needed one, as Pride is often an emotional day for queer folk of all ages.

“The feeling of the day was love. After being away for a year, it feels amazing to be back,” said Layman. “We want to thank our LGBTQ community and our allies for their support. We are here, we want people to stay here and not feel the need to move to bigger cities to feel a part of a community.”

Huntington Pride welcomes all students to participate in events they host in the future.

The Pride festival is to be held on October 23 in downtown Huntington.

“We are a part of this great city, we just want to add some ‘fabulous flowers’ to the garden,” said Layman.

Megan Bailey, a Marshall Alum in attendance said she thoroughly enjoyed the festivities.

“Huntington felt so much more connected,” Bailey said. “There were so many people I know from growing up here.”

Bailey said her favorite part of the picnic was the drag show and the previews of the Am’s Family and Wizard of Oz from Huntington Area Regional Theatre.

“The Queens were really, really good,” Bailey said. “They were serving – they were eating it up, and I was absolutely living for Aparrah Lashes! Everyone did such an excellent job.”

Bailey said that she has been to other Pride events such as D.C. Pride in our nation’s capitol but prefers Huntington Pride because the community is much closer, and the event felt more homegrown and less corporate.

“It feels like a big gay family reunion—the strongest sense of community I feel anywhere in the world.”

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Marshall-themed Little Free Library installed at Yeager Airport

By ISABELLA ROBINSON
NEWS EDITOR


The Kelly green, M-shaped library was created from an idea by Dr. Kelli Johnson, associate university librarian at Marshall.

“I was traveling, pre-COVID, and spotted a “take one – leave one” book cart at the San Diego airport,” Johnson said. “As a librarian, I was so excited that the airport was encouraging literacy and reading. When Marshall announced the aviation program, I felt like it was perfect timing to once again showcase how Marshall University is committed to education and empowerment of the people of West Virginia. I wanted to show that learning has no boundaries.”

The library was created by students in Bret Masters’ building technology class at the CCCTC. Johnson said it was Johnny Bradley, supervisor of library operations at Marshall, who suggested reaching out to Masters in hopes he would be willing to take on the build with his class.

“I would like to say I love a challenge,” Masters said. “This project would be a challenge in itself with the designing, cutting of angles and the construction. However, this past year with everything going on, it has pushed the challenge to a whole different level.”

“Working together through problems and difficulties has been the West Virginia way,” Masters said. “This bookcase project has exemplified that through the cooperation of everyone involved. When the goal is to educate young students and the people in your community, you need a team. This team effort with Marshall University, LittleFreeLibrary.org and the Building Technology students has strengthened our community.”

Current participating students include Cody Adkins, Landyn Bowen, Haidn Cook, Landon Hanna, Nathaniel Harless, Jordon Hicks, Chase Rood, Tristin Sigman, Larry Simpson and Keegan Wooten. In addition, the following students helped with the project during the 2020 academic year: Anthony Adkins, Johnathan Jarrell, Dyllon Porter, Lane Ramey, Nick Ride, Logan Rider, Caden Robinette, Nash Ryder and Cameron Simons.

“Collaborating with each of these groups to bring a Little Free Library to Yeager Airport was an amazing effort that allowed us to show off some talent, school spirit and a collective commitment to promote reading in the community,” said Monica Brooks, associate vice president for online learning and dean of libraries.

The new library at CRW is in the process of being registered as an official Little Free Library. Once the charter sign arrives and is installed, the library will be included on the world map of all registered LFLs.

“As the steward for two local Little Free Libraries, I was very familiar with the LFL program and thought these would make great additions to the LFL world map,” Johnson added.

In addition to promoting literacy by providing books to guests traveling through Yeager Airport, the library will also provide information about Marshall University and the degree programs offered through Marshall’s new Division of Aviation.

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Huntington Area Regional Theatre previews shows at Pride picnic

By ISABELLA ROBINSON
NEWS EDITOR

Huntington Area Regional Theatre previewed its performances of The Addams Family and The Wizard of Oz at ‘Drag Me To Brunch’ this Sunday.

