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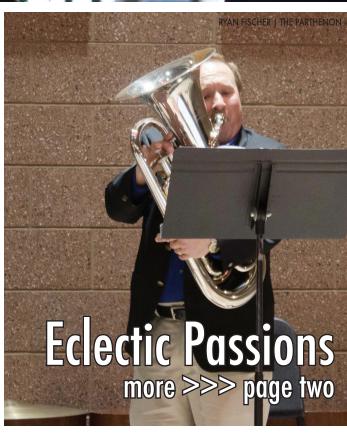
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Turn on the Student PR group raises money Knightlight for River Valley scholarships

By MALCOLM WALTON

THE PARTHENON

Knightlight Communications, a group of Marshall University public relations students, raised approximately \$750 Thursday for River Valley Child Development Services' scholarship program.

River Valley provides high quality early childhood care and education services for children.

Knightlight raised the money by collecting clothing donations and other items for Goodwill, who, in return, will present the cash donation to the scholarship program.

The scholarship is called TIPS, which stands for Tuition Investment Program Support. The scholarship goes to families who may not be able to afford the full tuition cost.

Suzi Brodof, executive director for River Valley, said the TIPS program has been around for six years and has assisted numerous families with the cost of tuition.

"It's not just the low-income families, like what you might think," Brodof said. "Because for the families with the lowest income, there is LINK, which helps provides subsidy. But it's the people that just miss out on that help that are the ones who struggle the most. And there are a lot of people that fall into that category. So, unfortunately, what happens is as soon as someone might get that 25 cent raise, it's just enough to get them out of any type of help. And that's why we came up with the TIPS program to help families that want their kids to get into a quality program. And why shouldn't they? They're entitled to it just like anybody else."

Amy McCallister-Ethel, a member of the Knightlight team, said

she knows first-hand how difficult keeping up with the tuition fees

McCallister-Ethel had two children attending River Valley before her family recently moved out of the area.

"It's hard to afford the true cost of a program like River Valley," McCallister-Ethel said. "So, the TIPS scholarship helps the families who don't qualify for state assistance for a subsidy, but that cannot afford the true cost of a program like this. Because of the quality of the program, there's more cost involved. The staff get paid more because River Valley value their staff. A lot of them are college educated. And because they value their staff and provide them with benefits, the cost is considerably more."

Despite the high tuition cost, McCallister-Ethel said she and her husband felt the program was well worth it.

"For us, it was about \$165 per week per kid," McCallister-Ethel said. "That was our fee, and I can only speak for ourselves. Yeah, it sounds expensive, but for what you're getting, to me, it was so worth it. They provide healthy meals to the children. They have a STEM room, which focuses on science, technology, engineering and math. And most of their staff have college degrees. For example, the toddler teacher that taught my two year old, she had a Master's degree. I think around 80 percent of the staff there have a college degree. It's not like you're going there just to have your kid watched. They're being taught things, they're learning. And that's what River Valley offers."

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Knightlight Communications collected unwanted items for Goodwill Thursday. JESSI STARKEY | THE PARTHENON

RIGHT: John Mark Walkup Dody accompanies Teresa Thursday at the Jomie Jazz forum. BOTTOM RIGHT: Lloyd Bone accompanies Teresa Dody (not pictured) in a recital Thursday at the Jomie Jazz forum.

BOTTOM LEFT: Teresa Dody performs Thursday at the Jomie Jazz forum.

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Big Rock and the Candy Ass Mountain Boys performs Thursday at Black Sheep Burritos and Brews.

RYAN FISCHER I THE PARTHENON

Bone, Dody join voice and euphonium

By MIKAELA KEENER

THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University School of Music and Theatre wel comed guest artists Teresa Dody, Lloyd Bone and John Mark Walkup Thursday for "Eclectic Passions: Songs of Life and Love," an euphonium and vocal recital.

Bone, assistant professor of music at Glenville State College, said he was grateful for the opportunity to perform at the recital.

"Glenville State is a size school that it's so different from like Marshall," Bone said. "At a lot of the smaller schools, you really wear a lot of hats, and it's not to say the faculty here aren't busy in their own means, it's just a different type of busy. In larger institutions, you get to go out and perform and smaller schools don't."

