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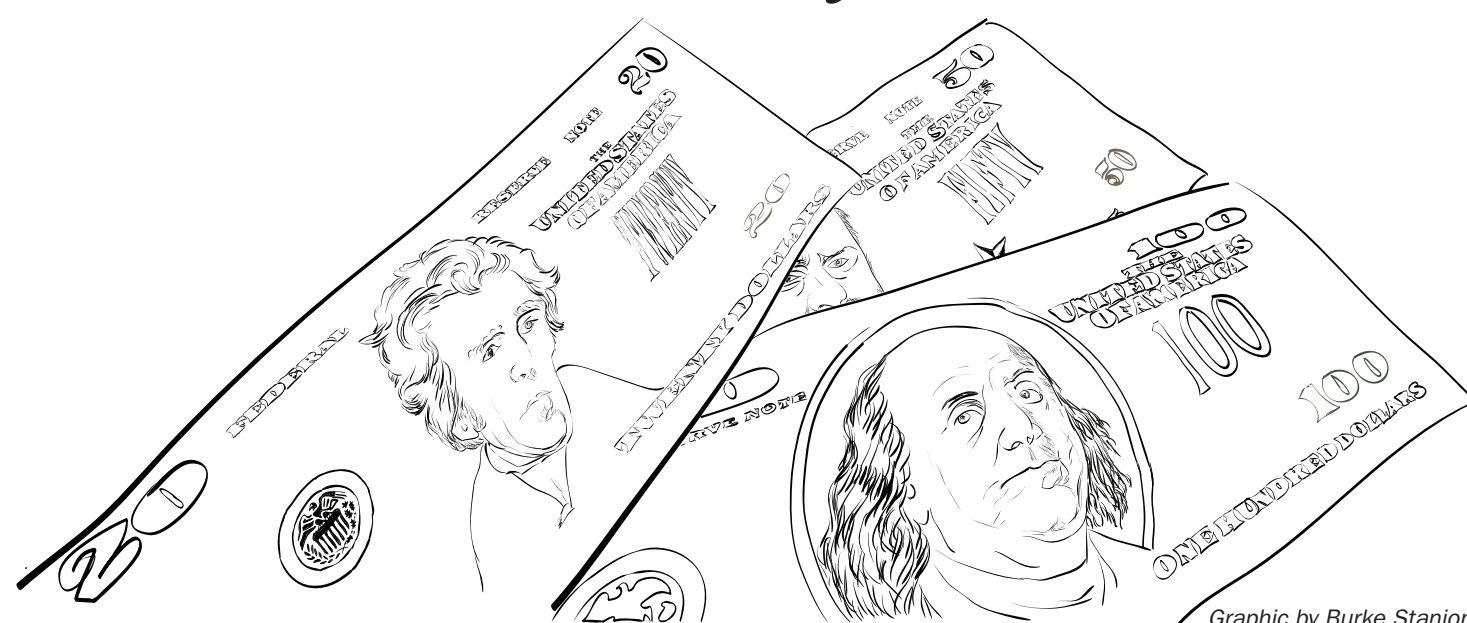


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Year-Round Pell Grant Eliminated - What it means for students



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Staff Writer

President Obama's fiscal year 2012 budget request proposed eliminating the Year-Round Pell Grant, which awards students financial aid during the summer to help speed up the degree earning process. On April 15th, Obama signed the FY 2011 spending bill, also known as the Continuing Resolution, which permanently eliminated Year-Round Pell awards beginning with the 2011-2012 school year. However, according to NASFAA, the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, the Continuing Resolution "...maintains the \$5,550 maximum Pell Grant for the 2011-12 award year and gives campuses the ability to offer eligible students a second Pell Grant award this summer."

During the beginning weeks of April, Parkland College would not yet award any students for the Year-Round Pell Grant for the summer of 2011. Tim Wendt, director of Parkland Financial Aid, said that the college is waiting on guidance from the Department of Education. On April 22nd, one week after the Continuing Resolution was signed, and less than a month from the start of summer classes, Wendt announced that Parkland had still not received the needed guidance from the Department of Education. Therefore, students are still unsure of the financial aid they will receive and are unable to make solid academic plans. Wendt was unsure of when Parkland will receive the needed information. He said, "It could be next week or even the week after."

Katie Harris, a Parkland

sophomore, has begun her financial aid process. "I've filled out the required paper work, but I haven't received anything back yet." Harris continued by saying how she has only been able to register for one class. "It's the only thing that I know I can afford." Harris, along with many other students, are being forced to wait until the last minute to register for classes, because they are still waiting to know how much aid they might be receiving.

