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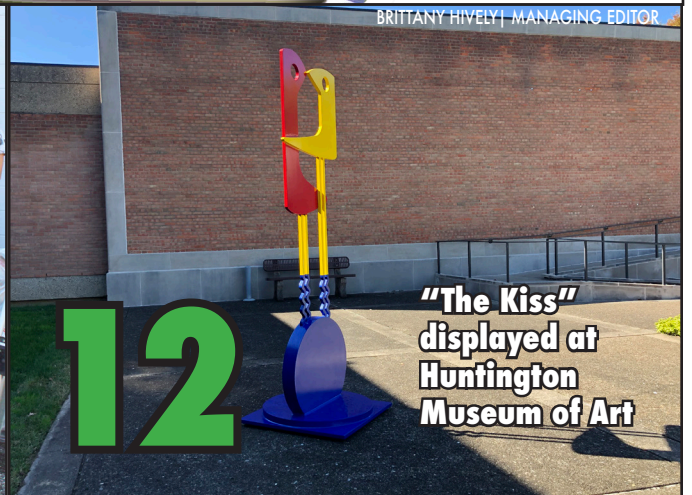
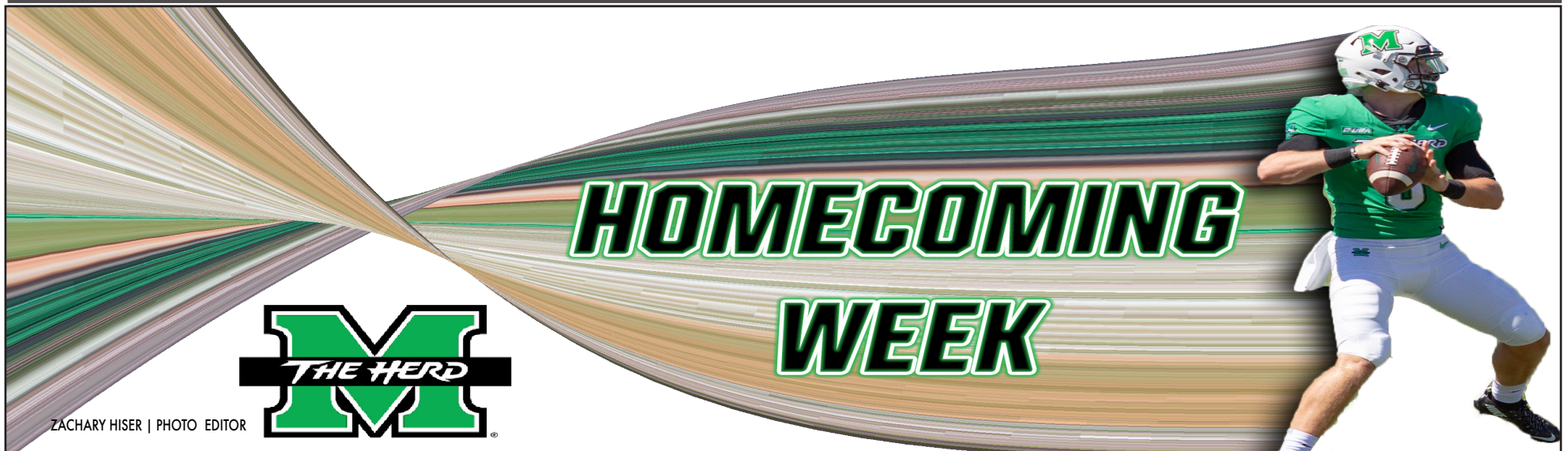
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FEATURE: Miss Marshall 2019, Emma Ellis

By **ABBY HANLON**
REPORTER

Emma Ellis was crowned Miss Marshall 2019 on her platform for environmental conservation and has since contributed to the progression of a greener campus and has been a positive influence on the herd community.



PHOTO COURTESY OF EMMA ELLIS

Because Ellis' candidate platform was campus conservation, she worked alongside the Student Government Association's Secretary of Campus Conservation and Green Initiatives to help her plan a campus clean-up last spring. The event was supposed to happen the weekend of March 13 but was ultimately cancelled due to the rising pandemic.

"The plan was to clean up the streets surrounding campus, separate the recyclables and enter the quantity into a nationwide Recyclerama," said Ellis. "Unfortunately, COVID-19 caused the event to be cancelled. I was still able to raise awareness for my platform through talking with students, and SGA's Secretary of Campus Conservation, Jentre Hyde, was able to provide paper straws in the student center."

During her time at Marshall she was an active member of many organizations. She was the President of her sorority, Delta Zeta, and of the Honors College Student Association. She was a member of Herd of Love and Students Optimistic for Curing Kids (SOCKS).

As Miss Marshall, Ellis spoke at Marshall Alumni events. She also attended Marshall University Day at the West Virginia State Capitol this past January.

"The position made me more confident in public speaking, as I gave a speech at the Memorial Student

Center reopening. I learned how to advocate for myself and a platform I cared so much about," said Ellis.

Ellis was also able to participate in the 49th Annual Fountain Ceremony on campus, honoring the 75 people who perished in the 1970 plane crash. She noted that one of her favorite memories as Miss Marshall was getting to be a part of that special day for the university and Huntington community.

