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- YOUTUBER CONNOR FRANTA

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AN EVENING OF JAZZ

By KAITLYN CLAY
THE PARTHENON

Jazz Combos II, III and IV performed two songs each Tuesday at the Marshall University Jomie Jazz Center Forum.

The night started with Combo IV consisting of Ryan Morgan, Jarren Jackson, Keith Burgess, Beau Cayton, Michael Wilcoxen, Austin Morgan, Alec Steiding and Jonathan Goff.

This combo was the only group to feature a violinist.

The combo performed “Gardens of Babylon” by Jean Luc Ponty and

“Star Eyes” by Gene de Paul and Don Raye.

Combo III consisted of William Weikle, Lars Swanson, Jackson, Aaron Jarvis, John Seals, Tim Smith and Burgess.

This combo performed “Humpty Dumpty” by Chick Corea and “A Child is Born” by Thad Johnson.

The night ended with Combo II of Stephen Dorsey, Andrea Withee, Swanson, Burgess, Caleb Hardy and Brody Potter.

This combo performed “Cornbread” by Lee Morgan and “Sunny Side of the Street” by Stitt,

Rollins, and Gillespie.

Withee said their group was really trying to push themselves with their music.

“We are trying to play our set all by ear, meaning we aren’t using sheet music,” Withee said. “We wanted to push ourselves and see if we could do it, and we did.”

The jazz combos are planning their schedule for next year and have plans to have a jazz performance every Wednesday for their audiences.

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BOOKING IT TO THE END



Marshall University’s Women’s Studies program sells used books Tuesday in the Memorial Student Center. Sales benefit the program and will continue through Friday.

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Huntington prepares for Earth Day celebration

By LEXI BROWNING
THE PARTHENON

The City of Huntington is gearing up in for its Earth Day celebration at noon Wednesday on 14th Street West.

The event will include tree planting with Huntington Mayor Steve Williams, recycling tips, live music and children’s activities.

The Earth Day celebration will also incorporate a stroll along the Paul Ambrose Trail for Health and end with various performances and rain garden demonstrations.

Breanna Shell, city planner, said the event stemmed from the Community and Economic Development Committee’s desire to interact with residents.

“Our committee [wanted] to engage local schools, child care centers, families and all in a fun educational event in the heart of West Huntington on 14th Street West, as well as showcase the improvements that are happening on that street and in the area,” Shell said.

Shell, who is also a resident of Huntington, said youth involvement in the Earth Day celebration will provide educational benefits for attendees and supply children with opportunities to plant trees and flowers in their community.

The event will feature Huntington Police Chief Joe Ciccarelli as a storyteller to conclude the children’s activities portion of the event.

Ciccarelli said his involvement with Earth Day can instill a vital sense of trust with the city’s younger residents.

“The opportunity to interact with kids is important,” Ciccarelli said. “I think it’s important for them to, at an early age, see police officers as part of the community and not someone to be feared.”

Ciccarelli also handpicked a variety of children’s books for his session including “The Giving Tree,” “Ants in Your Pants” and “The Lorax.”

The Earth Day celebration will end at 6 p.m. following the Musical Arts Guild concert.

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Psychology experts provides tips for minimizing stress as finals approach

By **KARIMA NEGHMOUCHE**
THE PARTHENON

This is the time of year when Marshall University students are studying for finals, completing projects, scheduling for classes and preparing to graduate.

Professor and Chair of the psychology department Marianna Footo Linz shared advice on de-stressing during finals.

“The best way to relax is to pace yourself,” Linz said. “Be sure you know what you need to do, and plan a schedule that will allow you time to prepare for finals while still taking care of yourself. Avoid a lot of unnecessary stressors—if you need that extra credit assignment, do it, but make sure it is worth the stress it will create.”

Licensed psychologist Kelly Daniel agreed with Linz’s advice to students.

“Of course the best way to be relaxed during finals week is to do the work along the way, not just cramming it all in for finals. Cramming is very stressful,” Daniel said.

“Spend some time alone every day, away from the stress that friends may have during finals week, because stress can be contagious.”

The psychologists agree in order to fully

relieve stress during hard times, eating healthy is a must.

“Make sure you are eating as healthy as you can,” Linz said. “It will keep your energy up and help you avoid those energy crashes that come from either too little food or too much sugar.”

Daniel said students will most likely study better because his or her body will feel better if they eat healthy.