Some Parkland students, such as a group of students involved with Student Government, seem to be more in favor of the elimination of the Year-Round Pell. The group had taken a trip to the capital, where they received the opportunity to speak with experts on the topic on budget cuts in financial aid. One argument they had supporting the budget

cut is that the Pell Grant will still be available during the fall and spring semesters. While many students from this group were supportive of the budget cut, it is important to note: one half of these students who were willing to talk about their financial aid statuses, claimed that they do not use financial aid, but instead pay tuition out of pocket.

The 15th congressional district includes 3 major public universities, several private universities, and almost a dozen community college districts. Phil Bloomer, Communications Director for Congressman Timothy Johnson, was very clear that Congressman Johnson is "very aware of the need for college aid and the Pell Grant situation..." Students, however, need to be just as, if not more aware and

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Japanese Culture Club: Small group, big heart



Parkland's Japanese Culture Club started a campaign to collect donations for student-made paper origami cranes to raise money to aid Japan's earthquake and tsunami tragedy.

Photo by Ashley Melloncamp/Prospectus News

Josh GRUBE
Staff Writer

For the past few weeks Parkland College's Japanese Culture Club has been working diligently in order to raise money to aid Japan's earthquake and tsunami tragedy that occurred last March. They are doing so by collecting donations for the Red Cross with a paper origami crane campaign.

The idea of creating origami cranes for donations arose due to an ancient Japanese legend. "Originally we were making cranes for the 'if you make one thousand cranes you get a wish' [legend]. So we all just started making as many cranes as we could," current club president, Alexandra Hughes explained. "And then we thought that since we were going to do a fundraiser, why don't we just give out a crane for each donation we get? So we started doing that." Hughes estimates that the amount of cranes that the Japanese Culture Club has created so far is between 500 and 600, with around 400 of these already given away to donors.

Since the beginning of the fundraiser, the club has come up with even more creative ideas to raise money for Japan. "We started making teeny [cranes], so we thought 'let's make earrings out of them and sell those!' We've sold about 30 pairs of earrings already," said Hughes. The group is also considering making other origami animals to give away when people give a donation.

The Japanese Culture Club currently has no plans to end their fundraiser. In fact, the group continues to keep coming up with new approaches to raise money. "The first weekend in May they are starting the Farmers Market, so we are going to try and be there to sell the earrings," Hughes said. In addition to this, they are also contemplating about selling the earrings online on eBay.

In addition to raising money for Japan aid, the Japanese Culture Club are looking into helping out our local community. "Our advisor Kinoshita has brought up the idea of eventually finding a school to converse with and connect with. To help out throughout the rebuilding process," Hughes mentioned.

The club is designed for students who are interested in learning and experiencing Japanese culture. Every other Wednesday, the group partakes a special activity relating to culture. "The Japanese Culture Club is definitely educational," said Hughes. "We aim for the actual culture; not a bunch of anime and manga kids." As an example, Hughes mentioned a tea ceremony the group participated in this past Wednesday.

The Japanese Culture Club is a small group with a big heart. If you are interested in helping the Japanese Culture Club raise money for Japan, be sure to keep a look out for their table in the college center.

Parkland students to help install LiveRoof system on campus



A completed LiveRoof® modular green roof system done at the Educator's Credit Union in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Parkland will install a similar system outside of the library.

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Parkland MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

In an ongoing effort to create an eco-friendly and self-sustaining campus, Parkland College will cover a portion of its roof in live plants. The green roof ribbon-cutting will take place on Monday, May 2 at 11 a.m. The event will take place in the Library.

The LiveRoof(R) modular green roof system, to be installed by Nogle & Black Roofing of Urbana, will

be the first of its kind for the campus, housed outside the campus's Library. Students from Parkland's CIT 135 class, Construction Practices and Sustainability, will also be involved in the project, according to instructor Greg Walburg. Besides helping to cut the school's energy bill, the new 353 sq. ft. roof system will help reduce campus green house gas emissions.

To install the system, a

waterproof membrane will be placed first to provide a barrier against moisture on the roof. Next, 1 ft. by 2 ft. trays, filled with specially formulated soil and planted with sedum, will be placed side by side on the roof. Sedum is a hardy ground cover that thrives in various climates. The trays' side dividers are then removed to allow the plants to grow together and create a seamless green roof system.

