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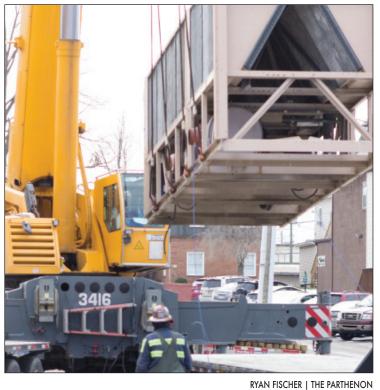
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WEEKEND NEWS

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Long-term effects of e-cigarette vapor may not disappear as easily as vapor

By ELAYNA CONARD

THE PARTHENON

With Marshall University's move to make the campus tobacco free in 2013, students quickly looked for other options to replace addictive cigarettes. Because most other places in the community, throughout the state and in the country as a whole decided to make public places tobacco free, the electronic cigarette's popularity grew overnight.

Dr. Piyali Dasgupta of Marshall University's school of medicine is the recipient of one of nine grants given to the Marshall School of Medicine and the West Virginia University school of medicine. Together, the two schools will collaborate on nine projects focused on improving health conditions across West Virginia.

Most in state sports fans would shudder over hearing the rival universities mentioned in the same sentence, however, Dasgupta said this is not the case with the collaborative project between the medical schools. "On a scientific level, I don't feel that tension," Dasgupta said. "Both institutes are eager to do quality medical research that benefits the state." Dasgupta went on to say the state deserves all scientific insight it can receive from the positive impact the two schools can make by working together.

The e-cigarette study, which was awarded \$50,000 late last year, will use mice to research exposure to vapor-affected lung tissue. The project is set to start in early February of this

year. "The WVU School of Medicine will expose mice to vapor for a period of seven months and provide pulmonary function tests to find out results of the inhalation of vapor," Dasgupta said.

Marshall's school of medicine, under the direction of Dasgupta, will then analyze and interpret the tissue from the lungs of the mice to see if the exposure to vapor accelerates or leads to a higher risk of cancer and other harmful side

Students face the risk of being over exposed to e-cigarette vapor because of the campus now being tobacco free. When asked if she felt at higher risk to second-hand exposure to vapor, junior forensic chemistry major, Mary Kate Miller said, "I'm not around many people who use e-cigarettes and have not seen many people using them on campus."

Dasgupta said she is hopeful the study exposes more information about vapor because of its increased popularity. "Right now, the FDA does not regulate what additives are used in e-cigarettes," Dasgupta said. Until more regulations are placed on e-cigarettes and more studies are done, the public is at risk for being blindsided with potential health risks. As the saying goes, two heads are better than one. This philosophy is used by both Marshall and WVU as they embark on nine studies to improve the health of the state.

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In this photo illustration, a student smokes a cigarette on campus grounds. With the debut of e-cigarettes, the tobacco-filled tubes were soon replaced by the vapor alternatives. Further research has now determined the electronic cigarettes' vapor may be as lethal to the body as the traditional tobacco.

Tutoring schedule available for students



RYAN FISCHER | THE PARTHENON

Marshall student Mallory Newsome utilizes the tutoring center.

By AMANDA GIBSON THE PARTHENON

The spring semester tutoring

schedule is now available. modern languages, math, social Subjects available for tutoring include business, science,

sciences and other miscellaneous subjects.

College academic counselor and tutoring services coordinator, said tutoring services tries to offer courses where they know students normally ask for help.

Patricia Gallagher, University

"We try to cover all of the undergrad, like the freshman and sophomore level, courses that are in high demand for help," Gallagher said.

bring notes, books and anything they have that could help the tutor help the student.

Students are tutored by peer tutors. Peer tutors must have at least a 3.0 GPA and an A or B in any subjects they are a tutor. Gallagher said if a tutor is not working out for a student, they can always check to see if there is another tutor for their subject.

Any Marshall student is eligible to request a tutor, whether the student is taking one course or a full course load. Students can drop-in for one tutoring session or request to have a repeating tutor.

Sophomore nursing major, Rachel Tennant tutors in math and science courses.

in courses required for nursing, such as chemistry, anatomy and physiology.

Tennant said she will go over material where the student has specific questions, but sometimes a student just needs help. Tennant said she will help students with study tips and note-taking strategies.

