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# NO SHAVE NOVEMBER

Parkland Public Safety works to raise cancer awareness

**Zach Trueblood**  
 Staff Writer

As November came to a close and December begins its frosting process, many are still sporting the facial hair accumulated during No-Shave November. The event lasts throughout the month of November and has gained popularity within the last few years. For the first time ever, our own Parkland College Public Safety officers participated in the event.

"Sergeant Kopmann approached me near the end of October and asked me if I was aware of No-Shave November, which I was. He was curious if I would be supportive of that effort and I told him I would be," Parkland College Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police William Colbrook said.

After the decision was made, nearly all of the Public Safety officers embarked on the challenge to grow a beard throughout the month of November. It proved to be a challenge for most as they previously weren't allowed to grow a beard due to grooming standards and



Photo by Zach Trueblood | The Prospectus

(Left to right) Officer Dave Dameron, Chief William Colbrook, Officer Drew Osterholt, Officer Tom Favot, Sergeant Matt Kopmann, Sergeant Duane Frichtl, and Officer Jacob Brand of Parkland College's Public Safety participate in No-Shave November, a month-long event devoted to raising cancer awareness.

regulations.

So by participating in the event, Colbrook was effectively allowing his officers to break regulation. That break in regulation was for a good cause: cancer research. This wasn't Colbrook's first foray into not shaving while on a police force though.

"My experience with No-Shave November was with the State Police. The State Police have very strict grooming standards, not that we don't; however theirs is very strict in that regard. When I did it with

my District 8 troopers in Peoria, we decided for it to just be a mustache growth period," Colbrook said. "This kept us within policy but still allowed to us to draw attention to cancer research."

The cancer research aspect was what really drew Sergeant Matt Kopmann to the idea of doing No-Shave November. He was familiar with the month-long event and thought it would be a great way to bring awareness to and some solidarity with the student body.

"I knew some of the guys in our department were up for it, I knew I was up for it. I approached Chief and told him some of our guys were interested in doing it and if he would support it. Surprisingly, he said yes," Kopmann said. "So this is the first time as a police department, that I've known, we've ever done it. I think that's pretty cool."

Kopmann has been with Parkland Public Safety since 2008 and to his knowledge this is the first

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## HUMANS OF PARKLAND



**Carrie Taylor**

Social Sciences and Human Services Professor

**Jacob Kenter**  
 Staff Writer

"I was originally on research but I did a little bit of teaching in grad school and I enjoyed it a lot more than I expected to. When I stopped doing research I was looking for something else to do and I had small kids, so I started teaching here at Parkland part-time I think for five or six years. Then there was a full time opening that I interned for and got. I started full time in 2008 I think, so I have been full time now for about seven years.

I like to teach lots of different types of classes because I feel that I learn new things when I teach a new class, that I can apply in my other classes. I teach in the classroom and online, and I enjoy both for different reasons. In a classroom you have that face-to-face interaction which I like, but in a classroom there is usually a few students that do most of the talking; whereas in the online class all the students have to talk. In my online class I do discussion posts that way I get to kind of hear from every student in the class which is nice, because you don't usually have that in a classroom.

My experience at Parkland has been really positive, I like the people that I work with, I feel that we are all here for the same reason. I went to the University of Illinois and I had a lot of good teachers, but a lot of them were really there to do research and not to teach. So it is kind of refreshing to be around people who are all interested in teaching and trying to be better teachers. We all learn from each other, which means there are lots of opportunities to learn new techniques and learn new ways to teach the same information.

I really like the classroom and one of the things that I like about Parkland and the students at Parkland is that they are all so different. I teach psychology, which means a lot of what we are talking about could apply to everybody's lives, and so it is really interesting when you have students that have had

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## Suicide awareness focus of Parkland-hosted event

**Matthew Moss**  
 Staff Writer

Spreading awareness about suicide and its prevention was the focus behind an event hosted by Parkland's Counseling and Advising Center on Nov. 21.

The event was put on in coordination with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, a national organization that works to combat suicide in the United States and provide services for those in need of a helping hand, be they considering suicide, survivors of attempted suicide, or grieving from the loss of loved ones to suicide.

Known as the International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day, it is an annual event that works to provide an outlet for people who have lost a loved one to suicide to share their thoughts and get support from those who have also suffered from a friend's or family member's suicide.



Photo by Matthew Moss | The Prospectus

Parkland's Counseling and Advising Center hosted a suicide awareness event in cooperation with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention on Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015.

As the name implies, Parkland's event was not the only International Survivors of Suicide Loss gathering; besides the U.S., 17 other countries hosted events in observance of the day. According to the International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day website, there were at least 305 events held across the U.S. and its territories.

Dennis Cockrum, a personal counselor at Parkland, helped to put on

the event with several other counseling and advising staff.

"It's a prevention effort," Cockrum said. "The more we educate people about the risks...it can help people that are grieving intensely, it can prevent them from potential harm down the road."

He described Parkland's interest in hosting the event as pursuing a "ripple effect," where those helped by the program share what helped them with others

in the community who are struggling with suicide or suicide loss. He also said he hopes the event will help to stave off the stigma surrounding suicide.

"The more you talk about, it less scary it is," Cockrum said.

For almost 12 years Cockrum worked as crisis clinician at local healthcare provider Community Elements while it was known as the Mental Health Center of Champaign County. He now advises students along their academic paths and provides counseling to students with psychological trouble.

