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# KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES

## Q & A sessions with Student Body President hopefuls

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### LEIF OLSON

Leif Olson is a philosophy and biology double major running for the office of student body president. Currently, Olson is in Alpha Chi Sigma and has been involved with eight organizations at Marshall, four of which he has been president of. Olson was inspired to run for student body president after last month's failed SGA resolution to condemn the Religious Freedom and Reformation Act. Olson's campaign is focused on providing the funding necessary for events and activities offered by Marshall organizations. Additionally, Olson wants to foster a more positive and involved atmosphere in the Marshall community.

### MATT JARVIS

Matt Jarvis is a computer science major vying for the office of student body president. According to Jarvis, his whole family has gone to Marshall, which inspired him to get involved on campus. Jarvis said he joined SGA early in his college career and has since joined both social and academic fraternities. In SGA, Jarvis worked his way up from a senate apprentice to co-chair of finance. Jarvis's campaign is encouraging students to have pride in their university as sons and daughters of Marshall. With his platform, Jarvis aims to reduce the negativity on campus. According to Jarvis, losing funding does not mean our character and integrity have to go with it.

### NATE MIKLAS

Nate Miklas is a computer science major competing for the office of student body president. Miklas said he wants SGA to have more attainable goals and believes that community service would be a good starting point. Miklas said that his goal is to influence SGA to have a greater impact on the university and community. According to Miklas, he decided to run for the position after being disappointed in last year's election, which he said was more of a popularity contest than people voting ideas. Miklas said that he doesn't have a lot of experience with SGA, but thought that running for office would be a fun experience.

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# WEEKEND NEWS

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## Students learn about Catholic priest through question based event

By **NANCY PEYTON**  
THE PARTHENON

The parish on Marshall University's campus answered students' burning questions about Catholicism Thursday evening.

"Ask Father Dean" is an event that takes place at least once a semester in the Catholic Newman Center.

Questions were submitted throughout the semester by students in group conversations or by adding them to the bowl in the Catholic Center.

Students could ask both questions about the Catholic faith itself and personal questions about Father Dean's life.

Dean said his decision to be a

priest wasn't about power. Dean emphasized that it was more about believing that it was something he could do.

"Things happen in our life that we don't understand the pattern," Dean said. "Things build on other things. There is just something about all things religious that always intrigued me. I knew the seminary was something I could do."

Dean said he was inspired by his parents because they allowed him to select his own path in life.

"My parents took a hands-off approach," Dean said. "They didn't want anyone to think that they had forced me into the seminary. He [Dean's father] thought he saw

something in me that could be useful as a priest."

Dean addressed the way that those in the Catholic faith view the book of Revelations. Dean said the book is meant to instill more hope than fear because of its beautiful message.

"God is always in control," Dean said. "It's never this happens and then this happens, it's always things working together to lead up to the victory of God. That's the beauty of Revelations. One of the first things he says is 'don't be afraid.'"

Dean spoke on the Catholic Church's stance on sexuality.

"Our vision is that the purpose of sexuality is the union of man and wife, with the purpose of hopefully

being fruitful," Dean said. "God has a purpose. There is no degrading of any person; there is no negation of any person. It's not just about 'having sex,' it's about how you're going to be for others and your purpose in the world."

Campus minister Traci Ferguson agreed with Father Dean, saying people should not limit their definition to their sexuality alone.

"Whether it's homosexuality or heterosexuality, we live in a culture that leads with sexuality," Ferguson said. "Everyone is at that age where they're 'finding themselves,' but the only place that they're looking in is sexuality. I think we are in this culture where you have to define

yourself immediately out of the gate and that's the thing they start with. Perhaps leading with our humanity would be the best thing for everyone to really know us."

Dean advised students to always be open to God's calling in their lives.

"I'm not unique on thinking this, but I think God leads us to what we're meant to do," Dean said. "The things the world needs, the things we need, God always brings those together. God calls you to something. Remember that He never calls you to mediocrity. It may not make sense now, but trust him on this. He takes you where you're meant to go."