"For some things it's easier best," Sarangandla said. Gallagher said tutoring is than others, so when I teach anatomy, it's more of a memorization a lot of the time, but for chemistry helps him better physiology, I explain it through a process," Tennant said. "And a lot of the times we will use their book, but sometimes we won't, because if they don't understand their book it's not going to help."

> Tennant said the book is a good guideline and from there, she can explain the subjects in terms that are easier to understand.

Tennant said she likes helping people, especially with physiology because she said is the hardest class she has ever

"So when I can help people and I see them get it that makes me feel good," Tennant said.

Vinay Kumar Sarangandla is

Tennant said she mostly tutors a pharmacist from India and is currently attending graduate school at Marshall University. Sarangandla is a tutor in biology and chemistry.

"For me, a tutor means to share knowledge of what he has or she has with a past experience and making a student who comes to him understand each and every point to his

Sarangandla said his exteach the students who come to him for tutoring.

"I love to be a tutor. This is the best place in campus for me to work," Sarangandla said.

Sarangandla said his tutoring strategy depends on each student. Sarangandla said he makes sure each student has the basics and will make everything simple and short-cut before he goes on to more complex material.

The tutoring schedule for the spring 2016 semester can be found online and at the University College office in Laidley

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Closing of Harless and 17th St. affects students

By CARLI PLUTE THE PARTHENON

Harless Dining Hall and 17th Street will be closing this week due to new heat and air systems coming into the dining hall.

Beginning Thursday students will not be able to eat at Harless nor will anyone be able to enter the building while the crane is removing the old systems and installing the new ones.

Parking areas will still be open coming from Sixth Avenue, but the rest of 17th Street will be shut down for this operation.

"With Harless Dining Hall being closed students may have to go spend money at fast food places," said sophomore, Amv Tennant. "Some college students don't have the money to go out and buy food for three

days. They are dependent on the food here on our campus."

Towers Dining Hall will remain open and students will be able to use their meal plans there while Harless is closed.

"With Harless being closed for three days I feel like it will really affect students," said senior, Chelsea Slater. "Students rely on their unlimited meal plans," Slater said. "This situation will leave Towers Dining Hall the only dining hall open therefore it will be very crowded and it may not allow students enough time to eat then get to class."

The estimated time for the instillation to be completed is Saturday. Students will be able to access Harless after the 30th.

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Renovations on Harless Dining Hall will begin Thursday. The construction will close the dining hall as well as 17th Street.



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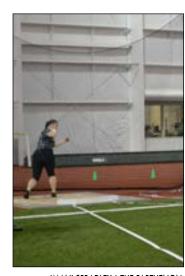
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Herd track and field hosts second annual Thundering Herd Invitational



IMANI SPRADLEY | THE PARTHENON

Marshall University freshmen Whitney McAtee prepares to throw the discus in an event earlier this season.

By BRITTANIE FOWLER THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University track and field team will continue its 2015-2016 indoor season Friday when it welcomes 19 Division I schools to the Chris Cline Athletic Complex for the second annual Thundering Herd Invitational.

Due to the recent snow-Marshall's recently scheduled meet at Virginia Tech was canceled. Friday's meet will be the first for the Herd since the Kentucky Invitational in Lexington Jan. 16.

This will be the Herd's second home meet of the season after winning the Marshall Opener against Ohio University and Radford University Dec. 3.

Three school records were broken at the Marshall Opener by Elisabeth Paulina who set the school, meet and facility record in the 600-meter run.

Senior Shanice Johnson broke her own school record and also set a meet and facility record in the 300-meter dash.

Freshmen Allie Perry broke the school record in the pole vault as well.

Johnson said she was excited about the upcoming

"I enjoy having home meets because it shows off how hard we've worked," Johnson said. "It's our home track. Who can run better on our track than us?"

Johnson said she is eager to go against the competition her team will see this weekend.

"This weekend is going to be great for us because there's a lot of teams and a lot of competition," Johnson said. "So, I'm really looking forward to seeing new school records being broken and some personal bests in our individual races."

Marshall head coach Jeff Small said he wants his team to have a strong performance in the two-day meet.

"I hope they have their best meet of the year," Small said. "Missing their meet last weekend because of the storm allowed us to get a good week of practice in, but then everyone came back sick. But I think they're set up to do some good things this weekend."

