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Courtesy of Hannah Richardson

Chapman students participated in a nationwide women's march Jan 21 protesting the election results and advocating for women's rights.



"This march was not the end of a movement; it was just the beginning."

- Hannah Richardson, a freshman political science major who participated in the Women's March in Washington, D.C.

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Executive order may affect international students

Students plan protest against xenophobia

Caroline Roffe | Editor-in-chief

Students were warned by the Office of Legal Affairs Jan. 27 to use caution when traveling if connected to any of the seven countries designated by an executive order signed by President Donald Trump that day.

The executive order requires U.S. border officials to turn away travelers from Syria, Iraq, Iran, Sudan, Libya, Somalia and Yemen for the next 90 days.

The email recommended that students from these countries refrain from traveling outside of the U.S. if they are already here, or try to return as soon as possible if currently outside of the country.

"At this point, the sober reality is that there's not much that we can do to help," said Dean of Students Jerry Price. "If there's an executive order that says even people with a valid visa

from these countries can't get back in for 90 days, there's little we can do."

Chapman's role in international students' statuses is to verify their enrollment, eligibility to be in the U.S. and that they're active students so that their visas are valid, Price said.

In response to the order, students like Safieh Moshirfatemi, a sophomore violin performance major, have planned a walk-out and protest against xenophobia scheduled for Feb. 1 at 11:40 a.m. in the Attallah Piazza. More than 1,000 students were invited to the Facebook event.

Moshirfatemi holds dual citizenship in the U.S. and Iran and has family members living in Iran. She hopes that the protest will bring affected students and their allies together.

"I feel very rejected by the U.S. and I feel very betrayed," Moshirfatemi said. "It's a very isolating feeling because as much as I have people around me

The facts about the executive order

President Donald Trump's new executive order mandates that **all persons** from the seven designated countries are **prohibited** from entering the U.S. for **90 days**.

It also **suspends** the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program for **120 days**. Travelers from Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen will be affected.

A Brooklyn federal judge ruled Jan. 28 that **citizens** of the seven countries who hold **valid visas** and are already in the U.S. **cannot be removed**.

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The executive order prohibits travelers from seven countries from entering the U.S.

who love me and want to support me, they don't know what it's like to have your family basically banned."

The order also temporarily halts the U.S. Refugee Program for 120 days and indefinitely suspends entry for Syrian refugees. According to the Pew Research Center, Muslim refugees made up 46 percent of the 85,000 refugees who entered the U.S. in 2016.

Freshman news and documentary major Mariam Hirsi, who has family with Somali citizenship, said that she thinks the ban purposefully targets Muslims.

"There is no way around the xenophobic message because (Trump) does say that Christian refugees will be prioritized," Hirsi said. "People who are trying to defend it are saying, 'Oh, it's not about religion, it's about nationality,' but I think it's clear that this is condoning that kind of behavior."

Hirsi said that she was confused about who specifically would be affected by the ban. She was thinking about traveling to Somalia with her

family, but is now unsure if she will be able to.

The email from Chapman said that the executive order does not specify what it means to be from a country, and that "it may be best to interpret the term broadly to include passport holders, citizens, nationals (and) dual nationals."

"The situation is changing by the hour," Director of Global Education James J. Coyle wrote in an email to The Panther. "We have advised all our international students on student visas to not travel outside of the country."

Moshirfatemi is reaching out to Chapman lawyers who specialize in refugee and immigration law in hopes that she may be able to compile resources to help fellow students.

"All I'm thinking right now is that yes, I'm Iranian, but I'm also human and I'm also a student at Chapman," Moshirfatemi said.

Rebecca Glaser contributed to this report.

New provost aims to improve science programs, housing problems

Rebecca Glaser | News Editor

He may still be settling into his new office, but Glenn Pfeiffer has been ready to begin his work as Chapman's new provost for a while.

After newly appointed President Daniele Struppa asked Pfeiffer to take on the provost's responsibilities for the fall semester during a lengthy provost search, Pfeiffer realized how much he enjoyed the job and decided to put himself up for consideration — but it took some convincing.

"I think as the interim provost, I was basically doing the job of provost while we were looking for someone to hold the position permanently, and was originally not intending to be a candidate, but was kind of persuaded to consider," Pfeiffer said. "I threw my hat into the ring, and got the job."

Pfeiffer's responsibilities as provost are largely academic. He serves as a liaison between each school's deans, faculties and staff. Pfeiffer is the chief adviser of all academic matters, so he often has the final say in terms of curriculum, staffing and academic organization.

His biggest goals are closely aligned with the university's five-year plan, which includes strengthening science programs, a focus that became clear after the university broke ground on new Center for Science and Technology in April.

