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After narrowly escaping North Texas on Saturday, the Marshall men's basketball team claimed the sixth seed in this year's Conference USA tournament in Birmingham, Alabama, where they will face the Florida Atlantic Owls in the opening round.

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Incumbent SGA President Matt Jarvis addressing students in the Memorial Student Center.

By **FRANKLIN NORTON**
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University Student Government Association's election season is in full swing, as the presidential candidates prepare for a debate Tuesday in the John Deaver Drinko Library Atrium.

Incumbent SGA president, Matt Jarvis, who is running for reelection along with incumbent vice president, Emily Kinner, will be facing off against economics and finance major, Alex Parlock, with his running mate, Daniel Parlock, at 7 p.m.

Both candidates expressed the desire for students to come and be actively involved in the debate. Students have the opportunity to ask the candidates questions, according to SGA Senate Advisor Michelle Barbour, one of three moderators for the debate.

"The purpose is for the president and vice presidential candidates to introduce themselves to the student body and for the student body to ask questions about their platform," Barbour said.

The first SGA Presidential debate for 2017 to begin Tuesday

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Jarvis, who is running for vice president, plans to enhance student experience, diversify different programs, and also keep with the plans his current administration has already set in place.

"It's important that we show students the changes that have happened in the past year," Jarvis said. "Is campus different than it was a year ago? Are there more services? Are there new problems? Are there different things we need to face and adjust to?"

While Jarvis will highlight the accomplishments of his administration, his opponent claims that the current administration hasn't done enough.

"As much power as the president gets sitting on the Board of Governors, and all of the ammunition they have from getting their own budget, why can't we get more stuff accomplished," questioned Parlock.

He also said he and his brother will have a heavy focus on community involvement.



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Alex Parlock, sitting down with Parthenon reporters to discuss his campaign for 2017 and his platform.

"We are really strong on community involvement, getting life back into Marshall, and I think people will see the difference of ideas and our achievable goals that we have versus the opponents who said a lot of things last year, and didn't really getting anything done."

The debate will last about an hour, with a mixture of questions from the panel and students. Both candidates claim they hope to see a large student body turn out.

"In reality, everyone who is going to be in the debate, everyone who is running for a senate seat, who is involved with this election, are groups of people that want to make Marshall better," Jarvis said. "They are groups of people who want to see positive change, that want to help student life, that want to impact sons and daughters of Marshall."

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Sen. Manchin introduces Clean Start, LifeBOAT Act

By **KYLEE HURLEY**
THE PARTHENON

Sen. Joe Manchin has recently sponsored multiple bills with the same purpose of helping recovery addicts have a new start.

According to Manchin's website, The Clean Start Act and the LifeBOAT Act are the names of the bills that have been sponsored by Manchin and recently introduced in the United States Senate.

Manchin's website notes "Combating the National Drug Abuse Epidemic" as one of his main issues that he is working on. Manchin was the lead sponsor of the LifeBOAT Act, formally known as the Budgeting for Opioid Treatment Act or Senate Bill 523.

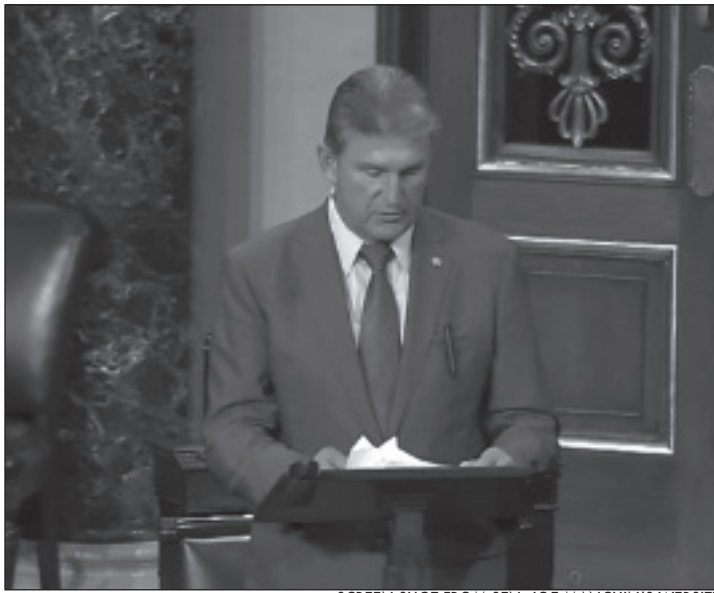
According to a Senate press release, Manchin is re-introducing the bill that has been discussed in Congress previously.

The press release states, "The LifeBOAT Act would establish reliable funding to expand access to substance abuse treatment."

Among other purposes, the act could provide funding for "establishing new addiction treatment facilities, residential and outpatient," "establishing access to long-term, residential programs for addicts" and "establishing and/or operating facilities to provide care for babies born with neonatal abstinence syndrome," according to the press release.

