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Dinner to honor donors set for Friday

BY BRITTANEE BARTON
THE PARTHENON

Huntington became home to Matt James after he involved himself in student organizations his freshman year at Marshall University. He will have the opportunity to thank the donors who made his scholarship money possible Friday.

James, now a Marshall graduate and current student resource specialist, is the keynote speaker of the Dean’s Dinner Theatre.

“The overall message I would like to leave with the donors is that you’re donating your money to a good cause,” James said. “You’re helping students achieve their dreams here — they’re following their passions. Thank you for giving, and please continue to give because your money is at work.”

The Dean’s Dinner Theatre, organized by the Office of Academic Affairs and Marshall’s dean, aims to appreciate university donors for their time and funds donated to Marshall. The annual event will take place Friday.

Francis Hensley, associate vice president for academic affairs, said this event focuses on the appreciation of donors, not fundraising.

“Donors are invited to campus for a dinner, which is followed by a short program and ends with a play,” Hensley said. “The program following dinner has three parts. Present Gayle Osmint will thank the donors and inform them about opportunities that have become realities as a result of their donations. The keynote speaker will follow. Last, a video featuring three current students thanks the donors by recalling specific experiences made possible through donations.”

The guest list is assembled by each college. Each dean has a table made up of donors who have supported the college in some way, either by making monetary donations or involvement.

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Huntington Internal Medicine Group informs community about vaccines

BY MOLLY URIAN
THE PARTHENON

The Huntington Internal Medicine Group hosted an informational luncheon discussing the need for vaccinations and immunizations, the benefits and the different types of vaccines offered.

Community members, medical students and nurses gathered Monday to hear HIMG family practice physician, Dr. Eric Barringer, and certified family nurse practitioners, Rebecca Conaway speak about vaccines and immunizations.

Barringer and Conaway see patients in the HIMG Women’s Service Center.

Since the first vaccine, the smallpox vaccine, was introduced in 1798, more than 200 vaccines have been produced in the United States. The most recent vaccine is the chickenpox vaccine.

The smallpox vaccine, or the “smallpox pox,” was a mutation that required a large number of people to be vaccinated to prevent the spread of smallpox.

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People are required to receive five vaccines by the age of two. Vaccines include the mumps vaccine, which is required to receive the measles vaccine.

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Obama’s lucrative fundraising trips criticized by opposition party

BY KATHLEEN HENNESSY AND CHRISTIE PARISH
TRIBUNE WASHINGTON BUREAU

Barack Obama delivers remarks Friday at the Boeing 787 factory in Everett, Wash.

President Barack Obama spends the better part of the last weekend cabling offshore with the Hollywood and tech industry to raise money for his campaign and its super PAC.

But as his motorcade shuttles smoothly through the Tapestry of America — and growing — to the West Coast had shark bites.

The dollar limits on contributions to candidates, an individual can give $2,500 for the primary campaign, $5,000 for the general election, are small relative to the costs of a campaign.

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BY JOANIE BORDERS
THE PARTHENON

Senior Daniel Withrow and Tom Jackson have set their sights on a NCAA Tournament and will be using this spring to prepare for the fall season and conference play. “This spring season, I really expect us to work on things and improve for this fall,” Jackson said. “I expect us to make it to the NCAA tournament. A lot of the players are still here from last season. We’ve bonded together and have a lot of experience together.”

The Herd fall season concluded with a split in the conference tournament but did not make it to the NCAA Tournament. Coach Bob Gray said this team get off to a slow start this fall, but the resilience of the players led the team to an eight-game winning streak, finishing with the loss of several close matches.

“There are a lot of close games out there and you have to get on the up side of those games,” Gray said. “Our whole conference is tough, it is one of the toughest conferences in the country. We take each match one at the time and hope for the best.”

With fall focusing on conference matches, Withrow said this spring will be spent working hard and preparing for these games. “This season, we are going to be expecting more from us,” Withrow said. “We’ve been flying under the radar the last couple of years. It is time for us to step up and take control of this conference.”

Being exhibition matches, the spring season does not count towards the team’s record, giving them an opportunity to prepare for fall. “Spring semester is a fun step up for us,” Gray said. “We get a chance to look at a lot of players who normally would not play a lot.”

