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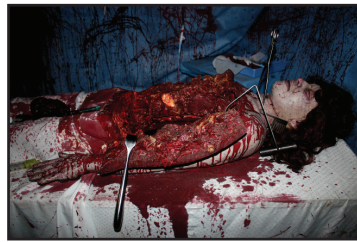
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Art Theater's 'Shocktober' a scream for community members



Photo by Sarah Powers | The Prospectus

Downtown Champaign's Art Theater Co-op brings community members to the screen for its third annual "Shocktober" series with the best of the best horror movies all October.

Sarah Powers
Staff Writer

The Art Theater Co-op, located in downtown Champaign, has been serving up horror movies on a silver platter for the entire month of October. In addition to their regularly scheduled daytime and late afternoon shows, the "Shocktober" series lights up the screen with gore galore almost every night after the sun goes down.

Created only three years ago, the theater's late night committee organized "Shocktober" as a way to showcase fun horror movies during the season when people want to see them over other genres.

"With such feature films as 'The Texas Chainsaw Massacre,' 'Martyrs,' 'Goodnight Mommy,' and 'The Descent,'" Austin McCann, General Manager of the Art Theater said, "It's definitely the darkest programming we've done, but I'm not surprised that our attendance has been the best so far."

While "Shocktober" brings excellent business for the Art Theater, Jessie Shoraga, a Parkland College anthropology major and Projectionist/Gallery Curator at the theater explained it's just as important to give back to the community.

"For two years now, we've partnered with the Community Blood Bank to hold a blood drive at their site the night before Halloween. Anyone who donates gets a free popcorn next time they visit and are entered into a raffle for two free movie passes," Shoraga said.

In addition to the blood drive, the

first movie of the "Shocktober" series is always a free event for community members, so that if movie-lovers happen to find themselves short on money for a movie ticket, they can still enjoy at least one film to ring in the spooky season. "The Rocky Horror Picture Show," a 1975 cult classic musical comedy horror, which plays three times during October, has sold out completely for the last two showings and is labeled by staff as the most popular movie of the "Shocktober" series. This year, the Art Theater teamed up with a shadow cast from the University of Illinois Performing Arts Department to perform the production alongside the screening.

Heather Poffenberger, a horror movie enthusiast at the Rocky Horror showing said, "It was a blast! I loved the audience participation, the call-backs were hilarious, and the vibe was amazing."

For a second year, the late-night committee planned an all night movie marathon, which starts at 10 p.m., and shows straight horror movies until first light at 6 a.m. Attendees are informed of the first two titles, but the next three are all surprises. Because of a large donation from a co-op member, attendees are treated to snacks, beverages, and even late night burrito runs.

When it comes to planning "Shocktober," the late-night committee begins brainstorming a lineup of movies about ten months in advance. Special attention is given to the type of horror movies that performed especially well in previous years, but members also put up their favorite



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films for deliberation.

The Art Theater has always adorned its walls with historic photos of the area, but recently Shoraga has curated their very own art gallery in the front lobby, exhibiting work from local artists. For the next exhibit, she will be working with the Parkland Art Department to feature student work.

For information about titles and showtimes at the Art Theater, visit their website at arttheater.coop.

Rainy summer yields fewer pumpkins



Peter Floess
Staff Writer

Jack-O'-lanterns and pumpkin pies may be a little rarer this October because pumpkin production is down in Illinois, which is the major pumpkin producing state in the country, growing almost 500 million pounds per year since 2008.

According to Theresa Meers of the Parkland Agricultural Department, Illinois has "good soils" and "temperatures are ideal" for pumpkins. A large amount of pumpkins are grown in the area surrounding the Libby's Canning Factory in Morton in Tazewell County.

"Pumpkins are squash in the family Cucurbitaceae and this family also includes cucumbers and cantaloupes," Michael Retzier said, a plant biologist and faculty member in Parkland's Natural Sciences Department. "The pumpkins that we grow are annuals, which sprout and fruit all in one year. They are also interesting in that the flowers are either male or female, not both on the same flower like many flowering plants. Both flowers occur on the same plants and if you know what to look for you can tell the difference."

The decline in the pumpkin population seems to have to do with the rain earlier this year. Meers believes that the large amount of rain in May and June washed the plants out. During those two rainy months, there was too much standing water in the pumpkin patches. The roots of pumpkins may have drowned and rotted.

"Too much water may also wash away the nitrogen fertilizer the plant needs," Retzier said.

According to Meers, pumpkins need 75 to 100 frost-free days to grow. If a farmer replanted the pumpkin patch in early July, they could not guarantee that there would not be a frost in September. That is why there are fewer pumpkins for the holidays in October and November this year.

Meers believes that next year, farmers in Illinois can improve their yields by using shorter season varieties of pumpkins. Farmers should also improve drainage of their patches. Hopefully the farmers have their patches planted by June next year, so that their crops

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NEWS

Personal identity, gender and sexuality growing topics of discussion at Parkland

Scott Barnes
Staff Writer

Aside from gaining knowledge about a particular field of study, part of the learning experience for college students is also about discovering who they are as well as understanding and engaging in the world around them. In addition to the things that students learn through course curriculums, the academic experience also provides lessons about life outside of a classroom setting. Some of the conversations students are having on campus deal with gender roles, personal identity and sexuality.