Co-sponsors of the LifeBOAT Act include Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-MA, Sen. Heidi Heitkamp, D-ND, and Sen. Christopher Murphy, D-CT, and others, according to the official Congress website.

"This legislation will bridge that gap and make sure that we can provide treatment to everyone who makes the decision to



SCREEN SHOT FROM SEN. JOE MANCHIN'S WEBSITE

Sen. Joe Manchin introduces his new "Clean Start" and LifeBOAT Act that will give recovering addicts a new start.

get help," Manchin said in the Senate press release.

Gro Huntington Executive Director Jeannie Harrison weighed in on the legislation that would directly affect the clients involved in her non-profit organization.

The Gro Huntington website says the organization is "a healing urban farm in the heart of Huntington, West Virginia with a volunteer program centered on serving individuals in addiction recovery."

Harrison said the LifeBOAT bill would be beneficial to organizations like Gro Huntington because "more funding would really broaden our avenues in terms of being able to provide a variety of recovery options and really securing our sustainability as programs."

According to the official Congress website, SB 523 was introduced in the United States Senate on Thursday, March 2, and was then referred to the finance committee for further consideration.

Another press release found on Manchin's website notes he was the lead sponsor of the Clean Start Act.

"The Clean Start Act will allow people with a federal felony or misdemeanor conviction for a past non-violent crime committed as a result of drug addiction an opportunity to have their criminal record sealed after undergoing comprehensive addiction treatment and demonstrating a commitment to their recovery," the press release states.

"It's very difficult to find a job and you end up back in the same living situation with the same people that really fueled your addiction," Harrison said on people who have past criminal records.

Harrison also said the key to a healthy recovery is being able to find a steady job that will keep recovery addicts away from old habits and lifestyles.

The Clean Start Act was introduced the same day as the reintroduction of the LifeBOAT Act, March 2, and was sent to the judiciary committee for further discussion, according to the official Congress website.

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A woman supporting Planned Parenthood looks on during Rep. Jason Chaffetz's town hall meeting at Brighton High School in Cottonwood Heights, Utah.

Progressive group hopes to persuade Manchin to support Planned Parenthood

By **ADAM STEPHENS**
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University progressive political group Students for Reproductive Justice hosted a table in the Memorial Student Center Monday with the goal of persuading students, faculty and staff to call West Virginia Democratic Sen. Joe Manchin and urge him to vote in favor of protecting women's health and reproductive rights.

The table is part of a campaign the group calls "Manchin Mondays," which will host a table in the Memorial Student Center every Monday for the remainder of the semester with the same goal of persuading individuals to contact Manchin, specifically urging him to support Planned Parenthood.

"We're here to try and get people to call their senators, especially Manchin, to try and get him to vote for bills for women's health and not to defund Planned Parenthood," said Jennifer Parsons, a graduate student who volunteers for the organization.

Marshall senior Jada Williams is the president of Students for Reproductive Justice and said Manchin can play an important role when voting in Congress.

"We are trying to get students,

faculty and staff to call Sen. Manchin and tell him to vote no on anything that would move towards defunding Planned Parenthood because he is very vital and key to any legislation dealing with Planned Parenthood," Williams said.

Manchin, a moderate Democrat, has spoken out against Planned Parenthood in the past.

In the summer of 2015, Manchin voted to defund Planned Parenthood following the release of several edited undercover videos that appeared to show Planned Parenthood employees discussing the sale of fetal tissue for medical research. In a statement released Aug. 3, 2015, Manchin said he would vote in favor of defunding Planned Parenthood.

"I am very troubled by the callous behavior of Planned Parenthood staff in recently released videos, which casually discuss the sale, possibly for profit, of fetal tissue after an abortion," Manchin said. "Until these allegations have been answered and resolved, I do not believe that taxpayer money should be used to fund this organization; instead those funds should be sent to other healthcare providers, including community health centers, which provide important women's health services."

The edited videos Manchin was referring to were ultimately proven to be misleading and the vote to defund Planned Parenthood did not pass, however the concern is still there that tax dollars go towards funding abortions.

Williams said Planned Parenthood only uses tax dollars for women's health services and not for performing abortions.

"People who say that tax dollars are going to abortions haven't done their research because not one tax dollar goes towards funding abortions. On the the Planned Parenthood website, as well as anyone you talk to that backs Planned Parenthood, can tell you that they can say that with confidence," Williams said. "It provides general healthcare and things that everyone needs. Without Planned Parenthood, people wouldn't be able to get the services they need and they would go to alternative means which could end up being deadly."

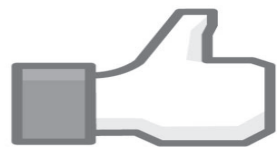
Students for Reproductive Justice will be having their next meeting March 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the Women's Center.