The Herd is also looking forward to taking full advantage of its new facilities scheduled to be ready by 2013. A $5.4 million facility is being built where Veteran’s Memorial Field House is currently located. As well as a field for the team, the facility will also have indoor practice facilities that will benefit all Marshall athletics.

“This season, we are looking forward to being competitive, for the group to just continue to bond, work hard on and off the field and prepare everything for the fall,” Gray said.

Reading Green, Northern Kentucky, Ohio Dominican, University of Charleston, James Madison and Davis and Elkins are also teams the Herd will face this season.

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Herd will hit the pitch for seven matches during spring

ANDI WILLIAMSON
Players of the week

Sophomore midfielder Michael Hayes receives a pass during the Herd’s final home game in the fall.

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TULSA FOR THE WIN. The Herd now moves on to its spring seasons, beginning March 3.
New anti-graffiti law is too harsh on individuals it takes aim

The West Virginia Senate passed a bill that severely in-
creases the punishment an individual can receive if found
guilty of defacing public property, last week. A person can
currently receive a fine of up to $1,000 and serve up to six
months in jail for the defacing of property. The new law
increases this penalty, as well as the city’s ordinances, in
response to graffiti on public property.

According to the bill, Senate Bill 409, Sen. Evan Jen-
kins (D-Cabell) and Sens. Bob Plymale (D-Wayne) and
Tommy Williams (D-Putnam) introduced the law. The
question of stricter enforcement on graffiti is not the issue
with this bill, rather the idea that this new law is too puni-
tive in its nature.

Individuals found guilty of a first offense can now — if
the property damage is less than $1,000 — receive up to
six months in jail and up to $1,000 in fines. On a second
offense, a guilty individual can pay up to $2,000 in fines
and serve up to six months in jail. For a third offense,
individually, if the property damage is more than $1,000
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timum fine of $10,000. This same punishment would also
apply to any individual committing more than $1,000 in
damage to public property, no matter how many previous
offenses.

Now, objectively, don’t these punishments seem a bi
more severe for an individual act of petty vandalism? Given
the reasons for the decision, this is a crucial issue that
responsibly be enforced in urban centers.

This law represents a new way to make up for reduc-
tions in urban centers by increasing the chance of indi-
viduals being caught and punished for committing the
graffiti offense.

State officials have said that since the invasion, Ameri-
cans have it better than any other generation.

From education and health-

COLUMNS

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In Iraq, occupation by another name

BY ADIL E. SHAMOO

The occupation. The economic, political, and in-
diploic footprint. The Post, informs us the
occupation. Evident remnants of ut-
ions tend to have these people incarcerated.

That means the continent of

south America. But North

america does not have

inadequate access to water.

The Big Thirst” suggests

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Because it does not cost the

We cannot want graffiti artists in the same jail as other
people for nonviolent, victimless crimes, we would think not.

According to the WRCU, if we

we will see in the

the one that has come before us. From education and health-
care to transportation and energy, we don’t have to be this way.
Even in West Virginia, a rural state with high rate of poverty, we
will still have access to clean drinking water, if nothing else.

The question is, however, if

we re\orama. As the world’s
resources continue to be
commodified, bundled,
stream-lined, and sold to
the highest bidder, it is
our job to make sure that
the United States will not be
the hardest or first, but
that cannot last forever. As
industry uses more of our
water to power our way of
life –– think agricultural
(vegetables, fruits, cattle
and livestock) –– water is
taken from us.

We will not, going

forward, have water that
has all three of those
qualities at the same time:
unpolluted, inexpensively
and safe... our flat-screen TV
has a little hidden water spigot
running to it,” Fishman said.

“We use 16 billion gallons of
water an hour, every hour of
every day just to power our
computers. The same amount
of water that we are using to
wash our machines and our
washing machines at home.

What is the solution?

In the past, unfortunately, we
are fresh out of easy an-
swers. As the world’s
resources begin to run
short, the continent of United
States is still running out of
water. In the future, we

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Water scarcity is an issue on the horizon

BY MICHAEL BLATTER

The world is a water scarce-
ness region. Like we are facing a water short-
ages. We are seeing a shortage
of water in large parts of the
world and not just because of
developing countries like India,
China and Brazil. The spec-
iality of the globe. The
World Water Day is an impor-
tant day to work on water
issues. The trend of water
scarcity is predicted to be
serious for the next 30 years
and is expected to worsen
due to climate change.