The event will start 5 p.m. Friday and pick back up 9 a.m. Saturday.

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Marshall defeats Middle Tennessee, moves to top of conference standings



Marshall University junior Ryan Taylor makes a move to the basket against Middle Tennessee State University Thursday at the Cam Henderson Center.

By DANIELLE WRIGHT THE PARTHENON

Marshall University men's basketball team (11-10, 7-1) defeated Middle Tennessee State University (14-6, 6-2), 82-66, Thursday to move to the top in the Conference USA standings.

The University of Alabama at Birmingham (14-7, 7-1) sits alongside Marshall for first place in C-USA. How- top half of the conference," ever, the Blazers have a better overall record.

Helping the team knock off Middle Tennessee State were juniors Stevie Browning and Ryan Taylor. Browning registered 15 points and one assist, while Taylor added 14 points and two assists in the team's win.

"We knew it was going to be a team effort," Taylor said. "We just had to stay locked

The Herd, which has won its last seven of eight games, has not been on the topend of C-USA rankings since entering the conference in

"We weren't even supposed to be predicted to finish in the Taylor said. "Every time I read things like that, I just look back and smile."

During his time at Marshall, Taylor has experienced a change in coaches, teammates and losing seasons.

Taylor said the team's recent success has been a pleasant change.

"It feels good," Taylor said. "I've been through it all. It's just fun to be around the atmosphere, the team, the coaches. I'm just taking it in."

Freshman C.J. Burks and sophomore Jon Elmore chipped in with 12 points a piece against the Blue Raiders. Elmore also led the team with nine assists.

Taylor said Elmore plays a significant role for the Herd and has been a motor for the team this season.

With first place in the conference on the line, the Herd will face the Blazers 3 p.m. Saturday at the Cam Henderson Center.

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Herd women falls to Blue Raiders

committing 23 to-

tal turnovers for the

Senior forward Leah

Scott led the Herd with

16 points and seven

the scoring of Middle

Tennessee State in the

second, converting

just six of its 27 shot

attempts for a 22.2

percent clip.

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The Marshall Uniwomen's versity basketball team continued its streak of trading wins and losses following its 65-54 defeat

Thursday night at Middle Tennessee State

University. The Herd (13-3-5) have yet to string together

consecutive victories since conference

play began Jan. 2 and have

not won back-to-back games since Dec. 28. In Thursday's loss to the Blue Raiders, a subpar second half

undid the Herd as it was outscored 38-28 after intermission. After posting

similar shooting per-

centages in the first

half of action, the Herd

what at the foul line, going 14-17, a 2-15 mark from 3-point to overcome.

range and 11 turnovers were too much Conversely, Middle Tennessee shot 47.8

percent in the sec-

ond half to secure

compensated some-

Although the Herd rebounds but shot just 3-13 from the field.

Marshall University senior Norrisha Victrum stands at the free throw line

during a game earlier this season at the Cam Henderson Center.

Norrisha

Senior point guard Victrum was the only other member of the Herd to score in doublefigures, notching 11 points on 5-9 shooting with four rebounds before fouling out.

Middle Tennessee

could not keep up with the victory, despite State was led by its guard combo of Brea Edwards and Ty Petty.

Edwards scored 17 points on 50 percent shooting, including a 3-5 conversion rate from3-point

> grabbed seven rebounds. Petty matched Edwards' totals of 17 points and seven rebounds and also dished out gamehigh eight assists.

and also

Forward Alex Johnson

and guard Caroline Warden also posted double-digit scoring games for the Blue Raiders with 11 and 12 points, respectively.

The Herd will remain on the road for its next contest, when it travels to Alabama to take on UAB 3 p.m. Saturday.

Bird, Boster selected to All-Conference USA **Preseason Team**

THE PARTHENON

Two members of the Marshall University baseball in batting average (.307), team were selected to the All-Conference USA Preseason Team when the conference announced the roster Wednesday.

Senior pitcher Chase Boster and junior outfielder Corey Bird were the pair of Herd players named to the team by conference coaches.

"This is a great honor for Corey and Chase," Marshall head coach Jeff Waggoner said. "No one deserves this honor as much as Corey and Chase do. They work as hard as anyone and they strive to be the best they can be. We expect great things from them this season."