"One big initiative has to do with the president's dream of having an engineering school on campus," Pfeiffer said. "When he came here 10 years ago, that was one of the things that he really wanted to do. The fac-



BONNIE CASH Photo Editor

Glenn Pfeiffer became Chapman's new provost on Jan. 4.

ulty basically said, 'We're not strong enough yet in the sciences to support a good engineering program.'"

Pfeiffer said that the process of building and designing the curriculum for the engineering school will likely take about five to 10 years.

Pfeiffer is also going to be involved in making sure that on-campus residences are places that students will want to choose over off-campus apartments and houses.

"Right now, we have a limited capacity of residence halls," Pfeiffer said. "It makes it easy because there are always going to be enough students who want to live in those

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- Glenn Pfeiffer

dorms. As we build more and more of them, we want to make sure people want to live in them."

The university's goal is to eventually house at least 50 percent of students on campus. Currently, only 38 percent of students live in residence halls or university-sanctioned housing.

In December, Chapman purchased a \$6.5 million parcel of land behind Panther Village from the city of Orange. Although nothing has been proposed to the Orange City Council, the university is planning to build additional student housing on the land.

The university is also in the process of getting proposals approved by the Orange Design Review Committee to build a 402-bed housing development at the site of the historic Villa Park Orchards Association Packinghouse.

Four finalists for the provost position visited the university in December after a previous search in Octo-

ber 2015 left the search committee unsatisfied. Struppa told The Panther in August that if the right person wasn't found, the committee would continue the search.

Pfeiffer said that it took a bit of convincing from staff members before he became a part of the provost search, but what finally convinced him was his and Struppa's shared vision of the university. However, Pfeiffer thinks the provost search was still important.

"The president made the decision," Pfeiffer said. "I don't think he had his mind made up until he interviewed all the candidates and thought about it."

Pfeiffer began working at Chapman in 1995 as an associate professor. His time at Chapman has included serving on the faculty senate and positions such as the associate dean of the Argyros School of Business and Economics and vice chancellor of academic administration.

While Pfeiffer is proud of where the university is today, he tries to encourage his colleagues to focus on where the university will be headed in the future.

"Those are the kinds of things I get excited about, the new initiatives, and I also want to make sure we don't lose sight of what we're already doing and doing well," Pfeiffer said. "I'm trying to encourage everyone to be forward-looking. It's not enough to look at Chapman and say, 'Where is Chapman right now?' I want to have everyone thinking about where we're going to be in five years."

Students remember Madison Defler at vigil

Sabrina Santoro | Assistant News Editor

More than 100 Chapman students and members of the Delta Delta Delta sorority gathered for a candlelight vigil in the Attallah Piazza Jan. 18 to celebrate the life of sophomore Madison Defler. Defler died Jan. 14 after a year-long battle with cancer.

“Last night our chapter lost a bright light in our sisterhood,” the sorority wrote in a statement on its Facebook page. “Madison could always be seen wearing a beautiful smile and was so incredibly strong. She made each of us so lucky to be her sister. She will be forever missed but we know she will be looking out for us, forever in our hearts. With endless Delta love, Rest In Peace, Madison.”

Some of Defler’s friends and sorority sisters spoke at the candlelight vigil and shared their memories with her.

At the vigil, students had the opportunity to bring pictures they had taken with Defler and write notes to share in a scrapbook for her family. Hanna Skane, a sophomore health sciences major who was close friends with Defler, brought the scrapbook to Defler’s family in her hometown of Portland, Oregon.

“I brought it (to Oregon) when I went to the service this past weekend and gave it to her parents. They were really happy to see it,” Skane said. “As hard as it is, I think it meant a lot to them to see how



Courtesy of Hanna Skane

Madison Defler, a sophomore at Chapman, died Jan. 14 after a year-long battle with cancer.

many people cared. Even in the service, her uncle was speaking, and he mentioned how so many people showed up to the vigil because they got pictures sent to them, and it meant a lot to them to see that so many people cared.”

Skane met Defler at their first sorority chapter meeting last fall after bonding over their common love for figure skating. Skane stayed in touch with her throughout her treatment, traveling to Oregon to visit her twice.

“She was just a normal, fun kid to hang out with, and she was honestly still so positive and strong to the very end,” Skane said. “She still thought she was going to be back here at Chapman. That was her No. 1 thing. She loved this school so much. It was her dream to come back here, and she fought until the very end and never once gave up. She was never really sad or wanted anyone’s pity. She was mad and determined. That was very inspiring for me.”

INCIDENT LOG

From Jan. 2 to Jan. 28

- Jan. 2**
A suspect stole a trumpet from a vehicle in the Davis Parking Lot and fled in a black SUV.
- Jan. 3**
There was graffiti on a Becket Building wall facing Lemon Street.
- Jan. 6**
A bicycle tire was stolen near Pralle-Sodaro Hall.
- Jan. 13**
Students were found with marijuana and drug paraphernalia in South Morlan Hall.
- Jan. 15**
Graffiti was found in the Villa Park Orchard Packinghouse lot.
- Jan. 16**
Graffiti was found at the Center for Science and Technology site.
- Jan. 20**
A student urinated on a resident’s door in Henley Hall.
- Jan. 24**
Bicycle parts were stolen from main campus and Marion Knott Studios.
- Jan. 25**
A student’s bicycle was stolen near the Davis Apartment complex.