“I realize it’s common and easy when stressed to reach for a bag of chips,” Daniel said. “But fruits like oranges and berries and nuts can be healthy and help in relaxation, your brain can feel foggy with too much grease and carbs.”

Linz said caffeine is not bad for a little boost of energy, but too much caffeine can actually work against the body.

“A little caffeine can keep you energized, but too much can actually interfere with your concentration and make you too fidgety to study well,” Linz said.

Linz said staying active will also help relieve stress.

“Make sure you find time to be physically active,” Linz said. “Exercise stimulates the parts of your brain that are active in remembering and it helps your mood. When you’re stressed over

finals, find a relaxing activity. Do yoga. Practice mindful relaxation. Do a little binge watching on Netflix, just don’t let it get out of control to where it eats your study time.”

Marshall student Luke Cooley said he always makes time for physical activity when he is stressed out.

“Even if it’s just for a half-hour, I make time to go to the gym,” Cooley said. “Being able to focus fully on something like exercise gives me a break from school, and when I’m finished working out I feel energized and ready to study...well, as ready as I’m going to be.”

Linz also gave tips on studying for finals and taking exams.

“Remind yourself how much you have prepared for your exams, and stay focused on your goals and relax when you are taking your exams,” Linz said.

Linz said she thinks a great strategy when taking an exam is to look through the exam and answer the questions you confidently know first, and then save the more difficult questions for later.

“That will help you avoid that ruminating trap where you hit a question you don’t know the answer to, and the stress over that one question

spreads to the whole test,” Linz said. “Pretty soon your mind is running away with you and convincing you that you don’t really know anything, and you will soon be flunking out of college and living on the streets. Keep control of your thoughts and focus on what you know rather than what you don’t know.”

Rewarding yourself after the exam is over is another thing Daniel and Linz agreed was important.

“Reward yourself with a movie with friends after you study for the O-chem test,” Linz said.

Linz said just letting go of the exam after you take it is important.

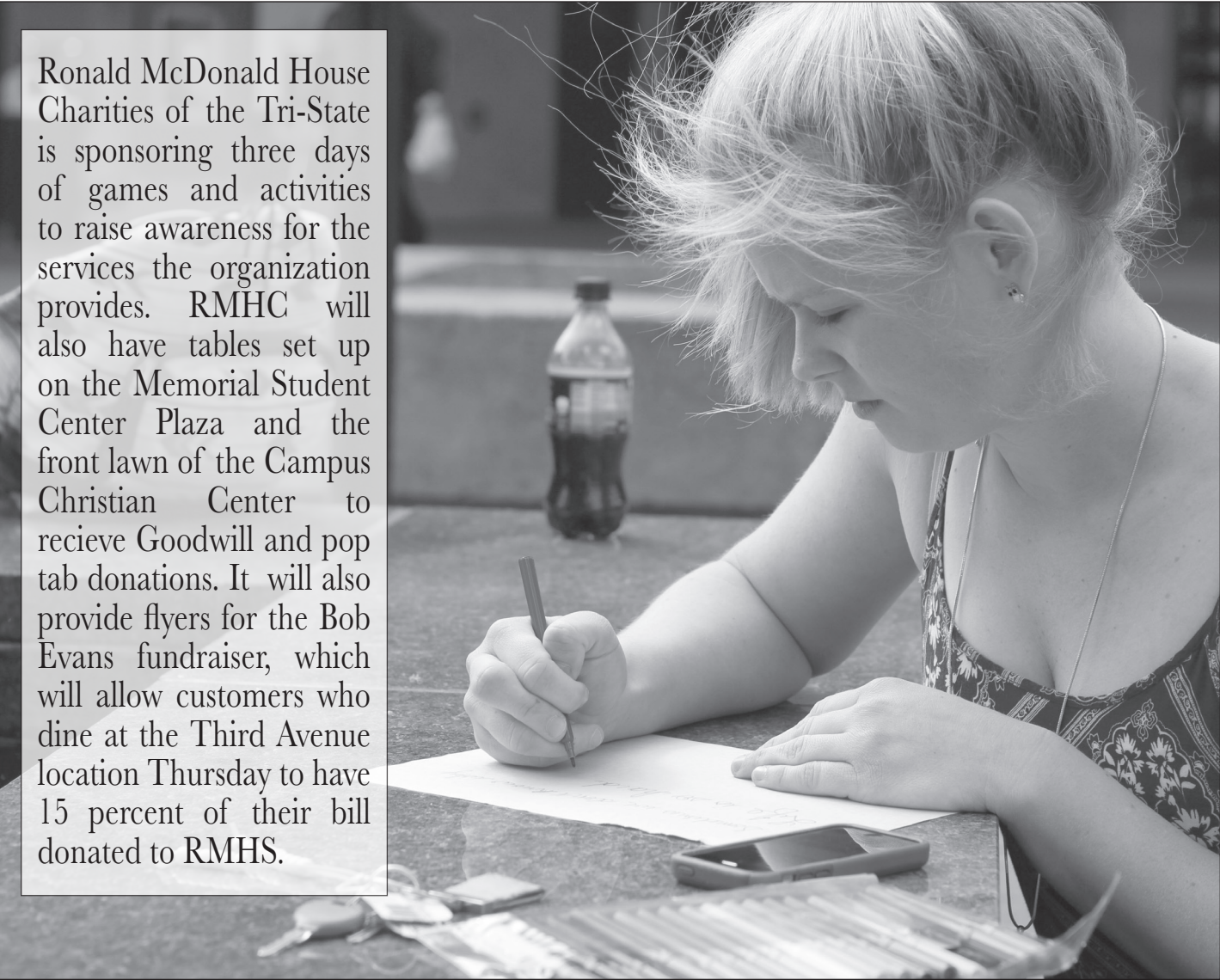
“Once the test is over, to quote Frozen, ‘let it go,’” Linz said. “Focus on what’s next. If talking with your friends relieves your stress, do it. If certain friends stress you out by rehashing a test question after question, change the subject and focus on something light.”