Cockrum has a personal history with suicide; he lost a cousin when he was young, a half-brother nine years ago, and seven close friends throughout his life to suicide. However, he is not the only personal counselor at Parkland who has suffered from the suicide of

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# NEWS

## Diversity on campus positively impacting the learning environment

**Scott Barnes**  
Staff Writer

Champaign – Urbana is a culturally diverse community and social diversity is part of the Parkland College experience. The current student body at Parkland is mostly made up of Caucasian American citizens but there is evidence of growing diversity on campus.

The make-up of the student body at Parkland varies not only in race and ethnicity but also in age as well. According to the Institutional Research and Accountability Department at Parkland, 58 percent of the students enrolled in credit courses for the Fall 2015 semester are Caucasian, 14 percent are African-American, seven percent are Hispanic/Latino, seven percent are Asian, one percent are Native American and 12 percent of the student population is listed as unknown.

The average age of a Parkland student is 23.92 years old. The age of Parkland students ranges from 15 years old to 88 years old but most students (47 percent) fall in the age group of 17 to 20 years old.

Many people on campus, including students, faculty and staff members, think diversity enriches the educational experience provided at Parkland. Ashlee Johnson is a Parkland student majoring in business administration. She said that learning in a diverse classroom has benefits.

“It’s nice to have a lot of different people in your



Photo by Scott Barnes | The Prospectus

**Students in Dr. Willie Fowler’s classroom stand for a picture during their POS122 class at Parkland College. Classrooms like these show the growing evidence of diversity on campus.**

class, a bunch of culturally diverse people in your classroom, because they give a lot of different insights and backgrounds,” Johnson said.

Students are not the only beneficiaries of a varied student body. Associate Professor of Sociology, Evelyn Reynolds explained that the college, as a whole, benefits from a diverse atmosphere.

“All students, faculty, staff and administrators benefit from a diverse student body at Parkland College,” Reynolds said. “We evolve by hearing various perspectives on topics and issues, and by having a better understanding the complexities of our world through diverse individuals.”

Reynolds also thinks it is important for every student to feel welcomed and comfortable during their time at Parkland.

“One way to increase those feelings for minority students would be to have more faculty, staff and administrators that share some of the characteristics

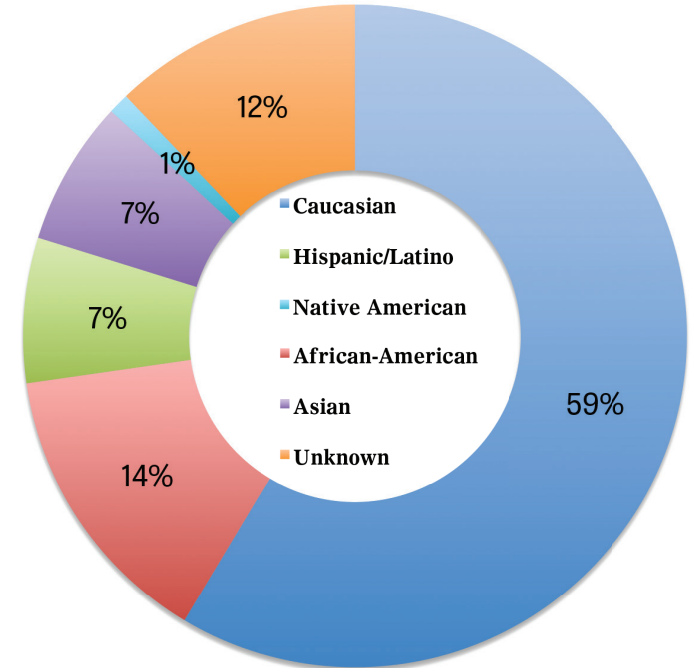
of those students, whether it be skin color, religion, citizenship status, or social class background,” Reynolds said.

Marietta Turner is the dean of students at Parkland. She explained that a growing understanding of diversity is becoming more important in contemporary society.

“We’re all in a very tiny microcosm now. With the Internet and with instantaneous news feed, we have to come to understand that we literally walk in each other’s shadow. The more we can understand one another and appreciate the humanity of one another the better off we will be.”

The fact that the student body at Parkland is somewhat diverse means that that a typical classroom is filled with students from all walks of life. The educational experience may be different for each individual based on what they have been taught via their culture and life at home.

Dr. Willie Fowler, a human



Stats courtesy of the Institutional Research and Accountability Department at Parkland.

sciences and social services professor at Parkland, explained that many of the minority students at Parkland may face challenges outside of school that could possibly interfere with their completion of a degree. He expressed that these students should see their education as a means to bettering their life.

“I think sometimes African American, or minority students, tend to encounter outside life experiences that may alter their path to completion. They have these real world issues. They could be financial. It could be social. It could be a number of different issues that can impact their education and trying to keep them focused all the way through is an ongoing task,” Fowler said.

Fowler explained that all students are valuable and he tries to ensure that all students receive a quality education. His advice to those students who face difficult circumstances outside of school is to remain focused on their education.

“Don’t surrender your entire education to outside occurrences. Try to find a way to move on. Try to find a way and the strength to come back here to the campus and finish,” Fowler said. “Remember why you’re here. Remember that you’re trying to get that education and use that as a springboard to greater things. School isn’t the enemy. School is here to help you along your path and to give you ways to solve those problems that may come before you.”

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**SHAVE**

year the department has participated in the event. The idea wouldn’t have been possible without his planning and the cooperation of the entire department. There were eight officers total that participated.

“Each officer gave at least a \$20 donation. Those donations are going to the St. Jude Research Hospital. Since the month is for cancer support, we thought it would be good to send it to them. Chief and I thought that to be the best one to donate to,” Kopmann said.

Kopmann explained that participation was completely voluntary but they had a good turnout. The current policy does allow for a mustache only. The beard is a violation of the policy as the officers are supposed to be clean-shaven. Since they had Colbrook’s support, the policy could be violated for the month. As of Dec. 1, all the participating officers had gone back to being clean-shaven.