Compiled by Sabrina Santoro

Read the full incident log at thepantheronline.com.

Students found inner-tubing in Santa Ana riverbed

Rebecca Glaser | News Editor

Two Chapman students were taken to the UC Irvine Medical Center at 12:49 a.m. Jan. 21 after highway patrol and police officers received a report of a possible drowning in the Santa Ana riverbed in Orange, Lt. Fred Lopez, Orange Police Department’s public information officer, said in a statement.

Lopez said that officers found a 20-year-old woman between the 22 Freeway and the Memory overpass, near the The Outlets at Orange. The woman told officers that she had been inner-tubing in the river with a 22-year-old male, who officers located north of the overpass a few minutes later.

Lopez said that although multiple fire units and an Orange County Sheriff’s Department helicopter were sent to the scene in case a water rescue was necessary, both students were able to get out of the water with no assistance.

The male student had been drinking, Lopez said, but was not intoxicated. He suffered abrasions on his body and had swallowed a “significant amount of water.” He was transported to UC Irvine Medical Center because he was having difficulty breathing.

The female student had not consumed any alcohol and did not require any medical attention, but rode in the ambulance with the male student. Both students reside in Panther Village, and Public Safety was informed of the incident. The students’ names were not released.

After reports of the incident began circulating on social media, junior public relations and advertising major Tommy Nelson noticed that members of a private Facebook group called Orange Buzz were making comments about the two students involved.

“I saw the video (of the incident) on Orange Buzz, and I was like, here we go again with the ‘All Chapman students are annoying and rude’ typical comments,” Nelson said. “But on the Facebook post, I saw numerous individuals saying that those kids should have died, and it really struck a nerve with me.”

Nelson then posted in the group criticizing members for their comments. As of Jan. 29, the post had 466 reactions and 96 comments from

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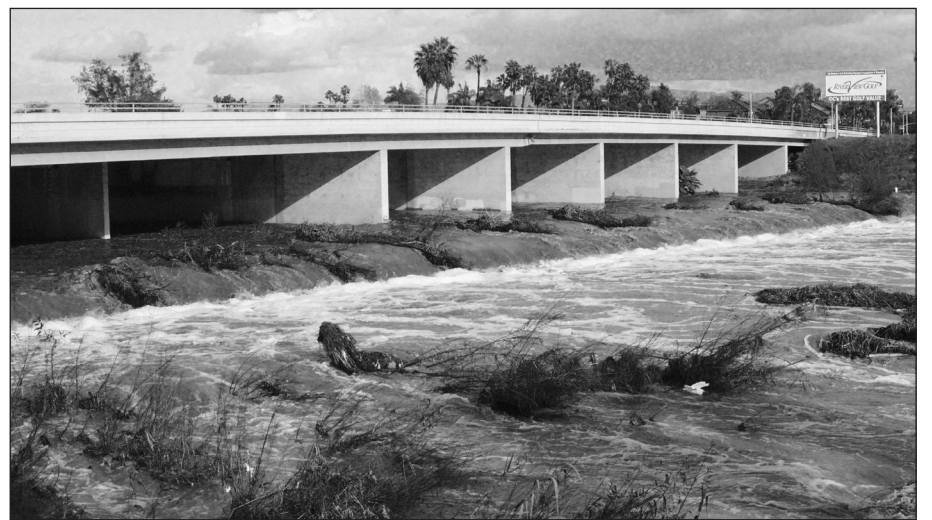
- Tommy Nelson, junior public relations and advertising major

members of the group.

“The mere fact that there are people (whether you truly meant it or not) who said they wish Chapman students were dead is immensely unnerving,” Nelson wrote in his post on the page. “To see and read some of the rather awful backlash that we, as an entire student body, get based off of the actions of a mere few is grossly unfair.”

Members of the page who commented on the original post about the incident did not immediately respond to request for comment from The Panther.

Malvica Sawhney contributed to this report.



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Part of your world : Students immerse themselves in different cultures over break

Jackie Cohen | Features Editor

Chapman students got their passports, cameras and sense of adventure ready for winter break and interterm.

Many students took the six weeks to travel around the U.S. and the world. Students traveled to countries including Norway, Portugal, Panama, China, Israel, Costa Rica, Mexico, Uruguay and Spain.

Katie Roche, a junior psychology major, had the opportunity to travel to Lisbon, Portugal, for a Brazilian jiu-jitsu competition.

Sara Stein, a junior business administration major, said that she got to walk next to penguins while she visited Antarctica.