Linz said it is also important to get help from instructors if they need it.

“Remember, it is our job to help you,” Linz said. “You are not being a bother, it is why we are here.”

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AWARENESS WEEK



Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Tri-State is sponsoring three days of games and activities to raise awareness for the services the organization provides. RMHC will also have tables set up on the Memorial Student Center Plaza and the front lawn of the Campus Christian Center to receive Goodwill and pop tab donations. It will also provide flyers for the Bob Evans fundraiser, which will allow customers who dine at the Third Avenue location Thursday to have 15 percent of their bill donated to RMHS.

ABOVE: Britta Aguirre, senior communications studies major, creates a card Tuesday to send to the Ronald McDonald House. LEFT: Drew Navy, communications studies grad student, plays ring toss with 2-liter soda bottles on the Memorial Student Center Plaza Tuesday to raise awareness for Ronald McDonald House.



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MU Physical Plant provides campus wide recycling opportunities

By **WILLIAM IZZO**
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University’s Physical Plant gives students the opportunity to recycle, even when it is not Earth Day.

With bins located in practically every building on campus, the plant has made it easier to turn students’ refuse into something reusable.

The campus recycling bins currently take cardboard, mixed paper, aluminum and tin cans and plastic bottles.

Out of the seven common types of plastic, the physical plant currently recycles plastic type one or polyethylene terephthalate.

The plant accepts mixed paper, which contains magazines, office papers, shredded paper, colored paper and junk mail.

The physical plant also helps people recycle batteries, old phones and ink cartridges. The companies producing printer ink reuse ink cartridges, while some old cell phones are refurbished and typically sold in other countries for cheaper prices.

Municipal Solid Waste workers around the nation collected 87 million tons of waste in 2012 alone.

This waste was composted and recycled and helped reduce the amount of waste in landfills from approximately 145.3 million tons in the year 1990, to 135 million tons in 2012.

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MU Indian Student Association to celebrate heritage with Holi Festival

By **JARED CASTO**
THE PARTHENON

The Indian Student Association will present Marshall University’s first Holi festival 7 p.m., May 15 on the MU INTO lawn between Prichard Hall and Gullickson Hall.

The festival is a collaboration between Marshall INTO, Student Government Association, Housing and Residence Life and Coca-Cola.

Holi, also known as the festival of colors and the festival of love, is traditionally a two-day ceremony based on two ancient Hindu legends.

The first legend concerns King Hiran-yakashipu and his sister Holika.

The name “Holi” derives from Holika, and this myth is the basis of the festival of colors.

“After Holika has burned up, the ashes were remaining,” said Vinay Kumar Raj,

vice president of the Indian Student Association. “So people came to the spot and they took the ashes and spread them over their faces and body. In history, the ashes have changed into different colors. This is how the Holi festival of colors originated.”

The second revolves around the love between Krishna and Radha, providing the backdrop for the festival of love.