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Marshall combo-forward Kiana Evans attempts a runner against Longwood earlier this season. Evans and the Herd secured the final spot in the C-USA tournament after beating North Texas Saturday and FIU lost to Middle Tennessee.



C-USA

TOURNAMENT PREVIEW

Men

By PATRICK O'LEARY
THE PARTHENON

For college basketball fans countrywide, the undoubtedly best time of the year is here; March Madness.

March Madness is the college basketball post-season when division I programs push to make the 68-team NCAA basketball tournament. Teams either make the tournament by having a strong résumé from the regular season, or by winning their conference tournament and gaining an automatic bid. For the Marshall University men's basketball team with a record of 17-14, winning the Conference USA tournament would be the only way for the Herd to get into the tournament for the first time since 1987.

The kicker though: it's March Madness, which is exactly that - madness. What makes this time so great for college basketball fans is that seemingly anything can happen once post-season hits. Aside from the many

upsets that happen in the 68-team tournament which make filling a bracket nearly impossible (according to Forbes, 1 in 9.2 quintillion of predicting a correct bracket), the madness begins in the conference tournaments. Last season, Holy Cross with a record of 14-19 won their conference tournament and made the "big dance." The point being; anything can happen in March.

Maybe that is what makes the Herd confident leading into this week's Conference USA tournament at Legacy Arena in Birmingham, Alabama. Marshall, the highest scoring offense in the conference, can certainly give anyone fits in the post-season.

"I think we have momentum going forward," junior

guard Jon Elmore said following the team's win over North Texas in the final regular season game. "We'll be ready. We plan on winning four games in four days and going to the NCAA tournament."

The Herd as the six seed in the tournament, begins its campaign against 11th seeded Florida Atlantic on Wednesday night. Tip-off is set for approximately 9 p.m. ET and will broadcast live on Campus Insiders.

The Herd defeated the Owls in Florida 89-72 back in January. The winner will move on to play Thursday at approximately 9 p.m. ET against third seeded Old Dominion, who received a first-round bye by earning one of the top four seeds.

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Women

By JOSEPH ASHLEY
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Marshall Women's basketball team will face Charlotte in the first round of the post season Conference USA tournament. The Thundering Herd earned the 12 seed on the strength of a win in Denton, Texas over University of North Texas and a loss by Florida International University.

"Hopefully, we are starting to mature as we try to survive and advance just like every other team in our league this time of year. Our goal is first stop and first score, and go 1-0," said head coach Matt Daniel in an interview with Herdzone after the North Texas game.

While Marshall has struggled this season, this team has seen tournament success as recent as last season. To duplicate the success, Marshall will need to defeat a Charlotte team that has swept them this season. January 7, Marshall

lost at Charlotte 77-93 and Marshall lost the return match 89-75 February 25. The Achilles heel for the Thundering Herd seemed to be the third quarter where Marshall was outscored a total of 41 to 58 by the 49ers.

The third game is scheduled to be played Wednesday with tipoff at 4 p.m. The game will be played at University of Alabama at Birmingham, which is also hosting the men's basketball conference tournament.

Birmingham has been the host city for the event since 2015, but the location has changed between venues in the city. Birmingham has also been the host of the men's tournament, also since 2015.

Charlotte enters the tournament with a three-game winning streak, including a win against

Marshall. This season, Charlotte had success against quality opponents, winning against Wisconsin, Pitt and Duquesne out of conference. Charlotte has already won 20 games this year, winning eight of those out of conference, and tied Louisiana Tech for fourth in Conference USA; however, Louisiana Tech won the tiebreaker and took the fourth seed, while Charlotte was relegated to the fifth.

Marshall's win over the Mean Green also ends a nine-game losing streak. Marshall had the poor combination of being unlucky, and playing the toughest stretch of conference opponents.

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RICHARD CRANK

Senior forward Austin Loop (35) looks on in a game earlier this season. Loop became the school's all-time leader in made three-point field goals back in January.