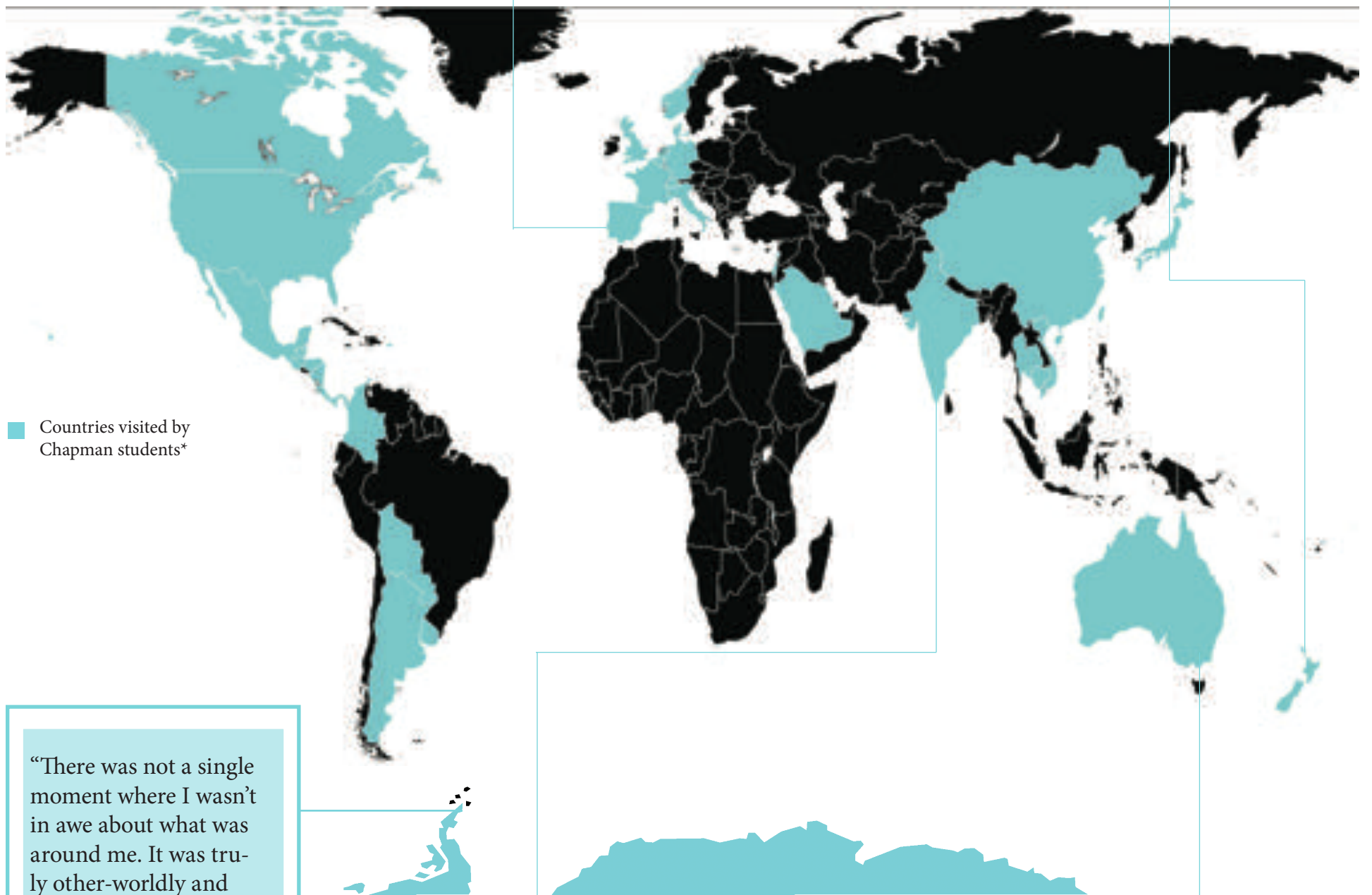
From traveling with friends and family to taking study courses and creating documentaries, Chapman students were busy exploring the world.

“I love traveling because I feel like it’s an amazing opportunity and learning experience. I have been to 28 countries now and every time I travel I learn something new and make new friends. I feel that traveling is an amazing way to get out of your comfort zone and open your mind.”

-Katie Roche,
a junior psychology major
who traveled to Portugal

“It took about four flights and 36 hours to get from New York to Queenstown, New Zealand. We spent time in both the South and North Islands. We biked and hiked about 150 miles. New Zealand is an amazing country with some of the nicest people I’ve ever met. I love traveling because my parents started taking me to different countries at a very young age. I’ve been fortunate enough to go to about 21 countries and I don’t take that for granted. I really appreciate meeting new people and learning about different cultures. Traveling has really become a huge part of my life.”

