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Live broadcast of Bernie Sander's income inequality speech on Marshall campus



JACQUELYN MARTIN | AP PHOTO

Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Bernie Sanders holds up a metal work of the U.S. Capitol that he was given as a gift after speaking at the 2015 International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail, and Transportation Workers (SMART) Conference, Tuesday in Washington.

By JOCELYN GIBSON
THE PARTHENON

West Virginia For Bernie Sanders organized a live broadcast of the democratic candidate Wednesday in Drinko Library.

The group is a grassroots campaign to help elect Sanders which launched on April 30. The broadcast was titled "Addressing Income Inequality in America: Bernie Sanders and the Race for the White House."

The event brought the issues to Marshall University students, faculty, staff and Huntington community members who might not otherwise have access to live political information.

Sophomore Alex O'Donnell attended the event to show his support for Sanders as a candidate.

"I've been a major Bernie supporter for a long time, way before he ever announced his candidacy," O'Donnell said. "When he decided to run, I was elated. Coming to [Wednesday's] event was the logical next step; I want him to succeed, especially in West Virginia, and this event will definitely help him in that mission."

O'Donnell also noted the importance of events like the one Wednesday evening in opening a forum for politically minded people to discuss their ideas.

"The people who came were from many different backgrounds — union workers, people on Social Security, college students — the combination of these backgrounds allowed for everyone to grasp a new perspective on why our country needs to change, and why Bernie Sanders is the right guy to make these changes," O'Donnell said.

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Coming up this week...

Thursday, July 30

Open Mic
7 p.m.
Huntington Ale House

Friday, July 31

Final Friday Art Crawl
4:30 p.m.
Downtown Huntington

Free Crossfit workout
5 p.m.
Crossfit Huntington

Outdoor Movie Night
8:30 p.m.
Barboursville Park Amphitheater

"Collis P."
8 p.m.
City Hall

Saturday, Aug. 1

Way Back Weekend
10 a.m.
Heritage Farm and Village

Marco Cornhole Classic
11 a.m.
Harless Field

Sunday, Aug. 2

"Fame"
7:30 p.m.
Paramount Arts Center

Monday, Aug. 3

"Rent" auditions
6 p.m.
Paramount Arts Center

Tuesday, Aug. 4

Wayne County Fair
4 p.m.
Camden Park

Yoga
5:15 p.m.
Cabell County Public Library

CONTACT Volunteer Training
5:30 p.m.
CONTACT Rape Crisis Center

Open Mic
7 p.m.
Huntington Ale House

'Collis P.' to have encore performance



COURTESY OF H.A.R.T. IN THE PARK

The cast of "Collis P." hit the stage for a preview of the show July 9 at the Ritter Park Amphitheater.

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The musical "Collis P." will run an encore performance 8 p.m. Friday at the Jean Carlo Stephenson Auditorium at City Hall.

The performance will act as a fundraiser for the City of Huntington's entry in the America's Best Communities competition.

The performance is free, but donation boxes will be placed outside the auditorium.

The Greater Huntington Park and Recreation District, Huntington Area Regional Theater and the Choose Joy Players are jointly presenting the show.

The musical just ended a three-week run at the Ritter Park Amphitheater. It showcases the life of Huntington's founding father. The performance features 22 new songs and a cast of actors from across the region.

Clint McElroy, writer and director of the show, said the musical is a good way to help Huntington in the competition.

"It just seemed logical," McElroy said in a press release. "The city wouldn't be here if it wasn't for Collis, and we wouldn't be here telling the story if the city wasn't here."

Attorney General warns residents to be on alert for fraudulent phone calls

By **BRITANIE MORGAN**
NEWS EDITOR

Attorney General Patrick Morrisey warned West Virginia residents to be on alert for fraudulent phone calls that claim a person's debit card has been deactivated.

The Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division has received several similar reports from West Virginia residents regarding a debit card phone scam currently occurring across the state.

"Consumers need to be cautious to make sure they don't fall for high-pressure scam tactics," Morrisey said.

