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TOURNAMENT TIME

Herd begins C-USA tournament against SMU today

BY JARROD CLAY

The Herd enters the 11th seeded Marshall Men’s basketball team into the C-USA tournament. The first round will be against the University of Southern Mississippi. The winner will move on to the second round to face the number 10 seed.

Tornadoes destroy two towns in Ky., W.Va.

By TRAVIS EASTER

Students came together Tuesday to show their commitment to marriage equality.

Marshall’s Lambda Society hosted its annual event to raise awareness and show support for same-sex marriage.

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Weather prediction proves difficult with recent storms

BY ZACHARY MORRIS THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University Student Association has petitioned the state to establish a weather center for the school, a move that could help improve the accuracy of weather forecasts. Currently, students must rely on the National Weather Service, which has a long history of accurate but not perfect predictions. While the school has a weather station on campus, it is not as reliable as the state’s official forecasts.

The petition is being submitted to the state’s Department of Commerce, which is responsible for establishing such centers.

“Marshall University is located in a region that is particularly prone to severe weather conditions, and students rely on accurate forecasts to plan their activities, stay safe, and make informed decisions,” said the petition. “A weather center at Marshall would provide students with more accurate and timely forecasts, improving their quality of life and safety.”

The petition also argues that the establishment of a weather center at Marshall University would be consistent with the university’s efforts to enhance sustainability and environmental stewardship. A weather center would provide the university with valuable data and information, which could be used to improve the university’s policies and practices, and to support the university’s mission to be a leader in sustainability and environmental stewardship.

The petition concludes by urging the state to establish a weather center at Marshall University, and by expressing the hope that this will be a significant step towards improving the quality of life for students and the surrounding community.

“We believe that a weather center at Marshall University would be a significant step towards improving the quality of life for students and the surrounding community,” said the petition. “We urge the state to establish a weather center at Marshall University, and to support the university’s efforts to enhance sustainability and environmental stewardship.”

The petition is available for signature at the Marshall University Student Association website.

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SGA elections underway, Harrell runs unopposed

BY REBECCA STEPHENS THE PARTHENON

SGA elections are underway, with Harrell running unopposed. The SGA elections are being held today with Harrell’s campaign posters up in the Dejope Student Center.

“I’m running unopposed because I believe I have the best plan for Marshall,” said Harrell. “I have a clear vision for the SGA and I am confident that I can deliver on my promises.”

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Four wins in four days. It sounds simple enough. That is what the Marshall Thundering Herd basketball program needs to revive the over-reaching hopes of a NCAA Tournament bid, but Championship Week breathes new life into every team from the top to the bottom of conference standings. With the impending start of the USA Tournament on Wednesday, Championship Week has officially kicked off. Everyone is back to equal — with an automatic NCAA Tournament birth on the line. This is what you need to know about the Herds’ matchups, along with the other opening round games:

**MEN’S MATCHUPS:**

**7:30 p.m. (CSS)**

**Marshall**

**Tulsa**

Key Players: Mohammad Asghari, G, All-CUSA Second Team; Djeeny Sori, G, All-CUSA First Team

Bottom Line: The Herd has dominated Tulsa in recent years — with a 13-6 record since the 2007-08 season. But Tulsa is a tough road matchup for the Thundering Herd.

Parthenon prediction: Marshall- 78 Tulsa- 64

**3:30 p.m. (CSS)**

**Marshall**

**SMU**

Key Players: Ben Moore, F, All-CUSA First Team; Tanveer Gangwani, G, All-CUSA First Team

Bottom Line: The Madeira has been one of SMU’s worst team, but the Mustangs are coming off a strong showing against Southern Methodist.

Parthenon prediction: Marshall- 78 SMU- 64

**10 p.m. (CSS)**

**Marshall**

**Houston**

Key Players: Galen Robinson, G, All-CUSA Second Team; Jordan Davis, G, All-CUSA Third Team

Bottom Line: The Herd has never lost to Houston in its last three meetings. With a conference record of 18-12 (9-7), Houston is looking to prove its worth against the Herd.

Parthenon prediction: UAB- 85 Tulane- 71

**2:30 p.m. (WMUL 88.1 FM)**

**Marshall**

**Tulane**

Key Players: Jordan Davis, G, All-CUSA Second Team; Jordan Davis, G, All-CUSA Third Team

Bottom Line: Tulane has struggled against Tulane in recent years — with a 1-14 record since the 2007-08 season. But the Herd is looking to reverse that trend.

Parthenon prediction: Marshall- 78 SMU- 61

**WOMEN’S MATCHUPS**

**12 p.m.**

**East Carolina**

**Tulsa**

Key Players: Taleya Mayberry, G, All-CUSA First Team; Aisha Patrick, G, All-CUSA First Team

Bottom Line: The Owls and the Golden Eagles will be playing for a spot in the conference championship.

Parthenon prediction: Tulsa- 76 ECU- 66

**6 p.m.**

**UCF**

**Southern Mississippi**

Key Players: Jessica Kuster, F, All-CUSA Second Team; Cameron Moore, F, All-CUSA First Team

Bottom Line: The Knights have struggled against Southern Mississippi in recent years — with a 1-3 record since the 2007-08 season. But the春天 Eagles are looking to reverse that trend.

Parthenon prediction: UCF- 64 Southern Miss- 59

**8:30 p.m.**

**Houston**

**ECU**

Key Players: Roxana Button, G, All-CUSA First Team; Alana Hamilton, G, All-CUSA Second Team

Bottom Line: The Pirates are tied for seventh place in the conference. But Houston is looking to prove its worth against the Pirates.