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EDITORIAL

New travel ban still pointless attempt at fear mongering

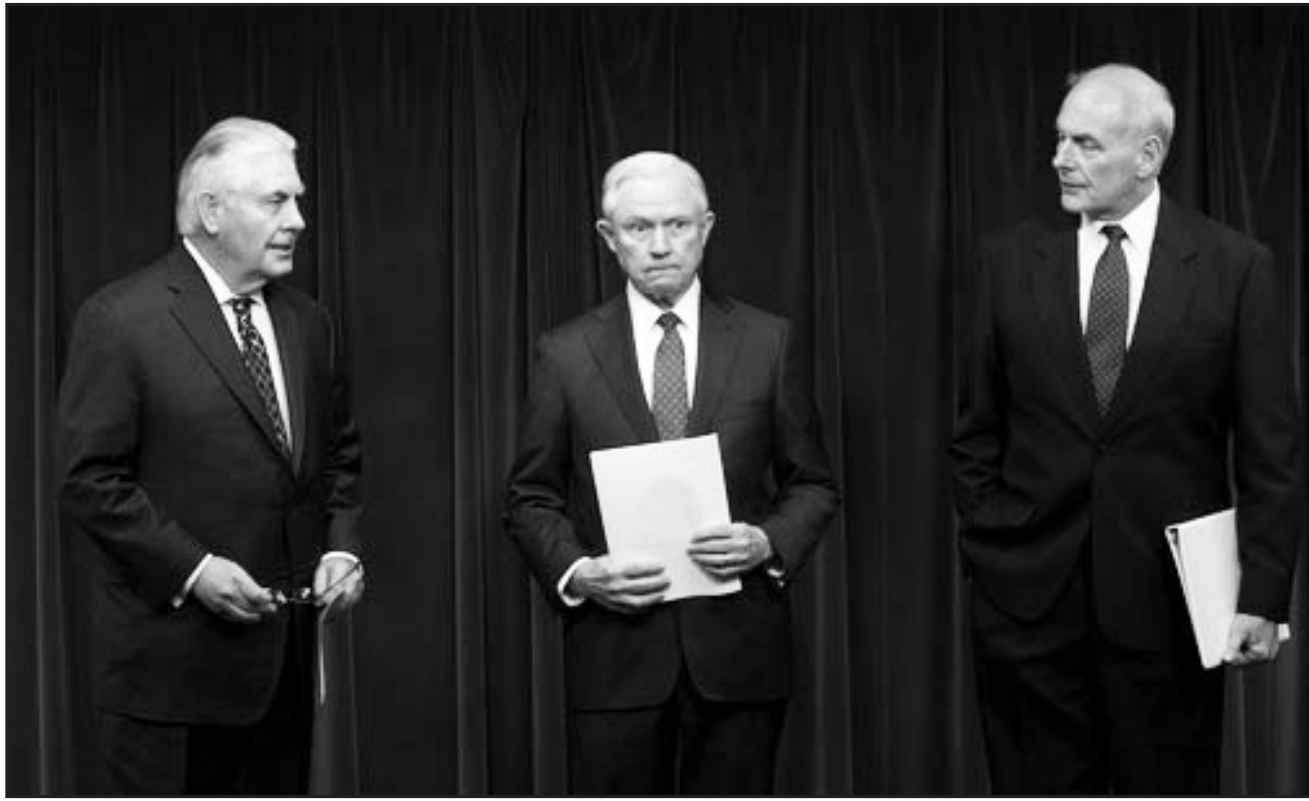
President Donald Trump signed into law Monday a revised travel ban without some of the provisions that made the administration's first ban the target of legal questioning.

This time instead of seven predominantly Muslim countries, the ban focuses on six, casting out Iraq which was apparently less safe a month ago than it is today (reportedly, top defense officials convinced Trump to remove Iraq because of the country's contributions to the fight against the Islamic State, according to The Associated Press).

In addition, the new ban disposes of a stipulation that would give preference to religious minorities — largely Christian in the seven originally proposed countries — which some argued constituted a religious test. And instead of an indefinite bar on Syrian refugees, the White House has proposed a 120-day ban, "requiring review and renewal," according to The New York Times.

Lastly, instead of an overnight roll-out as the Trump administration attempted and largely failed at with their first order, the new travel ban will be enacted over a two-week period.

The first travel ban — widely referred to as a "Muslim ban" for its targeting of seven predominantly Muslim countries, as well as Trump's call for a "total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States," among other comments, during the campaign — was signed Jan. 27 before a federal judge in New York issued a stay on the order the next day. The stay was subsequently maintained by the 9th Circuit, who disagreed that



SUSAN WALSH | AP PHOTO

From left, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson, Attorney General Jeff Sessions and Homeland Security Secretary John Kelly, arrive for a news conference at the U.S. Customs and Border Protection office Monday to make statements on issues related to visas and travel.

the ban was justified for matters of national security.

While Trump originally vowed to take the travel ban to the Supreme Court, the administration voiced their intention to rewrite the order in the weeks since the 9th Circuit's ruling.

But even with the potential legal gaps sealed, the order still represents a pointless attempt at fear mongering that will do little to aid in national security. No immigrants from the countries listed in the president's ban — now Iran, Somalia, Sudan, Yemen,

Syria and Libya — have been responsible for domestic terrorist attacks since at least 1975, according to the conservative CATO Institute. And according to The New York Times, Muslim extremists have only accounted for 16 out of 240,000 in the United States since 9/11.

With this in mind, it begs the question: What's the point in doubling down on a failed executive order and, once again, muddying the waters of an administration that is still struggling to maintain a solid message for more

than two or three days?