"The sense of community that comes along with the ceremony is indescribable," said Ellis, "I look forward to this November when we commemorate the 50th Annual. I am so honored to be part of Marshall's history."

Ellis is currently a first-year medical student at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, but she is getting ready to come back to Huntington to crown the next Miss Marshall.

"Last homecoming was one of my favorite days ever, and I cannot wait to see someone else feel the rush of emotions when their name is broadcasted on the screen," said Ellis, "I still re-watch videos. The moment is so surreal. I am honored to be a part of that this year."

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Psychology Clinic to offer virtual group therapy sessions

UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATIONS

The Marshall University Psychology Clinic will be hosting free, virtual group meetings beginning this month. One is aimed at helping those experiencing high levels of stress, and the other is focused on those battling depression – both of which are at elevated levels because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The sessions are open to the Marshall community and the public.

The group to talk about stress will meet from 5-6 p.m. beginning on Friday, Oct. 23. The meetings will occur virtually via Microsoft Teams every

Friday for eight weeks.

"In this group, we hope to provide coping skills, a place to talk, and discuss ways to help minimize the stress and stressors you are experiencing," said Stephanie Spaulding a co-leader of the group.

"Everyone is experiencing high levels of stress and it's impacting our minds, bodies, and relationships," said Josh Williams, a co-leader of this group. "By taking part in this stress management group, I hope we can provide a space for people to connect with others and gain skills that improve their wellbeing."

Requirements for this group include stable internet access, a working microphone and camera, being of 18 years of age or older, and wanting to better manage stress. Those interested in signing up or seeking more information may e-mail Williams at williams365@marshall.edu or Spaulding at spaulding54@marshall.edu.

Anyone experiencing sadness, hopelessness, loneliness, isolation or a lack of motivation – which are common symptoms of depression – is welcome to join the group focused on depression. The Marshall University Psychology Clinic will be holding

weekly, virtual groups from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. beginning Wednesday, Oct. 21, via Microsoft Teams. They will continue each Wednesday for eight weeks.

"In this free group, we hope to provide a safe place to talk, learn coping skills targeted towards depression and to manage thoughts," Spaulding said. "Our hope is to reach people who have been struggling with depression and who need extra support during this time."

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University College helps students choose focus for studies



By JONATHAN STILL
REPORTER

University College is a service that supports students in learning through academic advisors and helps ease the process of choosing a major.

Sherri Stepp, director of University College and associate dean of undergraduate studies, said University College works with conditionally admitted students, undecided students and some pre-nursing students.

“University College also houses high school early entry and dual enrollment students, special admits, transient, and international transient students,” Stepp said in an email.

Stepp said University College offers academic advising to these students. Students are assigned a specific academic advisor who can assist them in choosing an academic program and various other needs.

The program also includes the National Student Exchange which provides an opportunity for qualifying students to study for two semesters at participating universities and colleges for the price of their Marshall tuition.

“The NSE program is similar to study aboard; however, the participating colleges and universities

are in the United States, Guam, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada,” Stepp said in an email.

Robin Taylor, the coordinator of the National Student Exchange, said she thinks the NSE program has the potential to really enhance a student’s exchange.

“I enjoy the fact that students get to have experiences outside of their comfort zone,” Taylor said in an email. “regardless if they are inbound to Marshall or outbound to another university.”

A common problem for many students transitioning to college is declaring a major that they like, and Stepp said University College advisors often ask students about previous activities or organizations in which they have been involved in high school.

“If they can identify something that really sparks their interest, we can look at reviewing academic programs that provide similar opportunities,” Stepp said.

This semester, University College advisors are meeting with their advisees virtually. If an advisee needs to schedule an appointment, they can contact their advisor directly or email advising@marshall.edu.

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Police Blotter

By CARTER TRUMAN
REPORTER

Petty Larceny
Drug Offense
Drug Offense

On Oct. 9, at 2:32 a.m., police officers said they witnessed a black Jeep, with West Virginia registration and no headlights on, turn westbound from John Marshall Drive and Sixth Ave. Police proceeded to stop the vehicle on the 1500 Block of Sixth Ave., where they said they identified the driver. The police officers said they detected the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle and that the driver was fidgety. The police officers got the driver out of the car and called for a K-9 unit. The police officers said they got the front right-side passenger out of the vehicle before the K-9 searched the car. After searching the vehicle, police said they found a small plastic bag containing psilocybin mushrooms located on the right rear driver’s floorboards. Police also discovered a complete paraphernalia kit, including scales, weights, baggies, tweezers and a mouthpiece, found on the driver’s front floorboards. Police seized and destroyed the equipment and issued an arrest citation for possession of a controlled substance. The vehicle driver was also given a warning for driving with no headlights, failure to exhibit a driver’s license, and no proof of insurance.

Petty Larceny

Police said that a person came to their office and reported their mountain bike stolen. The bike was a Specialized Crossroads, which was painted metallic blue and grey with bright green writing. Police said the bike was taken between Saturday, Oct. 10, at 9:30 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 11. Police said the bike had been entered into the National Crime Information Center.