The new roof system will help absorb excess storm water runoff, moderate roof temperatures, and provide a pleasing habitat for wildlife. The project was paid for by the campus's annual remodeling fund with additional funding from the Parkland College Foundation. For more information, contact Greg Walburg, 217/373-3784, gwalburg@parkland.edu.

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Chuck Shepherd's News of the Weird

Lead Story

Laney Wallace, 16, won the beauty contest at the 53rd Rattlesnake Roundup in Sweetwater, Texas, in March and the next day fulfilled the first duty of her reign: to behead and skin a western diamondback. "You have to make sure you don't pop the bladder," the 2011 Miss Snake Charmer said shortly after taking a few swipes with a machete. "That (would be) a huge mess." (Three years ago, News of the Weird informed readers of the annual beauty-contest/muskrat-skinning festival in Maryland's Eastern Shore region, in which the "beauty" part and the "skinning" part are separate -- but in which that year, two teenage girls entered both, with Dakota Abbott edging out Samantha Phillips for the crown.) [Austin American-Statesman, 3-13-2011] [Daily Mail (London), 3-13-2011.] [Washington Post, 3-1-2008]

Compelling Explanations

Record companies have

enjoyed recent successes in court by suing individuals who have shared music by trading files through specialized websites that avoid paying copyright licensing fees, including Lime Wire (which shut down last year). Thirteen record companies won a summary judgment last year, and, applying a formula they believe was set out in federal law, the companies demanded that Lime Wire pay damages of up to \$75 trillion -- an amount more than five times the entire national debt. In March 2011, a federal judge said the companies should modify the formula and lower their expectations. [The American Lawyer, 3-15-2011]

Ironies
On March 30, several hours before addressing the nation on TV about Libya, President Obama received a prestigious open-records award presented by five freedom-of-information advocate organizations for running a commendably "transparent," accessible administration. However, news about this award came about only because the presenters leaked it to the press. As noted by The Washington Post the next day, there was no White House notice to the press; the presentation was not on the president's calendar; no photos or transcript were available; and the award was not mentioned on the White House website. [Washington Post, 3-31-2011]

Go Figure:
The author of most of the text of The New York Times obituary on Elizabeth Taylor, published on March 23, was Times reporter Mel Gussow, who passed away almost six years before Taylor. [New York Times, 3-23-2011]

At George Washington University's men's basketball game on March 5, accountancy department professor Robert Kasmir was honored at half-time for being one of the elite financial donors to the university, but he was not around for the end of the game. He was ejected from the stands in the second half for harassing a referee about the officiating. [GW Hatchet (George Washington University), 3-5-2011]

Leading Economic Indicators

According to a February 2011 analysis of 2007 IRS statistics by a columnist for Tax Notes, the average taxpayer residing in New York City's posh Helmsley Building (owned before her death by Leona Helmsley, who once

reportedly said that "only the little people pay taxes") paid only 14.7 percent of his income in federal taxes while New York City janitors and security guards (such as those employed by the Helmsley Building) paid about 24 percent. Helmsley residents were taxed less for Social Security and Medicare, and much of their \$1.17 million average income was in capital gains, which are taxed at the same rate as the wages of modestly paid (up to \$34,000 a year) workers. [Forbes, 2-22-2011; Tax Notes, 2-21-2011]

People With Too Much Money: The average sale price of a home in Aspen, Colo., in 2010 was about \$6 million, and as of early March 2011, the lowest-price single-family home on the market there was listed at \$559,000, according to a Wall Street Journal report. The home is located in a trailer park. [Wall Street Journal, 3-4-2011]

The Litigious Society

The family of the late Roger Kreuzt filed a lawsuit in St. Louis in March over the fatal head injuries he received when a car knocked him down in a Starbucks parking lot in 2008. The driver was Aaron Poisson, who was trying to get away from Kreuzt, but Poisson was not sued. According to the lawsuit, the cause of the fatal injury was negligence by Starbucks -- because it had mindlessly placed its tip jar in full view on a counter, thus (according to the theory of the lawsuit) goading Poisson into snatching up the money and running out the door, and inspiring Kreuzt, as a good Samaritan, to chase Poisson and try to retrieve the employees' tips. [St. Louis Post-Dispatch, 3-9-2011]

Crema de la Weird

Lucas Kocob, 31, was arrested in Medina, Ohio, in February and charged with "persistent disorderly conduct" after an incident that he attributed to having snorted "bath salts." Kocob had called police to help him evict the "30" intruders in his home, and although none were found, Kocob insisted that the intruders were merely making it seem like they were not there and that they were actually blending into the surroundings, disguised as chairs or trees. Police said they were forced to Taser Kocob because he would not stop running in circles and yelling. The police examined the "bath salts" and determined that the substance is not illegal in Ohio. [Medina Gazette, 2-24-2011]

News from the studio: The latest from 88.7 WPCD



Photo by Sean Hermann/Prospectus News

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Parkland College's non-commercial radio station 88.7 WPCD has been "reinventing" alternative music under the tag line "The Wave" for the past three years, streaming the latest in indie alternative both over the air and online. However, the station has a few changes up their sleeve.