Unsure? It doesn't appear the Trump administration knows, either. In fact, the new ban was enacted with significantly less splendor than the original. Trump signed the executive order in private and Press Secretary Sean Spicer did not speak to the press during an on-camera briefing Monday, according to The Associated Press. Instead, Homeland Security Secretary John Kelly, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson and Attorney General Jeff Sessions unveiled the new order.

This could be because the president is juggling quite a bit at the moment. Trump is still grappling with his Saturday accusation that former President Barack Obama wiretapped Trump Tower, despite providing no evidence to support his claim (and if evidence is provided, it could ironically be more damaging for Trump than Obama). Russia also continues to dog the administration, with recent reports that Attorney General Jeff Sessions met with a Russian ambassador twice — despite saying otherwise during his congressional hearing — squandering the positivity Trump was receiving in the short period following his first congressional address.

But it's still suspect that an order gladly touted in front of the press just over a month ago is now seemingly on the back burner for the new president. It remains to be seen whether the legality of the order will be questioned but, if the 9th Circuit's original ruling is any indication, cleaning up the wording of a few provisions may not be enough. This could mean the White House may need to indicate a national security risk to justify the ban, which isn't any more likely this month than it was last month.

And again, bans such as these represent the antithesis of American values. America is a country that accepts "your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free." We are not a country of isolation, fear and ignorance. Even if Trump's new travel ban doesn't crumble under legal scrutiny, America's devotion to inclusion and diversity will still remain.

COLUMNS

COMMON MISCONCEPTIONS

By SHARIQUE KHALID

PAKISTANI MARSHALL STUDENT

Pakistan was established Aug. 14, 1947 on the principles of unity, faith and discipline. There is a huge misconception about my country; Pakistan is not a terrorist nation. In fact, Pakistan is totally against terrorism and has been in a war against terrorism ever since it started, working in total compliance with our allies from around the globe, including the U.S.A., the U.K. and Australia, trying to totally eradicate it.

My father has been in the Pakistan Army for more than 27 years, of which he has spent 20 fighting against terrorism. Due to this, my family and I have seen terrorism up close and have been deeply affected by it and despise it on a personal level. We have lived in places where missiles would fly over our heads at nighttime, bullets would rain for countless hours, where you could not even leave your home due to various threats. However, like most people in Pakistan, this does not scare us. On the contrary, it inspires us to be more courageous and to stand against those who are destroying humanity.

I too joined the army, albeit for a short time to oppose these wrongly guided people and pledged my allegiance to always oppose these tyrants no matter what.

It pains me how misunderstood we are as a

nation. Many Pakistanis have sacrificed and lost a lot for the sake of this righteous cause, having a deep hatred for this savagery. Along these disturbances, since Pakistan is a developing country, think of it as a place trudging through the dark ages battling this carnage.

Slowly but surely, the situation in Pakistan is getting better day by the day and terrorism is now at an all-time low. All this cruelty and these atrocities contradict our values and beliefs. Rather, the people of Pakistan are really peaceful, friendly, respectful and freedom-loving. To be labeled as a terrorist state just because of a few miserable individuals who are hell-bent on defiling who we are and what we stand for is agonizing and unjust.

There is a verse in the Quran which sums up our stance and point of view on all this rather nicely: "He who killed one killed all of humanity and he who saved even one saved all of humanity."

Neither Pakistan nor Islam have ever supported terrorism and will always oppose it. We are all in this war against terrorism together.

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Don't drink the Trump Kool-Aid

By WILL IZZO

LIFE! EDITOR

Over the weekend, President Donald J. Trump accused former President Barack Obama of wiretapping him during the previous national election without a single inkling of evidence, yet again spewing out the same ignorant rhetoric Trump has been spitting since long before he ran for office.

Trump tweeted the following: "Terrible! Just found out that Obama had my 'wires tapped' in Trump Tower just before the victory. Nothing found. This is McCarthyism!" and "How low has President Obama gone to tap my phones during the very sacred election process. This is Nixon/Watergate. Bad (or sick) guy!"

I keep re-reading these tweets, trying to make better sense of these accusations, but I only feel the same embarrassment as a middle schooler feels when his or her friends make up terrible rumors about someone in your class. It's childish to see this kind of conduct carried out by a United States president (let alone on a separate, unofficial Twitter account).

Breaking down Trump's

fragmented "statements" makes me want to vomit even more. It is clear to me this man knows quite a few buzzwords, but practically none of the definitions.

McCarthyism is most famously associated with Joseph McCarthy — the Wisconsin senator who was responsible for one of the largest modern day witch hunts, the Red Scare. His name was picked up and used to label this term, which in these cases means to blatantly make accusations, specifically about subversion or treason, without proper evidence. Usually these decisions are seen as unfair and regard someone using investigative techniques against another party.

Trump is very literally calling the kettle black in this instance. I feel like he has been trying so hard to subvert attention from his policies and mistakes that he will do anything, even accuse a former president, whose representatives came out and called the statements blatantly false.