As both Kopmann and Colbrook pointed out,



Photo courtesy of Public Safety | Parkland College

**(Left to right) Officer Drew Osterholt, Chief William Colbrook, Officer Tom Favot, Officer Jacob Brand, Sergeant Matt Kopmann and Sergeant Duane Frichtl of Parkland College’s Public Safety participate in No-Shave November.**

No-Shave November isn’t simply about growing a beard for the sake of growing a beard.

It’s to bring awareness to cancer and cancer research. As many people fighting cancer lose their hair due to chemotherapy, a man or woman deciding not to shave can provide a sense of solidarity with them.

The website [www.no-shave.org](http://www.no-shave.org) is one of the forerunners in the fight for cancer and raising

awareness through the No-Shave November event. They are a web-based nonprofit organization and their mission is to increase cancer awareness and raise funds to support prevention, research and education.

“The goal of No-Shave November is to grow awareness by embracing our hair, which many cancer patients lose, and letting it grow wild and free. Donate the money you typically spend on shaving and

grooming to educate about cancer prevention, save lives, and aid those fighting the battle,” the website states.

The month-long No-Shave November event doesn’t seem to be losing any momentum. So come November 2016, if you feel the urge to participate then put down that razor and donate some money to cancer research instead. For more information visit [www.no-shave.org](http://www.no-shave.org).

## Parkland record label looking for musicians, interns

**Micah Gibson**  
For The Prospectus

The Fine and Applied Arts Department at Parkland College is pleased to announce the Spring 2016 launch of Perimeter Road Sound Recordings, a new student-staffed record label.

The label is currently seeking clients and welcomes all solo artists and bands within the student body who are interested in recording to apply. Recording, production, and distribution services are offered free of charge. Recording will take place in Parkland’s new music studio, which features state of the art equipment. Those interested should email [perimeterroad@gmail.com](mailto:perimeterroad@gmail.com) for more information.

Perimeter Road is also accepting applications for internships. Students interested in gaining hands on experience in music production, promotion, and distribution are encouraged to inquire at [perimeterroad@gmail.com](mailto:perimeterroad@gmail.com).

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# LIFESTYLE

## President's oldest daughter among those scoping out colleges

**Darlene Superville**  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Michelle Obama's message for high school seniors fretting about their college prospects is simple.

Do your research. Visit college campuses. Sit in on classes. Talk to professors, graduates and students. In the end, picking a college "is a very individual decision."

The first lady could just as well have been talking to her older daughter, Malia, who is expected to head off to college next fall with the Class of 2020.

The 17-year-old is among U.S. high school seniors who are nervously taking standardized tests, completing college admissions applications, filling out financial aid forms and writing personal essays — all on deadline. Then they get to spend a few months waiting to find out if they got into their dream school.

Malia has some advantages, though. What school would turn away a president's daughter?

She also doesn't have to worry about how to pay for her college education, unlike many of the students President Barack Obama and his wife regularly encourage to pursue post-high school education.

Some of what's known about Malia's college search:



Photo by Gerald Herbert | AP Photo

In this Jan. 19, 2013, file photo, Malia Obama, left, and her sister, Sasha Obama, right, listen during the Kids' Inaugural: Our Children. Our Future." event in Washington. Malia is among the millions of U.S. high school seniors who are nervously taking standardized tests, completing college admissions applications, filling out financial aid forms and writing personal essays, all on deadline, before spending the coming months anxiously waiting to find out if they got into their dream school.

### SCHOOLS ON HER LIST

Malia has visited at least a dozen public and private schools, mostly on the East Coast. Among them are six of the eight Ivies and a few with Obama family ties.

Dad is a 1983 graduate of Columbia. Mom graduated from Princeton in 1985. Malia's cousin, Leslie Robinson, is a sophomore forward on Princeton's women's basketball team. The president and first lady

earned their law degrees at Harvard.

The other stops on her college tour: the University of California, Berkeley; Stanford; New York University; the University of Pennsylvania; Barnard; Tufts; Brown; Yale and Wesleyan.

### HOW MUCH HER PARENTS WILL PAY

The bill for tuition (and fees, in some cases) alone at these universities costs between

\$40,000 and \$50,000 for the current academic year. Tack on room and board, books, other fees and expenses, and the total tab for Malia's undergraduate degree could top one-quarter of a million dollars for the four years.

It shouldn't surprise her parents, though. They've paid hefty tuition bills for the past seven years to send Malia, and her younger sister, Sasha, 14, to the exclusive Sidwell Friends School. Tuition at the

private school in Washington is \$37,750 per student this year.

The Obamas planned ahead for their daughters' college educations. Like millions of families, the Obamas have been investing money in 529 college savings plans (which are named after a section in federal tax law).

The couple has four of the tax-free savings accounts, each valued at between \$50,000 and \$100,000, according to the president's financial disclosure forms.

### HOW IS MALIA PREPARING?

Mrs. Obama has said Malia wants to be a filmmaker, and NYU has the respected Tisch School of the Arts, which counts directors Martin Scorsese and Spike Lee among its alumni.

Malia spent last summer in New York City interning on the set of HBO's "Girls," the raunchy comedy-drama starring Lena Dunham. She decamped to California in the summer of 2014 to work as a production assistant on "Extant," a CBS sci-fi drama featuring Halle Berry.

Mrs. Obama recently disclosed that Malia has also done several internships at the Smithsonian's National Zoo in Washington.