When it comes to the occupational aspect of college degrees, students are becoming more interested in pursuing careers that might fall outside of the stereotypical role they may identify with pertaining to gender. According to the Institutional Research and Accountability department at Parkland, 15 percent of degree seeking women in occupational programs are majoring in nursing, and 7.2 percent of degree seeking men in occupational programs are majoring in computer network system admin. These are the top career choices for women and men, respectively. Although these numbers seem to indicate that students are enrolling in courses that are historically thought of when it comes to gender roles, some students are beginning to think outside of the box.

Director of the Counseling and Advising Center, John Sheahan explained that the courses students are taking haven't changed all that much but the careers that they are interested in has.

"It isn't so much, I don't think, a matter of classes but a matter of careers; what kind of careers they want," Sheahan said.

He explained that some students choose careers that are not traditionally associated with their particular gender. He also



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College is a great time for young adults to explore who they are, and some students find themselves dealing with new questions involving gender roles, personal identity and sexuality. Times are changing, as careers once typically filled by a specific gender are now becoming diversified, giving students more options, but also more challenging choices to make.

said that students who choose an atypical career may have somewhat of an advantage to help them stand out in their field.

"I think that what we try to stress is that students should go where their passion is," Sheahan said. "Since that gender might be under represented in the field it provides a good opportunity for those students who then go into a non-traditional field."

Tanino Minneci is a student development advocate who works in the Center for Academic Success (CAS) at Parkland. He explained that there is a bigger conversation happening on campus about gender, perhaps not from an administrative viewpoint but he sees it taking place on a regular basis as part of an organization that deals with gender issues at Parkland.

In addition to the work Minneci does in CAS, he is also an advisor for Parkland Pride. Pride is a club that helps raise awareness about LGBTQ related issues. He explained that the club meets once a week and provides a safe place for students to discuss these issues, learn more about themselves and perhaps re-evaluate their ideas surrounding gender roles.

"Pride is a student group that focuses on having conversations and events to

just sort of raise awareness and have a safe place to have discussions about LGBTQ issues," Minneci explained. "It's for not just the LGBTQ community but also for allies

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Director of the Counseling and Advising Center

to have sort of a safe space to talk."

Counselor and International Student Advisor, Joe Omo-Osagie agrees that topics such as gender and sexuality should be openly discussed at Parkland.

"I think it has probably been important, but important enough to be discussed by a lot more people? We have a small percentage of students, always, who want to talk about it," Omo-Osagie said.

As a former Parkland student, Omo-Osagie explained that the LGBTQ community hasn't necessarily grown but is recognized as

part of the Parkland student body more so today than it has been in the past.

"I was a student here thirty-something years ago and it wasn't discussed then but we knew through just looking around that there were transgendered people here at that time, and there were gay men and women here at that time. However, we just did not talk about it then," Omo-Osagie said.

Omo-Osagie stated that a more diverse student body may be part of the reason why these issues are now being discussed on a more regular basis.

In addition to counseling and advising, Omo-Osagie also teaches a human sexuality course.

"We look at the whole spectrum of sexuality," Omo-Osagie explained. "First of all we talk about the history of teaching human sexuality as a course itself. We talk about Kinsey and Kinsey's scale of sexuality. How sexuality, at least defined by Kinsey, is not just a dichotomy of male-female, heterosexual - homosexual, but all the sexualities in terms of a continuum from asexuality to pansexuality and everything in between."

Omo-Osagie also explained why he thinks this sort of education is relevant when it comes to student development.

"We need to understand because, with more information, you make less mistakes," Omo-Osagie said. "To me, the conversation has to be had. We don't talk enough, honestly, about it. We talk about sex a lot but we're not honest about it. We're not direct about it."

Students who are interested in discussing gender issues can take part in Pride meetings. The group meets every Friday at 1 p.m. in room U114, which is located in Student Life.

Students who may be interested in changing careers can visit the Counseling and Advisor Center for assistance with developing an academic plan.

Aviation team makes nationals



Photo courtesy of Parkland College's Institute of Aviation

Jacob Kenter
Staff Writer

The Parkland College Institute of Aviation will not let their size hold them down, despite being a relatively small organization with only about 40 students in the program, according to Wendy Evans, an Aviation Recruiter for the program. Recently, the institute competed in a regional aviation competition.

The Chief Pilot and Director of aviation, Sybil Phillips said that she and her staff were a little pressed for time seeing that they only had four weeks to prepare for the competition. Despite the fact that they didn't have much time the team managed to take home third place, which was good enough to get them into the national Safety and Flight Evaluation Conference (SAFECON) competition in the spring. Phillips said that Parkland has a bit of a disadvantage because most of the schools that they compete against are four-year institutions, so they have more time to train students. Even with the disadvantage, she believes that Parkland will do better in the national SAFECON because they have much more time to prepare for the national completion that they did for the region competition.

Since the aviation program is so small they are always trying to attract new students to the program.

"This is a great time to have a degree in aviation, because students with a degree in aviation are going to see unprecedented job opportunities in the near future," Phillips said.

There are many jobs a student with a degree in aviation can get including government and private sector work, and to get the degree does not take much more time commitment that what a typical degree would take to get.

