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HOUSE BILL PROPOSES REVISING HISTORY CURRICULUM IN W.VA.

HB 2107 would prohibit studies of material including economics, socialism and world government.

By Lexi Browning

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State lawmakers proposed a bill to prohibit certain topics from being discussed in West Virginia history classes until students have studied the Declaration of Independence and other founding documents for a year and a half.

Prohibited material outlined in House Bill 2107 includes the study of social problems, economics, foreign affairs, the United Nations, world government, socialism and communism.

Delegate Michel Moffatt, R-Putnam, said he co-sponsored the bill because he wanted to maintain emphasis on the original documents for solid groundwork before students pursued studies on other governments.

“The drive behind [the bill] is that students need to have a good understanding of our existing government and how it was formed,” Moffatt said. “If we have a good, strong foundation, we can build on that foundation and learn about all kinds of governments.”

Groups of designated West Virginians have responded to the bill on various social media, landing HB 2107 on popular news sites. A “Huffington Post” article received more than 14,000 likes on Facebook.

“I can understand why people are so outraged by this because they’re not taking into consideration that you do need to have a basis of the rest of the world to speak about why the United States was formed,” Moffatt said.

Jen Morrissette, associate professor of political science and director of international affairs at Marshall University, said with a good foundation, “we can better work together,” and they give students the chance to raise questions or concerns.

“We go to Marshall’s campus every year and meet the city’s elected officials,” Waugaman said. “We can offer that opinion that Mayor Williams may not own. Whether it’s about football or something on a much larger scale, we have a side to every story that he doesn’t necessarily know.”

Currently, the city of Huntington is applying for a grant to secure money for future university projects such as a baseball field or research center.

“There has been a lot of talk over the years, so there are definitely some of the mayor’s top priorities in the long term spectrum,” Chambers said.

Waugaman said he is in favor of a new baseball field.
Police officer acquitted in 95-year-old’s beanbag gun death

A suburban Chicago police officer was acquitted Wednesday in the death of a 95-year-old World War II veteran who shot an intruder with a beanbag gun.

The trial was part of a series of events in which police, court officials and experts have considered what police tactics could have been used to handle the July 2013 standoff without resorting to firearms.

Wrana was hit seven times in the back of his head and was found unresponsive in his apartment, according to the Cook County medical examiner’s report.

Prosecutors said Taylor wouldn’t have shot at all, and that the judge’s verdict would likely weaken that case.

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Back in full force

Herd softball prepares for a successful season

By JILL SHEMANSKI
 THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University women’s softball team hopes to take back the C-USA Championship trophy it took two years ago.

After a disappointing last season, the team is focusing on this goal, and it all starts Friday in Charlesto- ton, South Carolina, when the Herd takes on West Point and College of Charleston.

Head coach Shonda Stanton, who has the record for most victories by a Marshall coach in any sport, will begin her 15th season coaching the Herd.

The team will return with seven veterans, one starter and two returning inexperience players.

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Marshall University’s softball team announced its 25-recruit signing class Wednesday, which includes 11 players from Florida.

Head coach Holliday said his coaching staff has always recruited heavily in the Florida area and the team’s recent na- tional exposure has helped in the recruiting process.

“We went down there and won twice in Florida this year, so those guys got to see us play.” Holliday said during his press conference. “Of course, we got to play in a bowl game down there, and that didn’t hurt us as far as exposure is concerned.

So, I think now we see 33 kids from down there including this signing class.”

Jacob Messer, publisher for HerdNation.com, said high school players in Florida, particularly the South Florida area, are taking notice of their former classmates’ decision to come to Marshall.

“It has been manual effect,” Messer said. “People who think these kids don’t realize that, are crazy. For a lot of these kids, Holliday is starting to feel like home. You see the guys you grew up with, that you played ball with, with not only getting an opportunity to play softball as a scholarship program, but also graduate from college and lead productive lives.”

Holliday said the relationships he has made with high school coaches in the Florida area has been beneficial as well.

“They know we’re going to take care of the kids, just like we did with Cato, Sioux and the rest of them. What’s great about recruiting in that area is that we have a track record of kids that come here and are successful. They do a great job academically, and they perform at the highest level.”

Holiday said the class the newly constructed indoor facility. Chris Gline Athletic Complex, as an attraction during the players’ recruiting visit.

“We when this kids come on campus, they can see one of the nice indoor facilities in the country,” Holliday said. “We can actually take them in the hall of fame and show them all of the great play- ers that have come through here.”

Messer said this year’s recruiting class is one of the best classes Holliday has put together since arriving at Marshall.

“It’s impressive,” Messer said. “Doc not only gets great players, he gets great students and great human beings.”

Messer was not hesitant to say the Herd easily has the best recruiting class in C-USA this year, with Florida International University coming in at a distant second.

“We don’t even have it,” Messer said. “I will say that FSU is starting to step it up a notch, and that’s great for Marshall. Marshall needs its conference opponent to step it up.”