Malia's travels across the U.S. and around the world with her parents could

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## HIV-positive doctor says his dog saved his life

**Martha Irvine**  
AP National Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Rob Garofalo was devastated. He'd built his medical and research career on helping young AIDS patients. Then he learned that he, too, was HIV-positive. The news came after he'd already survived kidney cancer and a breakup with his longtime partner.

Try as he might, the doctor could not heal himself, at least not emotionally.

"I couldn't afford myself the same compassion that I'd spent a career teaching other people to have," says Garofalo, who heads the adolescent medicine division at Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago. At first, he told almost no one about his HIV status — not even his own elderly mother, who sensed that her son was struggling mightily during a Christmas visit in 2010.

"You can tell me that everything is OK, but it's not," she said, cupping her hands around her son's face at the end of his trip to his native New Jersey.

Garofalo recalls crying on much of the flight home to Chicago in a catharsis that led him to an unexpected decision, one that helped him in ways no human could and ultimately led him to a new role in the HIV community. He got a dog.

It was a little Yorkshire terrier he named Fred. And everything changed.

"I had this little bundle of, like, pure joy," Garofalo says. "He made me re-engage with the world."

The doctor, who's helped save many an AIDS patient, knows it sounds a little crazy that the companionship and simple needs of a pet could help him cope with his disease and pull him out of depression.

"But I'm not exaggerating

when I say that he saved my life," says Garofalo, who'd considered suicide after his HIV diagnosis.

His journey back to life started with simple things. He had to leave the apartment where he'd isolated himself to buy food for Fred. He had to talk to the many people who wanted to stop and pet the little dog. Garofalo also found comfort when he'd awaken with one of his frequent night terrors and have Fred to snuggle.

Eventually, Garofalo sought counseling and told his mother and friends about his HIV status. As his energy level grew, he also started a charity using Fred's image to raise money for programs that help HIV-positive teens.

He continued to share his story, even with strangers on Fred's charity website. And Garofalo began to realize that he was far from the only person with HIV — or any number of other diseases — who'd been helped by a dog. And in that human-canine bond, he saw new purpose and an opportunity to grow his charity's reach.

He began a project called "When Dogs Heal," with the help of a dog photographer named Jesse Freidin and a Chicago-based writer named Zach Stafford. It tells the stories of HIV-positive people and their dogs in an exhibit launching in Chicago on Tuesday, Dec. 1, which is World AIDS Day, and also in New York City two days later.

Participants whose images are in the show include a young mother from Los Angeles who was born with HIV, a Chicago man who tested positive after he was gang raped, and an HIV-positive man in San Francisco who quit dealing drugs so he could provide a more stable life for himself and his newly adopted dog.

"I would be in bed and



Photo by Martha Irvine | AP Photo

In this photo taken on Monday, Nov. 2, 2015, Dr. Rob Garofalo pets his dog, Fred, at their home in Chicago. Garofalo, who is head of the adolescent medicine division at Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago, tested positive for the AIDS virus in 2010. He fell into a deep depression and credits Fred, a Yorkshire terrier, with bringing him back to life. Garofalo has since co-founded the "When Dogs Heal" photo project, which features HIV-positive people and their dogs. The exhibit opens in Chicago on Dec. 1, which is World AIDS Day, and in New York City on Dec. 3.

not want to get up, but this little doggy was whining, licking my neck and needed to get outside. I had to get up," says Lynnea Garbutt, the young mom. She says her wirehaired fox terrier, Coconut, eventually helped her muster the courage to leave an abusive relationship and also prepared her to care for her daughter, who recently turned 1. The child is not HIV-positive thanks to medical interventions that can now prevent the spread of the virus from mother to infant.

Though many participants' stories have difficult elements, Freidin, the photographer, said the exhibit also shows "something joyful."

Daniel Cardenas, an HIV-positive Chicagoan who'll appear in the upcoming exhibit with his dog, Loki, certainly sees that in his dog.

"He's really a symbol for me," Cardenas says, "a symbol of hope, of promise, of a future."

Hope is a relatively new chapter in the AIDS fight. In decades past, doctors, including Garofalo, were desperate to save people with HIV. Now, with new, less-complicated treatments, many people are living healthy, productive lives with the AIDS virus.

Stigma is still an issue, however.

Even a matter of months ago, and although he'd gone public with his HIV status, Garofalo did not want to talk about how he suspects he contracted the virus because he doesn't want to inadvertently imply that people who've gotten the virus through drug use or consensual sex deserve to be shamed.

He was sexually assaulted in November 2009 during a trip to Washington, D.C., and although he's not entirely sure he got the virus then, it fits with the timing of his diagnosis.

"I wasn't perfect. I could've gotten it another way," says Garofalo, who concedes that his sometimes self-destructive downward spiral had begun much earlier, when he was diagnosed with renal cell cancer a decade ago, just after he'd turned 40. "The truth is, I was a mess even back then," he says.

Having recently turned 50, and with all he's been through, he says he's grown a lot — and now sees his HIV patients in a much less academic manner.