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## SGA passes bus route referendum

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The Marshall University Student Government Association passed a resolution to place a referendum about the proposed Marshall University bus route on the Student Government General Election ballot during a meeting Thursday.

Students will now be able to vote on whether they support a proposed Marshall University bus route and the associated fee increase during the SGA elections Tuesday, March 15 and Wednesday, March 16.

The Marshall University bus route will cost \$16 per student per semester and would be added into tuition costs.

This cost would give every enrolled student a bus pass and unlimited access to the Tri-State Transportation Authority bus that will travel the Marshall

bus route during the school year. It would also give students access to all TTA buses year-round.

SGA vice president Isabelle Rogner said the added tuition fee has a way to save students money if they utilize the bus system. Rogner said students may save money on things like gas and parking meters.

The bus route will include stops at the Visual Arts Center and Pullman Square, the Keith-Albee Theater, Cabell Huntington Hospital, Wal-Mart and Kroger.

Although the bus traveling the Marshall bus route would be open to the public, Rogner said they made the route so the stops are for Marshall students and where students will want to be.

Rogner said some selling points of the bus include a

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**- Isabelle Rogner**

geolocation mobile app that will show bus schedules, including the schedule of the Marshall bus and the proposal that students will be able to

swipe their MU ID cards to get on the bus.

TTA also has paratransit buses, which Rogner said is an important feature for students

with disabilities on campus. "We don't have a way for our students that have disabilities to go down to the Visual Arts Center right now," Rogner said. "That is something that our university should be offering all of our students."

The proposed bus would run from 7:30 a.m. to 12 a.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:30 to 3 a.m. Friday and 12 p.m. to 3 a.m. Saturday. The bus would not operate Sunday.

"I really like this idea because with the campaign going on right now we're getting a lot of criticism for SGA," Rogner said. "This is one of the major ideas that we have that was a student

led idea, it was student led by research, student led meetings and if it works out perfectly, it's going to be a student led accomplishment, as well. And I think that says a lot for SGA as a whole."

President pro-tempore Alex O'Donnell authored the resolution and said he was excited about its passing.

"It really makes me proud to be a part of SGA and seeing that we actually are making a substantial difference to Marshall's students by giving them a stable way of getting themselves around town," O'Donnell said. "We're making sure that they're

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## Coffee with the Mayor returns for spring semester

By **ELAYNA CONARD**  
THE PARTHENON

Huntington Mayor Steve Williams greeted students in the Memorial Student Center yesterday for his Second Coffee with the Mayor event.

The casual event is something Williams said he wants to use to keep communication open with the students.

"Most often times the students have the same concern about the city as local residents," Williams said.

Williams also said students provide a unique perspective on the city and their

ideas for areas of improvement.

When asked what the most surprising concern students had presented to him was, Williams said he was shocked to hear of the heating issues in some local housing for students.

"I never dreamed students would be telling me they were waking up to 40 degree temperatures inside their living spaces," Williams said.

The mayor was able to address such issues as the heating in student housing because of his open communication with the students in Coffee with the Mayor.

Williams recalled when he heard of the shocking heating circumstances that he was then able to immediately get to work on fixing the problem.

Williams said he hopes to gain more insight on the pulse of campus through initiatives like Coffee with the Mayor.

One more Coffee with the Mayor for the spring is planned for April. Students are encouraged to stop by the lobby of the Memorial Student Center from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. and sip and chat with the Mayor.

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## Students learn to Dress for Success



SON NGUYEN | THE PARTHENON

Denise Hogsett, director of Career Services, discusses the importance of dressing professionally.

By **SON NGUYEN**  
THE PARTHENON

The Lewis College of Business hosted a seminar about professional dress codes and personal image Thursday, as part of its annual Professionalism Month.

"Dress for Success with Denise Hogsett" was from 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. at Corby Hall. About 57 Marshall University students and faculty members participated in the event.

The event was sponsored by the Marshall chapter of Beta Alpha Psi, a professional fraternity for students in accounting, finance and MSI majors.