The cast performed with its full set at the Ritter Park Amphitheatre to over 800 attendees of the picnic.

“Performing at the picnic was incredibly fun, and it was a wonderful way to get the Huntington community more involved with Pride because it has been two years since we have had a Pride event,” Cayce Murphy, a cast member of The Wizard of Oz playing Dorothy, said.

The performance took place during intermission of the drag show.

“I just loved the energy at the picnic,” Murphy said. “The drag queens were great.”

HART in the Park performed two promotional previews of the two shows, encouraging attendees to also attend a performance of The Addam’s Family, which is currently taking the stage every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Murphy said Hart in the Park will also be performing the Wizard of Oz and Cinderella in July at the amphitheater.

“1 think that everyone who came had a wonderful time and I am excited to perform in the Wizard of Oz as well as for the upcoming pride event in October.”

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HART actors preview The Wizard of Oz at ‘Drag Me to Brunch.’

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OPINION

Herd Reads

By BRITTANY HIVELY
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Saving Humanity: What we must do by H. Dan Rice

Born in 1943, H. Dan Rice brings a short, but thought-provoking story overviewing his view of his generation’s accomplishments and shortcomings and key points he thinks the younger generations should think about to make the world a better place.

Rice notes that his generation has made great accomplishments moving the world forward, but yet he also says they have failed at some of the most important responsibilities in terms of making the world a safer place, overcoming hatred and ensuring the preservation of the world.

One thing I truly respected about Rice was within the first couple of pages, he admitted that he may sometimes mistakenly offend, by lack of knowledge and understanding and asks that it be made known to him.

It is hard not to respect Rice for his openness and willingness to learn something he has yet to understand in his lifetime.

Rice takes readers through history to give his perspective on the events.

He uses snippet stories to help illustrate his point and how he believes things can be improved in the world.

Rice openly shares his disappoint in the current presence of hatred and discrimination in the world and how this is learned behaviors that can be unlearned.

I enjoyed this short read and seeing the perspective of a baby boomer who not only sees the flaws of his generation, but hopes to inspire change through his experiences.

If you are looking for a short, from-the-heart read from someone hoping for a better tomorrow, this is a nice read.

Dan Rice is a retired businessman and farmer. He and his wife, Bernadette, reside in a small, West Virginia town. Dan’s career took him all, where he discovered how similar people are in day-to-day life.

If you have an Appalachian book to recommend for Herd Reads please email hayes100@marshall.edu.
Carter G. Woodson Lyceum to host online public lectures as part of Institute on Black History Instruction

Marshall University Communications

The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum at Marshall is inviting the Tri-State community to attend two special lectures during its Institute on Black History Instruction – one celebrating Juneteenth, the other recalling the significant role played by Woodson and others in the struggle to educate African Americans. The lectures will take place on Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and June 20.

Burnis Morris, co-founder and director of the Woodson Lyceum, said because the summer institute for teachers begins on June 19 (‘Juneteenth’), the entire community will be given access to the presentation about the end of American slavery in 1865.

“The observance has been growing in popularity in recent years,” Morris said. “However, few people in this region seem to know much about Juneteenth, and we’ve invited an outstanding speaker to commemorate this historic event.”

The Juneteenth speaker is Dr. Joseph Tucker Edmonds, assistant professor of Africana Studies and Religious Studies and associate director of the Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture, all at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis. He also is president of the Indianapolis branch of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, an organization founded in 1915 by Woodson, the former Huntington educator who is considered the Father of Black History. The public may access this 11:45 a.m. June 19 presentation through the following link: https://tinyurl.com/2bmuzaed.

The second lecture open to the public is a “Book Talk” with Dr. Jarvis Givens, assistant professor of education at Harvard University. Givens’ new book, “Fugitive Pedagogy: Carter G. Woodson and the Art of Black Teaching,” was just published by Harvard University Press. His presentation is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. June 20. The session is available using this link: https://tinyurl.com/ypr466ee.