The modern celebration of Holi focuses on the celebratory aspects, often painting oneself and others with colors, and dancing with friends and family.

Holi was established as a Hindu holiday, but the biggest Holi festival takes place in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Holi commemorates the arrival of spring and the happiness that comes along with the season.

The colors involved in the celebration

are made of natural materials such as flowers and seeds.

Unity is also an important aspect of the celebration, which is a time when family and friends come together.

“We play colors as a symbol of unity,” said Jagan Pagala, public relations officer for the Indian Student Association. “All the people get together at one point and celebrate with joy.”

The goal of the Indian Student Association is to have as many Marshall students as possible attend the festival to have fun and learn about a culture they may be unfamiliar with.

“We want everyone on the campus to come and enjoy and see something new that has never happened at the university,” Pagala said.

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SPORTS

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The search is on

Marshall University football seeks a starting quarterback for the first time in four years.



Gunner Holcombe takes the field with the Herd as it faces Ohio University Sept. 13, 2014 at Joan C. Edwards Stadium.

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By **MALCOLM WALTON**
THE PARTHENON

With the loss of the school's all-time leading passer Rakeem Cato, Marshall University's football team is in search of a starting quarterback for the first time in four years.

The Herd has four quarterbacks on its spring roster— juniors Gunnar Holcombe and Michael Birdsong, and freshmen Cole Garvin and Chase Litton.

The team has yet to announce its starter for the regular season.

Holcombe, the only quarterback to have taken the field for the Herd, said he thinks his experience gives him a slight edge.

"I've been here longer than everyone else and have had some time in the offense," Holcombe said. "But we all have the skill set. If anything, my edge is my experience in the offense and knowing what the coaches expect. But everyone has the intangibles and the physical tools to be the guy."

While Birdsong has not taken a snap for the Herd, he started the entire 2013 season for James Madison University before he transferred to Marshall.

"The thing I have going for me is that I've played college football," Birdsong said. "I had a team that I've lead through a season before. That's the biggest asset that I'm going to focus on and try to use to my advantage."

During his time with the Dukes, Birdsong said he learned what it took to be a leader.

"I don't really get down too much," Birdsong said. "I'm always kind of upbeat. I'm always 'Shake it off and let's just go.' I'm not going to yell at my guys or get on their case. Everyone makes mistakes. I'm going to try to pick them up and get them going. That's what I feel like being a leader is about. It's not about getting down on them all the time. Of course, you have to get on them at certain times, but it's not all about that. You got to pick them back up and tell them what they did wrong."

Holcombe said he picked up valuable leadership qualities by watching and studying Cato.

"He showed me how to read players and how to coach them up," Holcombe said. "He taught me to go communicate with them so you're on the same page. That's what he was big on, communicating with them. They always knew what he thought. He didn't hold back."

Holcombe and Birdsong said their goal is to be the best quarterback they can be while not worrying about the challenge of replacing Cato.

"If you try to go out and replace and be him then you're going to mess up because everyone's different," Holcombe said. "Like coach said, he's not looking for the next Rakeem Cato, he's looking for the next guy who's going to come out, lead the team and do what he wants us to do consistently."

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Herd ready to run at Penn Relays

By **KASEY MADDEN**
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's track and field team is preparing for the Penn Relays starting Thursday.

According to the Penn Relays' website, more athletes compete at the Penn Relays than at the Olympic games.

They estimate 22,000 participants from around 60 countries will participate.

Assistant coach Don Yentes said among the competition he thinks the Herd is ready to run.

"It's just a great atmosphere," Yentes said. "Sometimes it's a difficult place to run fast because of how much standing around you have to do after you warm up, but it is a great opportunity for our girls to do some good things."

Junior Asia Bange is competing at the Penn Relays for the first time, and despite the size of the meet she said she is not intimidated.

"I'm not one that's frightened by people or by who's watching," Bange said. "I just get out there and compete."

Bange said she hopes to run a personal best this weekend.

"I haven't been able to run my personal best since last year, so I'm just really excited about that, just to be going to Penn with all of the competition," Bange said.

Last year at the Penn Relays the Herd's senior Jasia Richardson led the team by placing third in the triple jump.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Kametra Byrd, Shanice Johnson, Elaine Derricott and Kearra Haynes placed 18th.

The team is headed to Penn after competing in the James Madison University Invitational and the Virginia Challenge last weekend.