-Elizabeth Hymes,
a freshman television writing and production major who
traveled to New Zealand



■ Countries visited by Chapman students*

The 42 students surveyed by The Panther visited six continents, 41 countries and 16 states over the six weeks between the end of the fall semester and start of the spring semester.

“There was not a single moment where I wasn’t in awe about what was around me. It was truly other-worldly and at times it didn’t even seem real, like some artist had painted some amazing backdrop. There were moments where I couldn’t even speak it was so absolutely gorgeous. And everything seemed so huge.”

-Sara Stein,
a junior business
administration major
who traveled to Antarctica.

“We got to truly be immersed into the culture and society by meeting with people of different religious backgrounds. Each city we traveled to had a completely different sense of community attached to it. I love traveling because I feel like it’s the best way to learn about the world around you and the people in it. It’s so important to be culturally aware of people with different backgrounds and I think traveling allows me to do that.”

-Shana Kheradyar,
a junior sociology and television writing and
production major who traveled to India on a
Chapman travel course

“My family rented a car and we were road-tripping along the coast. I decided to take a nap and all of a sudden I woke up to a lot of people yelling ‘Look!’ and the car had stopped. When I saw the koala for myself, I got out of the car to go get a better look at it. I really wanted a picture so I slowly inched forward until I was close enough to get a video. Traffic had stopped on both sides of the street and more and more people got out of their cars to come take pictures.”

-Priyal Patel,
a freshman health sciences major
who traveled to Australia

‘The future is female’: Students and professors voiced their concerns with President Donald Trump at the Women’s March

Lorig Yaghseizian | Assistant Features Editor

After a five-hour flight from San Francisco to Washington, D.C., freshman Hannah Richardson struggled to walk through the crowd of more than 1 million people chanting and holding up signs to express their disdain for the election results during the Women’s March on Jan. 21.

“I chose to attend to show how we as women are united and how just because we have a sexist president, I will not let (women’s rights) slide,” said Richardson, a political science major.

People marched all over the country to demonstrate their disdain for the past election cycle after the inauguration of President Donald Trump.

According to the Women’s March website, there were 673 sister marches with an estimate of 4,956,422 individuals who attended.

“The march was so empowering and hopeful,” said Dodge College of Film and Media Arts professor Sally Rubin, who attended the Los Angeles march. “I had the feeling that I was setting the groundwork for future powerful women.”

At the main march in Washington, D.C., many speakers such as actress America Ferrera, feminist writer and activist Gloria Steinem and actress Scarlett Johansson encouraged the crowd and spoke of the rights that women and other minority groups need to fight for.

The march had multiple sister loca-

tions in Southern California. Many Chapman students attended the events in Los Angeles and Santa Ana.

The march was not only for women but also for minorities that felt discriminated against during this election, according to the Women’s March website.

“It was totally normal for me (to be there) being a guy. Although it was a women’s march, there were all different genders there marching,” said Jake Bishop, a freshman political science major who attended the march in Los Angeles. “I was marching for my own reasons and also in solidarity with women, as many have felt attacked by what Trump has said and policies his new administration has discussed.”

Avery Locklear, a freshman undeclared student, first saw the Women’s March event on Facebook.

“I had never been to a march or rally of any kind, so it was new to me, but this one seemed so welcoming,” Locklear said. “I fully committed when I read their message. What they stood for is what made me decide to commit.”

Besides being used as a marketing tool, social media was used to spread the message of the march.

“We made history, and a social media post won’t be able to change that. Social media did help in the spreading of the message and the event. It was the primary way people learned what it was and why it was happening,” Richardson said.

The Women’s March website has created the slogan, “10 actions for the



Courtesy of Hannah Richardson

Hannah Richardson, a freshman political science major, attended the Women’s March in Washington, D.C.

first 100 days,” to ensure the organization’s efforts are continued. The website plans on having one action for people to take over the course of 10 days. The first action the website suggests is writing a letter to your senators to voice your concerns.

“I think this will continue to be a trend. Women are finding their voices, and young people are learning the power of gathering together in a group for something they all believe in,” Rubin said.

Many individuals including, Richardson, Bishop and Locklear, have

expressed interest in participating in more of these movements to ensure that all minority groups are treated fairly.

Richardson plans to continue the efforts in more ways than marches and rallies.

“I plan on contacting Congress continuously in order to show that I am still fearful of my rights and that I will not simply stop. This march was not the end of a movement; it was just the beginning,” Richardson said.

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Thanks, Obama



Olivia Harden
Opinions Editor

I am grateful to have grown up under the Barack Obama presidential administration. Both of my parents were avid Obama supporters and though I was only 11 at the time, so was I. I grew up

in a small town in the desert, and I remember at the time of Obama's first election, supporters in my small town were few and far between. Nobody, including myself, understood my fascination with the Obama family. What did I know about government policies in the sixth grade? How in-depth could my knowledge really have been?

Looking back now, it's simple. I wasn't used to seeing people in positions of power that looked like me.