The lyceum’s fourth institute for teachers is supported by a grant from the West Virginia Humanities Council. It convenes June 19-23 as a virtual program. The institute is a graduate humanities course offering three credits. The teachers receive $500 stipends, and their tuition expenses are covered by the grant. The Woodson Lyceum was formed in 2016 as a collaboration between Marshall’s Drinko Academy and W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

"Before Woodson began the Negro History Movement (Black History Movement) in 1915 with the founding of the association, Black History received little respect in America, and African Americans’ achievements were often denied by mainstream educators,” Morris said. “However, Woodson’s work – including creating Negro History Week/Black History Month – changed all that. Few people today would deny Blacks have contributed much to America.

“Much work remains since Woodson’s efforts to put Black contributions in classes and educate society at large — beyond celebrating Black History each February.”

Morris, however, said because of centuries of neglect and misinformation about African Americans, few people know much about Black History. He said teachers need support in their classes and they need tools, which the institute provides.

“The lyceum supports integrating Black History in classes and education generally,” he said. “The institute makes a strong statement about our commitment to Woodson’s cause, which is our cause, too.”

Gov. Jim Justice has announced he plans to lift the indoor mask mandate on June 20, 2021, West Virginia Day.

“We pride ourselves at CRW on being a family-friendly airport,” said Yeager Airport Director and CEO Nick Keller. “Having a Little Free Library at Yeager Airport is another great opportunity for families to pass the time while waiting for their flight.”

“This is another great opportunity for CRW to team up with Marshall University,” Keller continued. “The students at the Cabell County Career Center did a wonderful job building the Little Free Library, and we are proud to have it here at Yeager Airport.”

Marshall President Jerome A. Gilbert stopped by to see the new library in place at Yeager Airport and to help stock the shelves with a personal donation of books.

Patrons are encouraged to give to and take from the Little Free Library while visiting Yeager Airport. The LFL will be maintained by Marshall University Libraries. Anyone wishing to make a book donation should contact Johnson at johnson28@marshall.edu or 304-696-6567.

A second Marshall-themed LFL is being built for the Huntington Tri-State Airport. Masters says they hope to have it completed and installed this winter.
New Quick Response Team launched in Wayne County

Marshall Health

WAYNE COUNTY, WV. – The Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine has partnered with local organizations to launch a mobile outreach team, or quick response team (QRT), in Wayne County to help reduce overdoses and overdose fatalities, as well as connect individuals with substance use disorder to treatment.

Multiple organizations in Wayne County are working with the School of Medicine to implement the QRT in the county’s largely rural communities. The QRT incorporates a “meet people where they are” philosophy, meaning that face-to-face encounters are most effective in helping individuals take the first step toward recovery, particularly immediately after an overdose event.

QRT members are mobilized to travel throughout the county to meet with individuals and help assess their recovery needs, identify treatment options and overcome barriers to accessing treatment.

As an integrated community QRT, the team works alongside county EMS, law enforcement, volunteer fire departments and peer recovery support specialists to act as a referral system for individuals looking for recovery services. QRT members also maintain contact with overdose survivors who are not ready for treatment and provide them with naloxone and necessary training on how to administer it. The QRT will also work to train more first responders and community members on administering naloxone with ongoing training opportunities.

“I look forward to helping provide this much-needed new service to the people of Wayne County,” said Dawn Streets, Wayne County QRT coordinator. “If we can help save even one life or get one person into recovery, it is all worth the effort.”

Partnering organizations in Wayne County include local fire and EMS agencies, the Kenova Police Department and area businesses.

For more information or to request a visit for yourself or a loved one, contact the Wayne County QRT at https://www.facebook.com/wayneqrt or wayneqrt@gmail.com or call 304-908-9565.

Funding for this project is provided through grants (#H79TI083313 and #G210730) from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s (SAMHSA) State Opioid Response Project and the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources to the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

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Marshall University launches student vaccination awareness effort

Goal is to reach #thunderingherdimmunity by fall semester

Marshall University has introduced a public awareness campaign for its student population, encouraging them to obtain a COVID-19 vaccination in an effort to reach #thunderingherdimmunity when the fall semester begins in August.

The hashtag #thunderingherdimmunity plays off the medical term and Marshall’s sports teams.