Dody, assistant professor of music at Glenville State College, said because they are busy, they do not get the chance to perform.

"We are really glad to take the opportunity to perform," Dody said. "Because we are so busy as professors, that this is what you study, this is what you do for years and years and years and then life happens and you don't get that chance."

Dody said she wrote some of the pieces performed in the recital due to the lack of euphonium and voice music.

The duo performed songs together and they each performed

John Mark Walkup, professor of music at New River Community and Technical College, accompanied Bone and Dody.

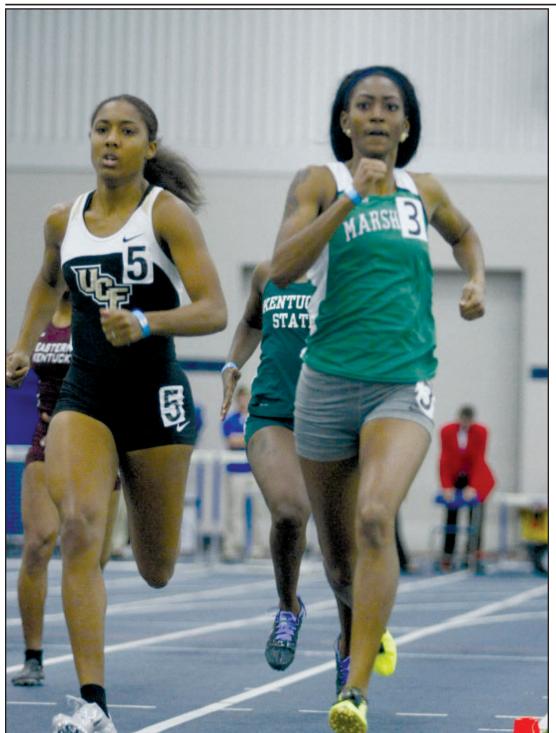
A Q & A was scheduled following the concert.

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Loren Dyer, (right) competes at the Kentucky Invitational Indoor Track Meet in Lexington, TESSA LIGHTY | HERDZONE Ky. Jan. 12, 2013.

Track team sets its sights on Athens

By KASEY MADDEN

THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's track and field team heads to Athens, Ohio, this weekend for the Cherry Blossom Invitational.

The Herd is participating in the meet after it goes." a successful weekend at the Raleigh Relays in North Carolina last weekend.

According to Marshall athletics, about 2,500 athletes competed at the Raleigh

Sophomore Antonique Butler excelled in the triple jump, placing her in the top 10 of Marshall's school record books in the event.

In the 4x400 meter relay, the team of Loren Dyer, Naja Greer, Shyra Molton and Shanice Johnson scored the most points for the Herd by finishing fourth out of 30 teams.

Assistant coach Don Yentes said the weather was not the best for the sprinters to perform well Friday.

"I was just really kind of pleased that we got through it without any major injuries or anything like that," Yentes said. "I think it maybe showed a glimpse of how good that they could be."

Freshman sprinter Andrea Chidester did not compete at the Raleigh Relays because she sprained her ankle before the meet.

Chidester is running the open 200-meter at Athens for the first time this season.

"I think we'll do well," Chidester said. "We have a pretty good team altogether, and they've been working hard. So we'll see how

Freshman Danielle Wright is competing in four events this weekend, including the javelin, 4x100-meter relay, hurdles and the long jump.

Though Wright has four events to prepare for this weekend, she said she is most looking forward to running the hurdles.

Last season at the Cherry Blossom Invitational, the Herd returned to Huntington with four first place victories.

Coach Yentes said the competition is not as fierce this weekend compared to the Raleigh

"We're just trying to get a good workout at the meet," Yentes said. "I think we have a good group of girls who can really put their marks on the school record books if things go well."

The meet begins Saturday at the Goldsberry Track at Ohio University in Athens,

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By BRADLEY HELTZEL

THE PARTHENON

Marshall Friday at 1 p.m.—Fri-

day at 3 p.m.—Saturday at noon Taylor Schoblocher, Left

Field, #16- Schoblocher has been an offensive force this season anticipating pitches and hitting with power.