Capias Warrant

On Oct. 12, at 10 p.m., Police officers, watching security camera footage, observed a male stumbling through the Office of Public Safety. The police officers met with and identified the man. After running a local check on the man, police found that he had two capias warrants, one for knowing and intentionally possessing a controlled substance and another for attempted or fraudulent use, forgery, traffic of credit card. Police then transported the man to Western Regional Jail.

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Students, faculty demand single-use product ban

By **XENA BUNTON**
REPORTER

Collecting plastic from Marshall University dorms, the sustainability club and department faculty organized plastic data last week for the “Break Free from Plastic” brand audit to reduce single-use products and create a proposal to increase recycling on campus.

“I am fortunate enough to be able to choose zero waste items and avoid plastic packaging as much as I can,” Sustainability Club president, Baleigh Epperly said. But I am dedicating my life and my career to sustainability so that I can help ensure that West Virginians and people around the world have the same access to these choices.”

With the help of sustainability department manager, Amy White, and 13 Marshall students, gathered trash from the Commons and Twin Towers Residence Halls to organize at the football stadium parking lot. Due to the wind, the group moved their tools and trash inside to prevent trash from flying away.

After the five-hour process, Epperly said approximately 195 plastic items were recycled and 829 plastic items were not—adding up to 1,024 total plastic products.



MARSHALL SUSTAINABILITY CLUB

Marshall's sustainability club gathers trash from residence halls.

White said the proposal requests Marshall University and the food service operation, Sodexo, to observe the demand of a plastic and styrofoam-free campus and provides a petition of nearly 1,000 signatures. She said most of this waste comes from the student center restaurants that use styrofoam, which is considered a single-use product.

The proposal reads, “We believe that at our University where we commune to establish our futures, that our future be valued over convenience.”

Some of these students and faculty members started their sustainability lifestyles at a young age.

Kenlee Bonecutter, sophomore dietetics major, said her sustainability awareness started through 4-H and youth leadership programs that taught her about recycling and reusable energy sources.

“From then on, I wanted to be a part of something bigger than myself. I don’t want to see my community and environment suffer,” Bonecutter said.

Having the resources and an environment to learn about sustainability helps create jobs dedicated to the lifestyle.

White said growing up on a farm during her childhood has allowed her transition into a sustainability field to be “pretty easy.”

“A sustainable lifestyle is not just about hugging trees,” White said. “It is about prudent financial decisions, reducing consumption of resources, and caring about the well-being of others.”

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Marshall Greek alumna kickstarts online jewelry store

By **ABBY HANLON**
REPORTER

Maddy Moore graduated in the spring of 2020 as a criminal justice major and political science and marketing minors. She was a member of the Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority while also working at a local Huntington boutique, The Hip Eagle.

Moore began her small business by making and selling jewelry to friends and family. She created an Etsy shop called Live Unchained to start selling to a larger audience, which grew quickly.

“After a couple weeks of selling on Etsy, I came past another Marshall graduate, Olivia Hutchinson and her sister Baby Goad, who started a marketing and branding business, Fetch,” said Moore,

“After talking with them, I made the decision to take the next steps with my business by creating its own website along with branding and marketing materials.”

While running her small business from home, Moore works as an operations analyst for Greytek LLC, a security company in Maryland. Working a full-time job and making jewelry is how she has spent her days since graduation amidst the global pandemic.

Moore creates new designs and jewelry pieces along with packing and shipping orders in her free time between her job.

“When I sit down to make new designs I think about what is missing in my wardrobe,” said Moore. “I take out all the supplies I have

and play with the designs until I love them. Sometimes they come to me almost immediately, and other times it can take me days to make something I like.”

She emphasized affordability while not sacrificing the cute and trendy styles. With many competing online shops Moore wanted to make jewelry that she would buy.

She models this in her own shop’s prices, from the perspective of a recent college graduate when it came down to how much she was willing to spend on buying jewelry from other places.

Live Unchained recently went through some major changes, switching from an Etsy shop to a self-hosted website, a new name and logo,

with more to come. She hired a branding team, Hutchinson and Goad, to help her with this change.

“As a business owner I think it is important to acknowledge your strengths and weaknesses, I knew I could not brand Live Unchained on my own,” said Moore, “After having a lot of success on my Etsy shop, I decided it was time to build my own website.”

One of Moore’s favorite parts of owning her small business is that every day is different, bringing new orders and new customers. Some days are spent coming home and getting orders ready, while other days are spent designing and creating new pieces to put in her shop.

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Spotlight: Huntington Addiction and Wellness Center

By **SEQUOIA WARE**
REPORTER

The Huntington Addiction and Wellness Center (HAWC) assistant director, Sean Presgraves, discussed issues surrounding homelessness, addiction and what students can do regarding them on Monday night.

Presgraves talked about the Center's new rehabilitation program and what students can do to help while also shining a light on the importance of community outreach and harm reduction.

"It is important to meet people where they are at, in terms of recovery. A lot of people who are in active addiction might not be in a place where they are ready to go full abstinence. For a lot of people that's not even in their idea," Presgraves said.