"Now I approach it in a very different way because it comes from my soul," he

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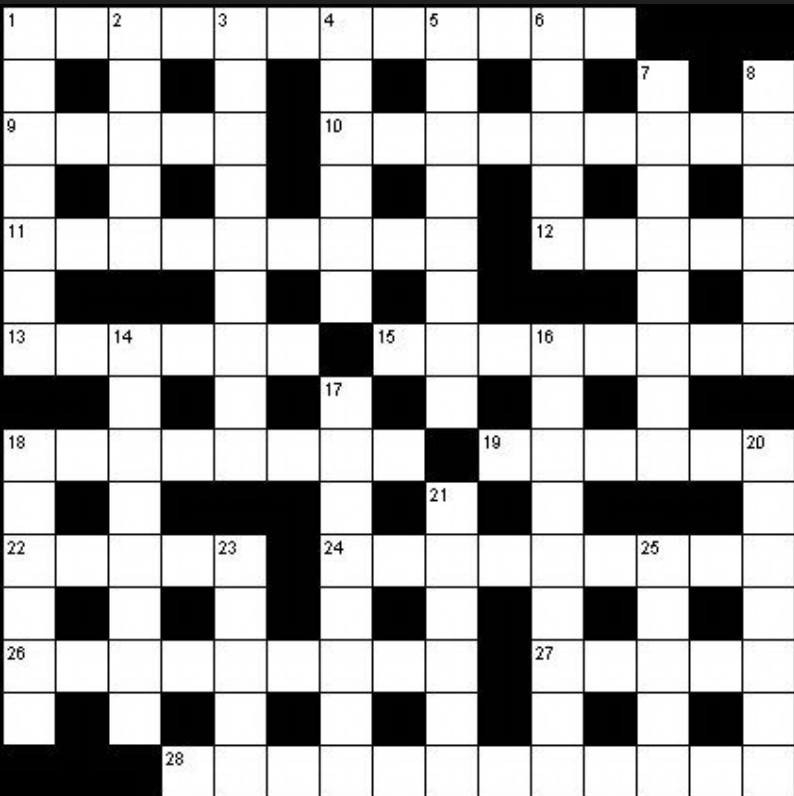
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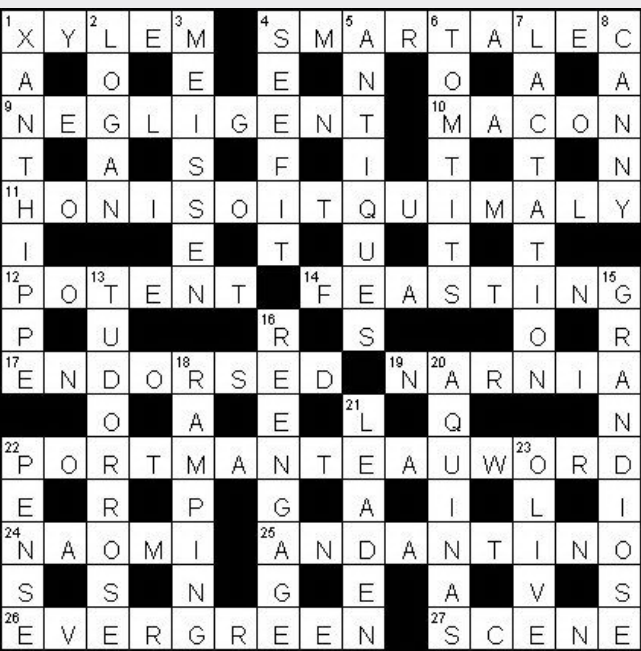
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- Cornish town provides setting for final part of Prometheus Unbound (5)
- It was once standard for old gun to be loaded with ammo, having fired round (9)
- A time to bring in repair men to make alteration (9)
- Talk endlessly about fish being dependent on water movements (5)
- Glossy coating for hair rejected by the European (6)
- Trunks could be required for such clothing (8)
- Revolt mostly crushed by soldiers during first wartime operation (8)
- Unpleasant people who create a stink? (6)
- Group of eight hundred volunteers found among the returning party (5)
- Rheingold is cut short and replaced with new opera (9)
- At heart, describes a tailor's work (9)
- To some extent dog resented cruel people (5)
- Flying over once more, airmen

start to attack with shells – not half a thunderous downpour (7,5)

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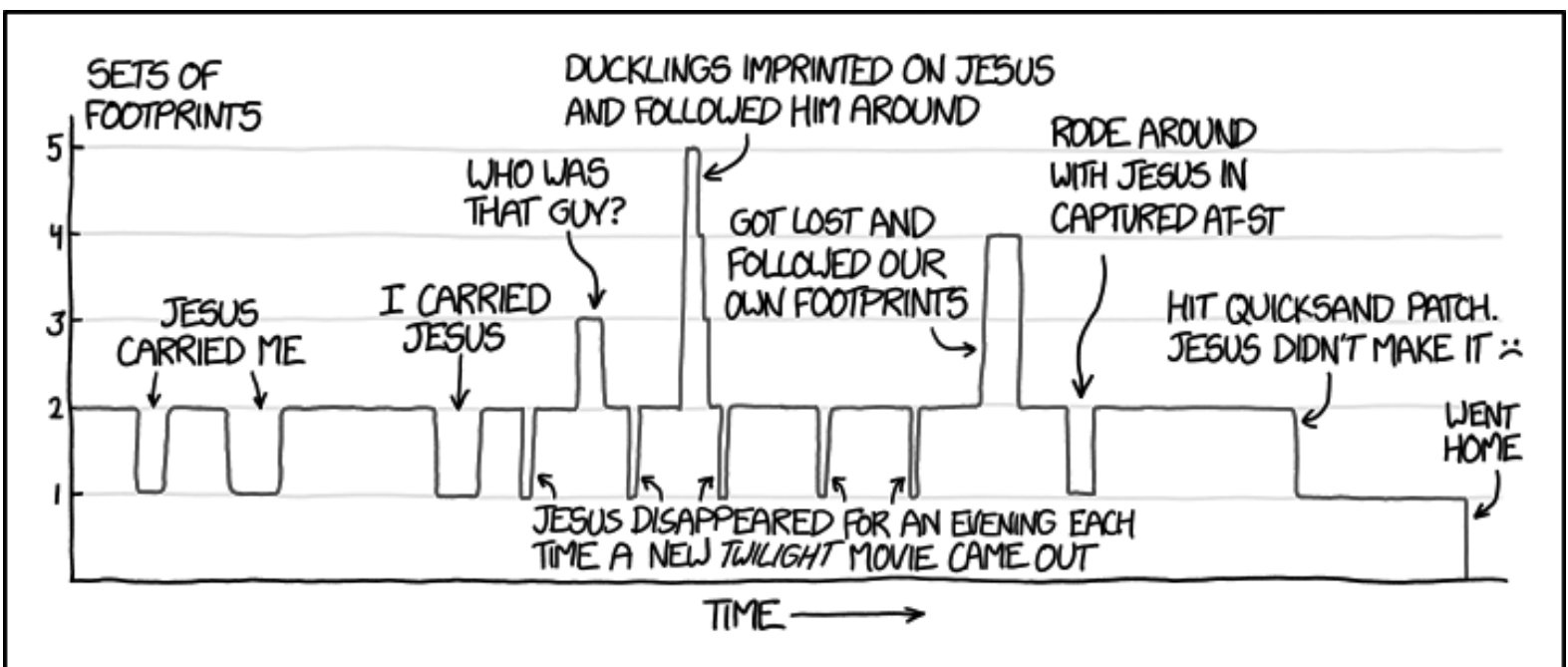
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- Hasten to find source of water for plant (9)
- He's a hero to the Spanish (6)
- A place with cultural links to another – like Baden-Baden? (4,4)
- Having no New Testaments to share out? (5)
- A little boy swallows insect (8)
- Where to find wine vendor, say (6)
- A fresh flower's opening (8)
- Decamping with money originally belonging to a ruler of France (6,3)
- Cook, having misappropriated gin, gets persistent questioning (8)
- Player – one wearing new boots (6)
- Being employed to fill ship's cavities (7)
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- Country with two rivers (5)