Evans explained that to get a private pilot license, it would only take two semesters. For those wishing to fly commercially, it takes two years (or six semesters) then must reach the necessary flight hours (1000 to 1500) depending on the degree earned.

Students who enroll in the program will be in great hands, as the Director and Chief Pilot recently won the award for "Coach of the Year" at the region eight competition.

"The award really goes to the entire staff for the work they put in to get ready for the competition in such short time," Phillips said.

Phillips and her staff have effectively prepared all of their students for completion and for future careers in the field of aviation; now their goal is to increase the number of students in the program. They plan on doing this by sending recruiters to all

Professors share experiences with visiting Finnish educators

Matthew Moss
Staff Writer

Parkland instructors played host to two educators from Finland, trading knowledge on their respective countries, living environments and school systems.

Isabel Scarborough from the Anthropology Department and Paul Young from the Fine and Applied Arts Department took two Finnish educators into their homes and offices, granting them a glimpse of what life is like in central Illinois and how Parkland operates.

Päivi Järvinen and Pasi Räsämäki hail from the roughly Champaign-sized university town of Joensuu in Finland's easternmost region of North Karelia. They are both educators involved with North Karelia Municipal Education and Training Consortium, which has multiple colleges and institutions spread across the region.

Järvinen and Räsämäki were here as part of a two-week exchange program run by the Illinois Consortium for International Studies and Programs which includes numerous schools throughout Illinois. They are among 12 Finnish educators who came to Illinois being assigned to Parkland.

Scarborough, who has experience in studying

and interacting with other cultures, said the exchange is not just about comparing the American and Finnish school systems, but how by being thrust into an unfamiliar culture, one can learn about it more effectively.

"You do the work, you compare educational systems, but what you're also doing is experiencing another culture," Scarborough said. "And the best way to do this ... is immersion."

As part of the exchange, Järvinen and Räsämäki stayed in their host's homes. Scarborough and Young took their guests to various cities and landmarks in Illinois and showed them around Champaign-Urbana to provide them with an idea of the local lifestyle.

Järvinen and Räsämäki were both intrigued by the kindness, consideration and open-mindedness community members showed in comparison to their Finnish countrymen. Räsämäki says in his experience with Americans, Finns are a more private people.

"Everybody's so helpful and warm," Räsämäki said. "Europeans are different ... we're more private persons in Finland."

He said he was surprised how people would approach and help him if he could not find his way around campus.

"If someone sees that I'm



Photo by Samuli Kuitinen | Finland

Above stands Finnish professor Pasi Räsämäki. Both Räsämäki and professor Päivi Järvinen took part in a two-week exchange program with Parkland College. The program is run by the Illinois Consortium for International Studies and Programs.

looking for something, it's immediate for someone to ask, 'Can I help?'" Räsämäki said.

Scarborough commented that Järvinen felt the same way when she went biking, being surprised when she was being smiled at and greeted by strangers.

Järvinen is a competence tester at the consortium's North Karelia Adult Education Center, which focuses on developing adult working skills in a variety of fields such as healthcare, information technology and mining.

LIFESTYLE

Many jobs available to those with associate degrees

Brittany Webb
Staff Writer

Many students look to do one of two things when they leave Parkland: get a job or transfer to a university. For students looking to transfer, there are general education courses and transfer-based classes that will help them work towards obtaining a bachelor's degree. For students looking to work directly after college, there are career programs that fast-track students to getting an associate degree or certificate.

"Career programs are designed to get people jobs when they finish, and therefore the classes deal mostly with the major," said John Sheahan, Parkland Director of Counseling and Advising. "The transfer programs are the opposite of that, the goal is to prepare students to go on to the next step: to finish a Bachelor's degree."

An associate degree normally takes two years to complete, but can take longer or shorter depending on the person. What one can do with an associate degree

relies on the major a student is studying.

"Anything in healthcare is very marketable now: nursing, surgical technology, veterinary technology," said Sandy Spencer, Director of the Parkland Career Center. "We get so many job postings for vet techs; we are one of the few programs in the state."

Respiratory therapists, occupational therapy assistants, X-ray technicians, plus jobs in network administration, computer programming, and tech support are in high demand.

A degree is not always necessary in Information Technology, though encouraged by employers, Spencer explained.

Parkland has an associate degree in accounting, which would prepare someone to be an accounting clerk or bookkeeper.

Parkland offers many certificates in addition to an associate degree.

"Career programs are much more skill related, but are also résumé builders," Spencer said, noting that an associate in general studies

is one of the lesser desired degrees by employers.

"A lot of students get it because they realize they are only 10 credits away from a degree. Obviously it is better that they finish that out and complete something so it shows as complete to an employer."

The general studies degree is so broad that it is sometimes not as marketable as some of the more in depth degrees, such as computer science or accounting.

The Career Center at Parkland does a few things to help students in the area of employment.

They are willing to talk to students about what they can do with their degree or what major to pick based on what they want to do after graduation. There are career counselors available to students most days of the week.

The Career Center can also help students pick a major by narrowing down their choices based on interest surveys.

"Sometimes we can't get to exactly what a student wants to do, but we can at least

narrow it down to a field they can start in," Spencer said.

Many transfer students leave Parkland without getting an associate degree simply because they are transferring to get a bachelor's degree, but Spencer remarked that this was not always a smart idea.