I remember my father not believing he would be alive to witness the inauguration of the first Black president. A large portion of this country couldn't believe it either and protested with claims that would become known as the birther conspiracy. Racism would often hinder or stop agenda right in its tracks, and it was obvious to me, even at such a young age. Most statistics support the idea that Obama was a good president. We, as a country, were able to legalize same-sex marriage. Unemployment is down to four percent, our relationship with Cuba has been salvaged and he was able to make positive changes to our economy.

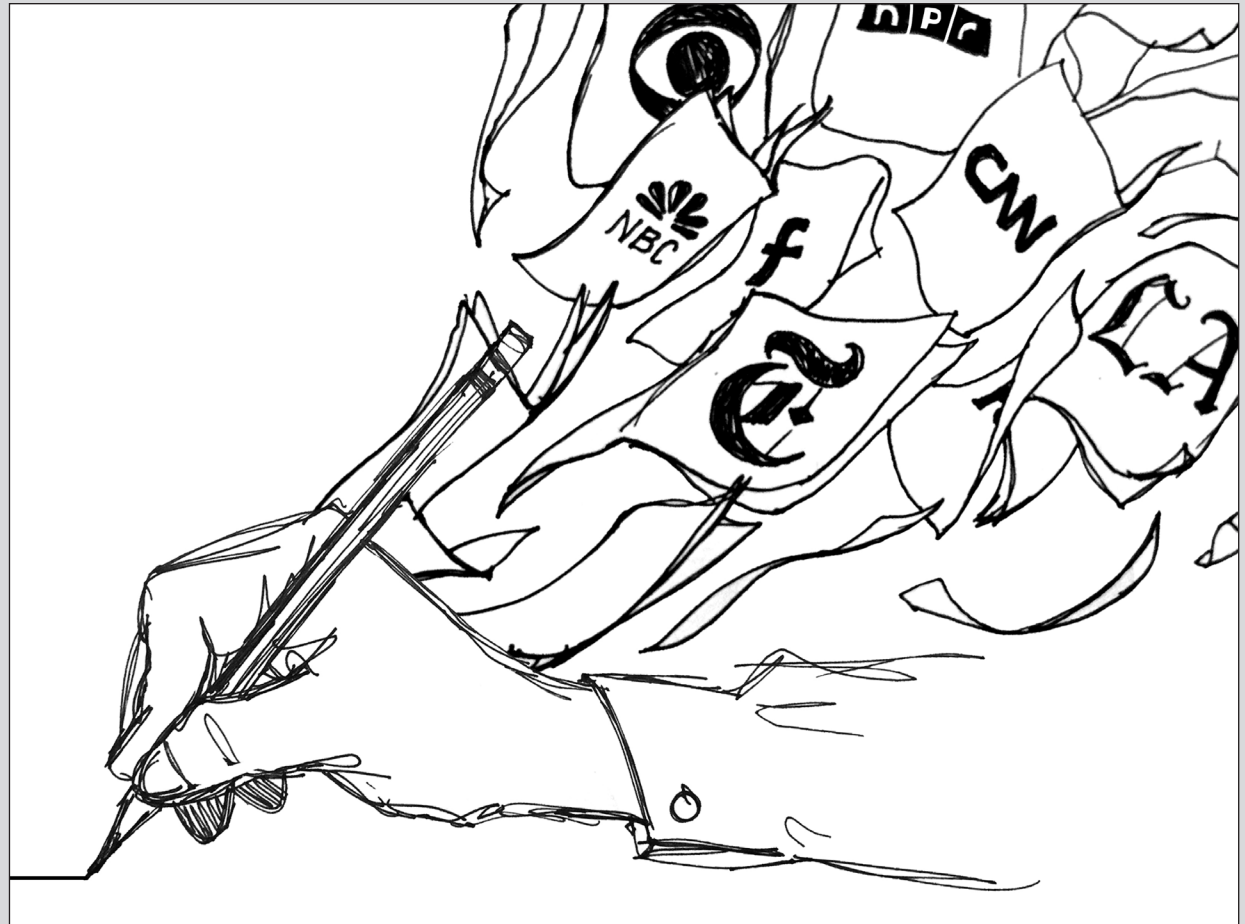
He was so cool without even trying. The Obamas weren't trying to relate to us quirky millennials. There are certain moments when any first family would have to put up a front, but I'd like to believe the dad jokes at a turkey pardon or fist-bumping Michelle were real moments, real glimpses into what the Obamas are like.

As a Black woman, having a role model like Michelle Obama for the last eight years has really made a difference in my life. I'm grateful that the first lady was so involved in improving the lives of girls like me. We may never have another first lady with not one, but two Ivy League degrees. She ascended over racist remarks that she was too manly. She promoted strong, beautiful, intelligent women and really gave me the confidence to believe anything is possible for myself. I don't know what's next for Michelle, but I can't wait to be witness to it. She was just as important to the legacy of her husband as he was, and I think that was obvious to him. She started the Let Girls Learn campaign that worked to get girls in underprivileged countries in school and the Let's Move! program that worked to get youth healthier in America through diet and exercise.

