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Guest Writer

MSU Campus: Q & A with President Long

Q: What's the story behind WVU's possible purchase of Mountain State University's campus in Beckley?

A: WVU has not officially purchased the campus yet, but an offer has been made and that offer has been approved.

In November 2014, WVU entered into a due diligence agreement, which is the process where the prospective buyer does an appraisal of a business or property to make sure it's a sound purchase decision. After that due diligence process, WVU made an offer to purchase the campus on December 29, 2014. A panel of judges approved the purchase on January 16, 2015 and the WVU Board of Governors authorized the completion of necessary steps to purchase the land. We're in the process of finalizing the purchase and deciding how the campus will operate and the types of programs it will offer.

Q: What kinds of programs will the Beckley campus offer?

A: The Beckley campus is a great opportunity to offer majors that complement those already available in the southern part of the state. It's a bit too early to say exactly what we're going to offer, but we have some great minds here and in Morgantown working on a plan that will benefit the entire region.

There is a possibility that we'll see programs that used to be familiar to the area, like agriculture, nursing, hospitality and construction management. We're also excited about the possibility for a culinary arts program because the MSU campus has some fantastic existing kitchen facilities. With the popularity of outdoor activities in the Beckley area and the Boy Scouts' Summit Bechtel Family National Reserve nearby, we're also looking at the possibility of an outdoor recreation development program. The campus may also open up opportunities for advanced degree programs.



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Wrestling attends USCAA National Invitational

The WVU Tech wrestling team has had quite the season this year. The sudden departure of the original coach, Sam, left the team in a precarious position. With new head coach Dustin Stough coming in a week into the competition season many wondered how far the team would go this season. Our Golden Bears did not disappoint as they stormed Penn State to take on the USCAA National Invitational, with a strong desire to achieve victory and the muscle to back it up.

On February 15, 2015, the team traveled to Rec Hall at Penn State to take on at least 10 other teams and over 100 wrestlers. This event is relatively new, with wrestling being inducted as a sport in USCAA in only 2011. Ultimately, our Golden Bears walked away with six victories from 11 weight classes.

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By Dr. Cortney Barko
Guest Writer

IMAGE accepting submissions

Attention Tech students: *Image*, the literary magazine of WVU Tech is currently accepting submissions for its 2015 issue. We are looking for any kind of writing you do: fiction; nonfiction; poetry; drama; songs; and even essays and research papers written for classes at Tech. So Tech students, just when you thought that essay you just revised for English 102 was just another assignment, SURPRISE! It wasn't just any old assignment. It is a potential submission to *Image*. And if your submission is selected for publication, you can consider yourself a published writer! Put that publication on your resume too. College students should always be thinking about ways to build their resumes so that they can get good jobs after graduation.

If you are thinking, "I don't like writing" or "My writing isn't good enough to submit," please re-think those thoughts. Writing will be part of your lives forever, so develop a good attitude about it. And never doubt your abilities. There is no perfect piece of writing. Instead of doubting yourself, take something you've written to your English teacher at Tech or to a writing specialist at the Student Success Center. Ask for help in polishing up that piece of writing, and then submit it to *Image*.

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By Victoria Shawl
Guest Writer

Live Responsibly

Responsible behavior is learned and it results from observing role models and developing a group of values, beliefs, and behaviors that guide a person every day. A person who lives responsibly engages in the following:

- Showing respect and compassion for oneself and others.
- Telling the truth to oneself and others
- Acting courageously and standing up for ones beliefs
- Exercising self-control

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MSU Campus: Q & A with President Long

Q: How does the purchase of the MSU campus impact WVU Tech?

A: That's an important question, and it's important to start by saying that the Beckley campus does not signal the end of WVU Tech. As President Gee has said, WVU Tech and Beckley are going to be "two arms on the same body."

What that means is that we're partnering with WVU to get the Beckley campus up and running and that some administrators, staff and faculty from WVU Tech will oversee the Beckley campus as well. Approaching things in this way allows us to be more efficient and it will offer a number of opportunities for these campuses to collaborate since we'll be members of the same family. The purchase will also open up new facilities that we don't have access to on our Montgomery campus.

For students on our Montgomery campus, there won't be any drastic changes. We're still going to offer the best academic areas of study, student support programs and student life activities possible. We're just going to have additional opportunities as a result of our close partnership with the Beckley campus.