Schblocher has the capability to belt homers and carry the ball when she is able to get underneath pitches.

■ She has posted a .457 batting average on the season, and due to her power boasts an uncanny .880 slugging percentage.

Schoblocher has totaled 31 runs batted in on 42 hits this season, bolstered by 11 homeruns and 16 total extra base hits.

However, Schoblocher hasn't been nearly as impressive in conference plays where her numbers have fallen off considerably. She is batting just .265 with a slugging percentage of .529 with three homers and eight RBIs in 12 games. Those aren't terrible marks, but they aren't the type of eye-popping numbers of her accumulative season statistics.

Tennis: No. 38 DePaul @ Marshall

Friday at 4 p.m.

Rebeca Mitrea-Mitrea has been impressive throughout the dual season, but she has been particularly remarkable recently, reeling off eight straight singles victories.

Mitrea is a prime example of the quality and depth of the DePaul team, playing as the four, five or six seed

Interestingly, both of Mitrea's losses have come as the team's six seed, while she has a combined 9-0 mark in the fourth and fifth

Mitrea has partnered with Yuliya Shupenia to form a formidable doubles team this season. The pairing has gone 11-2 during the dual season, competing as the team's second and third doubles grouping.

No. 52 William & Mary @ Marshall

Sunday at noon Leeza Nemchinov- The

52nd nationally ranked William & Mary Tribe has been anchored all season by its star player, Nemchinov, who is in the midst of ■ one of the best individual seasons in the country.

Nemchinov has posted a 14-1 singles record during the dual season, competing as the one seed in all 15 matches.

In fact, Nemchinov had ascended to the 51st ranked singles player in the nation as of March 24. She has been named the Colonial Athletic Association singles player of the week on three separate occasions this season and has been lauded with seven total weekly awards during the dual season this far.

Nemichinov is equally spectacular in doubles play this season, where she posted a 12-3 record with partner, Jeltje Loomans.

The partnership has won the CAA doubles team of the week three times during the spring season.

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WEEKEND WATCH: Opposing players to watch BRADLEY HELTZEL In all 14 matches this season, posting a 12-2 record. Son, posting a 12-2 record. Solve Weekend Walk of Market and Ma

By SHANNON STOWERS

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Faster than Twista can recite the alphabet, March Madness has come and is now about to be gone.

Yes, it's Final Four weekend (and also Easter weekend). The University of Kentucky, University of Wisconsin, Michigan State University and Duke University are the last four teams remaining in a bracket that began with 68 teams. After this weekend (Monday, technically), only one team will be left.

When we left off last weekend, UK was giving the Mountaineers the business. In its Elite Eight matchup with the University of Notre Dame, the Wildcats won on free throws in the final seconds, keeping its historic, undefeated season alive.

The Badgers of Wisconsin will face UK in the Final Four. Many experts have claimed there are only a handful of teams that can beat Kentucky this season, and Wisconsin is one of them. Although it's hard to believe the Badgers will pull off the upset, the contrast in playing styles should be entertaining enough.

On the other side of the bracket, MSU is back in the Final Four for the fourth time in 10 years. The Spartans were largely counted out this March leading everyone to question why they didn't pick head coach Tom Izzo's team, which usually shows up at tournament time, when it upset the University of Virginia and Oklahoma University in back-to-back weekends. Word through the grapevine is Izzo is feeling so disrespected, he's releasing his remix of a Dr. Dre classic, "Forgot About TOM."

The Spartans will be facing Duke, who took care of Gonzaga University with ease. Speaking of Duke, watching Blue Devils games is like watching the "Saw" series - you root for the underdog, knowing the whole time that Jigsaw (Duke) is going to win in the

This may be the more entertaining game of the two semifinals for one reason: MSU has been the cardiac kids of this tournament - each game has been decided by 10 points or less. It makes for great basketball, but I'm not sure that's

what Michael Corleone meant when he said "keep your enemies closer" in "God-

Keeping the Blue Devils close could spell disaster for Michigan State, and for the rest of America. Other than Kentucky, is there a more universally loathed team than Duke? If the Blue Devils are Jigsaw, then the Wildcats are the Cobra Kais from "Karate Kid." A Duke-Kentucky matchup would be good for college basketball, but at this point, fans are surely getting tired of the perennial powerhouses.