"This event is necessary for the students because first impression is the very key to getting a job," said Brandon Walters, Beta Alpha Psi president. "So a lot of the times, when you get your first interview, when you walk in the door, they're going to start

writing in your resume. And if they like it, they are going to write good things. If they write down about your dress, then that's usually not a good thing. So, it's very important to have a proper dress when you searching for a job."

Director of Marshall's Career Services and guest speaker Denise Hogsett presented several tips on how to maintain a good first impression and personal image, including how to shake hands properly, how to put on makeup and what not to post on social media sites.

Hogsett also gave out advice on how men and women should dress in different occasions.

Hogsett said she hopes the session helped students learn the difference between business casual and business

professional.

"I think it was a great session," Hogsett said. "I think the participation was really good and I think everybody had learned a little bit of something about how to dress professionally."

Marshall sophomore Patrick Arnold said the most useful things he learned from the session is to pay attention to the details and the concept of "power suit."

"It was very helpful, you know," Arnold said. "She is very knowledgeable, and I got a lot of information that I think will help me in the future."

The next Professionalism Month event will be a reserved trip to Amazon's facility Friday afternoon.

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## JCESOM recognizes Cottrell as Resident of the Month

By **LOGAN PARKULO**  
THE PARTHENON

The Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine recognized resident in the department of obstetrics and gynecology Jesse N. Cottrell, M.D. as the March 2016 Resident of the Month.

Vice dean for graduate medical education Paulette S. Wehner, M.D. said Cottrell was nominated for the award for his outstanding demeanor.

Cottrell is a Southern California native and received his medical degree from the American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine. Cottrell then went on to receive his master's degree in theology from the Talbot School of Theology in La Mirada, California.

Cottrell attended the Master's College in Santa Clarita, California where he earned his bachelor's degree in biological sciences. At the School of Medicine, Cottrell treats conditions

such as encounters for normal pregnancies and Hyperlipidemia. Cottrell will complete his residency in June.

From there, Cottrell said he will begin a maternal-fetal medicine fellowship at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi. Maternal-fetal medicine is the branch of obstetrics focusing on the medical and surgical management of high-risk pregnancies. The fellowship is a three-year program and emphasizes on complicated pregnancies caused by high blood pressure diabetes and other maternal disorders and diseases.

By receiving the award for Resident of the Month, Cottrell will be rewarded with a certificate of recognition and a designated parking spot.

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A regional infertility treatment center is seeking women 20-32 years old willing to donate their eggs anonymously to infertile couples. Treatment involves an approximate 10-20 day course of daily injections, followed by an outpatient egg retrieval procedure done under intravenous sedation. Donors who are accepted and complete a treatment cycle will be paid \$2,000.

Interested individuals should call 304.526.2652 for additional information and application materials.

# WEEKEND SPORTS

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## Marshall baseball takes on Brown in four-game series

By **BRITTANIE FOWLER**  
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University baseball team welcomes Brown University this weekend for a four-game series.

The Herd enters its fourth weekend of non-conference play on its home turf Friday with a double-header starting 12 p.m. at the Kennedy Center off Route 2 in Huntington.

In Marshall's last outing, the team fell to Ohio University, 4-1, Wednesday. The Herd dropped to 4-6 on the season with the loss.

Leo Valenti, a junior from Olympia, Washington, said the team's main focus is to compete every pitch.

"This week, we worked on our situational hitting," Valenti said. "That's something that we haven't executed very well this season. Defensively, we have been focusing more on getting back to the fundamentals. We just need to focus on scoring runs this weekend."

JD Hammer, a pitcher from Fort Collins, Colorado, said the pitchers are looking forward to playing Brown after a solid week of preparation.

"The pitchers worked both sides of the plate in their bullpens, focusing on the outer-third of the plate, which if we execute that during the game, we will be really effective as a staff this weekend," Hammer said. "We're excited to have a good team coming in this weekend, and I think Chase Boster is going to set the tone for this weekend on the mound. But we also have freshmen Patrick Murphy coming in for his first start this weekend, which will be a different look for this team."

Hammer said overall, the team is excited about the weekend and that the pitchers' main focus is to work on getting the first out of each inning.