I thank you, Obamas, for inspiring hope in little Black boys and girls everywhere that we can be successful. We can overcome prejudice, and we are capable of ascension to the most powerful position in the world. I can only hope history will be on your side.

As a columnist, I have chosen to capitalize Black despite the AP Style rule because in this case, Black, is a globally recognized group of people that are marginalized due to race and often share similar experiences.

EDITORIAL



Illustrated by Nate Mulroy

Let reporters do their jobs

The Panther Editorial Board

Distrust in the media is a hot topic and has been gaining momentum since the election of President Donald Trump. The media was described as the "opposition party" by Chief Strategist Steve Bannon. Trusted adviser to the president Kellyanne Conway recently asserted that press secretary Sean Spicer just knew a set of "alternative facts" when it came to the size of the crowd at the recent inauguration.

"The media much of the media, not all of it is very, very dishonest," Trump said in an interview with Fox News Jan. 27. "Honestly, it's fake news. It's fake. They make things up."

So, if people believe that their facts are altered by their newspapers or broadcast stations, reasonable people would ask where they can do their own fact-checking and find the truth. The obvious answer is to head straight for the original source.

Consider the example of education secretary Betsy DeVos' financial records and the validity of rumors that she has donated to causes that conflict with her current stances on education. The best way to know the truth would be to look at the records yourself and compare them to the promises released by DeVos directly. In history, these are called primary sources, the most organic and unfiltered type of information.

But, here's the catch: Not only is the proof of financial records 108 pages long, it is written in financial jargon that is difficult to understand. Even if you had the time to read the document and the know-how to comprehend it, this step is barely a drop in the bucket. Already, other controversies have risen and the list of facts to check is overwhelming.

To us, the answer is simple. Let the journalists do their jobs.

Great journalists do the research. They pull

the documents, gather multiple sources, balance opposing perspectives and do their best to be objective. Journalists are trained to filter out what is newsworthy, and they hold expertise in complex areas so that they can translate professional jargon in a way that the general population can understand.

Every powerful person is capable of having a publicist and giving some kind of press release, but the people who write those have a completely different job than the media. They're being paid to make someone look good. While the media is capable of making mistakes, the goal of any quality and competent news outlet should always be to be objective.

Long gone are the days of Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein who could write, "a high Democratic party source said" in their articles and readers would trust them.

In the digital age, more proof is expected. News articles should include video footage, recordings, links to documents, specificity in quotes, embedded social media and precise sources of facts.

There are steps we can all take to becoming informed citizens. Credible news sources tend to have been around for a long time. This is because they have earned the trust of the people. Learn what news outlets lean right, lean left and are balanced. Try to be diverse in your news consumption so you can make informed critical choices about what is the truth. Pay attention to the track record of your sources.

As we at The Panther take on the news of this next semester, we hope to do the best job we possibly can to deliver stories people actually want to read, and stories that actually matter to you. Our commitment to the best of our ability is this community.

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Women's basketball climbs to second after wins

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The Chapman women's basketball team climbed to a tie for second place in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) after winning both of last week's games by double digits.

Chapman cruised to a 71-49 away victory over the California Institute of Technology on Wednesday followed by a 70-58 home win on Saturday over California Lutheran University, which was tied for first place at the time.

Senior guard Lauren Sato was the standout performer for the Panthers (10-8, 7-2) last week. She followed up her career-high 27-point game against Whittier College on Jan. 21 with two more top-scoring performances against Caltech (13 points) and Cal Lutheran (20 points).

"I felt like it was a great team win (against Cal Lutheran)," Sato said. "We did let them come back a little and that was a little scary, but we pulled together as a team and ultimately, it was a great win. Just a really good feeling."

Twelve Chapman players scored in Wednesday's game against Caltech (3-16, 1-9), including junior guard Jaime Hum-Nishikado, who had nine points all from 3-pointers.

"In the beginning, we had a little rough start on defense, but as the game progressed, we started to rotate better and get stops," Hum-Nishikado said. "Offense-wise, it was great to see everyone scoring and contributing."

Saturday's game against Cal Lutheran (11-7, 7-2) was important for the team's playoff aspirations, and the Panthers had reason to be confident. The Regals, in first place going into Saturday's game, had been undefeated in their last four games, and their last loss had been a



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Junior guard Irma Munoz goes up for a layup during the Panthers' 70-58 win over California Lutheran University on Jan. 28.

dramatic 70-68 home defeat against the Panthers on Jan. 11.

Following Saturday's victory over the Regals, Chapman improved its standing from third to second place, ending the week tied with Cal Lutheran and behind first-place Claremont-Mudd-Scripps (12-7, 8-2).