Regardless of what America thinks, though, should Kentucky and Duke both win it will be one of the highest, if not the highest rated championship game in recent history. Because despite how we feel about either team, they're good, they have large and passionate fan bases, they're rivals (thanks Christian Laettner) and if there's one team remaining that can stop Kentucky from reaching 40-0, it's Duke.

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Y'all better listen up!

INTO MU students experience Appalachian culture of music and dance







By MERCEDEZ SPEIGHT THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University ticket office is getting ready for football season in the fall.

The ticket office wrapped up renewal ticket sales for those who had tickets in the past.

Aaron Goebbel, associate athletic director for external affairs said this week the ticket office is in a transition period for ticket renewal sales.

"We're kind of in that little

bit of a transition period where individuals who had them (tickets) last year had the opportunity to renew them," Goebbel said. "The deadline was last Friday, so if they didn't renew them, those tickets have kind of become clear and open."

Goebbel said the demand for more seats has become immi- 10 a.m. we'll open up the footnent with the growing success of Herd football.

"We had so many current season ticketholders either add

new seats, purchase new seats or change seats. So we will start making those calls to those individuals," Goebbel said.

At the Green and White game, April 25, the ticket office will have its Choose-A-Seat promotion at Joan C. Edwards Stadium.

"That morning starting at ball stadium," Goebbel said. "Customers who want to buy a season ticket for the first time can kind of come in that day, and

we don't mark seats that are open anymore. But we will have customer service representatives on hand."

Goebbel said people will have the opportunity to buy seats on the spot that day.

"If you have never bought season tickets and you want to come in, you can come in and say, 'hey, look I like this area, I like this section, how much is this, how much is that,' and we'll have staff on hand to tell you,"

Goebbel said.

Goebbel said Marshall is not where it needs to be or where it should be with the success the football team is having, but he is also not discouraged.

"We have great core fan base," Goebbel said. "But we need people out in the peripheral and out in the exterior to get more involved on a season ticket base because season tickets are our bread and butter (revenue standpoint)."

the Red Cross.

Players also sell football tickets.

"Our football players get involved," Goebbel said. "A lot of our football players do internships and practicum work so people in the community will see them at the local pool, or down at Pullman Square out there selling their own tickets to their own games."

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Red Cross benefits from student blood



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Palmer named finalist for Professor of the Year award

By HANNAH HARMAN

THE PARTHENON

Marshall University history professor William Palmer was among five finalists for the Faculty Merit Foundation's Professor of the Year award.

"Marshall has always been a strong competitor for the award," said Ken Sullivan, board member of the Faculty Merit Foundation. "Palmer was an outstanding finalist."

The Faculty Merit Foundation recognizes and rewards faculty members at the higher education level.

Each year, the foundation sends invites to higher education schools in West Virginia to

Palmer was chosen after receiving Marshall's

Charles E. Hendrick Outstanding Faculty changes in student performance throughout Award in 2014.

Palmer has taught more than 40 different courses at Marshall. He is trained as a historian of early modern England and Ireland.

"Bill Palmer is the kind of professor every has a tremendous respect for literature and learning. He also has a sense of humor that students really enjoy."

The five chosen finalists were interviewed for the title. The interviews focused on each professor's passion and teaching styles.

"We want to understand their teaching phichoose their nominees for Professor of the losophy and their passion for the job," Sullivan said. "We ask questions about the qualities high school students need for college and

their career."

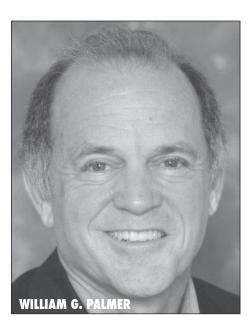
The winner and runner-up were announced at a banquet at the Culture Center in Charleston.

Zachary Loughman, an assistant professor student should have in college," said Laura Mi- of biology at West Liberty University, was chele Diener, director of women's studies. "He named Professor of the Year. Lisa Di Bartolomeo, director of the Slavic and Eastern European studies program at West Virginia University, was first runner-up.