Hammer said the team is looking forward to getting closer to its first weekend of conference play.

After sweeping Lehigh University last weekend, Hammer said Marshall is looking to pick up four more wins this weekend in hopes of heading into conference play with a winning record.

Marshall's double-header is scheduled for 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Friday followed by a single game on Saturday and Sunday.

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## Taylor leads men's basketball team past UTEP

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Ryan Taylor preserved and secured a Marshall victory in the Conference USA men's basketball tournament Thursday.

The junior forward acted as the team's defensive savior with a block of University of Texas at El Paso's guard Omega Harris on a shot where Taylor's massive mitt was the only possible, though unlikely, deterrence of a Herd defeat.

"Coach Dan was just telling me to go straight up, or if I'm outside, to take a charge," Taylor said. "I think I was a little closer to the basket, so I just jumped up and tried to block it, or just tried to make it a tough shot. And luckily I got my hand on it and blocked the shot, and my teammate was able to recover the ball."

However, Taylor wasn't finished for he had only preserved the possibility of victory for the Herd; he had yet to secure it. Following a timeout by head coach Dan D'Antoni with 14.6 seconds left, Taylor drove the ball right to the rim to lay it in with his left hand and give the Herd an 87-85 win and a berth in the conference semifinals.

UTEP's frantic attempt to go the length of the floor and tie or win the game went awry as point guard Dominic Artis lost the ball

on the way up as the Herd bench stormed the court in a state of euphoria.

Taylor's night, similar to his career at Marshall thus far, wasn't a suave performance for its entirety as he managed just two points on 1-5 shooting in the first half. But in the second half, Taylor became the finisher and the player the program envisioned. Taylor's pump-and-go drives combined with brute post work manifested in 19 second-half points on 8-11 shooting to go with nine rebounds. For the game, Taylor finished with 21 points and 14 rebounds.

Taylor, wasn't the only veteran Herd player to deliver a record postseason performance. His fellow junior Austin Loop provided the scoring punch the team lacked with senior forward and leading scorer saddled with foul trouble in the first half. Loop buried a program postseason record six triples to finish with 18 points. In typical Loop fashion, his shot chart was nonexistent inside the arc, as all 13 of his shot attempts were three balls.

"We know Loop can hit those shots, and he did tonight Taylor said. "It was big time for him; he played well."

Just like Loop, the team stayed true to its now religious-like devotion to the 3-pointer with D'Antoni's

squad uncorking 39 treys for the entire game despite hitting just 13 of them for a 33 percent clip.

"Shooting is a funny thing, and sometimes we do it to a fault," D'Antoni said. "We are a shooting basketball team, and they have to feel like they can let it go. We still always want them to have the freedom to pick their shot instead of me picking the shot for them."

The 3-pointer as it has all season atoned for the Herd's lackluster protection of the paint. The team allowed 50 points in the paint with Artis slithering through Herd defenders and fellow guard Lee Moore jetting around the with his jitterbug-style quickness.

The Herd, meanwhile, scored just 32 points in the paint, but feasted on the offensive glass, snagging 18 offensive rebounds, which led to 19 second-chance points. Taylor certainly got his fair share, but freshman forward Terrence Thompson also made his presence felt as he filled in for Kelly admirably in the first half. Thompson finished the night with 11 points and eight rebounds and even drained a 3-pointer from the corner.

After Thompson effectively took on the role of a temporary difference maker in the first half, Kelly



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Marshall University junior forward Ryan Taylor goes for a lay-up Thursday against the University of Texas at El Paso.

started to find his groove in the second, throwing down alley-oop dunks and working high-low post dump offs to Taylor off shorted pick-and-rolls.

The back-and-forth affair was played at an electric pace as everyone expected considering the last matchup between these two teams escalated into a 112-108 shootout in Texas.

Yet, the Herd steadied by game's end as redshirt

freshman C.J. Burks hit two knee-buckling free throws to tie the game at 85 with 38 ticks left and Taylor catapulted the Herd into the semifinals with his two-way play in the game's tensest moments.