"Students don't realize that many don't complete the bachelor's degree for whatever reason," Spencer said. "Statistics show that many students who move on to get a bachelor's degree don't, it is not as high as we would like to see."

With an associate degree, students leave Parkland with a credential and enough credits to move on towards a bachelor's degree if they choose.

"Whether it is a certification or an associate degree, just something besides a bunch of classes," Spencer said.

Students wanting to know more about careers in their field, or how to narrow down their choices of majors can contact the Career Center at 217-351-2536 or stop by Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in room U238.

Degree programs & certificates

- 3D Software (C)
- Accounting (AAS) (C)
- Ag-Business (AAS) (C)
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- Building Construction and Repair (C)
- Business
- CNH Service Technician (AAS)
- Carpentry (C)
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- Construction Design/Management (AAS)
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- Criminal Justice (AAS)
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- Dental Hygiene (AAS)
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- EMS (C) (AAS)
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- Floor Coverer (C)
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- Mapping Technician (C)
- Marketing (AAS)
- Massage Therapy (AAS) (C)
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- Medical Laboratory Technology (C)
- Microsoft Application Specialist (C)
- Millwright (C)
- Network Administration & Support (AAS)
- Nursing (AAS)
- Object-Oriented Programming (C)
- Occupational Therapy Assistant (AAS)
- Office (C)
- Painting/Decorating (C)
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- Personal Fitness Training (C)
- Plumbing/Pipefitting (C)
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- Surveying Instrument Operator (C)
- Surveying Technology (AAS) (C)
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- Veterinary Technology (AAS)
- Welding (C)

Area high schools visit arts dept. at Parkland



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Local high schools visited Parkland's Fine and Applied Arts Department to learn about the programs available at the school on Friday, October 16, 2015. The high schools in attendance were Arcola, Unity, Centennial, Deland-Weldon, Monticello, Le Roy, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, Blue Ridge and Prairie Central.



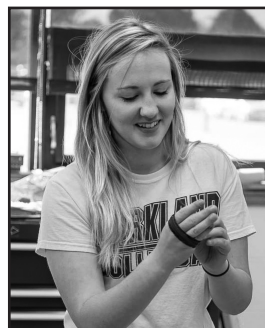
Arcola High School students stand in the metals workshop.



Deland-Weldon teacher Cori Lueders works with student Callie Reeder during a drawing demonstration.



Arcola High School student Lucas Hutton makes a bracelet.



Arcola HS student Nikita Mellor tries on her new bracelet.



Art and Design Professor Joan Stolz works with students from Deland-Weldon high school.



Giertz Gallery Director Lisa Costello speaks to students.



Deland-Weldon High School student Emily Boley tries her hand in the Drawing Workshop.

For a full list, go to <http://bit.ly/1WeDm14>

OPINIONS

Are you reading this? Print news changing ways to remain relevant

Sierra Benson
Staff Writer

It is without a doubt that printed news is going out of style in the 21st century. Modern day newspapers that did not already have a massive fan base are going out of business and those who are still around are making adjustments to appear on social media free of charge.

A large majority of students at Parkland do not realize The Prospectus exists even though there is not only print, but also a website and a Facebook page.

Anthony Weddle, a freshman, knew nothing about The Prospectus, but he remembers at Central High School in Champaign there was a student publication called The Chronicle.

"We had a newspaper called The Chronicle...I think every month a new issue would come out and the English teachers would just pass it out to everybody and high schoolers aren't usually that interested...but because people get bored they'd read it because they didn't have anything else to do, after a while they started gaining interest in it," Weddle said.

Partnering with the English department could reach out to a lot of students since English is a required class to graduate.

"I think a lot more people would be interested in the newspaper if they didn't have to go out of their way to get it. If it's right there [in front of them] and it's convenient a bunch of people might like it," Weddle continued.

The Prospectus is free and spread out around as much of the school's hallways as possible, but it is not enough.

Networking is important too; currently The Prospectus has their articles on a small tab in everyone's my.parkland.edu account. Weddle recommends The Prospectus get in touch with



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Parkland student Emma Routh reads The Prospectus while waiting in between her classes on Friday, Oct. 23, 2015.

the Cobra creators to display their articles and websites on there.

At the end of the day, Weddle remarked, some students just may not be interested in events related to Parkland. However, there are still plenty of students, staff and faculty at Parkland College that would take an interest if they could just be reached.

Fine and Applied Arts Instructor Adam Porter shares a memory of newspapers before the Internet was around,

"I grew up remembering my dad reading the paper every night when he got home from work; the newspaper was like a physical tangible thing that was just part of our everyday lives," Porter reflected.

These days social media is replacing the paper and becoming more a part of student's everyday life.

"I always ask the students; raise your hand if your primary source for news is the nightly news. No hands go up. Raise your hand if your

primary source for news is a physical newspaper. Maybe one hand goes up. Raise your hand if your primary sources for news is your mobile device or the Internet. All the hands go up," Porter said.

Porter teaches a communications class and a class that interacts with Parkland's radio station. Radio has had its popularity decrease substantially over the years similar to print newspapers. Since the invention of television, talk radio has become nearly nonexistent. Today, the Spotify and Pandora app are competitors to radio stations.