Q: When will the Beckley campus open?

A: If the property in Beckley is purchased, we plan to welcome new students to both the Beckley and Montgomery campuses in the fall of 2016.

Q: Anything else students should know?

A: WVU Tech is strong and versatile, and this certainly isn't the first period of transition we have faced since the Montgomery Preparatory School was founded in 1885. Our involvement in the Beckley campus is only going to add to that strength and versatility by allowing us to offer more to the students of southern West Virginia and beyond.

As we make progress, we will be communicating with students in a variety of ways to ensure that everyone is well-informed. In the meantime, I'm available if students have questions.

By Victoria Shawl
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Well WVU

WELL WVU is a comprehensive wellness education program that aims to empower students to live healthy, happy and productive lives. Used primarily on the WVU Main campus in Morgantown; WVU Tech began promoting WELLWVU last fall during the campaigns of drinkWELL, loveWELL, and chillWELL.

During those campaigns students participated in Root-beer Pong, A Chili Cook Off (to promote stress management), and there were poster presentations around campus promoting healthy sex practices.

WELLWVU@Tech needs you! If you like helping and promoting wellness and healthy living, contact Vicki Shawl to see how you can help promote WELLWVU campaigns right here on our campus. 304-442-3209 – Office of Counseling.

By Amy Haddix
Guest Writer

A word from your SGA President

Hello Fellow Golden Bears!

This is a friendly letter from your Student Government President, Amy Haddix. I just wanted to inform you about some happenings in Student Government and on campus.

For those of you who I have not had the pleasure of meeting, I would like to begin by telling you a little bit about myself. I am a two-year Student Government President who is originally from Elkins, WV. I will be graduating in May with a Chemical Engineering degree. Some quick fun facts about myself are that I have played piano for almost 15 years, I love roller coasters, and I flew an airplane before I drove a car. I would love to get to know you so if you see me around campus, feel free to introduce yourselves.

I would like to encourage you to become involved in Student Government. We meet on Tuesdays at 1:05 pm on a biweekly basis in the Student Activities Room of the Tech Center. Elections are coming up and all students are encouraged to run for an office. Senators must meet a GPA requirement of 2.0 and be in good standing with the university. To be the Vice President or President, you must have been a senator for one semester prior and obtain the appropriate number of signatures from the student body. Applications will be available online from March 17 until April 1. Elections will be held April 15 and 16. They will be online and a link will be sent out prior to elections.

Don't forget about the upcoming SGA & Dean of Students Award Ceremony, either. That will take place on April 22, 2015 at 6 pm in the Ballroom. At this ceremony, awards will be given out for Outstanding Student Leadership, Outstanding Student Organizations, Outstanding Student Organization Advisor, and the Golden Bear Award. Be on the lookout for the applications and more information as the date approaches.

Student Government is working on becoming more tech savvy. We currently have a Facebook page and Twitter Feed. I would encourage you to follow both to keep up to date on what is happening on campus and with SGA.

By Lindsay McDowall
Staff Writer

Greek Life Update

Our Greeks have been quite busy this semester! On this campus, we have four Greek organizations: Delta Kappa Theta, Alpha Sigma Tau, Phi Kappa Tau, and Sigma Pi.

Both sororities began the semester with recruitment week. This week is for those who are interested in either sorority. These potential new members can attend events hosted by each sorority in order to learn more about them and what they offer. If a woman on campus is offered a bid, this means that she has been invited to join the sorority. They will later be initiated.

Delta Kappa Theta is proud to announce that they have initiated four new ladies to their organization this year. Throughout this academic year, they have worked on strengthening their bond as a sisterhood as well as obtaining their academic goals. Throughout this next semester, Delta Kappa Theta hopes to focus on philanthropy, solidifying themselves as a philanthropic organization to the Tech community. They look forward to spreading the joys of Greek life!

Alpha Sigma Tau is proud to announce the initiation of the Fall 2014 class: Kayla Hoff and Tonai Moore. Alpha Sigma Tau has focused on improving their sisterhood through various sisterhood activities. They have also focused on increasing their philanthropic service.