Sophomore sprinter Isatu Fofanah broke two school records at the Virginia Challenge. Fofanah ran the 100-meter sprint in 11.57 seconds topping her own record and ran the 200-meter in 23.80 seconds, a record previously held by Vanessa Jules who finished in the top-six of the NCAA nationals in 2013.

Coach Yentes said as long as Fofanah continues to work hard she will improve in future meets.

Junior sprinter Shyra Molton said she did not perform well last weekend at the JMU Invitational, placing fifth in the 400-meter dash with a time of 58.58 seconds.

Molton said she is not sure if she will be competing at Penn due to a recent injury.

"If I do go, my goal is for us to score top-four or top-five at the Penn Relays for the 4x400," Molton said.

The Herd has one more regular season meet after the Penn Relays and then the team is off to the Conference USA Championships in El Paso, Texas.

"I think that a lot of the girls have had a great season," Molton said. "We've improved so much since the new indoor facility."

The Herd begins the three-day competition is at Franklin Field at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

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-ASIA BANGE



Loren Dyer takes the hurdles at the Hilltopper Relays April 11 at Western Kentucky University.

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EDITORIAL

Skepticism about film's 'year of women'

National Association of Theatre Owners President and CEO John Fithian declared 2015 as a progressive year for women in the film industry Tuesday at CinemaCon.

"2015 will rock at the box office because it will be the year of women," Fithian said to exhibitors at the conference.

Fithian's claim is unusual in an industry in which a projected \$11 billion domestic box office is predictably going to be based on sales for major male-oriented (starring, directed and targeted) blockbusters "Avengers: Age of Ultron" and "Star Wars: The Force Awakens."

However, Fithian based

his prediction on recent successes. Films including "Insurgent," "Fifty Shades of Grey" and "Cinderella" all feature women in leading roles, contrasting the 12 percent of total films featuring women as leads in 2014.

"We have so much more to come with big female roles in horror, comedy, science-fiction, animation, family, western, thriller and action," Fithian said. "Personally, I am so pleased that my daughter can see more women in leading roles than ever before."

This is a great statement and an even more exciting prediction, as the film industry is arguably one of the worst in terms of equality.

But Fithian only

acknowledges changes in representation within acting roles.

Realistically, while minor changes in the visible product of a final film and its stars suggest change, representation within production, direction and cinematography roles has not changed.

According to the Center for the Study of Women in Television and Film's 2014 report of women behind the scenes on the year's 250 top films, women made up only 17 percent of directors, writers, producers, executive producers, editors and cinematographers.

For perspective of the direction the industry is moving, the same percentage of women made up such roles in

1998. And the fact that only 7 percent of 2014 films were directed by women means 93 percent were not directed by women.

Minuscule steps are being taken daily in the industry to fight such inequality: the recent box office hits with women in leading roles, Meryl Streep's recent announcement that she will fund a lab for women screenwriters over 40 and Fithian's half-hearted declaration.

But until the internal structure of the studio system provides equal representation and causes corresponding equality in the filmmaking process, no significant changes can be made.

Make it happen Hollywood.



This photo provided by Disney/Marvel shows, Scarlett Johansson as Black Widow/Natasha Romanoff, in the film, "Avengers: Age Of Ultron." The movie releases in the U.S. on May 1.

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SUBMISSION

Hydration, exercise should top your daily priority list

By MICHAEL RICHARDSON
MU SAND

As busy people on the go, we sometimes forget how important it is to stay hydrated.

Recommendations for fluid intake for average adults are 9, 8oz glasses per day for women, and 13, 8oz glasses for men. If you're physically active, the recommendations increase due to additional fluid lost through respiration and sweat. If you are exercising in hot or humid weather, your requirements can double and even triple.

Depending on when and how long your workout lasts, your fluid needs will vary. After any workout, it is crucial to replenish what you've lost. Some athletes may benefit from sports drinks, but for most of us water is the best choice to hydrate our bodies. Water, zero calories, is best before, during and after intense workouts lasting less than an hour and for low to moderate activity of any length. If you don't like the taste of plain water and don't need the added sugar calories found in sports drinks, try flavoring your water with

slices of low calorie fruits; fresh orange, lemon or strawberries.

When exercising outdoors, be sure to plan ahead. Bring a water bottle with you or make sure water fountains are close by. Remember to drink a couple sips every 10-15 minutes. Staying hydrated will increase your performance and endurance.