According to the reports, the consumer receives a call from an unknown number and an automated voice tells them their debit card has been deactivated. The individual is told to press "1" to reactivate their card. At that point, the call is transferred to a live person who asks the consumer for their debit card number, expiration date and PIN number.

"These scammers try to trick people into giving up their personal financial information by making them think they won't be able to use their debit card unless immediate action is taken," Morrisey said. "Banks will never make unsolicited phone calls asking you for your account information. Consumers need to be cautious to make sure they don't fall for these high-pressure scam tactics."

This debit card scam has occurred in several other states in recent years. Reports to the Consumer Protection Division indicate scammers began targeting West Virginia consumers

over the weekend.

The Attorney General's Office offered a series of tips in case someone receives a phone call claiming their card has been deactivated.

Always remember to stay calm. Scammers rely on the pressure of the situation to force their victims into making a

wary, as these are often red flags for fraudulent calls.

Trust your instincts. If the caller's claims do not seem right, end the call. You can always call your financial institution directly and discuss the status of your account.

"Consumers need to be wary of any unsolicited phone calls asking for some type of immediate action," Morrisey said. "This is often a red flag for a scam. You can always hang up or ask the person to call back later so you can take time to check their claims with your financial institution or our Office's Consumer Protection Division."

This debit card scam is one of many scams that occur through the use of unsolicited, automated phone calls. Last week, Attorney General Morrisey joined a national coalition of 45 state Attorneys General in a letter calling on the nation's five major telephone carriers to offer their customers the ability to block these types of automated scam calls.

"While my office is doing everything it can to educate consumers and fight back against these scammers, the best way to do this would be by stopping these calls before they ever come through," Morrisey said. "The technology now exists that will allow consumers to block these scam calls, and I again

urge phone carriers to provide it to their customers as quickly as possible."

If you think your card has been compromised, contact your bank using the customer service phone number located on the back of your card or on your bank statement.

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"Consumers need to be cautious to make sure they don't fall for high-pressure scam tactics."

-Attorney General Patrick Morrisey

rushed decision.

Never give out personal or financial information on an unsolicited phone call. Banks already have your account information. If you want to confirm the status of your account, call the customer service number on the back of your card or on your bank statement.

If a caller uses poor grammar or has an aggressive tone, be

Two local physicians join Marshall Medical Alumni Association

By **BRITANIE MORGAN**
NEWS EDITOR

The Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Alumni Association elected two local physicians to its board of directors.

Adam M. Franks, M.D., is a professor in the department of family and community health at the Marshall School of Medicine. He earned his medical degree from Marshall in 1999 and then completed his residency at Marshall. He also had a fellowship in surgical obstetrics at Advanced Maternal Care in Memphis, Tennessee. He now practices family medicine at Marshall University Medical Center and at Marshall Family Medicine in Lavalette.

The second physician elected was Adrienne M. Mays, M.D. She is an assistant professor in the department of family & community health at the Marshall School of Medicine. Mays earned her medical degree in 2009 and completed her residency at Marshall. She practices family medicine at Marshall University Medical Center. Mays serves as the medical director of the clinical skills lab and is the course director for Introduction to Clinical

Skills and Advanced Clinical Skills at the School of Medicine.

Linda S. Holmes, executive director of the School of Medicine Alumni Association said the board is excited to have both physicians on the alumni board.

"We are thrilled to welcome the enthusiasm that Drs. Franks and Mays bring to our medical alumni board," said Holmes. "In 2015 and 2016, we're focusing on engagement and scholarships, so we're looking forward to the new ideas they will bring to the table."

The Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Alumni Association helps connect and engage medical alumni from across the country with events and activities. The association is not a dues-based organization, but rather encourages alumni to direct those resources toward medical student scholarships.

Franks and Mays were each elected to serve a four-year term with the board of directors, effective July 1.

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Adrienne M. Mays, M.D.

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Adam M. Franks, M.D.

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The Greater Huntington Park and Recreation District sponsors Huntington Area Hiking Club backpacking trip.

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Huntington Area Hiking Club goes backpacking

By **BRITANIE MORGAN**
NEWS EDITOR

The Huntington Area Hiking Club is going on an overnight backpacking trip.