Both fraternities boast excellent philanthropy and community service initiatives and exceptional standards for their members. It is not hard to find a member of either organization wandering about the campus or taking on a leadership role. This semester, both organizations have focused on becoming a stronger brotherhood.

Sigma Pi was spotted helping to clear sidewalks and help dig out cars after the big snow storm. Additionally, some brothers volunteered to help set up the gym after the train derailment, in order to get ready for possible evacuated residents.

Amidst the train derailment, Phi Kappa Tau brothers lent a helping hand at the Montgomery Fire House handing out bottled water to needy town residents.

Thank you to these outstanding gentlemen for their hard work!

IMAGE accepting submissions

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Tech faculty and staff, we welcome your submissions to the magazine as well. Do you do any type of creative writing? Do you enjoy taking photographs? Are you an artist? If so, submit something to *Image*. We want the magazine to be more inclusive of our entire campus community, and we need your participation in order to make that happen. And we know that our faculty and staff have a variety of artistic talents. Please share them!

How to submit: Email your submission as an attachment to one of the co-editors of *Image*: Dr. Cortney Barko at Cortney.Barko@mail.wvu.edu or Ms. Rachel Bragg at Rachel.Bragg@mail.wvu.edu. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us via email or by phone at 304-442-3350.

We will be accepting submissions through April 1, 2015.

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Engineering Day at the Clay Center

By Lindsay McDowall
Staff Writer

Each year, Engineering Day at the Clay Center is hosted to teach young boys and girls about the wonders of science and engineering. Most children grow up to lose this fascination, so it is important to catch their interest now. This year's event took place on March 7 from 8am-4pm.

Multiple student organizations and companies showcased their specialties at this year's event. WVU Tech's student organizations were no exception. Among the present organizations were the mechanical engineering faculty, AWESOME, the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, the Biology Club, and IEEE.

AWESOME helped kids to make keychains and bracelets with beads. The mechanical engineering faculty, consisting of primarily Dr. Bettig and Dr. Steranka, helped kids build paper bridges to see how many snickers they could make the bridge hold. IEEE showed off some fun yet slightly scary circuitry and electricity. AIChE helped the kids create chromatography art and showcased hydrophobic material. The Biology Club fascinated and scared kids alike with their hissing cockroaches, and captured their attention with an EKG machine.

The first portion of the day is open to Girl Scouts only. After that, it is open to the public. Students had a grand time showing the doe-eyed children what being an engineer and a scientist was all about! ANGEL QUOTE.

Other companies and organizations in attendance included Jacobs Engineering, Columbia Pipeline Group, Marshall University, Bridgevalley Community College, DOW, and others.

Next year this event will be held again with hopefully the same amount of success. Make sure you sign up to showcase your talents and knowledge!



SAB Movies

April

April 7 – The Hobbit: Battle of the Five Armies

April 14 – North Country

April 21 – Unbroken

April 28 – Blackhat

All movies are served with free popcorn and drinks!

All movies begin at 8pm in the Tech Ballroom.

SAB Needs YOU!

Are you a member of a student organization?

Come out and have a booth at our annual Spring Fling!

April 30, 4pm

Grassy Knoll

Contact Lindsay McDowall

(lmcdowal@mix.wvu.edu) for details or to sign up!

Men’s Baseball Schedule

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| 3/29/2015 | 1:00 PM | A | Davis & Elkins College | 1:00 PM |
| 3/31/2015 | 3:00 PM | H | Central Pennsylvania College | 3:00 PM |
| 4/2/2015 | 7:00 PM | H | College of Saint Joseph (Vt.) | 7:00 PM |
| 4/3/2015 | 1:00 PM | H | Bluefield State College | 1:00 PM |
| 4/3/2015 | 4:00 PM | H | College of Saint Joseph (Vt.) | 4:00 PM |
| 4/4/2015 | 10:00 AM | H | College of Saint Joseph (Vt.) | 10:00 AM |
| 4/4/2015 | 4:00 PM | H | Bluefield State College | 4:00 PM |
| 4/7/2015 | 3:00 PM | H | Ohio Valley University | 3:00 PM |
| 4/8/2015 | 1:00 PM | H | Shawnee State University (Ohio) (DH) | 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM |
| 4/11/2015 | 1:00 PM | A | Georgia Gwinnett College (DH) | 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM |
| 4/12/2015 | 1:00 PM | A | Georgia Gwinnett College | 1:00 PM |
| 4/17/2015 | 1:00 PM | A | Ohio Christian University (DH) | 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM |
| 4/19/2015 | 1:00 PM | H | Central Pennsylvania College (DH) | 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM |
| 4/21/2015 | 1:00 PM | H | Point Park University (Pa.) (DH) | 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM |
| 4/24/2015 | 7:00 PM | H | Georgia Gwinnett College (DH) | 7:00 PM, 9:00 PM |
| 4/25/2015 | 1:00 PM | H | Georgia Gwinnett College | 1:00 PM |
| 4/28/2015 | 4:00 PM | A | Ohio Valley University (DH) | 4:00 PM, 6:00 PM |