Hydration tips:

- Always carry a water bottle with you.
- Drink 1-2 cups of water an hour before exercising and keep sipping during your workout.
- Replace fluid loss after exercise by drinking water. Or try a smoothie with frozen fruit to increase your fluid, vitamin, and mineral consumption.
- Consume fruits and vegetables throughout the day; they are full of water and nutrients.

Keep in mind if you feel thirsty, you are already dehydrated. Drink water and other fluids throughout the day to keep you feeling energized and hydrated. Stay hydrated to stay active!

GO WITH THE FLOW

nutrition inside

WATER THE FACTS?

How much water is enough? This is a straight forward question without a simple answer. Water makes up about 60% of your body weight and is crucial for bodily functions. Water is required for the regulation of body temperature, carrying of nutrients and oxygen to cells, protection of body organs and tissues, and flushing of toxins out of the body. The Institute of Medicine recommends about 13 cups of fluid a day for men and about 9 cups for women. However, under certain conditions our bodies may need extra fluids.

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Needs Exercise 1.5 - 2.5 cups extra for moderate exercise

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Hungary says FBI chief insensitive, superficial on Holocaust



This is a Wednesday, March 25 file photo of FBI director James Comey as he gestures during a news conference at FBI headquarters in Washington. FBI director Comey has caused huge offense to a U.S. ally: using language to suggest that Poles were accomplices in the Holocaust. Poles were waiting Monday to see if FBI director James Comey apologizes, something Polish Foreign Minister Grzegorz Schetyna said he expected so the matter can be settled.

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By **PABLO GORONDI**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hungary has joined Poland in denouncing remarks by FBI director James Comey which seemed to equate Poland's and Hungary's roles in the Holocaust with that of Germany.

Hungary's Foreign Ministry said Tuesday that Comey's remarks delivered last week at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum and then published in The Washington Post were defamatory of Hungarians. The ministry said it has sent a written complaint to the U.S. Embassy in Budapest.

"The words of the FBI director bear witness to astounding insensitivity and impermissible superficiality," the ministry said in a statement. "We do not accept from anyone the formulation of such a generalization and defamation."

Comey, arguing for the importance of Holocaust education, said: "In their minds, the murderers and accomplices of Germany, and Poland, and Hungary ... didn't do something evil."

"They convinced themselves it was the right thing to do," Comey said in the speech which was also posted without any clarification on the FBI's website. "That should truly frighten us."

Comey's comments were particularly offensive to Poles, who pointed out that Poland was under brutal German occupation during the entire war and actively opposed it. Hungary first sided with Hitler against Russia but later tried to negotiate a peace deal with the Allies and was then invaded by Germany. Many officials there willingly carried out Nazi orders to deport Jews.

Poland's Prime Minister Ewa Kopacz said Sunday that Comey's words were "unacceptable," and that "Poland was not a perpetrator but a victim of World War II."

In all, 6 million Polish citizens were killed during the war, about half of them Jewish and the other half Christians.

On Tuesday, the directors of several Polish war-time museums wrote to Comey to say they were "deeply concerned" by his words and to invite him to Poland for a "study visit" that could help him understand the complex history of Europe under Nazi German occupation from 1939-45.

"Poles, and especially Polish citizens of Jewish origin, suffered immensely" during the war, in which Poland was the first country to fight German Nazi leader Adolf Hitler and where entire families were exterminated if caught hiding Jews, said the letter signed by Auschwitz-Birkenau Museum director Piotr M.A.

Cywinski and five others.

The FBI has not issued any public response to the complaints.

In an interview with Tennessee's WATE-TV on Tuesday, Comey was asked if had an apology for his remarks regarding Poland's involvement in the Holocaust.

"I don't. Except I didn't say Poland was responsible for the Holocaust. In a way I wish very much that I hadn't mentioned any countries because it's distracted some folks from my point," he said. "I worry a little bit in some countries that point has gotten lost. There is no doubt that people in Poland heroically resisted the Nazis, and some people heroically protected the Jews, but there's also no doubt that in every country occupied by the Nazis, there were people collaborating with the Nazis."

Also Tuesday, Poland's former president and Nobel Peace Prize laureate Lech Walesa praised the country's protest and even blamed the Holocaust on the U.S.

"If anybody is to blame, then it's more the United States than Poland," Walesa said on TVN24.

Had they listened to Poland's information, brought by war-time couriers to Allied leaders, they would have joined in sooner to stop Hitler, he said.

In the U.S., Frank Spula, head of the Polish American Congress representing at least 10 million Americans of Polish descent, said he would expect Comey to resign, arguing that a high-ranking official should face the consequences of such a statement.