"You know people have been talking doom and gloom for terrestrial radio, and newspapers, and printed books... and none of them are truly dead yet. I hope they will all find a way to reinvent themselves. I think they will," Porter remarked.

The future of journalism may require a more interactive news experience that includes interactive ads "instead of just a 2D page in a magazine you could actually

have an advertisement for say a car where the user can not just look at the car but they could spin it around, they can open a door go inside of it, can see a video of the test driving," Porter said.

Although it is a unique concept, Parkland is obviously on a budget, the students working for the newspaper also have other priorities such as schooling, so what can The Prospectus do instead?

Associate Fine and Applied Arts Professor Kendra McClure suggests understanding the readers. Her students in introduction to advertising are conducting a research project this year to help the Prospectus promote.

"One of the things that we found in our survey [a couple of years ago] is that students on campus site flyers and posters as their number one promotional tool... Interestingly enough the second answer was none. Meaning that students who took this survey just tend to not pay attention to a lot of different kinds of

campus promotion so that's a barrier that we have to try to overcome," McClure explained.

McClure also describes a situation where a small portion of students knew about the paper,

"I've taken two sections of COM 101 on a field trip to The Prospectus to learn about how the newspaper operates here and very few read The Prospectus on a regular basis," McClure said.

Currently, the small staff working on the newspaper have multiple responsibilities, they may do a combination of writing, editing, taking pictures, managing media websites, etc. which is very different from how it was in the past when a person had a single job to be done. Compared to larger publications that are able to dedicate specific people to each task, students on The Prospectus have a huge amount of responsibility to take on each week in order to get a publication out to the racks.

McClure agrees with Porter that The Prospectus should make an even bigger social media presence that develops personal relationships with the readers while also gaining their insight.

Several Prospectus staff members have volunteered to take on the extra responsibility to update the social media platforms and increase the readership online.

And while it may be a slow improvement, each new idea brings the newspaper that much closer to becoming a relevant source of information for the readers at Parkland College.

If you'd like to provide feedback on how to make your reading experience of The Prospectus more fulfilling, please email TheProspectusNewspaper@gmail.com.

GOP says Trump tops list of electable

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WASHINGTON (AP) — A majority of Republican voters view only four of their party's presidential contenders as potential general election winners, according to an Associated Press-GfK poll that reflects the sustained strength of the GOP's outsider candidates.

Billionaire businessman Donald Trump is viewed as the strongest. Seven in 10 Republican and Republican-leaning registered voters say he could win in November 2016 if he captures his party's nomination. Six in 10 say the same for retired neurosurgeon Ben Carson, who, like Trump, has tapped into the powerful wave of antiestablishment anger defining the early phases of the 2016 contest.

Former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush tops the field of experienced political leaders on the question of electability. Six in 10 Republicans say Bush could win the general election, followed by 54 percent who view Florida Sen. Marco Rubio as a potential winner. None of the other candidates is viewed as electable in a general election by more than half of Republican voters.

"It's the lifelong establishment politicians on both sides that rub me the

wrong way," said registered Republican Joe Selig, a 60-year-old carpenter from Vallejo, California. "I think Trump is more electable. He's strong. We need strength these days."

The poll reflects the sharp contrast between the party's voters and its top professionals regarding the billionaire businessman's ultimate political strength.

Trump and Carson are considered among the least electable general election candidates by the Republican Party's professionals, those who are in the business of helping candidates run campaigns and win elections.

Experienced political strategists note that winning a general election and winning the Republican nomination are often very different tasks. The GOP's most conservative voters — a group that is older and whiter than the nation as a whole — wield extraordinary influence in picking the nominee. Independents, moderate voters and minorities are far more important in general elections that draw many more people to the polls.

While Trump and Carson are popular in primary election polls, both have used divisive rhetoric in recent months that alienated some minorities. Trump called Mexican immigrants rapists and criminals during his announcement speech, while

Carson said he would not support a Muslim presidential candidate.

"Republicans think (Democrat) Hillary (Rodham Clinton) is weaker than she is. They are wrong," said GOP operative Katie Packer, who was deputy campaign manager for 2012 Republican nominee Mitt Romney. "They think we don't need to win more women or more Hispanics to win. They're wrong."

Carson and Trump are the candidates most likely to receive positive ratings from Republican voters, with 65 percent saying they have a favorable opinion of Carson and 58 percent saying the same of Trump. Republicans are somewhat less excited about Bush, with 48 percent giving him a favorable rating.

"If he weren't a Bush, I wouldn't even know his name," said Republican Leslie Millican, a 34-year-old housewife from Magnolia, Arkansas. "I like the other Bushes. Something about (Jeb Bush) — he ain't grown on me yet."

Trump and Bush have the highest negative ratings within their own party: 37 percent of Republican voters say they have an unfavorable opinion of Bush and 36 percent say the same of Trump.

Their negatives are even more pronounced among the broader electorate. The AP-GfK poll found Trump

is viewed unfavorably by 57 percent of those surveyed, the highest negatives of any Republican candidate. Bush is next with unfavorable ratings from 48 percent of all respondents.

Overall, all but one GOP candidate is viewed more unfavorably than favorably by all those questioned. Carson is the exception, drawing about equally positive and negative views. He remains unknown by a significant portion of the electorate.