"As far as needle exchange, in terms of harm reduction if a person is still using, I would like to take every effort and make sure they being as safe as humanly possible, so that they are not contracting and spreading diseases. So that when they get to a place when they are ready to come into treatment, they're physically healthy enough that they have a life to live successfully," Presgraves said.

HAWC's mission is to improve the quality of life for every individual struggling with substance abuse disorder. The program offers the option for people to choose abstinence or medical aid using Vivitrol and Suboxone. According to Presgraves, 70% of those who come into the program choose

abstinence over Vivitrol or Suboxone.

"In the last two years, I've lost probably 30 friends," Presgraves said. "I would say if they had been on Suboxone or Vivitrol, they'd still be here and have an opportunity to be in recovery."

Once someone completes the program, HAWC hires them directly onto the company. This is not only a way Presgraves said their program stands out, but also a way to encourage their former clients to have careers and hopefully not relapse.

"So often people get sober, they stop using drugs and alcohol, and they find themselves working remedial jobs that they may or may not like at all, and inevitably they find themselves relapsing. What we have determined is vital part of long-term sobriety is finding a career to immerse yourself in and wake up everyday visualizing goals," Presgraves said.

HAWC also focuses heavily on the mental health aspect of addiction and recovery. Presgraves said they have doctors, counselors and specialists who assist within HAWC.

Since opening in April, HAWC has shown major success in Huntington. According to their website, they currently have saved \$840,000 in medical and prison expenses and have already had 49 successes.

"We started with one facility on 5th Avenue in Huntington, and we have now purchased three more building and have turned them into phase two transitional housing for our men and women," Presgraves said.

Beyond mental health, HAWC has also worked to help

people get IDs, birth certificates, GED, certificates of trade, and a promised career path directly after leaving HAWC.

"We also believe in getting people back into society," Presgraves said, "We have case management here, that does a phenomenal job of getting people birth certificates, social security cards, legal IDs, and we have classes for GED and all that kind of stuff."

Presgraves said the program pays for all of that in efforts to show how important it is to not only get sober but also into the light of reality and the community.

"We have the ability to see how things actually work and it's nothing like what people suggest," he said. "We are approaching recovery in a completely different way, and it's wildly successful to see people recovering the way they are here."

HAWC has worked with Harmony House in the first couple months of opening and helped house the homeless, according to Presgraves.

"What was beautiful was we had a month of time to work within the homeless population and talk to them about recovery. We have 80% of those people housed and entering the program because of it," he said.

Presgraves said they would love to for students to become volunteers. "We have people here who..."

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New student org raises awareness about human trafficking

By **JONATHAN STILL**
REPORTER

Students Against Human Trafficking is a recently formed student organization that seeks to bring awareness to the issue of people falling into the grasp of traffickers.

Beth Boyrer, President of Students Against Human Trafficking, said she realized the issue is important bring awareness to after she randomly viewed an advertisement on her Instagram feed over the summer about it.

Boyrer said she found statistics that human trafficking increased during the COVID-19 pandemic largely due to people

staying home and spending more time online. She talked about the issue with her roommate, Ashley Moore, who was a former SGA member.

Moore set up a meeting for Boyrer with Student Affairs and Boyrer began planning.

"I told them about how I became passionate about human trafficking and how I didn't feel a lot of things had to do with human trafficking on campus," Boyrer said.

Students Against Human Trafficking then became an official student organization and the group hosted two showings of the Global Freedom Summit last Saturday.

Moore, who became the community liaison for Students Against Human Trafficking, said if a student would like to be a part of the organization they can access the organization on Herdlink or email her or Boyrer.

"From there, we would send them training to do and our information about meeting times," Moore said in an email.

Boyrer said the organization would love to partner with others on campus. She said she has connections with the Women and Gender Center and the Wellness Center as well.

Currently there are 12 members of

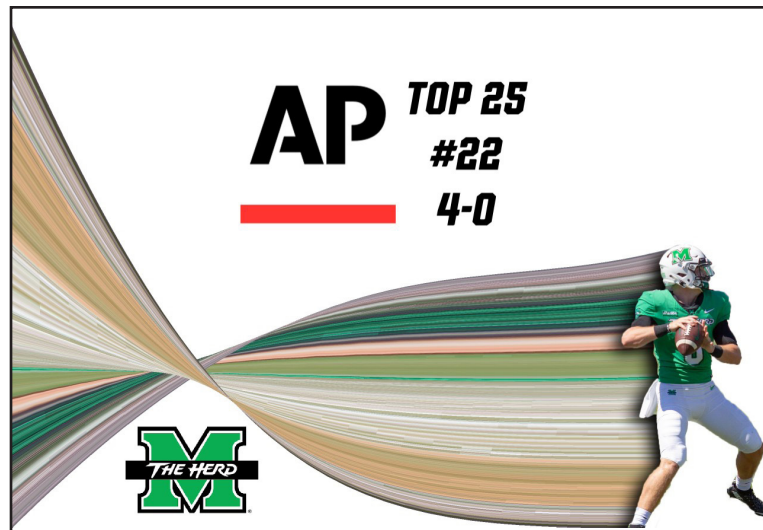
the organization, one of which is Candace Layne. Layne is the Director of the Counseling Center and serves as the staff advisor of the group.