Hungary's role in the Holocaust, when some 550,000 Hungarian Jews were killed, was taboo under communism until 1990, but is now subject of intense debate.

Commemorations last year of the 70th anniversary of German-ordered mass deportations to death camps like Auschwitz-Birkenau, where one third of the victims were Hungarian Jews, were marred by the unveiling of a monument marking Germany's March 1944 invasion of Hungary.

The monument is dedicated to "the victims of the German occupation," and critics say it is the government's effort to downplay the role of Hungarian officials in helping carry out the deportations.

Still, Prime Minister Viktor Orban said in February that many Hungarians had chosen "evil over good, the shameful over the honorable" during the Holocaust, a rare acknowledgement of Hungarian responsibility.

US teen attracted to IS sentenced to prison on gun charge

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A South Carolina teenager who authorities say was attracted to the Islamic State group and who was plotting to kill U.S. troops in North Carolina has been sentenced to five years in juvenile prison on a state gun charge, a prosecutor said Tuesday.

Officials told media outlets the 16-year-old is an American citizen whose family is from Syria. They didn't release his name.

The prosecutor said the boy was plotting with a Muslim militant from North Carolina to rob a gun store near Raleigh, North Carolina, with plans of killing soldiers as revenge for U.S. military action in the Middle East.

Solicitor Kevin Brackett said that because of the teen's age and the lack of a terrorism law in South Carolina, the only charge prosecutors could pursue was possession of a weapon by a minor.

The teen was "wholeheartedly sincere in his beliefs, and we are very concerned for the safety of the community and the country," Brackett said. "He had a plan to randomly shoot American soldiers."

Brackett said a videotaped police interview with the teen, which wasn't shown in court, was disturbing. "How he behaved on that video, which is what I told the court, is what caused me so much concern," Brackett said.

FBI and U.S. Attorney's Office officials in Columbia, South Carolina — as well as Charlotte and Raleigh, North Carolina — declined comment on the case.

Defense lawyer B.J. Barrowclough said the teen was drawn in by a man with radical beliefs but had wavered, and had told the other man he didn't want to hurt anyone in the U.S. Instead, he wanted to fight the regime in Syria that had hurt and killed members of his own family, according to Barrowclough.

Barrowclough asked the judge for probation, saying the teen had no criminal record and was in school and working to care for his mother.

The teen's mother and uncle also spoke to the court, saying the boy was a good youngster who believed in the laws of the U.S. and didn't mean any harm.

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Woman gets 3-7 years for shooting over bacon-less burger



Shaneka Monique Torres's mother reacts to the guilty verdict for her daughter on all charges related to Torres shooting a gun into a McDonald's when she failed to get bacon on her burger March 25 in Grand Rapids, Mich.

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A Michigan woman has been sentenced to three to seven years in prison for opening fire at a McDonald's restaurant after workers twice failed to put bacon on her burgers.

Authorities say 30-year-old Shaneka Torres became angry in February 2014 when the first burger she ordered at the restaurant's drive-up station was missing bacon. She was offered a free

meal, but bacon also wasn't added to a second burger order.

Police say she fired a shot through the restaurant. No one was injured.

A Kent County Circuit Court jury convicted her March 25. Judge Paul Sullivan on Tuesday sentenced her to one to five years for shooting at a building, plus two years for possessing a firearm during a felony.

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Team Internet is taking over, one screen at a time.

By **KAITLYN CLAY**
THE PARTHENON

Last month, people in Orlando could hear the echoes of screaming girls with cameras pulled up on their phones, waiting outside of hotel rooms. When certain people walked out the door, the screaming girls had a sort of religious experience involving screams, selfies and tears. While most would assume these fans are waiting for One Direction or Adam Levine, it is actually Internet celebrities who they were anticipated. The event was called Playlist Live and it is one of the few events that stimulate teenagers to

attend conferences and lectures featuring their favorite YouTube stars. Connor Franta, a YouTuber with more than 4 million subscribers, has a strong impact in the YouTube community and attends these events. Franta is a YouTube vlogger, Internet personality, philanthropist, author and entrepreneur. Franta was formerly a member of YouTube group “Our2ndLife” under the Fullscreen Network, but is now an independent member of the Big Frame network, managed by Andrew Graham. Franta said it was a little strange opening up his life online when he first started. “I’m normally not a very open person and like to keep to myself, so it was initially a weird and scary feeling,” Franta said. “More often than not, I love to share my life with anyone willing to listen, but over time I’ve definitely learned what I do and don’t want to have online.” There is so much content being published online that it opens up a wide range for people wishing to pursue a career in YouTube. This fact also makes it hard to get noticed online. Franta said it is really important to remain persistent and know it is not all about the views.