With the help of several local Boy Scout Masters, the club will explore a section of the Kanawha Trace on August 1-2. Attendees will camp overnight and then hike back in the morning.

"This event is a great opportunity for hikers new to backpacking to gain some experience from some of our more seasoned hikers," GHPRD Recreation Coordinator Stacey Leep said.

Backpacking equipment is available for weekend rental from Outdoor Pursuits at the Marshall University Rec Center.

Leep said a hiking club is a great way for like-minded individuals to

share information and tips about where to hike in the area and even meet hiking buddies.

"As a club member, you will benefit from the experience of the group," Leep said.

If you are interested in joining the Huntington Area Hiking Club, all you have to do is show up at one of our scheduled hikes. The club welcomes hikers of all ability and experience levels.

The club will meet at Camp Arrowhead at 9 a.m. on Saturday, August 1 and hike approximately 8 miles, breaking for lunch.

For more information or to be added to our email list, contact GHPRD Recreation Coordinator Stacey Leep at sleep@ghprd.org.

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SPORTS

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#Straighttalk:BRADY’S SUSPENSION UPHELD

By MALCOLM WALTON
SPORTS EDITOR

New England Patriots’ quarterback Tom Brady is still maintaining his innocence after the NFL decided to uphold his four-game suspension for his role in “Deflategate.”

For those who have been living under a rock the past six and a half months, Brady and the Patriots were accused of using under-inflated footballs to gain a competitive advantage in January’s AFC championship victory over the Indianapolis Colts.

Brady’s suspension would have him out until Oct. 18 which is — ironically — when the Patriots travel to Indy to face the Colts.

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell announced Tuesday that he plans to stand by the discipline he handed out in May after the league found it “more probable than not” Brady was at least

somewhat aware of the inappropriate activities of two Patriots ball boys that led to balls being deflated below permissible levels.

In a 20-page letter explaining his decision to uphold the suspension, Goodell cited Brady’s admission that he had his cell phone— which likely held the alleged text messages between Brady and the Patriot ball boys who carried out the task of deflating the footballs—destroyed before a meeting with NFL-hired investigators as a key piece of new and critical evidence.

While the four-time Super Bowl champion claims he always has his assistant destroy his cell phones for privacy reasons, it definitely seems like an oddly-convenient time to have this done, regardless of how bad Brady may have wanted that new iPhone 6. (Who didn’t, right?)

Goodell wrote in the letter that the timing of the intentional destruction of the phone

— which Brady’s lawyers said was on or about March 6, the day Brady met with the investigators hired by the NFL — “is very troubling.”

Brady has already stated he plans to take the NFL’s decision to federal court in hopes of clearing the suspension and ultimately his name.

However, many, such as myself, would prefer to see Brady just take the slap-on-the-wrist suspension and begin moving past this incident.

Even if Brady is able to have the suspension overturned due to some legal technicality, I seriously doubt the majority of football fans will perceive him to be innocent.

The funny thing in all of this is that the Patriots’ organization did not seem to have a problem with the monetary fine and the loss of draft picks that was issued to the team due to its involvement in “Deflatgate.”

To me, it seems as if Patriots’ owner Robert Kraft thought he had made a bargain of some kind: silently accept the league’s penalties of a \$1 million fine (which is nothing to Kraft), lose a couple future draft picks and then Brady is off the hook, ultimately setting up the team for another successful year and Super Bowl run.

That just wasn’t the case. Either Goodell finally decided to stick by his guns or, perhaps, he felt the heat from the other NFL owners who approached him last week to push for Brady’s suspension to be upheld.

Nevertheless, all we can do now is watch as this situation is drug out even longer through the legal system, meaning there is a chance Brady may actually be behind-center on opening day despite the overwhelming evidence that he did, in fact, cheat.

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New England Patriots’ quarterback Tom Brady has a ball tossed to him during warmups before the 2015 AFC Championship game against the Indianapolis Colts.
AP PHOTO/MATT SLOCUM

Herd softball player wins prestigious award

THE PARTHENON

Marshall University center fielder Morgan Zerkle was awarded the National Fastpitch Coaches Association’s Golden Shoe last week. The award recognizes the most outstanding base stealer in NCAA Division I softball.