Congratulations to
Men’s
Basketball & Coach
Bob for receiving
an at large bid to
the NAIA
Tournament!

Women’s Softball Schedule

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| 3/31/2015 | 3:00 PM | University of Rio Grande (Ohio) (DH) | H | Smithers, WV | University of Rio Grande (Ohio) (DH) | 3:00 PM, 5:00 PM |
| 4/1/2015 | 3:00 PM | University of Pikeville (DH) | A | Pikeville, KY | University of Pikeville (DH) | 3:00 PM, 5:00 PM |
| 4/3/2015 | 2:00 PM | University of Northern Ohio (DH) | A | Lima, OH | University of Northern Ohio (DH) | 2:00 PM, 4:00 PM |
| 4/9/2015 | 2:00 PM | Glenville State College (DH) | A | Glenville, WV | Glenville State College (DH) | 2:00 PM, 4:00 PM |
| 4/15/2015 | 3:00 P.M. | Point Park University (Pa.) (DH) | H | Smithers, WV | Point Park University (Pa.) (DH) | 3:00 P.M., 5:00 PM |
| 4/18/2015 | TBD | Ohio Christian University (DH) | A | Circleville, Ohio | Ohio Christian University (DH) | TBD, TBD |
| 4/21/2015 | 3:00 PM | Davis & Elkins College (DH) | A | Elkins, WV | Davis & Elkins College (DH) | 3:00 PM, 5:00 PM |
| 4/25/2015 | | Bluefield State College (DH) | H | Smithers, WV | Bluefield State College (DH) | , 2:00 PM |

Wrestling attends USCAA National Invitational

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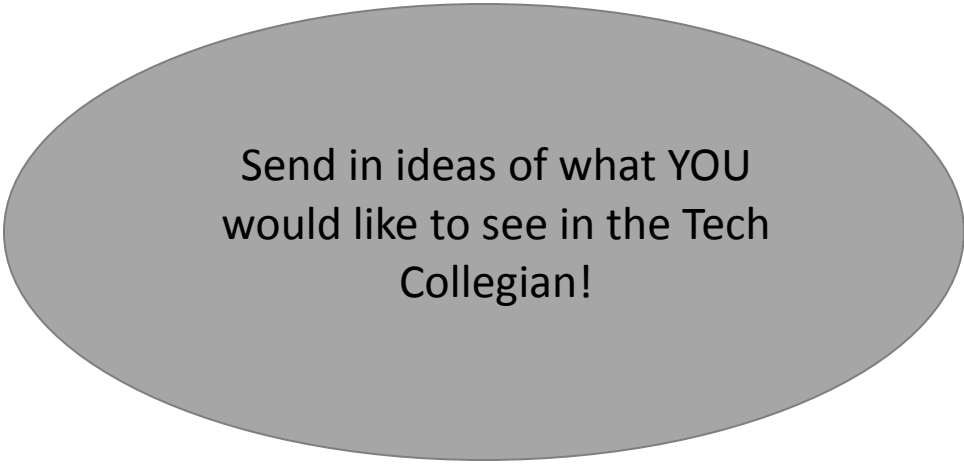
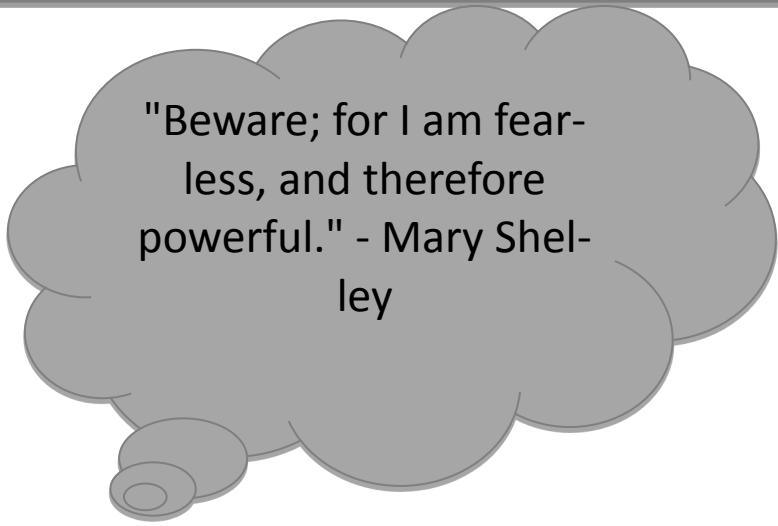
“We’re a very young team with a lot of talent,” says Coach Stough. He credits Tech’s excellent performance to “hard work in practice and the desire to win close matches.” Next year, Coach Stough hopes to go even farther.

