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**AROUND HUNTINGTON THIS HALLOWEENDAY**

**FRIDAY, OCT. 27**
- Fantasy Maze | Ritter Park
- Haunted Corn Maze | Milton
- Pumpkin House | Kenova
- SigEp “CarnEvil” Haunted House | SigEp House

**SATURDAY, OCT. 28**
- Halloween Bash | V-Club
- Haunted Corn Maze | Milton
- Haunted Guyandotte Walking Tour | Guyandotte
- Herd Football vs. FIU | Jones C. Edwards Stadium
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**Rushing ghosts: The haunts at Pike House**

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Huntington is awash in Hallows traditions as the spooky holiday draws closer, but for Marshall University’s old- est fraternity, Pi Kappa Alpha, or Pike, every day is filled with ghastly ghouls in their haunted fraternity home.

In the fiction novel, “The Blacker House,” the author, Nicole Mulloy, loosely bases her story on her time living in that very home when she was a young girl. Throughout her story, she talks of the bumps and whispers she would hear throughout the house, but one potent- ially supernatural event she describes that takes place, as she details the sounds of a body party in the very top room of the house, may be echoing the supposed history of the residence.

“A few rumors about the house, it used to be a speakeasy during the prohibition era,” Anthony Spence, previous president of Pike and Marshall alumn, said. “Which is crazy considering the sounds of parties and lots of people walking around that can be heard from the attic rooms and loud throughout the night. People have supposedly dug up there in all of the drunken rumors, which would account for the voices and apparitions seen too.”

The house is supposedly home to a few different ghostly apparitions, from the noises of parties and people talking, to full blown shadowy figures walking around and knocking on bedroom doors, bringing Pike members out of bed to find that there was no visible person on the other side.

“As the president at the time, I felt the need to stay behind over holidays and breaks to watch the house,” Spano said. “And, when everyone was gone, and I was truly alone, or maybe not, I would hear a few bumps to watch the house,” Spano said. “And, when everyone was gone, and I was truly alone, or maybe not, I would hear a few bumps.
President Donald Trump speaks during an event to declare the opioid crisis a national public health emergency in the East Room of the White House.

President Donald Trump announced Thursday he will direct the Department of Health and Human Services to declare the opioid crisis a “public health emergency,” a move that falls short of the president’s repeated pledge to label the crisis a “national emergency.”

The public health emergency will last 90 days, with the potential to be renewed every 90 days until the president finds it no longer needed. While this is a step in the right direction and the president does deserve some praise for being proactive on the issue of opioids, it pales in comparison to the potential impact declaring the crisis a national state of emergency could have.

Under a national state of emergency, federal authorities would have the ability to direct funds from FEMA disaster funds—which currently has around $4.2 billion, according to ABC News—toward the opioid crisis. A governor of a state suffering from the crisis needs only to request the federal dollars required to address state’s opioid abuse problem.

A national emergency is traditionally reserved for natural disasters and terrorist attacks, according to ABC News, but a July report from the president’s Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and the Opioid Crisis suggested the opioid crisis was an exception to the rule.

Therefore, it would empower the cabinet to take bold steps and would force Congress to focus on funding and empowering the executive branch even further to deal with this line of life,” the commission’s report said. “It would also awaken every American to this simple fact: if this crisis has not found you or your family yet, without bold action by everyone, it soon will.”

The commission also called for additional actions, such as mandatory education for doctors and the suspension of a long-standing provision in the Social Security Act that prevents mandatory education for doctors and the suspension of a long-standing provision in the Social Security Act that prevents mandatory education for doctors and the suspension of a long-standing provision in the Social Security Act.

In terms of funding, a public health emergency allows the Department of Health and Human Services to draw from the Public Health Emergency fund, which USA Today reported has around $177,000, a measurably small amount relative to the surface of what’s required for the crisis. To put the insufficiency of this number in scope, a study by the National Center for Health Information estimates the total economic burden associated with the opioid crisis to be around $78 billion. The Trump administration has said it will be working with Congress to replenish the fund in the coming weeks, according to CNN, but it’s doubtful the funding will reach the level required.