A committee comprised of Division I head coaches determined the winner of the award. Zerkle is the first student-athlete in the university’s history to earn the honor.

“This is a very deserving honor for an already impressive list of accolades ‘Z’ has received,” Herd coach Shonda Stanton said in a news release. “She is a phenomenal student-athlete and an incredible representative of what Herd softball is all about: winning in the classroom, on the field and in the community. We are excited to see what future seasons hold for ‘Z’ because of her special talent combined with an uncompromising work ethic.”

Zerkle, who completed her sophomore season with the Herd in May, led Division I softball with 47 stolen bases, one shy of her own record of 48, which she set as a freshman in 2014.



Morgan Zerkle playing the field in a game last season against Northern Kentucky University.
PARTHENON FILE PHOTO

COLUMN: Soccer in U.S. offers more than just national teams

United States’ Lauren Holiday (12) and Colombia’s Orianica Velasquez, right, battle for the ball during the first half of a second round game at the FIFA Women’s World Cup.

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By KYLE GIBSON
CONTRIBUTOR

I don’t think I was the only person losing my mind while staring at my television last Saturday.

In fact, most American soccer fans were likely collectively weeping over the listless performances of the United States Men’s National Team in the CONCACAF Gold Cup (North America’s regional international soccer tournament).

After losing in the semifinals 2-1 to Jamaica, team USA doubled down on its shame, losing the third place game 1-1 (3-2 on penalty kicks) to Panama. Almost every game of the Gold Cup was played in the U.S., which made this a loss in the country’s backyard.

This can leave a sour taste on the American palate. However, Americans should embrace more than just the men’s and women’s national teams. We should collectively start paying more attention to United States club soccer.

The American league with the most exposure is MLS (Major League Soccer). The league, which started play in 1996, has certainly been met with derision by soccer snobs over the years, perhaps for good reason. In its fledgling years, the MLS was unable to recruit star European players

and the best players on the U.S. national team were drawn to the more glorious and lucrative leagues in Europe.

Things changed in 2007 when MLS allowed teams designated players (stars that do not count against the overall team salary cap). This allowed the L.A. Galaxy to sign superstar David Beckham, who greatly increased the profile of MLS.

Now, teams are allowed to have multiple designated players and many American stars such as Clint Dempsey (Seattle Sounders), Michael Bradley and Jozy Altidore (both of the Toronto FC) have decided to come home and play in the domestic league, where national team players can cash in.

MLS soccer used to be a chore to watch, with boring, diagonal long balls the primary way to attack poor defenses. Now, the league is wildly entertaining (with a better quality of play to boot) and has three games on national TV per week.

Men’s professional soccer also has a few entertaining lower leagues in the U.S. Just below the MLS is the NASL (North American Soccer League). One step below the NASL is the USL Pro. While not as large as MLS, the NASL and USL Pro are still exciting leagues that are also growing, reflecting the growth of the sport in the

United States.

West Virginia features two teams in the USP PDL, the largest under-23 league in the United States. Local enthusiasts can check out the West Virginia Chaos in Charleston and the Southern West Virginia Kings Warriors in Bluefield. The two teams play in the summer and feature promising college students from across the nation.

For Americans blown away by the United States Women’s National Team winning the Women’s World Cup this summer (you’re un-American if you weren’t), most of the team’s players compete in the NWSL (National Women’s Soccer League). Fans can watch the games live on YouTube and see many of the world’s best women’s soccer players.

If you consider yourself an American soccer fan, you really should also embrace the domestic leagues that the country has to offer. Pick a club to follow or just appreciate the league as a whole.

American domestic soccer leagues are finally playing at a level that can be easily watched. Now, it’s time for American soccer fans to collectively embrace these leagues and help to grow the U.S. game even more.

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EDITORIAL

There are reasonable solutions to gun violence

A little more than a month after nine Charleston, S.C. churchgoers were shot dead during a Bible study session, two women were shot and killed after John Houser walked into a movie theater and opened fire.