It brings me back to my days as a young kid in constant turmoil with my younger brother — "No, Jonathan stole the cookies. I had nothing to

do with that."

In regards to his second statement, did he really mean to say a "sacred election process"?

Let's be real — the Russian hackers who got into the U.S. election probably had some connections to Vladimir Putin, who we most DEFINITELY know has a personal relationship with Trump. If anyone has the position to speak on the sanctity of the American election process, it for sure isn't Trump. I'm sure Carl Bernstein and Bob Woodward would be pretty appalled with Trump anyway — ultimately digging into some injustices themselves.

The one piece of advice I can offer is to try not to let these ridiculous statements and the statements the administration is sure to make in the future act like a wedge. I may be wrong, but I have the feeling that everything the administration does serves to divide us and nothing else completely.

Don't drink the Trump Kool-Aid. Keep your wits about you and disseminate your information with the largest grains of salt you can find.

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Woman seeks right to trial in Trump University case

By **ELLIOT SPAGAT**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

A Florida woman asked Monday to be excluded from a proposed settlement with President Donald Trump over fraud allegations at his now-defunct Trump University, setting the stage for a possible trial if a federal judge agrees.

Attorneys for Sherri Simpson said in a court filing that lawyers for former students in class-action lawsuits promised in 2015 that they could ask to be excluded from any future settlement. A settlement announced less than two weeks after Trump's election allows class members to object to the terms, but they can no longer drop out, preventing them from suing on the own.

Monday was the last day for former students to object to the \$25 million settlement, which U.S. District Judge Gonzalo Curiel will consider for final approval at a hearing on March 30 in San Diego.

Curiel, a target of Trump's repeated criticism during the presidential campaign, granted preliminary approval to the agreement in December and has said he hoped it would be part of a healing process that the country sorely needed. It settles two class-action lawsuits before Curiel on behalf of about 7,000 former students and a civil lawsuit by New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman.



The former students would get at least 50 percent of their money back, according to plaintiff attorneys, who waived their fees to allow for larger payouts.

Attorneys for Simpson, of Fort Lauderdale, said many may be satisfied with the payment and acknowledged it is high under standards for class-action lawsuits but that their client wasn't prepared to take it.

"What Ms. Simpson seeks is her day in court, at which she will press for the complete vindication of all her rights, including her full damages plus punitive damages and injunctive relief. Due process guarantees her the autonomy

to pursue these goals," her attorneys said.

According to the proposed settlement, former students had until Nov. 16, 2015, to opt out of a future settlement and cannot sue Trump on the same grounds. Thirteen people opted out, but not Simpson.

Jason Forge, an attorney for plaintiffs, said Monday that the former students had been repeatedly informed of the opt-out deadline. "Anyone who chose to give up their individual claim and remain in the class will be rewarded for doing so under the terms of what is (a) historically beneficial settlement," he said in an email.

The lawsuits allege that

Trump University gave nationwide seminars that were like infomercials, constantly pressuring people to spend more and, in the end, failing to deliver on its promises. They contend that Trump misled students by calling the business a university and by saying that he had hand-picked the instructors.

After attending two seminars in Florida in 2010, Simpson enrolled in the "Gold Elite" mentorship program for \$35,000.

Attorneys for Trump did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Trump admits no wrongdoing or fault under the proposed settlement.

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The Herd split with Old Dominion in the team's two meetings this season, with both teams winning at home but losing on the road.

In order for the Herd to win four games in four days as Elmore stated, the team will need strong performances out of everyone. Beginning with Elmore, who has been Marshall's leading scorer for 15 of the team's 31 games. He leads the team with an average of 20.3 points per game. Monday he was named by the conference to first team all-Conference USA.

Head coach Dan D'Antoni will also need gritty performances from his seniors. He gave his three seniors, whose Marshall careers will come to an end with a loss, high praise following senior night.

"Marshall loves their basketball and they love their basketball players," D'Antoni said. "I wanted players that were here long enough to where the fans would remember them as not only good on the court but the type of young men that you would remember for being a good human being. I think that (Austin) Loop, (Ryan)

Taylor and (Stevie) Browning will all be remembered for playing here and that's all you can ask for at this level."

Loop is one three-pointer shy of hitting 100 for this season. The team will likely need him to be connecting often from beyond the arc in Birmingham for success. Taylor is playing well at the right time, as he recorded his 39th career double-double in the final regular season win over North Texas. He also took over in the paint, recording 10 rebounds and scoring the final seven points in the contest for both teams, giving Marshall the win. Browning meanwhile is the team's second leading scorer, and averages the second highest points-per-game for Marshall with 15.6.

As the six seed in this week's Conference USA tournament, the Marshall University men's basketball team has its work cut out for itself. The Herd would need to defy odds to reach its first NCAA Tournament in 30 years. However, as March Madness has proved in the past, anything is possible at this time of the season.