Water scarcity affects
most of the country. Some
areas in the world are ex-
periencing a severe water
crisis. In South Africa, water
crisis is expected to last for
another 20 years due to cli-
nate change. In India, water
scarcity is expected to be
severe for the next 50 years.

Water scarcity affects
different parts of the world.

The typical American uses
420 gallons of water a day.

According to the WRCU, it
is not even enough for the
average person to perform
daily activities like washing
hands and brushing teeth.

Fishman said. “But that
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BY STEPHANIE EHRLER

The University of Arkansas associate professor of journalism, Keely Dye, a University of Arkansas associate professor of journalism, said, “I definitely think other students took advantages of being able to go out and drink, legally,” and said Dye. “A decade ago most shark attacks occurred in the southern part of the country, between the years of 1978 and 1980. These large predators are highly abundant in the United States, and research is needed before clear conclusions can be drawn.

“Out of 500 shark attacks on humans, only 170 were fatal,” said Marshall donor Keyaira McCauley. “The risk of being bitten by a shark is very low. However, it is important to take precautions and stay safe in the water.”

“Students need to take responsibility for their own safety and make informed decisions,” said University of Missouri associate professor of journalism, Molly Urian. “It’s important to be aware of the potential risks and take necessary precautions to stay safe.”

“Some students already find normal college life in cities to be very enjoyable and interesting,” said Marshall donor Brittany Barton. “Not only do they have a lot of opportunities to explore, but they also get to experience different cultures and perspectives away from home.”

“Cities are becoming more diverse and accepting of different lifestyles,” said keyaira McCauley. “It is easier for students to find what they enjoy and make new connections.”

“Diversity is a valuable asset to any city,” said University of Missouri associate professor of journalism, Molly Urian. “Students should take advantage of the opportunities to learn about different cultures and perspectives.”

“By practicing cultural sensitivity and respect, students can contribute positively to the community,” said Marshall donor Brittany Barton. “It is important to be open-minded and respectful towards others.”

“Overall, studying abroad is an enriching experience that can benefit students in many ways,” said University of Missouri associate professor of journalism, Molly Urian. “It is important to take advantage of the opportunities and make the most of the experience.”
Students have the opportunity to see the fears brought on by the possibility of a mental illness in the Pulitzer Prize-winning drama “Proof.”

“Proof” is a drama about a young woman struggling with the fact that she may have inherited her father’s genius, as well as his mental illness. The play is presented by the Marshall University Theatre Alliance at 8 p.m. Feb. 15-18 and Feb. 23-25 at the at the Francis-Booth Experimental Theatre in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse.

According to College of Fine Arts website, “Proof” is about a young woman named Catherine who sacrificed her education in order to care for her aging father, a brilliant but unstable mathematician. The arrival of an unexpected visitor forces her to confront the troubling question: How much of her father’s madness, or genius, will she inherit?

Adrienne Goodwin, who plays Catherine, said preparing for the role did not take as long as learning the lines did.

“My personality in real life is sometimes very similar to the way Catherine is,” Goodwin said. “So preparing for that part emotionally and mentally really only took a couple of weeks. It was learning all the lines that took a little longer, that took most of the rehearsal period.”

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This space offers a very intimate relationship between audience and the performers,” Colclough said.

Goodwin said it is exciting being on stage but also a little nerve-wracking.

“I’ve never worked in a space where the audience was this close to you,” Goodwin said. “So I think that’s the part that makes me the most nervous because people are literally feet away from you.”

Goodwin said she was nervous towards the beginning of the performances.

“Proof” is a Pulitzer Prize-winning drama at Marshall.

BY KEVAIRA McCALLEY
THE PARTHENON

TOP: Adrienne Goodwin (left) and Shelby Brewster (right) play roles in “Proof,” a Pulitzer Prize-winning drama depicted by the Marshall University Theatre Alliance.

BOTTOM: The performances were presented at the Francis-Booth Experimental Theatre in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse from Feb. 15-18. The performances will resume at 8 p.m. Feb. 23.