Among Republican voters, all the candidates except New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie have a net positive rating. Carson tops the list, followed by Rubio, former technology executive Carly Fiorina and then Trump.

The poll also found a sharp difference between the political parties over experience.

By an overwhelming 77 percent to 22 percent margin, Republican registered voters and leaners say they prefer an outsider candidate who will change how things are done, rather than someone with experience in Washington who can get things done. They prefer someone with private sector leadership experience over experience holding elected office, 76 percent to 22 percent.

Trump, Carson and Fiorina are the only Republican candidates who have never held elective office. Clinton,

the Democratic front-runner, is a former first lady, secretary of state and senator.

Perhaps that helps explain why Democrats prefer experience over outsider status, 67 percent to 32 percent, and experience in office over private sector experience — 66 percent to 33 percent.

Republican strategist John Feehery says Trump is considered electable now only because he hasn't yet been the subject of a multimillion dollar negative ad campaign, which will happen should he maintain his lead in the polls.

"Right now, he serves a valuable purpose as a front-runner, especially for the Democrats," Feehery said. "They would love him to be our nominee."

The AP-GfK Poll of 1,027 adults was conducted online October 15 to October 19, using a sample drawn from GfK's probability-based KnowledgePanel, which is designed to be representative of the U.S. population. The margin of sampling error for all respondents is plus or minus 3.3 percentage points.

Respondents were first selected randomly using telephone or mail survey methods, and later interviewed online. People selected for KnowledgePanel were provided access to the Internet at no cost to them.

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will be ready by October. According to Wolford and Banks, "80 percent of the pumpkin supply in the United States is available in October."

Even in years with less rainy weather, large pumpkins are what Meers calls a "tender vegetable."

Another reason Retzier believes led to their decline is that they are pollinated by bees. Bee populations

are suffering from many different factors at the moment, including a phenomenon called Colony Collapse Disorder.

Despite all these problems growing large pumpkins, a person can grow a small pumpkin in their yard by recycling their Jack-O'-Lanterns.

"At home I might set our Halloween pumpkin in the compost pile or garden bed and I usually get a "free" pumpkin plant out of the seeds the next year," Ritzier said.

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FIN

education is almost entirely free in Finland, even up to the university level, and provided by the government.

Räsämäki and Järvinen found that the Finnish and American educational systems are quite similar in their ways of operating. Both educators used the phrase "learning by doing" when describing how material is taught in the countries'

educational systems.

Järvinen and Räsämäki returned home on Friday. Both of them, as well as their respective host, wish the experience could have been longer. However, the experience does not end with their departure; Scarborough and Young will visit Finland next year, trading places with their current guests.

Scarborough and Räsämäki both think it will be easier for everyone when the Parkland instructors head to Finland, after getting to

know each other. Plus, both say many Finns have some knowledge of the English language, contrasting the comparatively fewer number of Americans who can speak Finnish.

In addition to Scarborough and Young, 12 other Illinois educators from various schools will all be going to Joensuu. Scarborough said there are joint events planned that include all 14 Illinois natives, which she says should make the experience a bit easier for them.

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FLY

major fairs to get information out there about the program.

A big thing that is going for students that enroll in the aviation program is the positive job outlook. According to Evans,

"the industry is desperately looking to fill some 18,000 or so pilots over the next seven years. Some say that number maybe conservative as the many current pilots are reaching the mandatory retirement age of 65."

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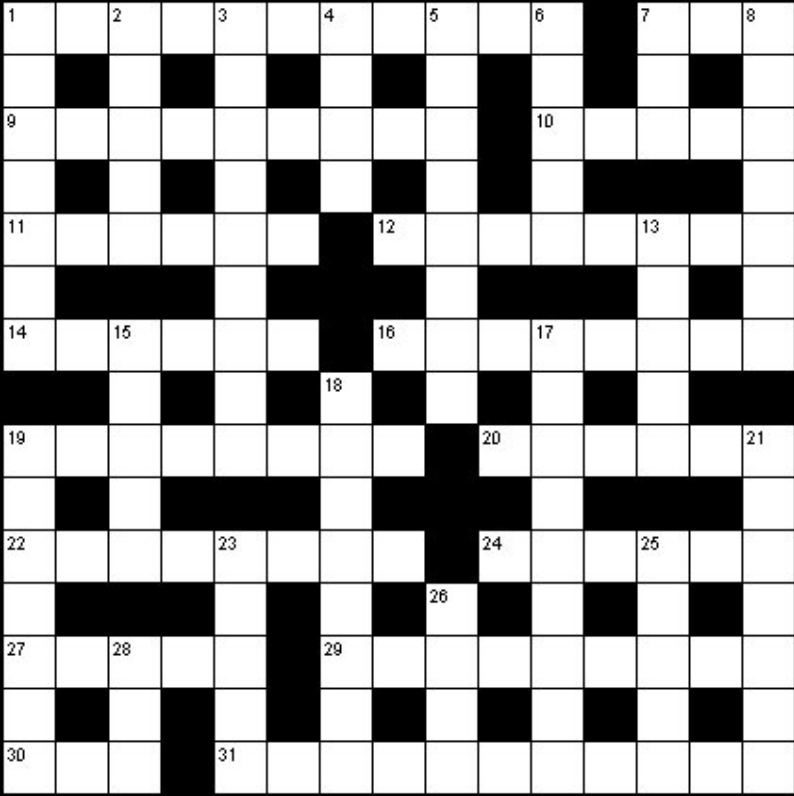
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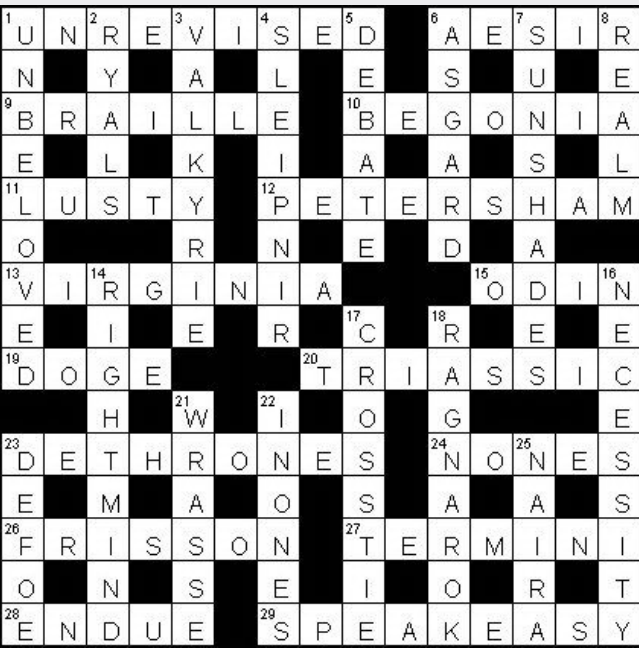
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Crossword (solve for the answers below)