“It’s important to remember that every YouTuber starts off with zero subscribers and most audiences take years to grow,” Franta said. “Don’t get discouraged by the numbers, but be encouraged by how you feel about your content. If you enjoy what you’re putting onto the site, nothing else should matter.” YouTube stars can find it hard to think of new material to put on the web. Varieties of videos are posted in the forms of challenge videos, advice videos, or vlogging (videos following a creator’s everyday life). Marshall student Ashley Sodosky said YouTube videos help her keep a positive attitude. “The first person I subscribed to was Caspar Lee because his videos were funny and kept me interested, they were like a six minute TV show,” Sodosky said. “It’s a more personal interaction because they aren’t all that different from me, they just happen to make money doing what we would do because they put it on camera.” Franta said it is important to find what you’re interested in and produce that content. “Like any creative medium, you have to be open to trying new things and thinking outside the box,” Franta said. “It’s easy to take the route

everyone else is taking, but it’s way more satisfying to pave your own path.” Many YouTubers have their own merchandise, books, clothing lines, etc. Louis Cole of FunForLouis has a clothing line called Find The Nomads because he travels the world in his daily vlogs. Alfie Deyes of Pointless Blog has produced two bestselling books. YouTube opens up a huge world for endless possibilities of opportunities for the creators. Franta released a book called “A Work In Progress,” which will include stories about his life and will include a lot of his photography work he is recently getting into. Franta said he cannot wait for his viewers to see what is coming up next for him. “After working nearly a year on this project, I’m really excited to see what people think about it,” Franta said. “My favorite part of any project is sharing it with the world and getting their feedback. As for what’s next, you’ll just have to wait and see. I’ve fashioned many things in 2015 already, so who knows what’s next.” **Kaitlyn Clay can be contacted at clay122@marshall.edu.**

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A column about random pop-culture stuff, mostly Beyoncé

DON'T GET IT TWISTED, RESPECT THAT In defense of fangirls

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When people ask me about my life plans or career goals, I have one answer: I’m going to fangirl professionally. As a potentially aspiring entertainment journalist (was that vague enough?), my dream job is to write about all the things I’m overly obsessed with every day. It’s a fairly extensive list, and anyone who has ever had a conversation with me knows how dangerous it is to mention anything or anyone on it—not because I’m defensive but because once I start, I never stop. Merriam-Webster defines a fangirl as “a girl or woman who is an extremely or overly enthusiastic fan of someone or something.” In a similar but maybe more telling interpretation, Urban Dictionary defines a fangirl as “a rabid breed of human female who is obsessed with either a fictional character or an actor.” I won’t go into the disgusting gender bias in both of these

definitions due to lack of space. But the negativity surrounding the term has given the fangirl a stereotypical disposition of being constantly hysterical and nearly psychotic without the ability to control her emotions. When Zayn Malik announced his departure from One Direction, hundreds of the boyband’s super fans expressed their devastation all over the Internet. Videos of young fans crying and photos of memorials flooded social media as fangirls mourned the loss. And they were justified in doing so. Yeah, their reactions were a little dramatic, but the average One Direction fan is 13-14 years old. They have found something to love, just like we all did at that age and at this one, and expressed their sadness. Their love for the group and its members is no less valid than whatever adult fans decide to love. And there is no shame in finding such enjoyment in an artist or actor or sports team because that is the point of entertainment. We are supposed to be obsessed with

these things. Of course there are the extremes. Worldwide Twitter trends of #cut4zayn or #skinfor1D made headlines as the most radical One Direction fans used self harm as a way to express feelings of loss or disappointment with the group. I am by no means condoning such behavior. But there is something that can be said for the guts it takes to lose all inhibition and allow oneself to give in to his or her inner (or outer) fangirl, whatever form that may take. Personally I tend to tweet, like a lot. But the moral of the story is to learn to embrace the feeling of almost painful excitement as a beloved artist, actor, chef or football player releases new content, gives an interview or poses for a photo. And don’t judge the hysterics of another person as he or she unleashes his or her inner fangirl. **Codi Mohr can be contacted at mohr13@marshall.edu.**

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