“We are strongly advising students to get vaccinated,” said Marshall President Dr. Jerome A. Gilbert. “If we reach herd immunity, we will be in much better shape this fall. The goal is for everyone to be safe and healthy and the best way to do that is to be vaccinated.”

Students who have not yet been vaccinated are encouraged to get a vaccine during the summer months in their home communities. The university is requiring that all students register their status through Marshall’s student online COVID-19 vaccination registry at www.marshall.edu/coronavirus. The data will be made available in aggregate form to members of the COVID-19 Health and Safety Task Force, who will use the information to help drive pandemic policy and health projections.

Marshall employees have already exceeded the herd immunity threshold designated by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Marshall’s office of human resources reports that approximately 80% of Marshall’s faculty and staff have received the vaccine, most of them immunized through the university’s onsite vaccine clinics this spring.

Marshall is not requiring vaccinations at this time, although the evolving coronavirus and its variants could dictate the requirement in the coming months. University students who are not vaccinated will be required to complete saliva surveillance testing on a regular basis this fall. Additionally, they will be subject to quarantine if they get the virus or are exposed to someone who has COVID-19.

Marshall’s public awareness campaign, #thunderingherdimmunity, includes delivering vaccination messages through myMU—Marshall’s intranet, social media, direct e-mail messages and printed materials.

For more information about the university’s response to COVID-19, visit www.marshall.edu/coronavirus.
Parthe-Pet

If you aren’t a fan of cats, you definitely would not want to run into Cookie. This impatient tortoise-shell cat loves to bite and roll her eyes at anything with joy or affection. She will bite and scratch, but if you rub under her chin or let her eat your pork-rinds, she might just let you go.

If you would like to feature your pet as the Parthe-Pet please email a picture and brief bio to parthenon@marshall.edu.

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Editor Recommendations: Podcasts

Let’s talk about myths, baby! Greek & Roman Mythology

I have been obsessed with mythologies for as long as I can remember, so naturally this was my favorite podcast that I love to listen to while I bike or walk around my neighborhood. They talk about different Greek and Roman gods or certain myths in each episode. I have no need for all this mythology knowledge, except for when it comes to Jeopardy clues.

Kida not kidding

This podcast was started by a couple of girls that I became friends with through social media over quarantine. They talk about everything career and fashion related in ways that are relatable to me as a college student and a woman.

Abby Hanlon
Campus Editor

Creative Pep Talk

Over the past year, I have been listening to this inspirational and motivating podcast with the fun illustrator and food-lover, Andy J. Pizza. Build a thriving creative practice if you are creative in any way—an illustrator, journalist, painter, author, singer, storyteller or whatever you call yourself. Not only does this podcast inspire me, but I also love listening to Andy’s thoughts and ideas that I can relate to as a creative.

Running from Cops

I usually listen to podcasts that upload weekly, but ‘Running from Cops’ was my first mini-series podcast and I loved it! This podcast is Dan Taberski’s audible deep dive on the longest running reality show—COPS. This was a personal experience to me because I was that kid who knew the entire theme song. If you watched the show or want to know the ugly parts of the production, this is the podcast for you.

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This is a fairly new series with only six episodes, but all are unique and pull you in from the start. I discovered this podcast from another podcast and was sucked in immediately. I did not listen in order, but started with The Man and The Mountain, an intriguing story about a man who refused to evacuate his home when Mt. St. Helens threatened to erupt.

Each episode revolves around a new person, family or instance of what makes somewhere, something or someone home. Each episode leaves you inspired, humbled and/or in awe.

Consider This from NPR

Admittedly, I do not keep up with national news as much as I should. However, this podcast is not only helps keep me semi-up-to-date, it gives fresh perspective on things you do not generally think about. It is also to the point and I can listen to it on a short commute.

Brittany Hively
Executive Editor

Call Her Daddy

I just started listening to this last week #DaddyGang and I am seriously obsessed. It is genuinely therapeutic to hear another twenty-something woman talk about real life things. I also feel like I am learning life lessons and brushing up on girl code. There is a reason this is one of the most popular pods right now, so check it out girls!

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