"We are modifying the station's identity and marketing ourselves as 88.7 WPCD in the future," says WPCD Radio Director Eleni Kametas-Hicks. "We won't be using the tag line ['The Wave'] and will be making changes to banners and whatnot to reflect this change."

Why the change? "Most of our listeners know the station as 88.7 or WPCD so we've decided to market ourselves in that way," says Kametas-Hicks when asked what led to the decision to make this change. "Also, when you listen to a radio station you tune

to the radio dial. It makes sense to promote the station as 88.7."

Changes are already taking place on the station's social networking sites, and more changes will continue to happen in the near future. "It could take awhile," says Kametas. "However, we've already begun the transition."

Though the station will no longer be marketing itself as "The Wave," it will continue to "reinvent alternative" just as it has been doing for the last three years. Other than the way in which it is promoted and identified, no major changes will be made to the station's format or programming. "I see this as modifying the station's identity and moving forward with new marketing strategies similar to what any other station would do," says Kametas. With the name change, however, comes exciting news for listeners.

The station has partnered up with C-U's very own Pyg-

malion Music Festival and will be one of the top four presenting sponsors. The music festival, which has brought big-name acts such as Of Montreal, Built to Spill, Yo La Tengo, and Andrew Bird in past years has plans to add even larger bands to the bill for its seventh year. Pygmalion Music Festival is scheduled for September 21-24 in venues throughout Champaign-Urbana.

"We are excited to be a part of Pygmalion and look forward to the amazing amount of diverse music it will bring to Champaign-Urbana," said Kametas-Hicks.

Be sure to tune in to 88.7 WPCD for ticket giveaways, promotional contests and much more. Don't have a radio? No problem, as you can now stream live from the 88.7 WPCD facebook page. Search "88.7" and click the "88.7 WPCD Live" link on the left hand menu for the live stream.



NEW PORNোগRAPHERS

The New Pornographers will be headlining a show along side The Walkmen on Thursday night at The Canopy Club as a part of the Pygmalion Music Festival Concert Series.

Photo Courtesy of Matador Records

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With parents in Korea, sis becomes Mom

Greg HARDESTY
The Orange County Register

"Dinner's ready!"
Susie Kim informs her two younger sisters, Sunny and Sarah, so they can join her for a home-cooked meal in their two-bedroom Irvine apartment.

"Jalmukesummeda," they say in Korean - I will eat it well.

Susie, 22, a full-time student at Concordia University, has made fried rice with vegetables, shrimp and egg soup, and a salad. The sisters start eating and sipping hot apricot black tea.

Every night over dinner, the three sisters share their days.

Already carrying a full load of physics, biochemistry, history, and philosophy classes while interning at a hospital, Susie has been taking care of her younger siblings for several months, after circumstances forced the girls' parents to return to Korea.

It's a full-time job that has come with a big price.

The alarm goes off at 5 a.m. Susie leaves the bedroom she shares with Sunny to go to the living room to study.

She has about an hour before her sisters need to be woken up. And when they do get up, their lunches will be ready and their breakfast will be on table.

After breakfast, Sunny, 20, who was born with a learning disability, will take the bus to an adult transitional program. Then, depending on the day, she'll go to a supermarket or child care center where she has internships.

Susie will hop into her white minivan and whisk Sarah, 16, to school - getting her there around 7, a bit before most other students.

Then, after navigating traf-



Sarah Kim, from left, Susie, and Sunny, pictured March 30, 2011, in Irvine, California, plan to stay in America to pursue their dreams while their parents remain in Korea indefinitely.

(Rose Palmisano/Orange County Register/MCT)

fic-clogged streets, Susie will walk into her 7:30 biochemistry class at Concordia, on the other side of Irvine.

She'll usually be 5 to 10 minutes late. Her professor is used to it.

Susie is taking a rare break from studying and playing mom, enjoying coffee at an Irvine restaurant.