"I was approached by Ashley and Beth to be advisor," Layne said in an email. "I'm really glad they asked and I love being a staff member that's involved."

Boyrer said folks can spread awareness through social media or by calling the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1 (888)-373-7888 or 911 if they encounter any scenario of human trafficking.

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No. 22 Herd, Owls to square off for Homecoming game



ZACH HISER | THE PARTHENON

By **TAYLOR HUDDLESTON**
SPORTS EDITOR

The Marshall University Thundering Herd football team is returning home this week after competing in two consecutive road games against Western Kentucky University and Louisiana Tech University.

The Herd (4-0, 2-0 Conference USA) is coming off a 35-17 win against the Bulldogs last weekend.

Marshall entered back into the Associated Press (AP) Top 25 rankings as No. 22 overall and No. 25 in the Armway USA Today Coaches Poll.

The Herd's ranking in the Coaches poll is the first time there since being previously ranked No. 20 on Nov. 23, 2014.

Marshall head coach Doc Holliday said this week's game captains are running back Sheldon Evans, offensive lineman Alex Mollette, running back Brenden Knox, defensive end Koby Cumberlander and linebacker Tavante Beckett.

"What matters is where you are at the end of the season, right now it's exciting," Holliday said regarding the Herd's

presence back into the rankings. "We can't listen to all the noise and make sure the kids understand that we're in the top 25, we have a bullseye on our chests every week."

The Florida Atlantic University Owls (1-0, 1-0 C-USA) are scheduled to make the trip to Huntington, West Virginia to face the Herd in its homecoming game.

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Marshall men's basketball back in action

By **TAYLOR HUDDLESTON**
SPORTS EDITOR

The Marshall University men's basketball team officially began practicing in the Cam Henderson Center on Tuesday.

This is the first time the team will be practicing together since the coronavirus stopped all sports play back in March. The Herd was in the middle of competing for the Conference USA Championship

title during the C-USA Basketball Tournament in Frisco, Texas when the remaining games were canceled.

The last game Marshall played was on March 11 against the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) during the C-USA Tournament in which the Herd won 86-78.

Marshall men's basketball head coach

Dan D'Antoni said the team has dealt with the uncertain times but have gotten better as a team.

"It's crazy times," D'Antoni said. "We were playing at probably our best when it stopped. I feel confident that we've gotten better. We do the best we can with distance and masking up as much as

possible. We certainly do our best."

D'Antoni said the Herd will be ready to compete in practice and games as the opportunities become available while dealing with COVID-19.

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Athlete of the Week

Artie Henry, football

ABOUT ARTIE HENRY:

POSITION: Wide Receiver

CLASS: Redshirt Senior

HEIGHT: 6-1

WEIGHT: 179lbs

HOMETOWN: Sarasota, Fla.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MARSHALL ATHLETICS

Playing his first game in over a year, redshirt senior Artie Henry has earned athlete of the week honors after his three receptions, 72-yard and one touchdown performance against Louisiana Tech.

The last time Henry caught a ball or even took a snap was more than 13 months ago when Marshall defeated Ohio 33-31 at Joan C. Edwards Stadium.

Three games into the 2019 season, an injury halted his redshirt junior campaign, and another injury suffered in the preseason kept him out of the first three games of this season.

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Eli Neal named C-USA Defensive Player of the Week

By **GRANT GOODRICH**
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Playing an integral role in dominating Louisiana Tech's ground attack, sophomore linebacker Eli Neal was named Conference USA Defensive Player of the Week, the conference announced Monday.

It is the third time this season that a Marshall player has earned the honor. Fellow linebacker Tavante Beckett has won the award the other two times, but this time it was Neal, who keeps the award within the Marshall linebacking core.

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EDITORIAL: Stay at home



AP PHOTO | NATI HARNIK

Dilon Moore disinfects shopping carts and controls the number of customers allowed to shop at one time at a Trader Joe's supermarket in Omaha, Neb., Thursday, May 7, 2020. Store workers across the country are suddenly being asked to enforce the rules that govern shopping during the coronavirus pandemic.

As various sporting and on-campus events resume across the state, many students return to in-person classes and the state government consistently presents misleading data, speculation about the proper precautions to take regarding the COVID-19 pandemic may seem increasingly understandable. Amid the increasing confusion, following the guidance of public health experts and officials becomes increasingly important, and their guidance is clear: Stay home if you are able; Wear a mask if you are not.

Although in many aspects of our lives and of our society we may attempt to return to some semblance of normalcy, we should not turn our backs to the reality of the pandemic. Millions of people are struggling across the country, and West Virginia is no exception.

Throughout the pandemic, essential workers and people of all backgrounds and professions have continued to risk their lives to prevent an absolute shutdown of the country and an even more devastating disaster than we face now.

As a people and as a society, we owe it to ourselves—especially to the most vulnerable amongst us—to do everything in our power to

keep each other safe, and the least we can do toward that goal is to stay home when able and to practice social distancing and wear a mask when we must be in public.

Now is not the time to pretend we may return to "normal." Now is anything but "normal."

On a local scale, the Cabell-Huntington Health Department recently issued a stay at home order for Cabell County residents.