Marshall will take on Middle Tennessee State University in the semifinals 6:30 p.m. Friday.

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## Women's basketball team knocks off WKU, moves on to conference semifinals

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Marshall University's women's basketball team defeated Western Kentucky University, 66-63, Friday in the quarterfinals of the Conference USA Tournament.

With the win, the Herd advances to the conference semifinals.

Despite C-USA Player of the Year Kendall Noble recording the first triple-double in tournament history and knocking down a late-game three, the sixth-seeded Herd outlasted the third-seeded Hilltoppers.

Junior Talequia Hamilton led the Herd with 16 points, followed by senior Leah Scott with

15 points.

Senior Norrishia Victrum led the team with seven assists and added eight points as well for the Herd.

Marshall faces Middle Tennessee State University 1:30 p.m. Friday in the conference semifinals.

## Marshall tennis hosts WVU, looks to avoid dropping seven straight games

By **DANIELLE WRIGHT**  
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University tennis team (4-8) faces in-state foe West Virginia University (6-10) Friday as the Herd attempts to end a six-game losing streak.

The Herd's last win came Feb. 12 against the University of Louisville.

Marshall sophomore Maddie Silver said after falling to Virginia Commonwealth University in the team's last match, it has regrouped and is confident heading into its matchup against the Mountaineers of the Big 12 Conference.

"We've been practicing really hard this week and it's home and outside," Silver said. "So, we're excited."

Silver won her singles match against Virginia Commonwealth's Magda Aubets and her doubles match paired up with teammate Rachael Morales as well.

Sophomore Marija Bogicevic said facing a team from a major conference is an opportunity

you more excited to play."

Bogicevic said the team has focused on developing its game for doubles matches and hopes the results will show against West Virginia.

Last season, the Herd defeated the Mountaineers, 5-2, in Morgantown, West Virginia.

Friday's match begins 3 p.m. on Marshall's outdoor tennis courts.

The Herd is led by junior Derya Turhan, who is 8-2 this season in individual matches, including 3-0 against conference opponents.

In doubles, the team of Turhan and Rachael Morales are 5-4 this season, including a 2-1 conference record.

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Marshall University tennis players take the court last season during a match at the Huntington Tennis Court.

the Herd always looks forward to.

"It's kind of challenging being that it is a Big 12 school," Bogicevic said. "But it makes

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# Homesick student becomes Assistant Dean of Students



RYAN FISCHER | THE PARTHENON

Matthew James discusses debate issues with Student Government Association.

By **CARLI PLUTE**  
THE PARTHENON

Matthew James found his way to Marshall University in 2004, coming from his hometown in Bluefield, West Virginia.

As a teenager James said he was more than ready to start college, but after a few days in a dorm room, he was ready to go home.

The homesickness kicked in and James said he did not know how to give Marshall a chance.

Finally, James said he caught a break and he saw a familiar face.

"I saw Jennifer Gaston, an old friend from summer student government camp," James said. "She invited me to join the student senate in the Student Government Association and within a few weeks, I found an organization that made me feel at home."

Shortly after, James said he found another home in Alpha Sigma Phi; within a year, James was elected president of the chapter.

After losing by 16 votes for student body president, James said he felt like he had

persuaded by many of his friends to run for Mr. Marshall.

James said he was completely surprised while standing on the field at half-time when he heard his name announced as "Mr. Marshall

ran for student body president again and succeeded.

Graduating with a bachelor's degree in 2009 and a master's in 2011, James was offered a full-time job at the Student Resource Center at the University.

"Marshall University has shaped me into the person I am today," James said. "Who would have imagined that the homesick freshman who cried everyday during the first week of college and begged his mother to let him come home, would ultimately become student body president and fall so in love with Marshall University that he never wants to leave?"

James now sits in his own office as the assistant dean of students.

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- Matthew James**

failed and did not know what to peruse next.

"At that point, Marshall University had taught me two important lessons, patience and endurance," James said.

James said he was

2007."

"I was more excited for my mom at this point," James said. "Never having had a daughter, this was her one and only opportunity to be a pageant mom."