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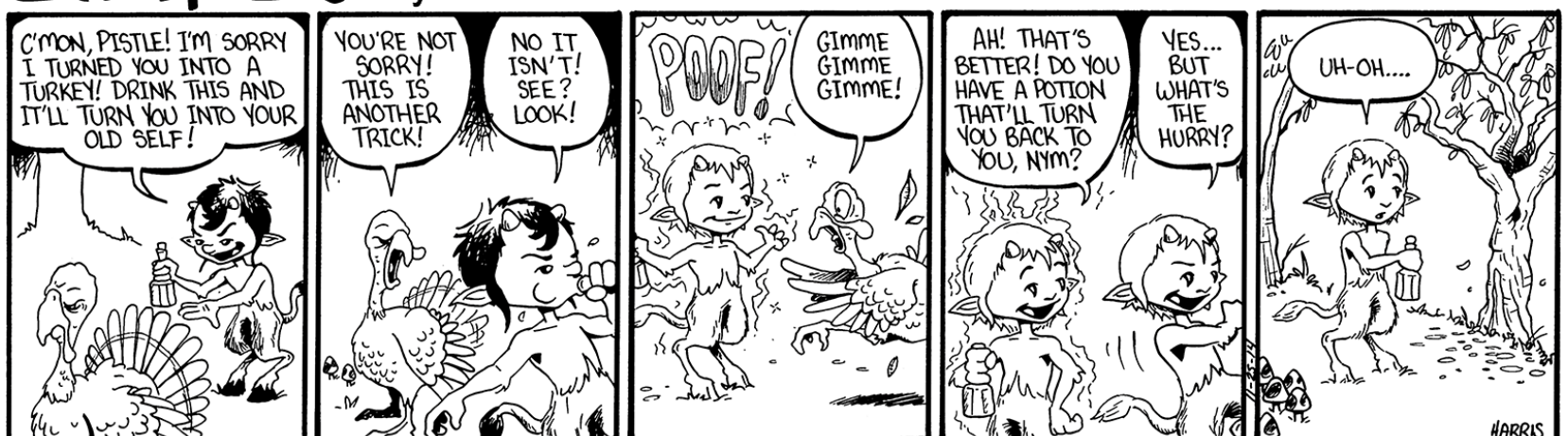
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# SPORTS

## Bears looking more like playoff team



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Green Bay Packers' Aaron Rodgers is hit by Chicago Bears' Shea McClellin after throwing a pass during the second half of an NFL football game Thursday, Nov. 26, 2015, in Green Bay, Wis.

**Andrew Seligman**  
AP Sports Writer

LAKE FOREST, Ill. (AP) — Chicago cornerback Tracy Porter played on a Super Bowl champion in New Orleans, so he knows what a playoff team looks like.

The way he sees it, the Bears resemble one.

"There are definitely ingredients here for a playoff team, for us to take it to that next level," Porter said.

After a rare win at Green Bay, the Bears (5-6) have a chance to hit the .500 mark and strengthen their postseason credentials when they host struggling San Francisco on Sunday.

The mere idea that they would be in this position so late in the season seemed far-fetched at best, particularly after three convincing losses to start the season. But ever since a shutout loss at Seattle in Week 3, they have flipped

the script.

With quarterback Jay Cutler's steady play and an improved defense making clutch plays, Chicago has emerged as a contender for a playoff spot in the NFC.

"I think the whole thing is having meaningful or relevant games," coach John Fox said Monday. "You want to put yourself in that position, but you definitely want to keep the focus small. All our focus right now is on the San Francisco 49ers."

The 49ers (3-8) come in last in the NFC West after back-to-back losses and are 0-5 on the road. That would seem to bode well for a Bears team that regained its footing after loss at home to Denver by knocking off Aaron Rodgers and the Packers last Thursday.