An all-conference honor is nothing new for Boster. As a junior last season, Boster was voted to the All-Conference USA second team after pitching in 12 games and posting a team-best 7-1 record and 2.95 ERA. Boster also recorded 37 strikeouts in 55 innings pitched.

While Boster provided production on the mound last season, Bird was the offensive catalyst for the Herd. As ida A&M University Feb. 19.

a sophomore, Bird started all 52 games and led the team runs (34), hits (65) and total bases (77). Bird also totaled 23 RBIs, 22 walks and 10 stolen bases, while recording a .373 on-base percentage and a .363 slugging percentage. Bird also performed well defensively with a .986 fielding percentage and just two errors all season.

Bird's successes on the diamond haven't been restricted to his tenure donning Kelly

This past summer, Bird was named to the 2015 Cap Cod Baseball league Year-End-All-League Team.

As a member of the Hyannis Harbor Hawks, Bird led the team and finished fourth in the league with a .344 batting average, while also registering 11 steals and 11 RBIs. In the postseason, Bird continued his stellar play, going 11-30 (.367) at the plate to go with seven RBIs, five steals and a home run over the course of seven games.

Marshall baseball will begin its season in Tallahassee, Florida when it takes on Flor-

Herd Swimming and Diving Earns CSCAA **Scholar All-America Honors**



BRITTANIE FOWLER | THE PARTHENON

Members of Marshall University's swimming and diving team compete in a meet earlier this season.

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Marshall University's swimming and diving team was named a College Swimming Coaches Association of America (CSCAA) Scholar All-American team Wednesday.

The honor was awarded to swimming and diving teams that achieved a grade point average of 3.0 or higher during the fall 2015 semester.

The Herd's GPA during the fall semester was 3.56, which ranks highest in Conference USA and tied for 12th-best in NCAA Divi-

This is the Herd's eighth consecutive semester that it has received the CSCAA Scholar All-America honor.

Marshall coach Bill Tramel said he was pleased by the team's commitment to the classroom and that the Herd can now

strive for even more.

"I want to congratulate our team with their 3.56 Team GPA this past semester," Tramel said in a news release. "It is our highest GPA since my arrival at Marshall University. It is also the defining characteristic that I am most proud of when it comes to the culture we have established at Marshall University swimming and diving. We have very high expectations, and our Team has risen to the challenge. However, we aren't satisfied. Our goal at the beginning of the year was 3.70. I thought if we could achieve that, we would have the highest GPA in the country. We were 12th, which is great, but we want to be national champions of grade point average. We are Conference USA champions of the GPA, now we want more. I

know we will respond."

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Hot Cocoa Hike warms up outdoor enthusiasts

By LUKAS HAGLEY THE PARTHENON

The harsh winter weather has officially set in despite a warm start to the season. The first blizzard of the year has passed, though its icy remnants remain. As anyone who has battled a West Virginia winter knows, hot cocoa is the definitive weapon against the relentless cold.

The Greater Huntington Parks and Recreation District will partner with the Huntington Museum of Art to sponsor a hot cocoa hike Saturday at 10 a.m.

"It's a free event open to all ages," said programmer for the Greater Huntington Parks and Recreation District, Stacey Leep said. "It was actually an idea that Cindy Dearborn at the Huntington Museum of Art had, to partner with us at the Parks District. We wanted to have an activity where

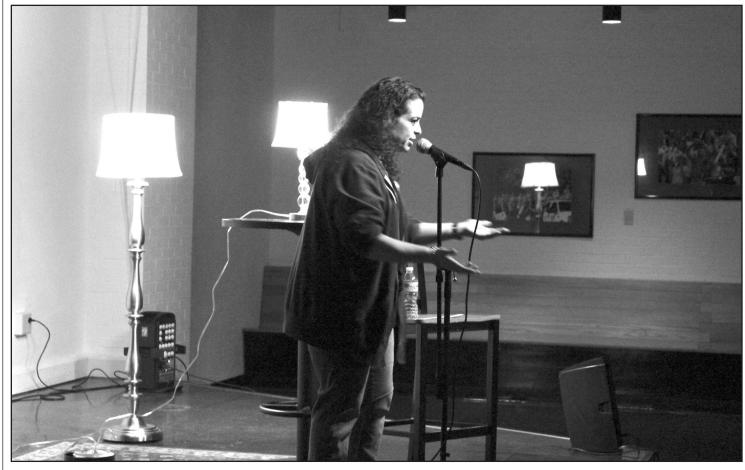
folks could come and partake in a hike. We collaborated together, and are having a natural trail assistant lead the hike. We also have an art teacher there who will lead participants in a craft activity making birdfeeders."