"The Cabell-Huntington Health Department is alerting the public of accelerated community spread of COVID-19, which is not improving with current actions," a press release states. "Since our last advisory on October 1, Cabell County has seen further increase in infection rates and in daily percent positivity rates, despite increased laboratory testing and test availability. Widespread disease in the community increases exposure risk to the public, increases the risk of exposure to vulnerable populations, and reduces the effectiveness of contact tracing as a means of controlling disease spread. Widespread disease burdens individuals and families."

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Warner releases weekly voter participation data for Nov. 3 general election



AP PHOTO | JOHN FROSCHAUER

In this March 10, 2020, file photo wearing gloves, a King County Election worker collect ballots from a drop box in the Washington State primary in Seattle. A new poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research finds Democrats are now much more likely than Republicans to support their state conducting elections exclusively by mail, 47% to 29%.

SECRETARY OF STATE OFFICE

Tuesday, Secretary of State Mac Warner released a weekly update on statewide voter participation.

Data as of Oct. 20, 2020:

- Statewide absentee ballots requested: 138,073
- Statewide absentee ballots cast: 91,298
- Registered voters: 1,268,460

As of Tuesday, 136,562 absentee ballots have been sent to voters, which equates to 98.9% of ballots requested.

Early voting starts Wednesday in West Virginia
In-person early voting

starts Wednesday, Oct. 21, in West Virginia and will end on Saturday, Oct. 31. Voters can find hours and early voting locations in their county here.

Voters and election workers are recommended to follow the DHHR's COVID-19 Guidance for Polling Locations & Voters.

October 28 is the deadline to request an absentee ballot

Warner reminds voters who wish to vote absentee due to concerns of COVID-19 that the absentee ballot application portal at GoVoteWV.com

is the most efficient way to request their ballot.

The deadline to request an absentee ballot is Oct. 28, and applications must be received by the county clerk by that date to be accepted.

In addition to the portal, voters may also print and mail an application from GoVoteWV.com or call or write their county clerk to request an application form by mail. A directory of county clerks is located online at GoVoteWV.com or voters may call 304-558-6000 for assistance.

Parthe-Pet: Miss Pepperoni



Miss Pepperoni, who I met while dining outside of Giovanni's on Route 60, is a spunky, charismatic, zippy little bastard that has brought me nothing but the utmost joy since the moment I spotted her dancing under some trickling water falling out of the gutter on the side of the restaurant. She loves Tuna and will go crazy on a hair tie that fell on the floor. She is my best friend and the ruler of my heart.

Interested in featuring your pet in the paper? Use #ParthePet on social media or contact robinson436@marshall.edu with photos and a short bio.

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...volunteer to do classes like art therapy and things like that and basically what it comes down to, if your heart is in the right place for helping people, you know, there's always something someone can do. We really appreciate seeing the community come together because addiction has touched everybody's lives, if not individually, then someone in the family or a friend."

For students who want to help at HAWC contact Katy Keeny, Community Engagement Specialist, at katie.hawc@gmail.com.

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THERAPY cont. from 2

"We are offering this group because we see a need in the community," said Brittany Davis, a co-leader and graduate student at Marshall. "COVID-19 has increased isolation for a lot of people, and we know it is important to offer support in a way that is accessible and safe. We decided to offer this group through tele-behavioral health to help minimize risk to individuals."

Dr. Keith Beard, professor of psychology, will be supervising the group.

"Especially during these times, there is a need for support and using the internet as a way to help connect people to the help that they need is an exciting and easy way to feel better," Beard said.

Requirements for this group include access to a stable internet connection, a working microphone and camera, and feelings of sadness or hopelessness. Those interested or who would like more information may e-mail Davis at holley127@marshall.edu or Spaulding at spaulding54@live.marshall.edu.

HOME cont. from 8

As of Tuesday afternoon, Cabell County reports 1,165 confirmed coronavirus cases, more than 460 of which are currently active, with more than 45 additional probable cases. To date, 18 coronavirus-related deaths have been reported in the county.

On the Harvard Global Health Risk Levels map, Cabell County is categorized as red, reporting 28.9 daily new cases per 100,000 people. Per the Harvard metrics, a red categorization is called a "tipping point" at which "stay-at-home orders (are) necessary."

Also Tuesday, Marshall reports 128 total confirmed campus cases, with 18 new cases since Oct. 6. University data show an average of 1.29 new campus cases per day for the past two weeks.

Statewide, West Virginia has reported more than 20,500 confirmed cases and more than 400 deaths. As of Tuesday, there were more than 5,100 active cases across the state and nine deaths reported in the last 24 hours.

The pandemic still is plaguing our country, our state, our county and our campus.

For the sake of keeping each other as safe as possible, we must follow the guidance of public health experts and officials, regardless of the positions of politicians or anyone else. Stay at home if you are able; Practice social distancing and wear a mask if you must be in public. If not for yourself, be responsible for those less fortunate and more vulnerable who may be put at increased risk of danger because of your actions.

HERD cont. from 6

This will be the Owls second game of the season and first road trip due to previous games being postponed and canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic. Last time FAU played was at home on Oct. 3 against Charlotte and won 21-17.

Holliday said the Herd will be preparing to play the scheduled game this week.