Cal Lutheran struggled to find its rhythm offensively, shooting 20-56 from the field. However, the Regals found some success in the paint against the Panthers, out-rebounding Chapman 42-29.

"We got out-rebounded because we're just not the tallest," said head coach Carol Jue. "It's an attitude to rebound. That was the hardest to watch, that we let them have offensive rebound after offensive rebound."

Cal Lutheran now finds itself winless against the Panthers this season, despite eliminating Chapman from the SCIAC playoffs in the semifinals the past two seasons.

The Panthers' next game has them traveling to University of Redlands on Feb. 1 in a 7 p.m. matchup. Both teams

are in good form, with the fourth-place Bulldogs on a two-game winning streak while Chapman has now won its last three contests.

"(We) can't look ahead," Jue said. "We have Redlands next. They have three losses. We have to treat and respect each opponent. The mental part of it is very key right now ... to know that each game, each possession and each minute means something and you have to stay in the moment."

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Senior forward James Griffin shoots a 3-pointer during the Panthers' 70-59 win over California Lutheran University on Jan. 28.

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Men's basketball snaps 5-game losing streak

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The Chapman men's basketball team ended a five-game losing streak with a win over California Lutheran University on Saturday to bounce back from a double-digit loss to the California Institute of Technology earlier that week on Thursday.

The 70-59 win over Cal Lutheran ended a tough stretch for the Panthers (8-10, 3-6) that had been their worst string of consecutive losses since a five-game winless streak in 2013.

"We really wanted to come out and make sure that we got some redemption tonight and that we played to the level that we were capable of playing," said senior forward James Griffin.

The Panthers remain in seventh place in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC), even though the team was a championship favorite going into this season after winning the SCIAC last year.

The Panthers have been without star

sophomore guard Cam Haslam since December. Haslam, who is on the mend after recently undergoing surgery on a season-ending injury, was last year's D3Hoops.com National Rookie of the Year and SCIAC Athlete of the Year, as well as the Panthers' top scorer. He averaged 18 points per game this season in the six games (only one in SCIAC play) he played in before getting hurt.

But the main issue for the Panthers this season has been defense. The Panthers have scored more points this season than SCIAC leaders Claremont-Mudd-Scripps. However, they are allowing 68.6 points against per SCIAC game. Comparatively, Claremont allows just 62.6 points against per SCIAC game.

"We need to find ways to win," said junior forward Rob Nelsen. "Just because one of us isn't having the best offensive game or we aren't shooting the ball well, we must find a way to get more stops on the defensive end ... We must play with a better, stronger mindset."

The Panthers had a strong first half against the Kingsmen (12-6, 5-4) with junior forward James Taylor leading the

Panthers with 26 points, which was his second-highest scoring performance of the season.

"We had a really good game plan," Taylor said. "We stopped some of their shooters and we were fully denying some of them. They also had a player that worked really well in the post, so we worked it out and stopped him from getting to the right spots down there."

Before the streak-snapping win against Cal Lutheran, the Panthers fell 64-52 to Caltech in a game that served as an illustration of what has gone wrong for the Panthers this season: strong offense, but vulnerable defense during key moments.

"We have been hustling and playing hard, but we all understand that we have to make shots and play better defensively," Nelsen said. "We played hard, but it just wasn't good enough."

Taylor led the Panthers with 13 points and eight rebounds against the Beavers, while Nelsen was the Panthers' next highest scorer with a 10-point performance in a game that the Panthers trailed throughout.

"The area of our team that needs the most improvement would be our defense," Taylor said. "Our offense has always been consistent, but when we play great defense as well, we are a really tough team to beat."

The next few games for the Panthers are crucial as they look to climb their record back to .500 and get back into a playoff position. Their next game is a 7 p.m. away game at the University of Redlands on Thursday before another road game at the University of La Verne at 4 p.m. on Feb. 4. Redlands (7-11, 3-6) is tied for seventh with the Panthers, and Chapman knows that the Bulldogs will be a tough test despite their losing record.

"The Bulldogs are a really big team," Taylor said. "They work well down low so we will probably work a lot on stopping their big men from getting to the right spots and where they work well. They are just a solid team. Usually we don't match up too well against them, so we just gotta get back in the gym, get a game plan ready and play our best."

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Feb. 4 at La Verne 4 p.m.

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Feb. 4 vs. Southern California 10:30 a.m.
Feb. 4 vs. Claremont-M-S 3 p.m.

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Feb. 4 vs. Cal Lutheran, Redlands 10 a.m.

Women's Basketball

Feb. 1 at Redlands 7 p.m.
Feb. 4 at La Verne 2 p.m.

Women's Tennis

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Feb. 2 at Cerritos 2 p.m.

Men's Tennis

Feb. 2 at Cerritos 2 p.m.