Huntingtonians and naturelovers alike are encouraged to bring their families to the weekend event. The hike will last for about two miles through the trails behind the Huntington Museum of Art.

In addition to the hot cocoa hike, the Parks board is sponsoring weekly hikes in Huntington's Rotary Park in an effort to encourage city residents to participate in communal physical activities. The next hike is scheduled for Feb. 6.

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Jessica Kirson performs as part of "Women in Comedy" series



ABOVE: Comedian Jessica Kirson performs as a part of "Women in Comedy" series Thursday night. BELOW: Students laugh as Kirson performs her comedy routine in the Memorial Student Center.

By SON NGUYEN

THE PARTHENON

Comedian Jessica Kirson performed at Marshall University Thursday as part of the Campus Activity Board's "Women in Com-

Kirson performed in Marco's Room, located at the lower level of the Memorial Student Center. The show was free to all students with Marshall IDs.

"She is a sweet girl, she is so funny and she fitted in perfectly with the 'Women in Comedy' series," said Sarah Dyke, CAB advisor. "So we are really excited to have her."

Before performing at Marshall, Kirson had appeared on several popular talk shows such as "Late Night with Jay Leno," "The View" and "The Dr. Oz Show." Kirson has also participated in many TV shows, including NBC's "Last Comic Standing"

and "Celebrity Apprentice." In 2009, Kirson received the "Best Female Comic" award by the Manhattan Association of Cabaret

Kirson said she started doing stand-up comedy 17 years ago in New York City. During the show, Kirson mentioned she is working on a reality TV show about her life.

Kirson's last bit of advice to the audience was to "have fun and be silly in life."



Senior nursing major, Kyle Rheude said he thought it was a great

show and Kirson really connected with the students. "I thought she was absolutely hilarious," Rheude said. "I would love to watch her standup comedy again."

CAB's "Women In Comedy" series will continue in February 2016 with comedian, Taylor Tomlinson.

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Of the Dell to perform at V-Club



PHOTOS BY LEXI BROWNING

Local band Of The Dell performs on Thursday, Jan. 28 at Black Sheep Burritos and Brews.

By RYAN FISCHER THE PARTHENON

Three local groups will take up the V-Club stage Friday.

Under Surveillance is expected to perform first, followed by groups The Dead Frets and Of The Dell.

Tyler Cooper, singer and guitarist for The Dead Frets, said the show would be an important one for all the bands

"It's the first show of 2016," Cooper said "Okay, so there's a lot of pressure

associated with that you know?"

Cooper said The Dead Frets has been performing for about six years around Huntington and the group has spent the past year "perfecting" the set they currently run.

Cooper said although Of The Dell may be renown for its Beatles covers, he expects its set list will be mostly original, as would The Dead Frets'.

Jeffrey McClelland, who additionally performs as a part of the local group

ScroungeHound, will be drumming for The Dead Frets on Friday.

Of the Dell and The Dead Frets have only performed unofficially together, marking this event as their first major performance together.

"The first show we played with [Of the Dell] was a house show," Cooper said. Doors open at 8 p.m. and the first act

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is expected to begin at 10 p.m.

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Advertising major bids farewell to England



Shannon Lester poses beside the Doune Castle in Scotland during her semester abroad.

By CHEYENNE DEBOLT

THE PARTHENON

A Marshall student spent three months last semester studying at Anglia Ruskin University in Cambridge, England.

Shannon Lester, an advertising major at Marshall University, finished her capstone in her junior year at Marshall and was looking for a way to fill her time. She decided spending a semester in England was the best way to do that.

Marshall University and Anglia Ruskin University have a bilateral exchange program, meaning the student pays the tuition and fees of Marshall and room and board of Anglia.

While at Anglia she did what every international exchange student does; she took classes. The classes available to Marshall students are business, criminal justice, and communications.

"I took digital media theory, media in politics, and then I took an introduction to video class. They're a pretty film-heavy school," Lester said, "Then, I finished my psychology minor so I took a psych. class."