For a president who requires some sort of victory after several legislative failures, the opioid crisis is an issue that Trump has unbridled power and bipartisanship to tackle. Declaring the opioid crisis a public health emergency may be a sufficient start, but those waiting for a solution to the problem may want to stick around, because this, in all likelihood, isn’t it.
By RONALD BLUM
AP BASEBALL WRITER

Springer’s HR in 11th gives Astros 7-6 win, ties Series 1-1

LOS ANGELES (AP) — George Springer screamed with delight as he crossed the plate following his two-run home run in the 11th inning.

He was the last man standing in his team’s   "This was the best game I've ever been a part of," Springer said. "It was the best game I've ever seen. It was the best game I've ever played in."

The Astros outlasted the Los Angeles Dodgers 7-6 on Friday night, with Springer’s two-run shot in the 11th inning giving the defending World Series champions a 1-1 tie in the World Series.

Springer, an All-Star leadoff hitter, homered in the 11th inning to tie the game at 6-6 and then scored on Cameron Maybin’s single.

It was the final out of a wild, 11-inning game that ended with the Dodgers losing 7-6.

The game lasted two hours and 47 minutes and featured nine pitchers on both sides.

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The game featured a total of 77 pitches, with both teams leaving the bases loaded at some point in the game.

The Astros' Justin Verlander allowed five runs in five innings, while the Dodgers' Kenley Jansen allowed five runs in four innings.

But Springer's home run was the difference in a game that saw both teams score three runs in the fifth inning.

The Astros' Jose Altuve and Carlos Correa also hit home runs in the 11th inning.

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The Astros won the series 1-1 and are now tied with the Los Angeles Dodgers for the best record in Major League Baseball.

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**News**

**Local business gives recovering addicts a second chance**

By DANIE BALEY

With the opioid epidemic hitting full force in Huntington, one Huntington business is doing something that could be life-changing for many: giving recovering addicts a second chance at life.

The Marshall Hall of Fame Cafe is one of these businesses. The restaurant has taught him, along with the other recovering addicts who work there, that there is a future for recovering addicts who want to work.

Whitney Hervey (left) and Stanley Managed (right) share their stories with work at the Marshall Hall of Fame Cafe in downtown Huntington.

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**Student Resource Center busts common myths about picking out the right college major**

By ALISON BALDRIDGE

Merv Ball, major exploration consultant for Marshall University’s Student Resource Center; broke myths about college majors and their applicability in careers Wednesday at a "Major Myth Busters" event.

"Major Myth Busters" is a workshop that aims to dispel common myths about picking out the right college major.

"It's not too late to pick a major and switch majors even if you've deep into your current major," Ball said. "This is important to students that are not sure about their career paths or if they don't have one at all. My presentation is basically asking if this career path is right for you, because we see that students take a certain career for the wrong reasons."

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Trump declares US opioid emergency but pledges no new money

By JILL COLVIN and CARLA H. BRENNER

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a surprise move Thursday, President Donald Trump declared a public health emergency under federal law in response to the opioid crisis, warning that the United States is “facing an epidemic unlike any we’ve ever faced before” and threatening to go to court if states do not reduce the use of opioids.

Though the move has been anticipated, it took some in the White House and the administration by surprise.

“Literally, I’ve never really believed in it,” Vanston said. “If you want to explain something, you have to believe in it.”

The decision by Vanston, who is building a new research facility to map and mitigate natural phenomena, comes after he was named the university’s interim director of the School of Natural Resources in March.

The move is a significant step in the fight against drug addiction, as the president has long been a vocal advocate for treatment and prevention.

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By FRANCES DARNELL

Greater Huntington Park and Recreation District's Fantasy Maze at Ritter Park will continue through Sunday, November 19.

The maze features classic storybook and cartoon characters like the “Wizard of Oz” crew, Elsa from “Frozen,” Alice in Wonderland, Santa and Mrs. Claus and more. The characters are spread throughout the maze and each character in the maze hands out candy to the visitors, or facilitators encourage children to stop andbring a bag for candy.

The event included a lunchbox on the plaza with the chance to donate to the United Way campaign. The lunchbox was sponsored by Marshall University Dining Services, Bistro Bakery, Prince Leo Saldana Coca-Cola and the Chili Dog Company.

Later in the campaign, raffle sales will be available for participants to win tickets to the Marshall University football game.

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