



# HERD HEAVEN

The Official Newsletter of the Marshall University Alumni Association



## MARCO!!!

He is perhaps the most recognizable face on the Marshall University campus, but how much do you really know about our furry friend Marco? A campus staple since the early 1930s, Marco has been lighting up sidelines and cheering up children for nearly 100 years. And this Homecoming, we will celebrate our cherished Mascot with "Home on the Range: A Celebration of Marco." Be there as the Marshall University Alumni Association hosts its annual assortment of amazing events with a Marco twist, highlighted by our annual Homecoming parade, Picnic on the Plaza, Homecoming Stampede 5K and Tailgate Party. You can check out the entire schedule by [CLICKING HERE](#) or by giving us a call at (304) 696-3134. We look forward to seeing you here in a few weeks as we celebrate western style. We hope to see you there! GO HERD!



## Alumni Partners

### OHIO VALLEY BANK



Ohio Valley Bank is once again the title sponsor of Homecoming! Be sure to stop by and say hello and thank you to OVB representatives at all of the alumni events and activities throughout Homecoming Week. [LEARN MORE...](#)



### JIM AND BOBBIE FARLEY NAMED GRAND MARSHALS

Marshall University alumnus Jim Farley and his wife Bobbie will serve as co-grand marshals for Marshall's 2018 Homecoming set for Saturday, October 20.

"Jim and Bobbie Farley have served Marshall University as volunteers continuously for more than 50 years at a high level," said Dr. Ron Area, CEO of the Marshall University Foundation. "Bobbie has worked side-by-side with Jim during this period of time. We are proud and honored to have Jim and Bobbie serve as our Grand Marshals of our 2018 Homecoming events as they are so deserving."

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## Alumni News - Homecoming Highlights



### PARADE & BONFIRE THU., OCT 18 @ 6:30 pm

The annual Marshall University Homecoming Parade through downtown Huntington, followed by a pep rally and bonfire!

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### PICNIC ON THE PLAZA FRI., OCT 19 @ 11:30 am

Party on the Plaza with students, faculty and alumni with plenty of entertainment and free food

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### HOMECOMING PRIDE GALA FRI., OCT 19 @ 7:00 pm

Brand new event hosted by

**HomeTown Sportswear Inc.**  
www.htswr.com  
3692 Rt. 60 E - Barboursville

**MARSHALL THUNDERING HERD**

**MARSHALL ALUMNI**

**YOUR HOME FOR HERD GEAR**



Commission on Diversity, Equality and Inclusion helping raise funds for student scholarships  
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**HOMECOMING STAMPEDE SAT., OCT 20 @ 8:00 am**  
 The annual Homecoming Stampede 5K with a brand new, campus-centered route! Open to everyone, the run will begin at 8 a.m. at the John Marshall Statue  
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**TAILGATE PARTY SAT., OCT 20 @ 11:00 am**  
 Marshall's biggest and baddest Homecoming tailgate bash! Join us for great food, music, games and more for \$10 on Harless Field.  
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## Campus News



**PHYSICAL THERAPY STUDENT TO COMPETE IN WORLD FITNESS COMPETITION**  
 Faith Farley has earned a position on Team USA to compete at the World Championship for Functional Fitness in London  
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**PROGRAM RECEIVES \$3.5 MILLION TO HELP GRADUATION RATES FOR MINORITY STUDENTS**  
 The Kentucky-West Virginia Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation has received \$3.5 million in funding  
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**REGIONAL SPEAKER SUBJECT OF YEAGER SYMPOSIUM**  
 Marshall's Society of Yeager Scholars will present the Yeager Symposium on Oct. 17 featuring world-renowned storyteller Adam Booth  
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**MARCHING THUNDER TO PERFORM IN LONDON**  
 Marshall University's marching band, the Marching Thunder, will travel to London during December 2019 and perform in the 2020 New Year's Day parade  
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## Upcoming Events



**MARSHALL VS. MTSU**  
 The Thundering Herd welcomes Middle Tennessee State to The Joan... [LEARN MORE](#)

**OCT 5**



**BARENAKED LADIES**  
 The award-winning band travels to Huntington with the Marshall Artists

## Athletics News



### VISITING FANS LAUD MU FOR WELCOMING ATMOSPHERE

Hours after North Carolina State's victory over Marshall in September, Wolfpack fans took to social media to offer reviews from their trip to Huntington - and Herd supporters should be proud.

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### REMEMBERING FORMER HERD STAR PAYTON

Former Marshall University All-American quarterback Michael Payton died on Thursday, Sep. 27. Payton led Marshall to the 1992 NCAA Division I-AA national championship and much more.

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### HOMECOMING 2018

Marshall heads "Home on the Range" to take on the FAU Owls... [LEARN MORE](#)

OCT 20



### MARSHALL SPOTLIGHT

Dr. Jerome Gilbert  
*A special message for you...*

With Homecoming 2018 just around the corner, Marshall University President Jerome Gilbert would like to extend a special invitation for you to join us and see all of the wonderful things happening on campus with sights on big things in the near future... [LEARN MORE](#)

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