Last week's answers



- country that entertains Caroline & Horace starts badly (10)
 12 Maiden from Galesyke kept in check by society rules (6)
 13 Unorthodox, almost X-rated Jumbo started in the morning – that's really fruity stuff (5,3)
 14 Moss due in road, having time for a detour that's taken in error (13)
 19 You need daughter, née Flather, to drop hen back – and not right before sun goes down (8)
 22 One having mole finally removed, back in the lead with self-assurance (6)
 24 Uproarious with her involving leg lost in drill manoeuvre (5,5)
 25 We see Mother with net, not quite finished with hair (4)
 26 Ignoring the odds, blue grass in tie was flourishing soonest (8)
 27 List varied bridge opponents overwhelmed by Mum (6)

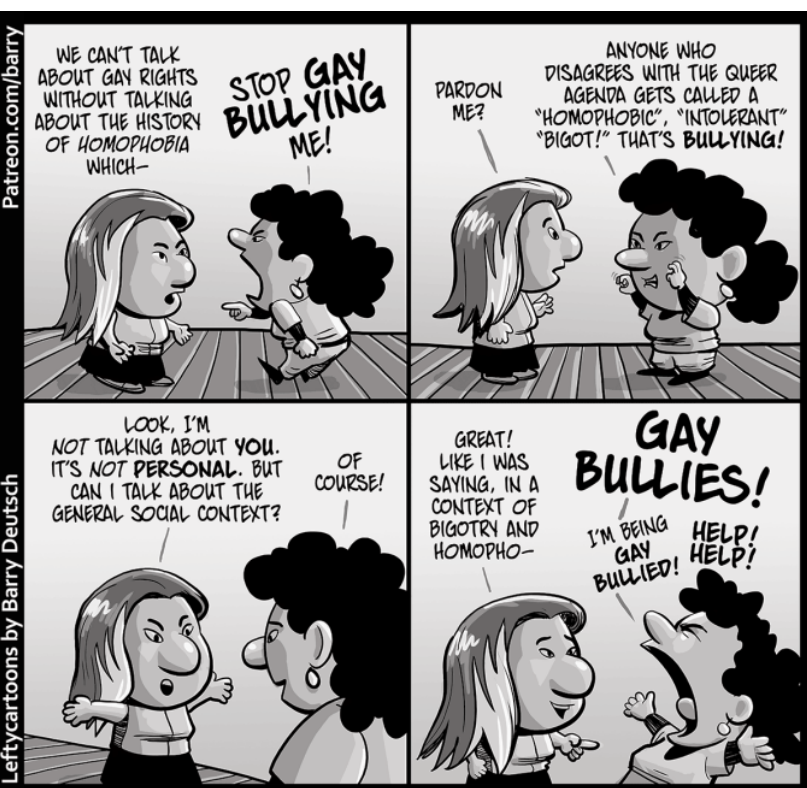
DOWN

- 1 Line of regular coolness shown when cracking Times or Telegraph, ultimately? (8)
 2 Betty's heart's a jewel, 'un uplifting all around, providing spice (6)
 3 Event: Ring's "knockout" after first seen in Munich, to boot (8)
 4 Star bridge player material (6)
 5 Assurance of good luck if Sam climbs on the bed (6)
 6 Duties (not obligations) to a son involved supplying musical accompaniment (8)
 7 Leaders of royal establishment awarded licenciate – one in music, note. That's the facts (6)
 15 You see independence after she fell, breaking hip (hospital one doesn't count) (4-4)
 16 Maybe Hampstead area to meet Ernest regularly and put away the Claymore? (8)
 17 In play, see slams flowing (8)
 18 Superior in rubber (not half!) consisting of no trumps – ace is held (8)
 20 Sung in choir, a profit to the audience (6)
 21 Eh? "Weepat" in Scrabble? That's not English! Nothing precludes Dad producing "Chewink" (6)
 23 Disobedient child in Lakes? Why, we hear it's firmly the opposite! (6)

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Imps! by Jeff Harris



SPORTS

Women's soccer dominates Lynx 10-0



Freshman forward Ellie McKenzie dribbles past her defender during the match against Lincoln on Oct. 25, 2015. The Cobras defeated the Lynx 10-0.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Happy Halloween!