The victory was just the second in eight games at Lambeau Field for Chicago. Not only did the Bears spoil Brett Favre's jersey

retirement celebration, they held Rodgers to his worst passer rating as a starter at Lambeau (62.4).

The Bears also stopped the Packers after they drove to the 8 in the closing minute, with Rodgers throwing four incomplete passes. Porter, who played for Fox in Denver, broke up one intended for James Jones in the end zone on third-and-goal after coming through with an interception on Green Bay's previous possession.

"He's one of the smarter corners I've played with," said safety Chris Prosinski, who in his second start filling in for the injured Antrel Rolle forced a fumble that led to a touchdown. "A lot of times you have safeties giving corners calls. In this case a lot of times Tracy is on top of it and is actually making calls before us."

It didn't hurt, either, that Cutler continued his steady

play behind center, throwing for 200 yards and a touchdown without getting picked off. It was the third time in five games he did not throw an interception, and with just six in 10 games, he is well off the pace that left him tied for the league lead with 18 a year ago. In 2014, he had 12 through his first 10 games.

The improved play at quarterback and from a rebuilt defense have helped the Bears weather injuries on both sides while trying to find the right mix.

There still is room for improvement, particularly when it comes to stopping the run. The Bears ranked 29th in that area through Sunday, but the defense was 14th overall. That's a big jump for a unit that ranked among the worst in franchise history the past two years. And it's one of the reasons the Bears are starting to look more like a playoff team.

## Former Parkland outfielder awarded Gold Glove



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Former Parkland athlete Kevin Keirmaier received the American League Gold Glove for center fielders, the Platinum Glove for best defensive player in the A.L., and 17 American League "Most Valuable Player" votes.

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A 2009 World Series champion with the Parkland Cobras, Kevin Keirmaier has brought back some serious hardware this off-season. Keirmaier capped off a remarkable season of defensive exploits by sweeping the American League (A.L.) Gold Glove for center fielders, the Platinum Glove for best defensive player in the A.L., and even picking up 17 A.L. "Most Valuable Player" votes.

Keirmaier logged two seasons with the Cobras, and took home All-American honors in both, as well as being a part of the National Championship run. After being offered a scholarship from Purdue, Keirmaier decided to make a run at the big leagues when he was selected in the 31<sup>st</sup> round by Tampa Bay Rays.

Keirmaier's debut came in 2013 during the Rays' last playoff run. Only serving as a defensive replacement during their eventual loss to Cleveland, Keirmaier saw more regular play the following season, becoming a fan favorite for both his glove and timely hitting, and earning the nickname, "the Outlaw".

2015 was the first time cracking the full time line up for him and saw him record a truly historical season in the outfield.

An arm that regularly launches throws of 100 mph to gun down runners, and an incredible range stopping shots into the gap, Keirmaier recorded 42 Defensive Runs Saved (DRS), the highest DRS total since the metric was created in 2003.

He finished third in defensive assists, fifth in double plays from the outfield, and first in Baseball Reference's Total Zone Runs, a measure of range, propensity for errors, and overall defensive skill.

## Interim chancellor: Illinois football needed stability

Associated Press  
via The News Gazette

URBANA, Ill. (AP) The interim chancellor of the University of Illinois' flagship campus says the decision to give interim football coach Bill Cubit a two-year deal was based on the program's need for stability.

The school announced Saturday that Cubit had agreed to the contract. He had been promoted to interim coach right before this season, after coach Tim Beckman was fired.

Urbana-Champaign campus interim Chancellor Barbara Wilson told The (Champaign) News-Gazette (<http://bit.ly/1lsPrnT>) on Monday that Cubit has provided stability for the team, and will help with "near-term recruitment."

"We are impressed with what he's accomplished in a tough situation," Wilson said. "He's really risen to the occasion."

Wilson said she didn't consider bringing in a new coach, saying a permanent athletic director "makes decisions about coaches." Offering Cubit the contract wasn't "any one person's call," she said.

Beckman was fired after a preliminary investigative report found he interfered in medical decisions and pressured players to play hurt. Athletic Director



Photo by Robin Scholz | The News-Gazette via AP

In this Aug. 28, 2015, file photo, University of Illinois athletic director Mike Thomas announces offensive coordinator Bill Cubit as the interim coach of the Illinois football team, during a news conference in Champaign, Ill.

Mike Thomas was fired in November when the full report came out, though he was personally cleared.

Wilson became the campus's interim chancellor after Phyllis Wise resigned from the position in August following a series of problems on campus, including her use of private email to discuss university business.

Wilson said she hopes to announce an athletic director search committee by the end of the week. University of Illinois President Timothy

Killeen said he would like for Thomas' successor to be picked in time for it to go before trustees next month.

Killeen said Monday that he was "very happy" with the decision to offer Cubit a contract. He said it was thought through by Wilson and interim Athletic Director Paul Kowalczyk, and said they shared the recommendation with him. Wilson and Kowalczyk also "discussed it extensively with knowledgeable people," Killeen said.

"I'm very much looking forward to next season and the recruitment that coach Cubit will be able to undertake next year," Killeen said. "This is a time of rebuilding, and we've got great leaders in place."

The decision was "well thought-out," Killeen said, though he understands fans will have "a lot of different opinions." He said the football team's 5-7 record this year isn't "anything to be fundamentally ashamed of."

"Of course, we want to win the Big Ten," Killeen said.

# ENTERTAINMENT

## 'The ABC Murders'

### As told by Parkland communications students



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Communications majors Austen Pontious and Alec Ballard sit in the studio of WPCD on Nov. 23, 2015. Pontious and Ballard worked as producers on the recent radio drama presentation "The ABC Murders."