Her laptop snugly ensconced in a pink fuzzy case, a heart-shaped charm dangling from her Blackberry, Kim appears to be a typical college student - her mind consumed by studies, and not much else.

For Susie, though, family concerns are huge.

"I can never be their mom," she says of Sunny and Sarah. "But they are young. I want them to feel secure. It's a very important time in their lives.

"And I want to make sure they have the same opportunities I've had."

Susie notes how her parents made sacrifices for her and her sisters - making sure they got the best educations possible.

Joy and Peter Kim left medical practices in Seoul to move to a foreign country for the betterment of their daughters.

Now, Susie feels she needs to do what her parents did - put family first.

The entire Kim family has been together in the United States only in spurts.

Joy and Peter Kim couldn't find a good school for Sunny in Korea. In 2003, they settled on a school for Sunny near Chicago, where a relative took her in.

In 2004, Sarah and her mother, a pediatrician, moved

to Irvine. Sunny soon joined them.

Susie spent two years studying in Wales before moving to Irvine in 2005.

A year later, Peter Kim left his clinic in Seoul to join his wife and daughters in Irvine.

For two years, the girls enjoyed walks in the park with their mother and "date night" with dad, who worked on getting his U.S. medical license. Joy Kim pursued an MBA.

Peter's relatively poor English, however, prevented him from getting that license.

Forced to resume making money to support his family, he returned, in September 2007, to his medical practice in Korea.

Last November, his wife joined him. She didn't want her husband to be alone any longer.

Besides, her visa status was expiring.

Before Joy Kim left, however, Susie had to make a big decision - one that would define not only her immediate future, but the futures of her sisters.

After high school, Susie spent three years at Orange Coast College, studying hard to win acceptance into

UCLA's prestigious nursing program.

So, last spring, she was thrilled when she found out she'd been accepted into a program that accepts only about 30 students a year.

Susie was third on the waiting list.

Soon, she was second.

Susie started making plans to move to Los Angeles.

Around this time, Joy Kim asked her two youngest daughters if they wanted to return with her to Korea.

Sunny and Sarah wanted to stay in Orange County. They liked the American lifestyle, and the opportunities. Their mother found a family willing to take them in after Susie went off to UCLA.

Soon, though, that family backed out - leaving Susie with a tough choice.

If she stuck with her plan to go to UCLA, her spot in nursing school virtually assured, Sunny and Sarah would have to return to Korea.

If she gave up her dream of nursing school at UCLA, her sisters could stay in Orange County.

Susie cried and shouted, then she called the office at UCLA: "I no longer want to be on the waiting list."

Susie gets ready to hit the books. She's applying to nursing school at Concordia.

Recently, it's been especially difficult for the sisters to be away from their parents.

In January, Peter Kim was diagnosed with thyroid cancer.

The girls took the news hard, and found it very difficult to be so far from him during his health crisis.

"My father had always given me strength, so it has been the hardest of all watching him struggle." Susie says.

"We have to stay strong for him," Susie says. "I'm happy my mother is there to take care of him."

It's unclear when the Kim family will be together again, although they're talking about a summer vacation.

Every night at 10, Joy Kim calls her daughters to check in on them.

Every weekend, she and her husband talk to their daughters via a live video feed on a computer. Peter Kim also e-mails his daughters a few times a week.

"I really appreciate it that she's worried about us," Sarah says of her mother's nightly calls.

Despite all the motherly duties Susie performs, she seems more like a sister to Sarah.

"She tells me jokes and picks on me," Sarah says.

She figures she will end up taking care of her sisters for the next two to three years. It's unclear if or when her parents will return to Irvine.

A stack of homework awaiting her after dinner, Sarah retreats to her room to study.

Sunny picks up a book. Susie settles behind a desk for her homework.

All three sisters wear identical gold crosses, signifying their Christian faith - necklaces given to them by their mother.

And, whenever they leave the apartment, the sisters see their father.

In a photo on the back of the door, he smiles warmly at his daughters.

Under their names written in Korean, his simple message reads:

Have a good day!
- from Dad

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involved.

Bloomer advises that budget cuts are happening everywhere, not just in education, but also in defense, public broadcasting, and health care. Bloomer suggests that students "Be aware. Read newspapers... Understand what's going on. Write letters; call with questions... be skeptical of everything you hear on TV. Think independently... don't just accept verbatim everything that CNN or Fox or anybody else spouts off."

Bloomer and his office receive less communications from the "under 25 age group" than any other age group. While there are "hot-button" issues, such as immigration reform and the health care debate, that

spark student interest, most communications and opinions come from faculty, not students.

