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The Huntington Classic Regatta draws large crowd to riverfront over the weekend

Revitalizing the Classic Regatta

Time to rebuild
Fire at historic downtown Morris Building displaces residents and beloved Huntington restaurants

By LEXI BROWNING

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A fire broke out early Sunday morning—ruining hopes in Huntington’s own backyard. Flames and smoke engulfed the historic Morris Building on the intersection of Fourth Avenue and North Street, causing tenants in apartments above Backyard Pizza and Raw Bar and The Peddler on the ground floor to flee from their residences.

At approximately 8:44 a.m., a Backyard Pizza and Raw Bar employee reported an explosion similar to that of a transformer blast and alerted residents in the apartments on the upper floors. All tenants exited the building safely.

The fire was contained to the roofing and elevators of the Morris Building. The Morris Building, constructed in 1919 as a hotel, has housed several businesses, including Foard-Harter & Co. at the intersection of Fourth Avenue and Ninth Street, causing the building safely.

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“Seventy-five percent of every penny we sell—comic books, buttons, patches—go straight to the charity. The remaining 25 percent goes back into getting merchandise, so we can make more money for the charity. We don’t use the money for any of our personal stuff; we just aim to make sure our charities are taken care of.”

The festival also featured dog races, a dog parade, wrestling matches, car shows, hot dog eating contest, a root beer chugging contest, a hot dog race and a charity walk. Throughout the day, attendees were treated to live music by Kayla Delfort & Riverside, Chain Reaction, Stephen Sedem, Butterfly Effect and City Rain.

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With the exception of the hamburger, and possibly apple pie, there is nothing more American than the hot dog. It is emblematic of our culture. You can find hot dog vendors on every street corner in Manhattan and every ballpark in the country. If there is one food that is very easy to find in Huntington, it is the hot dog.

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Aside from the hot dog vendors, there were several booths set up to represent charitable organizations to the community that has supported the event. We called it the West Virginia Hot Dog Festival because I didn’t want to be a Stewart’s event; I wanted other organizations they represent.

“We have a great relationship with John Mandt and the other vendors here. We are part of the same community and we come together every year for the same cause. We’re here for the kids and to give back to the community. We’re real happy to be here.”

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Local band opens for Old Crow Medicine Show

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From gypsy rock to ska-like beats, local band Qiet brought the crowd to their feet.

Old Crow Medicine Show headlined during the Clay Center Presents: A Summer Night of Bands Saturday, July 26, with their country-esque sound. Other acts such as Randolph and the Family Band smoothed things out with jazz on stage.

Opening the show was none other than Huntington locals, Qiet. Do not be fooled by the name, Qiet is anything but, featuring a touring drummer and a guest vocalist for Summer Jam, with their usual four-piece ensemble.

As the band took the stage, Chris Vincent, lead singer, stepped up to the mic and said “Sorry, I had to change my shoes.” From start to finish, the show was Qiet’s own sort of awkward that creates a unique environment. People from the stands began filing down in front of the stage, dancing and forming a crowd.

Qiet’s sound is unpredictable, as their set list produces song after song with diverse genres. Indeed that was heard, and several people took part in a3 individual “to each his own” dance.

Crowd dancer Mark Boggess of Campbell’s Creek said “I was up for new music.”

All in all, the band threw its all at the show. Vincent even danced the tango with his guitar, and the crowd loved it. Simply, only the best could be expected from Qiet next.
Is West Virginia ready for same-sex marriage this year?

In the United States, it’s not likely a “right to be forgotten” policy would curtail the Internet. Barter Web firms from disseminating accurate mate-
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But a few months ago, the Virginia Supreme Court case would re-
sult in the invalidation of the same-sex marriage ban.

The Circuit Court made its decision Monday with a 2-1 vote determining that Virginia’s ban on same-sex marriage was unconstitutional.

The ruling was yet another step forward for same-sex mar-
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**Herd Baseball minor league update**

**By Brinston Crisp**

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Rising redshirt junior running back Kevin Grooms was dismissed due to a violation of team rules during the second half of their game against Conference USA foe Southern Mississippi Saturday, November 30, 2013, and charged with domestic battery. His November arrest resulted in an indefinite suspension for the remainder of the season. Grooms, 22, was dismissed due to a violation of team rules and policies, according to a statement released by Marshall Athletics Saturday.

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