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Six of the nine opponents in the streak represent the top six seeds in the tournament.

The task for the Thundering Herd is daunting, but Marshall can't get too far ahead of itself as it can only play one game at a time. The tournament run last year ended at the semifinals with Middle Tennessee beating the Thundering Herd 69 - 41.

Marshall's chance of furthering their post season play will be dependent on tournament success. The winner of Wednesday's game will play Louisiana Tech Thursday with tipoff scheduled at 4 p.m.

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Alpha Xi Delta's Hoops for Hope shoots to help charity

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Marshall University's chapter of Alpha Xi Delta will be hosting Hoops for Hope at the Marshall University Rec Center Thursday.

Alpha Xi Delta's Hoops for Hope will be a three-on-three basketball tournament in an effort to raise money for the chapter's philanthropy, Autism Speaks, which, according to the organization's website, works towards helping the needs of those with autism and their families.

Alpha Xi Delta's Philanthropy Chair, Lakin Hitt, said this one event will lead into the rest of the events in April, which is Autism Awareness Month.

"We just started it I think last year and it's just to raise money for Autism Speaks, leading up into our April events, which is Autism Awareness Month, and that just helps us get a foot on fundraising for all of the events in April," Hitt said.

Alpha Xi Delta President Sasha Tackett said that it's important for Marshall Greek life to hold events that deal with raising money for philanthropy.

"So, like, you just see everyone else's philanthropy events so you know what they're supporting and why they're raising so much money," Tackett said.

Hitt also said she thinks events like this are important for Marshall Greek life.

"Just to get more involved with each other overall and just to get to know each other, make more connections and raise awareness and support for all of the different philanthropies on campus," Hitt said.

This is just one of the many different philanthropy fundraising events that Alpha Xi Delta is planning on doing throughout the course of this academic year. Earlier in the year the organization held the event "Taco 'bout Philanthropy" as a fundraiser and they are planning on hosting many more throughout the remainder of the year.

"It's gonna be at the Rec and we're just hoping to get a lot of people to come and play for us like St. Mary's, different high schools, all the fraternities and sororities on campus," Hitt said.

Alpha Xi Delta's Hoops for Hope event will be held on Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m. and will cost between \$30 to \$35 depending on team size, and there will be a cash prize of \$150 for the winners of the Hoops for Hope three-on-three basketball tournament.

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Texas' 'bathroom bill' to face first vote

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A North Carolina-style "bathroom bill" targeting transgender people faces big hurdles in Texas as Republican supporters stood with church leaders and others Monday to ratchet up political pressure ahead of a first vote this week.

Although the Texas bill is likely to sail through a Senate committee as early as Tuesday, the hotly contested measure faces a tough road ahead. It is opposed by corporate titans such as Facebook, Amazon, Google and American Airlines and celebrities such as Lady Gaga, Alicia Keys and Jennifer Lawrence.

North Carolina Lt. Gov. Dan Forest, a supporter of his state's bathroom law known as HB2, is among those now enlisted to help brighten the outlook of the Texas bill. Republican state Sen. Lois Kolkhorst also newly defended her bill in an op-ed over the weekend titled "Women's Rights are Human Rights," borrowing a phrase Hillary Clinton popularized during a famous 1995 speech in China.

But both are confronting a major obstacle in the Texas House, which Republicans control overwhelmingly but has shown no appetite for a law that would require people

to use public bathrooms that correspond with the sex on their birth certificate. Republican Gov. Greg Abbott also has not taken a clear side despite the national attention and backlash generated by the bill.

"North Carolina was the tip of the spear. We will be next," Texas Republican Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick said. He stood with Forest and religious leaders while announcing what he called "Operation 1 Million Voices" to turn out supporters.

Patrick also insisted that he had 19 of 31 votes in the Senate needed in his chamber. One Democrat, Sen. Eddie Lucio, became the first member in his party Monday to publicly support the bill.

The Texas bill is similar to a North Carolina law that prompted the NCAA to and NBA to move games elsewhere, PayPal to cancel expansion plans and Bruce Springsteen and Pearl Jam to cancel concerts.

The NBA and NFL have also warned Texas that passing the bill could cause the leagues to overlook the state when choosing sites for All-Star games and Super Bowls. Abbott slammed the NFL over the league's criticism but has stopped short of coming out in support of the measure.

The Parthenon will have coverage of Marshall's games during the C-USA tournament. Read coverage online marshallparthenon.com and follow @MUPnonSports on Twitter.

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“Rockin’ Road to Dublin” steps into Keith-Albee spotlight

By **AUSTIN CREEL**
THE PARTHENON

The “Rockin’ Road to Dublin” will cross into Huntington’s Keith-Albee theater Tuesday, March 14, bringing an acclaimed combination of dance, music and lights — all set to live Irish rock.