Events like this seemingly happen once a month and with almost every case there is one constant: the shooter should not have been able to get the gun.

Hindsight is most definitely 20/20, and every family member or friend is always surprised that their beloved Jimmy or Johnny could do something like killing someone, much less multiple people. But when is the last time you read about someone planning to kill people openly talk about it?

The killers often keep their true intentions secret, but they often have known issues that should be enough to prevent them from carrying out their plans to begin with.

Take, for instance, Dylann Roof – the admitted murderer of those nine people in Charleston. Roof was previously charged, and later admitted to, felony drug possession – enough to legally and reasonably deny his purchase of the gun he used. But, because of loopholes, clerical errors and an overall lack of

urgency by government officials to address the issue of gun violence, nine people died.

Houser, who reportedly had a “history of mental illness” was able to purchase the gun he used because, despite being treated for mental health, it was not considered involuntary. So, on Valentine’s Day 2015 a man with mental illness problems, who was known to be volatile and erratic, was able to purchase a gun he would then use to kill two people and injure nine others.

It’s not just these two cases, either. The stories behind the killers are similar in many more. Yet nothing changes. President Obama holds a press conference calling for change, news channels hold panel debates on gun control, Facebook newsfeeds fill with gun owners reminding everyone of their Second Amendment right and then we sit and wait for another mass shooting.

The popular comparison for these situations is to Australia and the gun laws it enacted after a 1996 shooting. As part of those laws, it confiscated guns that it banned. It worked in Australia because not nearly as many people own firearms there as they do here.

There is no evidence that the United States government could safely and successfully confiscate guns, especially considering how citizens in New York and Connecticut responded to just having to register assault rifles.

However, there are much more reasonable measures that can be taken to at least put a dent in the number of people who die each year from guns.

The first thing this country can do is address mental illnesses. Instead of looking at people with mental illness like they’re a problem, referring them to a clinic where they’ll be kept for a while before being released to a public that looks down on them – let’s encourage people to seek help and acceptance instead of hiding and ignoring an illness that could harm them and others.

Although we’ve already seen that background checks aren’t a fail-proof way to ensure guns don’t end up in the wrong hands, they could still be better. At this point, private transactions don’t require background checks. Universal background checks, which may come at a financial burden to some (but if you’re spending hundreds of dollars on a gun, that shouldn’t be a problem), would ensure

that every gun that gets sold isn’t going to someone whom the law says shouldn’t have it. This is an opinion many Americans agree with, yet no political action has been made.

An alternative to universal background checks is a gun purchasing license, which requires buyers to pass a background check.

Some may say that requiring people to pay their own money to get a background check infringes on their rights, but every right has its limits. Everyone has their right to religion, but they can’t make human sacrifices as part of it. You have a right to free speech, but you cannot libel someone. Such is the case with the right to bear arms. Sure, you have that right, until it begins to threaten others. It may not be fair to the millions of responsible gun owners, but those same people likely have no problem with the extra security at airports to prevent terrorism. But what is the difference?

Gun safety laws aren’t an attack on anyone’s right and they aren’t a punishment for being a gun owner. They are a step toward fixing a problem that has plagued this country for far too long, one that will continue to go unfixed unless we all admit it.

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COLUMN

Autism training center leaving an impact on MU students

By CHARLES DeLEO
GUEST COLUMNIST

With the upcoming 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, many organizations are commemorating such a triumphant marker in the fight for civil rights of people with disabilities. Events in Washington, D.C. include celebrations on Capitol Hill and performances of soloists with disabilities

at the Kennedy Center.

I myself am diagnosed with Asperger’s Syndrome, a form of

high functioning Autism. As a person with a disability, I would like to commemorate the anniversary of the ADA by showing my greatest gratitude to the Autism Training Center at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia, which has aided me throughout the past 4 years during my tenure as a student at Marshall.

Marshall University’s Autism Training Center is a program that aids university students with any form of Autism with their struggles. The staff includes several professional workers as well as graduate students who act as assistants to the students.