While Holliday said he is excited about the recruiting class, he mentioned the challenge that Marshall faces when recruiting players that are also being scouted by schools in the Power 5 con- ferences—which consists of the ACC, the Big Ten, the Big 12, the Pac 12 and the SEC.

“These P5 schools go in there and tell these kids how much dif- ferent those programs are,” Holliday said. “As far as you can get so much more from a P5 school, no you can’t. You can come to Marshall and have better facilities, you can play for champi- onships, and you can get all of the same things that you can get at their place.”

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The undeniable appeal of the Western in America cinema

By JOCELYN GIBSON
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The First Amendment

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble; and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

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American cinema is replete with period films, from ancient history to recent events, but there is only one type of period film that is a genre all its own: the Western. Few films are as quintessentially American as the Western. It has been around almost as long as cinema itself. One of the earliest—and most famous—American cinema is 1903’s “The Great Train Robbery,” a short film that follows a band of outlaws who rob a train and are subsequently pursued by a posse of lawmen. As the first of what would eventually become a staple of American cinema, it serves as a template for the typical western, consisting of a formula that is followed to this day. The film is also arguably the most authentic, in that it was filmed at a time when the old west still existed.

John Wayne later popularized the genre, helped by 1939’s “Stagecoach,” the film that made Wayne a star. In the early 60s, the role of Westerns took a left turn with Clint Eastwood, with a re-vision of films beginning with 1964’s “A Fistful of Dollars,” culminated with 1971’s “Unforgiven.” While both men popularized the genre, they also played their parts in re-visioning it. Although Eastwood’s films portray a much more gritty, authentic version of the old west that Wayne’s did, both create an allure that sucked audiences in the moment the theater lights dimmed. So why has the western become such a staple of American cinema? What is it about the time period that audiences find so appealing?

One of the reasons the westerns can do with the portrayal of the American Frontier and a time when there were parts of America that practiced slavery, an idea that might get easier. The FDA recently reclassified sucrose as high fructose corn syrup, nectar, agave nectar, raw sugar, juice concentrate, invert sugar, honey, marketed cane juice, confectioner’s sugar, or 100 percent fruit juice or any term ending in “sah” or “sucrose, fructose, or sugar.” Tracking added sugar isn’t always easy but it might get easier. The FDA recently proposed separating added and natural sugars on new food labels. Today, sugar amounts on the label include sugars man- manufactured into added (sugared) and sugars that naturally sweeten foods, vegetables and milk. You’ll know more about added sugar if the terms above are one of the first ingredients listed. The more sugar that is a part of your diet, the better your health will be.

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BELLINGHAM: Harper Law, the author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, "To Kill a Mockingbird," smiles during a ceremony honoring the four new members of the Alabama Academy of Honor Aug. 20, 2007 at the Capitol in Montgomery, Ala.

"-court opinion of the town Lee called "Mockingbird Alabama." So when it was announced Wednesday that Lee had written a second novel to be released this summer Monroeville residents and visitors alike were pleased — and excited — but they were also perplexed. The first book centered on small-town attorney Atticus Finch, his children Scout and Jem, and racial injustice in the Jim Crow South. The new book, "Go Set a Watchman," is described as a sequel to what Lee actually wrote in the 1950s be

ACROSS GRAYPAK Park is shown an attorney Attracp, a small-town Southern lawyer who defends a black man accused of rape, in a scene from "To Kill a Mockingbird," based on the novel by Harper Lee. AP Photo | BLOOMBERG | 156

well as for the wild population of endangered orcas.

But animal activist are worried. They say that releasing Lolita into a protected area that is home to a small endangered population of killer whales would violate provisions of the Endangered Species Act. "She's not as simple as opening the gates and freeing the animal," Rowe said. "It's really about whenever you release a captive into a wild population, you do that for Lolita, but what's good for the wild population of endangered orcas, she said.

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the four new members of the Alabama Academy of Honor Aug. 20, 2007 at the Capitol in Montgomery, Ala. AP Photo | BLOOMBERG | 156

by Jay Reeves

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On this March 9, 1955 file photo, trainer Merrielle Nichols poses with a captive orca whale, during a performance at the Miami Seaquarium in Miami, NDLA is deciding this month whether to award a new grant to a member of the small endangered population of killer whales that hang out in Washington state waters. But the decision is not an easy one, with a capture over what should be done with the whale.

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The immune system and genetics.

One of medical research that deals with the relationship between the immune system and organisms. Immunogenetics is a branch was working in the field that really got me liking it.”

“I came to Huntington without a job set up,” LoCascio said. “I went to Marshall because her husband, an ophthalmologist, worked along side her in dissecting mouse eye tissues.

One of her personal postdoc projects was looking at eye development in different backgrounds.

LoCascio feeds the squirrels. She has a bag of peanuts on her desk for them, unsalted of course.

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"I noticed in my classes there were certain students who seemed like they wanted to go beyond the lecture material, and once I started following up on that, like I’d give them extra readings or research papers, and it turned out they were from the Honors College,” LoCascio said.

“I looked at cytokine and fluids and how they impacted development of the immune system,” LoCascio said.

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Meet Lana!

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