The show has already performed in 38 cities since the fall of 2016, with 42 more live shows underway since the beginning of February, going until the end of March.

“It’s blown up bigger than we’d ever imagined,” said Scott Doherty, co-creator of the show. Doherty is an accomplished Irish dancer, holding numerous awards including the 2009 World Champion of Irish Dance. Doherty began Irish dancing at six years old in Boston, Massachusetts.

“My parents made me start,” Doherty said, “but luckily for me, I ended up falling in love with it. There’s something about Irish dance that kind of speaks to everybody. The rhythm and the synchronized dancing — everyone seems to be hypnotized by it.”

No less essential to the show is co-creator

Chris Smith, a musician who has toured with numerous Celtic rock bands. Smith also has a bachelor’s degree in technical theatre.

“I’ve been around [Irish dance] for the past 10 years or so,” Smith said.

Smith said although he is not a dancer, “the rhythm, the precision and the tightness of Irish dancing is what really brings me to it.”

The team of Doherty and Smith met while performing together at different shows for Busch Gardens in Virginia.

“We became friends instantly,” Smith said. “One day we were at the gym talking about how we both wanted to create our own shows. I had my ideas, and he had his ideas, but the more we started talking about our ideas back and forth, it morphed into this Irish dancing rock show idea.”

“That was over six years ago, and we’ve hit the ground running with it ever since,” Smith said.

Coming from a background of music, performance and technical experience between them, “Rockin’ Road to Dublin” has been “a culmination of all of our experience, both in

performance and design, over the past lifetime,” Smith said. “From music licensing, to buses, to travel and to marketing, all of that stuff has been a learning experience.”

“It’s definitely been from scratch,” Doherty said. “And we’re really proud of that.”

For Doherty, whose great-grandparents were from Ireland, heritage plays a large part in his influences for the show.

“I always grew up going to events with these really strong Irish national songs,” Doherty said. “There’s a song at the end of our show, ‘A Nation Once Again,’ that we’ve just made into this epic tribute. It’s something that I’m personally proud of — to give these Irish songs the ‘oomph’ they deserve.”

“It’s Irish dance, Irish music and, obviously, rock ‘n’ roll,” Doherty said.



Performers take the stage during a show. ‘Rockin’ Road to Dublin’ features a cast of seven musicians, 12 dancers and five actors.

And for the team, their experience touring across the United States has proven those elements “speak for everybody, everywhere.”

Student tickets for “Rockin’ Road to Dublin” can be redeemed at the Joan C. Edwards box-office by students who present their Marshall IDs.

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INTO students to give insight about their countries

By **HANNAH SWARTZ**
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INTO students will give presentations open to the public, set to inform students of their respective home countries.

For this week’s talk, South Korean student, Boram Kim and Saudi Arabian student, Mohammed Hakami, will be presenting about their home countries Wednesday in East Hall room 215 in the INTO Building.

There have been two sets of Cultural Series in the past, with five to six separate programs in each set.

“I would like to say that the Marshall Community benefits from this program in a way to promote

cultural diversity on campus. Many INTO students come from different countries and the Cultural Series allows for those to attend to delve into the cultures being presented through different aspects: food, music, art, traditions, etc.,” Kenny Jones, INTO Student Engagement Coordinator said. “While the INTO students are here in America and at Marshall to learn English and gain an American cultural experience, I think it is important to teach each other about different cultures and celebrate where our students come from.”

The series will take place about once every week or two; right now, there are four more

programs planned for this semester. The next talk will take place Tuesday, March 14 from 6:30 to 7:30 in East Hall room 215 in the INTO Building.

The program times are always 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. to allow for students to finish class so they may come to the program and set dates are randomized based on availability.

Topics and speakers are chosen based on who is in a section of the speaking and listening courses and the students who are in those courses. Any Marshall student who attends the program will be entered to win an iPad Mini.

“Part of my programming core values is to work with academics,”

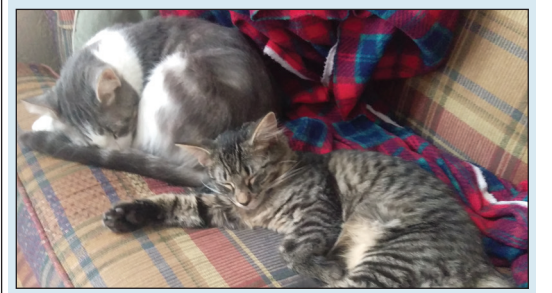
Jones said. “Here in the INTO Center, one of the teachers approached me about wanting to have the students participate in each other’s culture on top of familiarizing them to American culture. We both finally came up with this program idea and it went really well.”

Next Tuesday’s speakers will be students Jeremy Huang and Khalid Alshaalan, where they will be presenting about their home countries, China and Saudi Arabia.

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