"We'll prepare as we are playing this weekend," Holliday said. "We got to worry about what we can control. What I can control is what our team is doing here and preparing to play this game. We go to work every day and get better as a football team."

Marshall redshirt freshman quarterback Grant Wells said he doesn't focus on the honors that he has received so far this season. He was recently named to the FWAAs Freshman All-American Watch List.

"It was a pretty cool honor," Wells said. "I try to stay away from those as much as possible and focus on FAU. It's been a weird couple months. We started to play and all these accolades coming my way and dealing with COVID has made it a wild couple of months."

Wells praised the team for the hard work and dedication that has been put in for the Herd's success this far into the season.

"This is a fun team to be on," Wells said. "Each guy is playing for each other. Everybody is working for the guy next to him."

Wells said Marshall has to prepare for the Owls even though the team has played one game this season.

"We have to adapt," Wells said. "We have to get back in that mindset."

Redshirt junior safety Derrek Pitts praised the Herd's defensive effort this season.

"That's the great plan for Marshall, it all started at camp," Pitts said. "We have a lot of confidence. Everybody is so competitive. Coaches coach, players play, I'm a firm believer in that. We got a great defensive staff. If it doesn't work, then we will make it work. We just believe in each other. This team, the trust is so crazy. Everybody is just happy to be a part of the team."

Kickoff is set for 2:30 p.m. at Joan C. Edwards Stadium. The game will be produced by Stadium and will air on FOX's regional networks, the FOX Sports Go app and Stadium plus on YouTube TV.

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BASKETBALL cont. from 6

"When you compete, you compete," D'Antoni said. "Our kids compete, they're great young men, they've been a blessing for me. We're going to come out and compete and our level of play will be there. I look forward to every practice and every game."

Junior guard Taevion Kinsey said the team is ready to get the season started after the way last season abruptly ended.

"It's definitely been some trials and tribulations," Kinsey said. "I'm ready to get it going and I think our guys are ready to get it going as well."

Kinsey said the Herd will be taking advantage of every opportunity as the season begins along with following all procedures and guidelines for health and safety.

"I think these guys are hungry to start the season," Kinsey said. "You're going to do everything

you can. We keep jelling off the court and on the court. I think we will be fine. We're just taking every opportunity as it comes."

Redshirt sophomore guard Andrew Taylor said games can't be taken for granted, especially while dealing with the ongoing coronavirus.

"You can't take any game for granted because you never know when the whole thing can shut down like last year," Taylor said. "No one expected that. The last few months have been crazy."

Senior guard Jarrod West said he's confident in this year's team.

"I feel like a good saying for us would be 'unfinished business,'" West said. "I feel like we got a great opportunity with the guys coming back this year to make noise."

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ATHLETE cont. from 7

However, he battled back from both and led the Thundering Herd in receiving in his first game back.

Not only did he fight through adversity to get himself back on the field, but he also played a key role in the Herd's win.

After Louisiana Tech scored its first touchdown of the game to cut the lead to 11, Henry and the Marshall offense responded with a touchdown drive of their own to push the lead back to 18.

On first and 10 just inside Louisiana Tech territory on the 46-yard line, Henry, lined up on the outside, beat his corner on an inside release and ran straight down the field. With no safety help over the top, Wells

perfectly lofted the ball over Henry's shoulder for the 46-yard TD.

It was Henry's first touchdown reception since the 2019 season opener against VMI, and it was the fourth touchdown reception of his career.

For the Marshall offense, it was the first receiving TD since the opener against Eastern Kentucky.

In a game in which the running game was not as dominate, it was important for the downfield passing game to show up, and it did, sparked by Henry.

With Henry back in the fold for the offense, the already diverse pool of receivers increases, giving Wells and the offense many versatile playmakers.

C-USA cont. from 7

Neal recorded seven total tackles (3 solo) with 1 tackle for loss and his first career interception. Neal exhibited his ability to read the defense, fly downhill and stuff running plays.

His interception, which came on Louisiana Tech's first offensive play, was key to setting up Marshall's first touchdown of the game.

After the Thundering Herd offense failed to convert a fourth down, the Bulldogs took over, but it did not last long. Just as Louisiana quarterback Luke Anthony was letting the ball fly, defensive end Darius Hodge hit his arm, disrupting the trajectory of the ball and allowing Neal to pick it off.

Another key play made by Neal came at the end of the first half. With four seconds until halftime, Louisiana Tech had the ball on the one-yard line with the chance of making the score 14-10.

The Bulldogs called an inside run and Neal's gap came free. He made first contact with the running back while defensive tackle Jamare Edwards stuffed the ball carrier before he could cross the goal line. With both Neal and Edwards' effort, Marshall kept it a 14-3 game.

Although Neal was an individual standout, he was also an exemplification of the bigger picture – Marshall's defensive dominance in the run game.

The Thundering Herd defense held the Bulldogs to a total of seven rushing yards at 0.3 yards per carry. On the season, Marshall is giving up only 68.5 rushing yards per game, which is good for third best in the country behind Georgia and Pittsburgh.