The staff helps students to get organized as well as provide transportation to wherever they need to go such as shopping for groceries or other necessities. These graduate assistants, or G.A.s for short, also act as proctors for any exams that the students are taking, and they also are

in charge of any social events within the program, such as the annual Halloween party, or a night out at the movies.

Aside from these social gatherings, the Autism Center also offers a study hall that operates daily. The students may use that time to get through any homework that they may not be able to complete in the dorm room without being distracted.

Not only does the Autism training program help the students within the program become successful and work through their struggles, it also prepares them for the real world.

For example, it works closely with the Marshall University Student Center for career service training to help students find employment opportunities. When the students are looking for jobs, they can say they have a university-level education.

With the ADA in effect, my belief is that the Autism Training Center at Marshall can and may have already taken the opportunities offered by the ADA to help further the success of students with Autism who want to go into the working world and find employment opportunities.

Since this program helps Marshall Students with Autism find jobs and thus lead successful and independent lives, it gives them an opportunity to achieve the same goals as the students without disabilities.

Read Charles DeLeo’s full column online at www.marshallparthenon.com!

STATE EDITORIAL

WV highway funding needs to be addressed sooner than later

THE HERALD-DISPATCH

It is not hard to see the need for more highway funding.

We see it in the potholes and dangerous curves on our existing roads.

We see it in the long-awaited road projects - such as the I-73/74 corridor through southern West Virginia - that never seem to make it off the drawing boards.

In West Virginia, a blue ribbon commission has concluded that the state needs an additional \$1.7 billion a year to maintain and expand the state’s highway system. A third of West Virginia’s major roads are either in poor or mediocre condition, according to the study, and about 35

percent of the state’s bridges need to be repaired or replaced.

But even after a couple of years of debate, the state is struggling building a consensus on how to generate even a small portion of that.

The National Governors Association meeting at The Greenbrier resort last week made it clear that the Mountain State is not alone. Congress has been slow to retool federal highway funding methods. Funding to states is not only not growing, it has declined about 3.5 percent over the past few years.

The main stream of national revenue is the federal tax motorists and

truckers pay on each gallon of gas. But that rate has not changed since 1993, and people are driving less per capita and cars are more fuel efficient. Meanwhile, road construction costs have been steadily rising.

Certainly, Congress needs to come up with a plan to raise the rate, but many states are not just waiting around.

“I guess the message for Congress is: We understand that’s not popular,” said Republican Wyoming Gov. Matt

Mead, according to the Associated Press. “But we did it anyway, and took the political hits that go with that.”

Wyoming was one of six states and the District of Columbia that passed legislation in 2013 to raise state gas taxes. Three more states followed suit in 2014, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. Several other governors at the meeting shared highway funding plans they are working on.

West Virginia lawmakers should take note. Even though no funding solution will be popular, it is time to stop kicking the can down the road and come up with a plan to begin fixing our deteriorating highway system.



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Marshall Artist Series releases 2015-2016 schedule

By **SHALEE ROGNEY**
LIFE! EDITOR

Every year the Marshall Artists Series grows and adds something a little different to the mix. The schedule for 79th annual Marshall Artist Series was released with performers such as Walk The Moon and shows such as Tim Burton's A Nightmare Before Christmas.

The 2015-2016 Marshall Artist Series is divided into two smaller series the Baxter Series and the Mount Series, in addition to the fall and spring International Film Festival.

The selection process for the Marshall Artist Series is one the never ends. As soon as the schedule is released it is time to find the next big act will be for the following year.

Angela Jones, arketing & external affairs director for the Marshall Artist Series, explains that Penny Watkins, the Executive Director of the Marshall Artist Series, is the one in charger of not only finding the shows and performers, but booking the season as well.

"Penny Watkins is our executive director and she is the one who books the season. She works with various agents and touring groups to see what shows are traveling nearby so that perhaps they can come to Huntington," Jones said "Additionally she has worked with Student Activities for the past few years to try to get an idea of what we can partner with them. Last season we did Philip Phillips and this season we are partnering with them on Walk The Moon."

The Marshall Artist Series begins October 27 with

Grammy Award-winning performer Boz Scaggs. Scaggs is known for performing with the Steve Miller Band, but has several solo hits such as Silk

Degrees, MiddleMan and Some Change. He also released a new album titled A Fool to Care in the spring.