The following spring, James

## Ritter Park holds St. Patrick's Day Scavenger Hunt

By **LYDIA WAYBRIGHT**  
THE PARTHENON

Saturday at noon at Ritter Park The Greater Huntington Parks and Recreation District will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a scavenger hunt.

Recreation programmer Alice Hall said the scavenger hunt will begin at Gobblers Knob, next to the amphitheater. The hunt will consist of a series of clues leading people all throughout Ritter Park.

Hall said she left the fliers ambiguous intentionally because she wants people to be surprised when they arrive to begin the hunt.

Hall said there will be St. Patrick's day themed goodies

and activities for guests after they reach the final stop on the scavenger hunt.

"People will be able to build their own shamrocks," Hall said.

Hall said this is the second scavenger hunt the Greater Huntington Parks and Recreation District has held.

"This is the second time we've done it," Hall said. "But last year it got rained out, so we kind of skipped a year, and we're bringing it back this year."

The scavenger hunt is free of charge.

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## Fashion show helps raise money for Easter baskets

By **LOGAN PARKULO**  
THE PARTHENON

Local non-profit organization the Do-Gooder group will have a fashion show at A Southern Company on 7th Avenue March 12 at 4:30 p.m.

The fashion show will feature clothes donated by the local Goodwill to provide trends at a low cost. Volunteers and Do-Gooder's themselves will be modeling at the event

According to their website, the Do-Gooder Group is a diverse group of believers. The Do-Gooder Group's mission is to help out the communities of the nation and inspire others worldwide.

"Rather than running away from troubles in life, we want to tackle them head on," Do-Gooder Group leader Anthony Hancock said.

The group wants to spread positive attitudes and work miracles for the greater good of humanity. The organization only requires volunteers have a desire to be a part of a movement that is dedicated

to bringing positivity, enlightenment and awareness to the community.

The fashion show will also include refreshments, prizes and music.

The Do-Gooder Group had its first project over the Christmas season. The shoebox drive was an event where Do-Gooder's collected about 40 shoeboxes and filled them with items like gloves, hats, socks and hand warmers to handout to the homeless. The project had over 25 pledges and numerous other donations including jackets, blankets and pillows.

Hancock said he hopes the first annual fashion show will have a great turnout.

Admission for the show costs \$15 with a charitable Easter basket donation and \$20 for those who do not donate. All proceeds go towards making Easter baskets for the children at the Huntington City Mission.

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## Local initiative hosts Kids in Motion 5K

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The Huntington YMCA will host the second annual Kids in Motion 5K Race Sunday afternoon at the YMCA Kennedy Center on Route 2.

Kids in Motion, a local health and wellness program through the Huntington YMCA, is geared toward children ages 5 to 17 in the Tri-State area and strives to provide a safe place for students to come be more proactive in their health and wellness while beating and ending childhood obesity.

"It's a more interactive fun environment for kids out there who may not want to play a team sport but still wants to be involved in something active," health and wellness director for Kids in Motion Sarah Holub said.

Kids in Motion not only works to

strengthen student's ability to train and be fit, but also helps students understand the benefits of eating healthy through their partnership with Huntington's Kitchen.

Holub said during the event this weekend they hope people come out and support this local initiative that encourages children to be fit and eat healthy.

"It's a great opportunity for anyone, any age, to come out and support our program, get more information on Kids in Motion, as well as the YMCA," Holub said.

Anyone can register to run or walk in the 5K, or children ages 10 and under can register to participate in the free MedExpress Kids' half mile run.

Holub said during the race Kids in Motion will exhibit their workout

equipment as well as offer face painting, creating a more fun family oriented event.

"Our program revolves around the family being involved, having the families support of the kids," Holub said. "That is what we are trying to focus on."

Registration is still open online. Those wishing to participate can register on the website or on the day of the race.

The first 100 people registered are guaranteed a t-shirt.

The race starts 2 p.m. There is a \$20 fee for participants 14 and under and a \$25 fee for participants 15 and older.

All proceeds benefit the Kids in Motion program.

"Come out and be active," Holub said.