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Local artist honors Walter Gropius and the work of collaboration with "The Kiss"

By **BRITTANY HIVELY**

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Huntington artist Jamie Sloane's latest piece is the newest addition to The Huntington Museum of Art (HMOA). "The Kiss" honors the late architect Walter Gropius but also is a showcase of collaboration.

"I wanted to do a sculpture that represented collaboration and what it means to come together," Sloane said.

Sloane was asked by Christopher Hatten, senior curator, to do a piece for the 50th anniversary of the development of the Gropius wing of The Huntington Museum of Art.

"When I heard Walter Gropius, it's like ya know, he's like a celebrity," Sloane said, "I jumped on board immediately."

Walter Gropius was an architect and the founder of Bauhaus in Germany. Gropius left Germany during Hitler's reign, and he eventually found himself in West Virginia.

Gropius designed and oversaw the construction to the 1970 addition to The Huntington Museum of Art according to waltergropius.org.

"He's like the Lady Gaga of architect," said Jimmy Hobbs, Sloane's partner and director.

Sloane says not only was the piece an honor, but he feels like it took him to the next level.

"That carries you to a different plateau because now you can be associated with someone who is great," Sloane said. "There is just

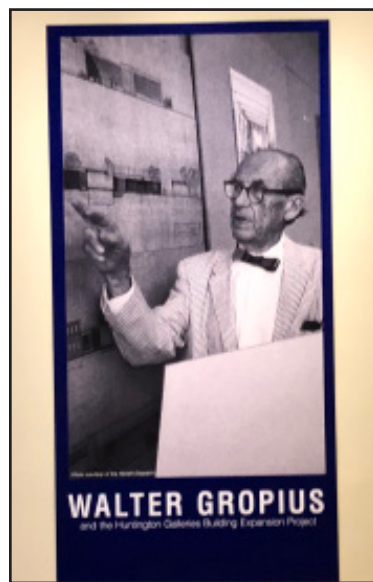
no way I was not going to do it."

Between research and discussions with Hobbs, Sloane knew what he wanted to do.

"The first thing I did was study Bauhaus, just got it in my head," Sloane said. "What I derived from what I learned was I knew I wanted to do something that was in the essence of Bauhaus, which was an actual school. They had composers, architects, weavers, potteries, the very best of everything, like technology."

"They put them all in this school and they were projecting one train of modern thought. Like how to minimize and simplify life into a modern direction," he said. "So, ultimately, it's about the collaboration, get everyone in it and working together to produce something great."

Sloane said he had plenty of options for designs.



The Walter Gropius exhibit takes visitors through his life and work.

"I could come from any direction; I was overwhelmed. I just saw these waterbirds in my head, two birds kissing, and that's a collaboration. Husband and wife, boyfriend and girlfriend, people come together," Sloane said. "Two or more people and you can do something wonderful and great, and so I thought I want to simplify that thought process and just do a kiss. In the essence of Bauhaus, make it something simple, and there's nothing more simple than a kiss. I did two birds in a body of water, and it represents that is one moment when you come together."

Along with keeping things simple, Sloane used the major dynamics of Bauhaus.

"The shapes of the Bauhaus are triangle, square and circle," Hobbs said. "Every moment of that sculpture is that. The beaks and the tails are triangles, the base is square, the middle base is round."

"The Kiss" went from an idea to a sketch to the statue that can be seen today.

"I did a little sketch of two birds, waterfowl, kind of wrapped in one another- much the same way you see in the sculpture," Sloane said. "And then I went with the basic shapes and squeezed them into those moments, like their heads and their bodies."

While Hobbs was the support person to talk Sloane through the process, he says the entire project was a collaboration.

"The Kiss" represents collaboration on a totally different avenue," Sloane said. "I had to work with welders, painters, Hun-



Artist Jamie Sloan and partner, Jimmy Hobbs with "The Kiss."

tington Steel fabricators."

While the project saw minimal delays due to coronavirus, not everyone thought it would be an easy project.

"People kept telling him, 'you're not going to be able to do this' and 'you're not going to be able to come up with this' and he said, 'I'm sorry, it's going to be up' he was never ever unsure from the moment," Hobbs said. "And that was our connection with Walter Gropius with him. He said, 'I want to honor him, and I want this to be a world class design.'"

Not only did Sloane honor Gropius with a statue that represents his elements and collaboration, but he feels it shows Gropius' collaboration with Huntington.

"I think of the way the Huntington Museum, they knew who Walter Gropius is obviously, and with this show they're truly honoring him for who he is, but it takes a moment to really think about who he is," Sloane said. "The Kiss' really is a symbol of him collaborating with us, Huntington.

That was a collaboration."

Sloane said the project would not be possible without the collaboration of his team.

"It's getting everyone together and doing your very best," Sloane said.

In addition to Sloane and Hobbs, the collaboration included Jack Bourdelaï, patron and sponsor; Mark and Brian Heinz, painters from Kustom Coatings; Jason Ryan, master welder; Geoffrey Fleming, director of HMOA; and Chris Hatten, curator of HMOA.

There also is an assortment of elements in the HMOA's gift shop featuring a variety of handmade items from local artists in another work of collaboration.

"It came out exactly how I envisioned it," Sloane said.

"The Kiss" and the Walter Gropius exhibit will be available to view until January 10, 2021.

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