The remainder of the Baxter

Series includes Broadway's Mamma Mia! November 4, Swan Lake performed by The State Ballet Theatre of Russia January 26, the 30th Anniversary

screening of The Breakfast Club with Molly Ringwald for Q & A and discussion February 21, the classic Broadway musical Annie February 24, and wrapping up with the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra March 9.

The Mount Series begins October 1, 2015 with comedian Anthony Jeselnik. Jeselnik is the host of NBC's "Last Comic Standing" and is known for his writing stints on "Late Night with Jimmy Fallon," as well as several appearances of Comedy Central Celebrity Roasts.

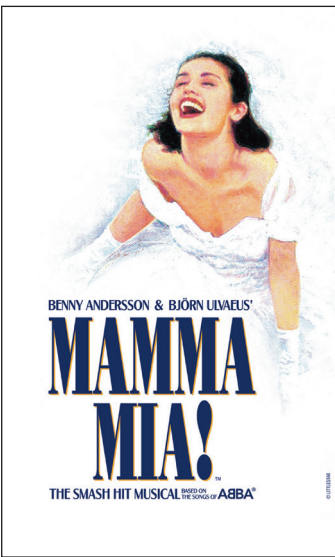
The remainder of the Mount Series includes country singer Kacey Musgraves on October 1, Cincinnati's own Walk The Moon November 19, Disney in Concert Presents Tim Burton's "A Nightmare Before Christmas" December 12 and the winner of eight Tony Awards, including Best Musical, Once will be coming to Huntington April 26.

The Fall International Film Festival will take place November 6-12 with featured films such as "Landilharmonic," "Wild Tales," "Citizenfour," "Tangerines," "Phoenix" and "Two Days, One Night."

The Spring International Film Festival will take place February 26-March 3 with feature films such as "On The Other Side Of The Tracks," "Timbuktu," "The Farewell Party," "Labyrinth Of Lies," "Marshland and A Hard Day."

Season tickets are available for purchase by phone or at the Marshall Artist Series Administrative Office located in the Jomie Jazz Center.

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What we are listening to...

Britanie
"Stiletos"
by Kelsea Ballerini
"I Am Invincible"
by Cassadee Pope

Jocelyn
"Samson and Delilah"
by Grateful Dead
"Alabama Song"
by The Doors

Malcom
"Surviving The Times"
by Nas
"Institutionalized"
by Kendrick Lamar

Shalee
"Kick The Dust Up"
by Luke Bryan
"Crash and Burn"
by Thomas Rhett

Shannon
"Fade Away"
by The Revivalists
"Pipestem"
by Ona

Student Activities plans FEST:2

By **SHALEE ROGNEY**
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Marshall University Office of Student Activities brought FEST to campus last spring with the Ying Yang Twin headlining the event. This fall they are bringing it back with FEST: 2 September 18, 2015.

"FEST is a growing music festival recently by the Office of Student Activities that includes music selections from a diverse number of genres with nationally and locally known artists," said Warren Patrick FEST Advertising Intern.

Students can begin to purchase tickets on August 20, the same day that the line

up is announced. Tickets can be purchased Ticketmaster.com and at the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse.

Tickets will cost \$20 for any student, faulty and staff with a valid university ID and \$30 for non-university/community tickets.

"The national acts will be announced August 20 on all [FEST] social media and to the freshman during Week of Welcome. The local acts are currently being release periodically on Facebook and Twitter," Patrick said.

Students can stay updated on FEST activities by following the FEST social media accounts on Facebook (FEST:2), Twitter (@

MarshallFEST), Instagram (MarshallFEST) and Snapchat (MarshallFEST).

FEST: 2 will be in the spring semester at a Harris Riverfront Park instead of the Ritter Park Amphitheatre to accommodate a larger crowd. There will be five national acts accompanied by five local artists.

"Join us at FEST and if you know any friends from another university or college that loves a good music festival," Patrick said. "Tell them to get a ticket when they go on sale and #FESTon."

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