> Palmer said he was still honored even though he did not win Professor of the Year.

> "All of the finalists were extremely impressive," Palmer said in a news release. "I was just honored to be among them."

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Kids' Night Out opens Rec Center to children







THE PARTHENON

Kids' Night Out will give parents a night off from 5-9 p.m. Friday at the Rec Center.

Kids can swim, play dodge ball and climb the rock wall.

They will also watch a movie while they eat pizza.

Kids' Night Out is open to Rec members and non-members.

The price for members is \$15 for the first child and \$10 for each additional child. The non-member price is \$20 for the first child and \$15 for each additional child.

Kids must be 4 years old and potty

"(It) gives parents a break one Friday per month to go out while their kids are staying busy at the Rec," said Michele Muth, assistant director of Marketing and Memberships. "(It) promotes a healthy lifestyle at a voung age."

Kids' Night Out generally takes place on the first Friday of each month.

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Coffee with the Mayor series concludes

By LEXI BROWNING

THE PARTHENON

The final installment of the Coffee with the Mayor series provided caffeinated encouragement Thursday as Huntington Mayor Steve Williams integrated Everyone Matters Day into his monthly Marshall University visit.

Williams met with students in the Memorial Student Center to discuss acceptance and individuality and carried a sign that read "#IAm Inclusive."

Professor Kat Williams of the history and women's studies departments brought three of her classes to the event.

Williams said Everyone Matters Day is especially important outreach following the recent legislative controversy in Indiana, where businesses could use the religious freedom law to potentially discriminate against members of the LGBT community.

"I thought it was important that our students have an opportunity to talk to him in general," Kat Williams said, "but also in particular on this day because they need to understand that these issues are present in West Virginia. We do have leaders who understand the importance of

stopping that kind of bigotry and discrimination, and he is certainly one of them."

Kat Williams, who is also the LGBT liaison for the mayor's office, said the mayor is especially dedicated to ensuring a discrimination-free environment for all Huntington residents.

"I think it's been very well received," Kat Williams said. "I hope that the students understand that this mayor is, in addition to being a graduate of MU, an advocate of the university and more importantly an advocate of a partnership between Marshall and the city of Huntington."

The Rev. Timothy Dixon of the First Congregational United Church of Christ also serves on the mayor's LGBT advisory

"I totally support the mayor doing this," Dixon said. "I knew he did it, but I think it's cool that the mayor makes himself available to the students for this, and that speaks a lot of him."

Dixon said the mayor's LGBT advisory committee had started promoting equality in local businesses before the situation in Indiana became a nationwide dispute.

"The present project at the moment is

to begin an open business campaign for all the businesses that reach out to the community to say that their door is open to everybody," Dixon said, "which is coming in at a great time in reflection to what Indiana is going through right now,".

Jo Cline, junior elementary education major, said his conversation with the mayor ended with helpful advice for his idea of creating an area for live campus entertainment.

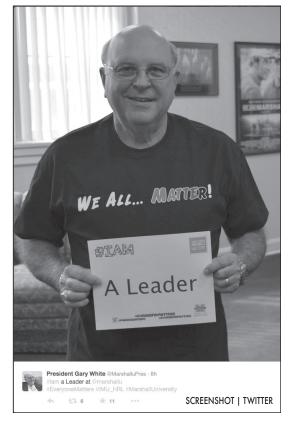
"I asked him if we could find any way to have a place to play music on campus rather than Black Sheep Burrito and Brews because there's not many places in Huntington to play," Cline said. "He told me that I should get some people together and meet with the Dean of Student Affairs and have a word with him." Williams said he is looking forward to pursuing another series in the upcoming fall semester.

"This has been wonderful," Williams said. "We will continue as long as the university allows me to come back on campus we'll continue to do this. This not only makes my day, it makes my month."

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ABOVE: Students spend time with the mayor Thursday during the final Coffee with the Mayor event for the semester. During the event, Williams spoke to the students about Everone Matters Day, an initiative that recognizes the rights of the LGBT comunity. RIGHT: Interim President Gary White shows his support for Everyone Matters Day on Twitter. LEXI BROWNING | THE PARTHENON



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