“Next season I want to build off the success we had this year and get some national qualifiers and All-Americans. Conrad Lacey was one win away from qualifying for Nationals this year and a lot of others definitely have the potential if they put in the work.”

Ultimately, the Tech wrestlers finished their season with three tournament wins and a 10-5 record in dual meets. Congratulations to our USCAA National Invitational Champions: TJ Bean (125), Curtis Cox (133), Rob McNeil (141), Conrad Lacey (157), Terry Nance (197), and Wyatt Norfolk (235).



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This Day in History...

March 1, 1872 – Yellowstone National Park is created

March 2, 1933 – King Kong premieres in New York

March 3, 1931 – The Star Span- gled Banner is adopted as the National Anthem

March 12, 1912 – Girl Scouts are founded in US

March 16, 1926 – Launch of the first liquid-fueled rocket

March 17, 1756 – St. Patrick’s Day first celebrated in New York

March 17, 1845 – Invention of the rubber band

March 18, 1965 – First person walks in space

March 20, 1985 – First woman wins the Iditarod dog sled race

March 27, 1974 – United States Navy is founded

March 27, 1914 – First success- ful blood transfusion

March 29, 2004 – Ireland be- comes first country to ban smoking in all work places

March 30, 1964 – First airing of Jeopardy!

March 31, 1889 – Eiffel Tower is inaugurated

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 - 5. Provide the grub
 - 10. CD followers
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 - 15. Kicking partner
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 - 17. Abandoned queen of Carthage
 - 18. Mechanical learning routines
 - 19. Miami or London, e.g.
 - 20. States dined, except Alaska and Hawaii?
 - 23. Court order
 - 24. Walker on a beat
 - 25. Computer guru
 - 28. Extol
 - 30. Its symbol is an omega
 - 33. Value system
 - 34. Whiskey drink
 - 35. Corn lily
 - 36. Famous warblers making sawbucks?
 - 39. Wine choice
 - 40. Moreover
 - 41. Up until now
 - 42. Burdened beast
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 - 44. Electorate
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 - 46. Big rig
 - 47. Last one at the Round Table?
 - 53. Gifted one
 - 54. In the first place?
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 - 8. Always
 - 9. Prescription for burnout
 - 10. Go over
 - 11. Leave out
 - 12. Pesky arachnid
 - 13. It's fit for a pig
 - 21. "Love Story" author Segal
 - 22. Hebrew letter
 - 25. One more than tri- ones
 - 26. Morals standards
 - 27. Fischer's game
 - 28. Rich soil
 - 29. Camera setting
 - 30. Type of daisy
 - 31. Human resources person, at times
 - 32. Sails' staffs
 - 34. Order to a broker
 - 35. Be behind
 - 37. Precipitation type
 - 38. David's great- grandmother
 - 43. Blanc or Torme
 - 44. Merchant
 - 45. Jewel holder
 - 46. An old one may need a key
 - 47. Commandment word
 - 48. Sparkling, for one
 - 49. "Take ___ Train" (Duke Ellington)
 - 50. Feathered females
 - 51. Kind of hunter
 - 52. Math subj.
 - 53. Roll for a high roller
 - 56. Seville cheer