Parthenon prediction: Rice- 68 ECU- 71

Note: All times are EST
Santorum, Romney do not serve interests of the working class

BY KATIE QUINONEZ

The Constitution of the United States guarantees the freedom of speech. It states that there is a right for people to “peaceably assemble; and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.”

Combating poverty is a vital part of any political candidate’s platform. It is a crucial issue in the upcoming elections, and citizens will be looking to candidates to provide solutions to the problem.

Romney, as a former Bain & Company executive, may not be the best candidate to lead a country in the fight against poverty.During his time as a private equity executive, he saw a lot of money. Unfortunately, he does not have a clue as to how to apply this knowledge to help the people who need it most.

As an Ohio resident, I hope that the candidates will not only think about their ideas for the economy in general, but also consider how they may affect the people in Ohio directly. The economic downturn and recession have hit Ohio hard, and the people of this state need leaders who will work to make their lives better.

Unfortunately, the candidates seem to be more focused on their own careers and personal success than on the needs of the people. They are not prioritizing the issues that matter to working-class families. Instead, they are focused on their own wealth and power, and how they can profit from this position.

It is important to remember that the economy is not just a collection of numbers and statistics. It is made up of real people, with real lives, and real struggles. The candidates need to understand this and work to address the issues that matter to the people.

Without a doubt, the economic downturn has made the fight against poverty more urgent than ever. The candidates need to step up and take action, or people will suffer.

Let’s elect leaders who are focused on the needs of the people, and who will work to create a better future for all Americans.
people are just glad to see comed by the community. Beckett said.
Butcher also said the community has been overjoyed with the donations of fuel jugs and generators, Abbott said that the donations of fuel jugs and generators have been the most valuable items. The donations have been the most valuable items. The donations have been "We will rebuild this town," Mother Nature left behind, and we said their emotions were shifting from heartbreak to resilience.

WEATHER

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Brandon Butcher said the nice weather is common following the storms systems Huntington experienced this weekend. It is often that following a strong storm system, we'll get an especially dominant area of high pressure that is able to clear out entire regions of the county. Butcher said. This is going to be one of those times as tornadoes should be spotted from Utah straight across to the Atlantic.

Weather forecasts have been gathered by the community, and though we've restored some of the power back on, the troops on the ground, the National Guard, the governor and the speaker of the house were on the ground right after the tornado struck. "There are still a lot of people, churches, Wayne County family resource network show support. Hair, need an estimated 700 gallons of fuel for just the generators. A lot of the people who have had their roofs totally removed, they are still looking at the sky and need their roofs covered. Our main goal is to keep people warm and dry." Brandon Butcher can be contacted at brandon105@marshall.edu.
Student security maintains safety in residence halls

BY ALLYSON WARNER
THE PARTHENON

Student security is an important process in maintaining the safety of students living in residence halls on campus. These students sit at the front desk in all nine of the halls around campus from 4 p.m. through midnight weekdays and from 8 a.m. through midnight weekends. Their job is to occupy the front desks and make sure no one enters the building that should not be there.

“One of the aspects is for students living in the halls to be safe, and for that to happen, their living environment must be safe,” said Katie Markel, psychology major and student security employee. She started working as a security personnel last semester and really enjoys it. She said she made her decision to work with them after she spoke with different people already working with student security and they seemed to enjoy what they did. Student security works personally with different residence hall advisors in the building, they are assigned. Resident advisors are eligible to work for student security, but not all of them do.

These students go through training before the start of each semester. At training, they receive a manual, go over policies and procedures of the different residence halls, learn how to handle student security personally and how to handle any particular situation. “The most challenging part for me is when you get someone who doesn’t feel like signing in or if we get someone who doesn’t want to obey the policies,” Markel said.

“We have a staff that gets how important their job is and takes it very seriously to ensure these students are safe in the residence halls,” Glover said. “They know the people who are in the buildings are supposed to be there and cannot cause any problems.”

Applications for student security are welcomed all year, but they said they normally have changes in the fall and again in the spring. Allyson Warner can be contacted at warner65@marshall.edu.

BY KATIA MARCUM
THE PARTHENON

Christian rock band, Newsboys, will bring their worldwide Tours on campus. This band said the focus of this tour is centered on evangelism and discipleship.

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‘God’s Not Dead’ tour

Christian rock band Newsboys, will bring their world- wide “God’s Not Dead” tour to the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center of Huntington, W.Va.

“Firstly, with ‘God’s Not Dead’ being out, it’s helped us tremendously,” Frankenstein said. “Because I think when you’re a band and you’re doing like 200 shows a year, it’s hard for us to follow up with discipleship and the things that go along with events where people are presented with the gospel. A lot of times, it’s just like, ‘we’re a band and we do our thing and we’re off to the next town.’ We don’t get to ever really see the impact the shows have on people in the communities we play in. I am Second makes a lot of sense because they have tours of training tools, curriculums and all kinds of things they can implement into each city.”

Frankenstein said Compassion International is a ministry close to his heart because he is a sponsor of multiple children through them. “It’s cool to see at the end of the night, like 200 kids get sponsored in foreign countries, and their lives will be changed forever,” Frankenstein said.

Frankenstein said above all things the band wanted to urge believers to stand boldly in their faith.

“We really hope people come away encouraged,” Frankenstein said. “‘The God’s Not Dead’ tour was made for the church — to encourage them. I think, with the tour, we would hope people come away renewed, refreshed and encouraged. I know there are definitely a percentage of people who come with questions and have not heard the Gospel so I think a lot of people come for the first time to hear that, and we communicate it through our tour.”