Attendance was something else that

by "tapping in." "Tapping in" refers to tapping your student ID card onto a black bar when you walk into the class to show you've entered the room. Lester described them as "pretty high tech."

The set up of classes in the UK is different than here in the US, but Shannon didn't let that interfere with the experience.

"They are very theory-based, where we are more practical application and I didn't have assignments due throughout the semester," Lester said, "I just had to go to class; and then seminar for class; and then I had two huge essays at the end."

While at Anglia Ruskin University, Lester took advantage of being able to travel to other cities, like London, Bath and Dover.

"In Bath, I got to go to the Roman Baths. Bath is just beautiful," Lester said, "In Dover, I went to the Dover Castle, which was awesome; the best castle in England, and I saw the White Cliffs of Dover."

Lester also ventured outside of England with her friends to Ireland and Scotland. She toured the distilleries and saw Trinity Library in Ireland.

"I went to Edinburgh and basically was unique from American attendance. just went all over the city. I climbed this Lester gained a lot her experience abroad. At Anglia Ruskin, attendance is counted mountain in the middle of the city," Lester

said, "and then I did a tour of the Highlands. Scotland was my favorite; it was awesome."

While in England, Lester witnessed the celebration of Guy Fawkes Day. Guy Fawkes was a member of a group that plotted to blow up Parliament in 1605 because James I wasn't tolerant of the Catholic religion. It's a night of bonfires and fireworks in Cambridge. Lester said, it was the best fireworks she'd ever seen.

Although England and America have their similarities, such as the language, there are differences, like food and certain objects have different names. British food can be less sweet and a little bland compared to American food. The brands of food are also different; this Lester said took some time to learn. What we call trash cans, the British call "rubbish cans." There's also getting use to walking and driving on the opposite side of the street.

"I adapted just by living there. I had a routine," Lester said. "And by the time I left, I was pretty comfortable with the British way of life."

Although there are these differences, "I'd say the biggest thing I gained was cultural experience," Lester said, "I grew as a person more than I thought I would."

Lester spent her free time with the 20 international friends she made while at Cambridge.

"I had friends from all these different countries that taught me a lot about other people and the world," Lester said, "I feel like Americans just think about America; there's so much more going on. It really just opened my eyes to the rest of the world."

Lester said she loved her experience in England and would recommend it to other students. She said the most important thing is to start preparing now.

"You have to figure out how you're gonna handle your money, you have to figure out where you're going to live," Lester said, "and you have to figure out how you're going to budget your money and you know, survive for three months and do all the things you want to do."

Lester said once the planning is done and you're over there, everything is relaxed.

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Blind Date with a Book encourages readers to not judge books by covers



LEXI BROWNING | THE PARTHENON Blind Date with a Book selections are displayed at Empire Books and News on Tuesday.

By SAGE SHAVERS

THE PARTHENON

Empire Books is offering a "Blind Date with a Book" from now until the end of February.

Shoppers can spend \$1 to get an unknown book, pre-wrapped in brown wrapping and red ribbon with three adjectives on the wrapping that give the buyer hints about the book, like "romance," "witty" and "murder."

All of the books are different genres and are either used or library editions.

Empire Books representatives said they aim to have an event or promotion for every holiday. The Empire Books team started thinking of ideas for Valentines Day at the beginning of the year.

Supervisor, Amanda Viars came up with Square and regularly has promotions the blind date idea.

Employee, Kelle Neal said the idea has been a success so far.

"A lot of people comment on the cute wrapping," Neal said.

If a shopper finds a book around the store they want to gift instead, the employees will do the Valentines Day wrapping free of charge.

Another employee, Ashley McNeil said she was also excited about the idea.

"These books are treasures that people didn't know they needed or might not have otherwise read," McNeil said. "You truly can't judge a book by its

Empire Books is located in Pullman

and events. The next event is Friday, Jan. 29 when assistant professor of anthropology, Dr. Robin Conley will have a book discussion and signing. Conley focuses on legal and linguistic anthropology.

Conley will talk about her book, titled "Confronting the Death Penalty: How Language Influences Jurors in Capital Cases," in which she examines the language used in trials involving the death penalty. The event will be from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Conley will read an excerpt from the book, sign copies and participate in a question-and-answer session.

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