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## Q &amp; A CONTINUED FROM FRONT

## JARVIS

## What do you want the student body to know about you, personally?

I just want them to know that I'm here for them. I'm a student at Marshall. I pay the same tuition everyone else does. I think right now, being the only person in SGA who's running for this, I think Emily and I are inheriting a lot of problems from the past that have been associated with SGA. But we're just kind of trying to handle this in the best way that we see fit. We're trying to solve the problems that we see, that we hear, that the students give to us. A lot of times people have really talked to us about, like "You know, you're really gunning for these equal opportunities on campus. Why is that?" I've personally been discriminated against for my sexual orientation on campus. Obviously that's something that hits home to me.

## Was there something specific that inspired you to run?

It was really just seeing all the negativity on campus and maybe realizing that, if we could do anything, it would be to make everyone feel a little bit better about where they chose as their school, where the tuition money is going to, the student organizations they're in and just how they're feeling day to day.

## What plans do you have if you are elected?

First and foremost, what we want to do is just really get back in touch with the student body. We want everyone to know on this campus what's happening within the office, what's happening within our medias. Shortly after that, we're going to start attacking the platforms. I think, unlike most, every single platform, every single idea, every single thing we're trying to do, we've already had the opportunity to discuss with the people we would have to talk to achieve those.

## What do you believe is the biggest issue that Marshall is facing and how do you plan to combat it?

The overarching issue throughout this entire campaign is going to be the budget cuts and that's not going to be easy to fix. For the administration, the easiest way to fix it is to cut funding and raise tuition. That also happens to be the worst thing for students. Coming from an economic and finance background, I have a strong understanding of how money works and where it's supposed to go. I'm also a very vocal person, so I'll have no problem expressing those opinions and expressing the ideas of where students feel the money should go.

## Who is your vice president and why did you choose them?

Emily Kinner. She's a double major in broadcast journalism and political science. She's obviously a very good friend, but she shares the same passion for the university as I do. We do things completely differently, but I think we both acknowledge that we can really pull off of each others' strengths and weaknesses.

## Is there anything I haven't asked that you believe the student body should know?

I work with every student organization on campus. From the ones that have 50 plus members to the ones that have three. If they come in and they're asking how to apply for funding or different things they can fund for, I sit down with those organizations and I see what is the best possible way we can give you the most money. How can we help you? We have all this money here for a reason. We want to give it back to you.

## OLSON

## What do you want the student body to know about you, personally?

Because I care. I'm not running for this position to use it as a steppingstone or to make it into a thing to build my resume upon. It's not about me. It's more important about what we can do together as students.

## Was there something specific that inspired you to run?

The Parthenon inspired me to run. The RHRA thing where senators aren't adequately representing their constituents. Where people aren't going and talking to people in their colleges. They talk about these dean meetings, but they couldn't even list one at the debate, but that's a dean. That's not a student. We should have town hall meetings where people can go and actually ask questions. I'm ready for this. We need to realize what student government does matters, because they're the people that approve of student organization funding. They're the people who are supposed to be paying attention to student wants and needs and it's bothersome that they couldn't tread between the lines of a bill and realize that it was intended to discriminate against students. If the bill had passed 50 years ago, a lot of people wouldn't be here. It's not okay. We're the only West Virginia student body that didn't come out against it.

## What plans do you have if you are elected?

Izzy Rogner's bus system. It's going to revolutionize what it means to be a student here. When people started having class in Pullman, there needed to be a way for on-campus students to get there and still come back to class in a safe manner. Even if you don't vote for us, vote for that. Also, whenever student organizations come in to file for funding, I want to make certain that each one of them fills out a W-9 so that all of them know how to get funding for their respective organizations.

## What do you believe is the biggest issue that Marshall University is facing and how do you plan to combat it?

The most obvious thing would be budget cuts, but I honestly don't think that's too horrific. Generally speaking, I'm going to fight against everything that cuts a means of access to student resources. I don't like defunding programs.