Local Halloween haunts and fall activities



Zach Trueblood
Staff writer

As Halloween draws near the Champaign-Urbana area has a number of attractions for both young and old. Two main attractions that continue to draw crowds in the fall and Halloween season are Curtis Orchard as well as "The Freakshow Field of Fears" and "The Haunt," both located at the Bonesaw Mill in the Fluid Events Center.

Curtis Orchard boasts a wide array of activities for everyone. The orchard is located at 3902 South Duncan road in Champaign. The orchard grows its own apples, pumpkins, and raises its own bees for honey. Various products are made from these items and sold at the orchard. Two of the best sellers are the homemade apple donuts and the homemade apple cider.

There is a pumpkin patch where pumpkins can be picked for fall or Halloween activities, and a number of playground areas for children as well. Perhaps one of the more challenging attractions is the corn maze. Curtis Orchard has been a staple of the fall season in Champaign and continues to remain as such.

Two of the scarier Halloween attractions in Champaign are "The Freakshow Field of Fears" and "The Haunt" at Bonesaw Mill. These two haunted attractions are held at the Fluid Events Center, 601 North Country Fair Drive. There are two options available. The freakshow portion is a spook-

filled walk through the woods. The haunt is held indoors as attendees walk through the bloodstained Bonesaw Mill. There are around 50-60 actors that work between the two attractions. There are three ticket options including \$15 for one haunt, \$20 for both, or \$28 for an all access pass that comes with a t-shirt.

If those attractions don't satisfy your Halloween hunger, then check out some of these other local area events:

Events for the week of Oct. 25 running until Halloween

The Virginia Theatre to show "5 Nights of Hitch!" A week's worth of suspenseful Alfred Hitchcock films.

The Art Theater hosts "Shocktober" for the third year in a row. Various horror films are played late night.

Midway of Madness haunted attraction held at the Champaign County Fairgrounds.

The Baldwin Asylum in Rantoul boasts 10,000 square feet of terror.

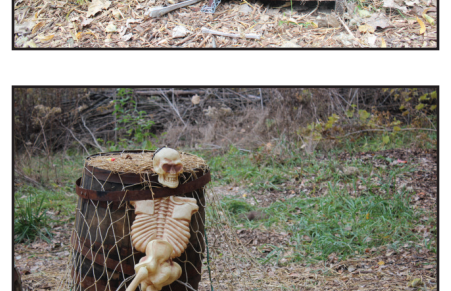
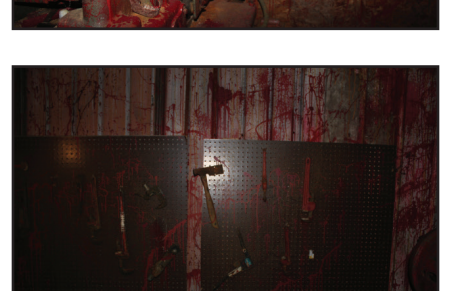
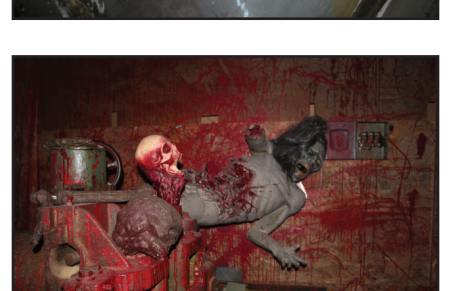
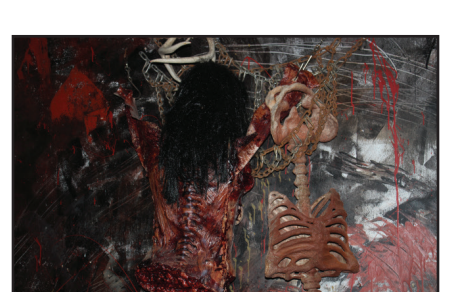
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- Champaign: 5-7 p.m.
- Homer: 6-8 p.m.
- LeRoy: 5:30-8:30 p.m.
- Mahomet: 6-8 p.m.
- Monticello: 5-9 p.m.
- Ogden: 5:30-8:30 p.m.
- Paxton: 5-8 p.m.
- Pesotum: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Savoy: 6-8 p.m.
- Sidney: 5-8 p.m.
- St. Joseph: 5:30-8 p.m.
- Tolono: 6-8 p.m.
- Tuscola: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Urbana: 5-7 p.m.



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Our fearless staff member Zach Trueblood took a tour of the Bonesaw Mill at the Fluid Events Center on Friday, Oct. 22, 2015.



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The three pictures above show several points of attraction at Curtis Orchard in Champaign, Ill.