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Parkland's radio station 88.7 WPCD broadcasted "The ABC Murders" on Monday, Nov. 23 and Wednesday, Nov. 25 at noon and 6 p.m. The radio show is produced and performed by students of Communication 140: Voice and Diction, taught by Sara Thiel and Communication 142: Introduction to Radio Production, taught by Adam Porter.

The idea behind "The ABC Murders" was to try to recreate a CBS radio drama from 1943, which, according to Porter was during the "Golden Age" of radio in the United States.

This is the second time that Communication 140 and Communication 142 have worked together to recreate a radio drama from the "Golden Age" of radio, according to WPCD director Deane Geiken. The idea for

presenting a radio drama came from Porter and fellow Communication instructor Julie Weishar.

"I found it to be a very exciting opportunity, and I am so glad we were able to make it happen again!" Thiel said.

The first part of making "The ABC Murders" was choosing and recording a script based on an Agatha Christie's novel from CBS's "Suspense" radio show in 1943. Student Scott Barnes voiced the main character of Alexander Bonaparte Cust.

"I spent a couple of class periods going over the script in my COM 140 course and I put in an additional hour or two of my own time memorizing my lines," Barnes said, "I absolutely enjoyed being a part of this radio production."

After the character voices were recorded, the next part of the project involved the Communication 142 students, who had to produce the

program.

According to Porter, "COM 142 students recorded all of their dialogue, then edited that dialogue, created original sound effects, layered music cues throughout, and prepared a final mix to be aired on the radio."

Communication 142 was divided into two groups; one group worked on the noon shows and the other group worked on the 6 p.m. shows. The production behind each of the two versions of "The ABC Murders" is different. The voices are the same in each version.

Several communication 142 students agreed to provide some insight into their work producing this radio show: MacKensie Archibald, Whitney Czerwonka, Ryan Marshall, and Angel Ortega. Archibald worked on finding music from the 1940s for her group's version of the show. Czerwonka worked on editing the voices, the music, and the

special effects and making sure the volume levels were correct so that the right mood would be portrayed to the listener.

Marshall, who was in the same production group as Czerwonka, was involved in all parts of his group production. Czerwonka and Marshall's group did not delegate tasks. Ortega, who was in the same group as Archibald, worked on editing the dialogue and making sure the volume was level so everything would run smoothly for her group show. Ortega was also in charge of the final mix for her group, and made sure everything ran well during the final draft of the show.

Porter says he required his students to make their own "foley," which are the sound effects of everyday life, for use in the radio play. These include recording and editing sounds like footsteps, doors closing, drinks being poured, public ambience, and much

more.

They can use portable recorders out in the field or record sounds in the studio. According to Marshall, some of the non-foley special effects came from the websites such as freesound.org.

"The ABC Murders" took about a month for Communication 142 students to produce. According to Marshall, producing the show took every class period for a month, plus a few extra hours in the radio station.

All the members of Communication 142 that were interviewed said it was a lot of work, but they would do it again.

"It was so much fun making this dull 1940s radio mystery into a 2015 version using new and old techniques," Ortega said. "I would love to do this in the future and perhaps have a weekly, originally scripted radio show like this every week."

## Harry Potter author talks about Snape

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LONDON (AP) — Harry Potter readers have long wanted to know: Why did the boy wizard choose to honor Severus Snape — a teacher who had been so mean to him?

Author JK Rowling took to Twitter to answer the enduring question on Friday in an exchange with a fan who asked why one of Harry's children received the middle name of Severus.

The acclaimed author explained that Harry paid tribute to Snape because of "forgiveness and gratitude." Though Snape bullied Harry, he also saved him.

"Harry hoped in his heart that he too would be forgiven. The deaths at the Battle of Hogwarts would haunt Harry forever," Rowling said that while a whole essay could be written on why Harry gave his son Snape's name, it goes to the "heart of

who Harry was, post-war."

Rowling's seven Harry Potter novels have sold more than 450 million copies and been made into eight films. Readers eagerly seek clues about her thinking behind the character.

"Snape is all grey. You can't make him a saint: he was vindictive & bullying. You can't make him a devil: he died to save the wizarding world," Rowling tweeted.

The question of Snape has dogged readers in part because he returned to side of the villain, Lord Voldemort, and killed Harry's hero, headmaster Albus Dumbledore, in one of the later books in the series, "The Half Blood Prince."

In the final book, "The Deathly Hallows," Rowling reveals that Snape was acting on Dumbledore's orders and had protected Harry at school out of love for Harry's mother, Lily.

"Snape died for Harry out of love for Lily," Rowling said.

## Photographer Annie Leibovitz remakes Pirelli calendar



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Photographer Annie Leibovitz and chairman and chief executive officer of Pirelli, Marco Tronchetti, pose for photographers upon arrival for the Pirelli Calendar 2016 launch at the Grosvenor Hotel Ballroom in London, Monday, Nov. 30, 2015.

LONDON (AP) — It's no more nudes for the famous Pirelli calendar — this year, at least, with photographer Annie Leibovitz at the helm.

Instead of using famous models in skimpy outfits, or no outfits at all, Leibovitz has chosen high-octane professional women and photographed

them for the most part fully clothed.

The exceptions are comedian Amy Schumer and tennis champ Serena Williams, who are photographed in underwear bottoms.

The calendar unveiled Monday also includes portraits of singer Patti Smith, artist Yoko Ono,

film mogul Kathleen Kennedy, director Ava DuVernay and others who have achieved great success.

Leibovitz said Pirelli gave her the freedom she needed to pursue a different type of calendar.

"I still can't believe the women who agreed to do it did it," Leibovitz said.