## Who is your vice president and why did you choose them?

Collin Stipetich is my VP and I chose him because he came recommended from a lot of people I really respect a lot. He was ready. He wanted to do it. He was part of the Parlock campaign last year. His character means more to me than any voting block that could come from whatever groups he's a part of.

## Is there anything I haven't asked that you believe the student body should know?

What you do at Marshall matters. The people you meet and the connections you make, they matter. And any way that you can better facilitate people doing that in that capacity is good. It's important. It matters and that's why you should be involved.

## MIKLAS

## What do you want the student body to know about you, personally?

I guess I just want them to know that I'm an honest person. I just mainly want to get things done and I don't want there to be any drama about it like there has been, I think.

## Was there something specific that inspired you to run?

Yeah, last year's election. I had a friend who ran and I wasn't really happy with the election process. I thought it was more of a popularity contest than people voting ideas. I think we would have had a different president if people were voting on ideas. And, again, I'd like to be able to give SGA more things to do. That's what inspired me and I think I can.

## What plans do you have if you are elected?

First thing we'll do is finish the bus system if that doesn't get done, because I am a really big fan of the idea. And the second thing we'll do is pretty much just stay normal and then implement our community service ideas and then go from there. And I know the actual Marshall president would get behind that because he's big on community service, too.

What do you believe is the biggest issue that Marshall University is facing and how do you plan to combat it?

The biggest issue I've noticed is from the budget cuts where groups are getting their programs cut and it's becoming harder for students to start up clubs and stuff and get funding for that. That's one issue we've noticed.

## Who is your vice president and why did you choose them?

Amos Parlock is my VP. He's my best friend here at Marshall and he's come up with so many ideas. He's also a really strong leader. Like he mentioned at the debate, he's an Eagle Scout and all that stuff, so I think he'd be good to have on the team.

## Is there anything I haven't asked that you believe the student body should know?

If you're in SGA, you're there to help. We think, with our community service platform, it's the easiest and most efficient way to help out. Like I said, that's not the only thing we're going to do. That's just the main idea right now and we're going to go from there. We just want to help out Huntington because we love Marshall and Huntington.

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## STUDENT MEDIA TO SPONSOR SGA DEBATE

By **NANCY PEYTON**  
THE PARTHENON

Candidates for student body president and vice president face off in a debate noon Monday in the Memorial Student Center lobby.

Matt Jarvis, Nate Miklas and Leif Olson are striving for the student body presidency, while Emily Kinner, Amos Parlock and Collin Stipetich are competing as their respective vice presidents.

The debate will be moderated by students from The Parthenon

and WMUL.

Student Government Association adviser Matt James said SGA is hoping to hear more specificity and substance from the candidates during this debate.

"The first debate was kind of a warm up with advisers moderating and asking broadly stated questions," James said. "We hope the moderators will feel empowered to ask more pointed questions regarding the candidates' platforms."

James said nothing is off limits in this debate. James said they're

hoping to hear more about the pressing issues on campus.

"We barely touched on the major issue facing our university - the budget concerns and diminished state funding of higher education," James said. "I'm hopeful the moderators will also allow for a similarly relaxed environment as the first debate and that the student audience is encouraged to ask questions of their own."

The candidates participated in a debate Tuesday in Smith Hall. During this debate, candidates were asked a variety of questions, ranging from last month's failed RFRA resolution to the university's financial troubles.

During this debate, Jarvis defended his decision to abstain from voting on the failed RFRA

resolution last semester. Olson spoke out against the senate's failed RFRA resolution in the meeting following said decision.

Olson said this would not affect his ability to work with SGA members.

In concern with financial issues at the university, Jarvis and Olson agreed SGA needs to work to show the administration how vital student programs that have lost funding are, while Parlock said he understands these programs are not being cut without reason.

The first half hour will be devoted to questions from the moderators, while the second half will be reserved for questions from the student body.

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safe, we're making sure that they are mobile and we're really improving the quality of life for students on Marshall's campus."

Rogner said she was excited the referendum passed. Rogner said the fact that the university's executive staff and President Jerry Gilbert are also welcoming the opportunity says the world about the people who are working for Marshall University and how much they care about the students.

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