When students are greatly involved with politics and decisions being made within their institution, big impacts can be made. For example, Syracuse University in New York, made decisions regarding summer financial aid in early March, giving students ample time to make summer academic decisions. According to the Daily Orange, Youlonda Copeland-Morgan, associate vice president for enrollment management and director of financial aid, announced that "If the federal government moves forward with the cuts... the university will fund the difference for Pell Grant recipients, whether they are incoming or returning

students." How is it that a university can be so decisive with such confidence? Copeland-Morgan says, "The university is working with elected officials to help them understand the importance of federal financial aid."

Is it possible that Parkland students have to wait to the last possible minute for answers due to a lack of their own involvement in politics? Are students prepared for, or even aware of the cuts that are occurring to financial aid? One can only hope that student awareness increases. The payment deadline for summer courses is June 1st, and if courses remain unpaid the student will be automatically dropped. Be involved with and be prepared for what is to come.

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Will we ever be able to fight for a common goal again?

Sean HERMANN
Publications Manager

In a recent discussion post in class regarding the second-wave feminist movement of the 60's and 70's, I came across an article by *Slate Magazine* writer Elaine Showalter. The article was titled "the failure of feminism in America, and how to fix it." The failure of feminism? How to fix it? I was intrigued.

Showalter brought up some great points in her article. Right out of the bat, she says, "feminist beliefs are unlikely to produce another women's movement." A pretty bold statement, but yet she has a point. She goes on to define what is needed for a movement, "A mass movement requires a clear goal, one significant enough to unite people across the dividing lines of race, class, age, and nationality, and galvanize them to take time away from their own problems to work collectively. The goal must be con-

crete and attainable, even if its ideological underpinnings are complex or contradictory." To paraphrase, there needs to be a clear, concrete, and attainable goal, and there should be a wide variety of people fighting for that goal. Would any group, feminist or not, be able to start a movement today? Is everyone striving for a common goal?

Now think about some of the issues happening today. Take oil for example – some people want to drill in sensitive areas; others would risk their lives to stop them. Those in favor of drilling might have a few different reasons for doing so. Those not in favor most likely have many reasons not to. If you grouped all of the people not in favor together, would they be able to create a common goal? Probably not. Why? Because you would have a small portion of people who want to preserve the land for the sake of natural beauty. Then you would have a group who wanted to save the land for the sake of the ani-

mals. You can also throw in those who prefer sustainable energy sources to non-renewable resources such as oil. Mix that together, and what have you got? Well, not quite a common goal.

One of the main problems is that people are not on the same page anymore. Many are almost too individualistic or struggling to make themselves stand out from the crowd. This is great in many ways, but not if you want to get something done, whether you may be fighting for civil liberties or any other issue. Take the workplace for example. Can you say that everyone at your job is working towards a common goal? Some might be working to support their family. Some may be working because they love the job. Some students may be working because their parents want them to. How are you supposed to accomplish anything when you have staff that isn't there for the same reason?

Another problem is that

people are losing faith in our leaders. Going back to the Nixon scandals, people began to question authority figures. Now we have politicians with foot in mouth trying to please everyone, but in the end making some situations worse. We also have problems in Illinois with the Blagojevich and Ryan scandals. How are citizens supposed to trust "leaders" if they are only in it for their own good?

We are in a sticky situation in America. We can have hope, and we can have faith, but will that do us any good if we don't use it? If something bothers you, then fix it. If you want something done, don't sit and wait for others to do it. Get yourself moving. Create a common, attainable goal, organize a group, find a good leader, and start a movement. As Showalter put it, "It's time to stop talking about feminism and start doing it." Now replace feminism with an area of your own concern and do something about it.



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The Human Rights Campaign has been a powerful force for the rights of gays and lesbians, but the organization has stumbled in objecting to the hiring of a former solicitor general to defend the constitutionality of the Defense of Marriage Act. The tradition of lawyers defending unpopular or controversial clients is an honorable one.

DOMA, which defines marriage as the union of one man and one woman and permits states to refuse to honor same-sex marriages performed in other states, is wrongheaded, and we welcomed President Obama's decision not to defend it. But that doesn't mean the House of Representatives, which took over defense of the law from the administration, shouldn't retain the ablest counsel available. Former Solicitor Gen. Paul D. Clement, a renowned Supreme Court litigator, qualifies.

That is too much for the Human Rights Campaign, which assailed the decision by Clement's law firm to take the case as "a shameful stain on the firm's reputation." Joe Solmonese, the organization's president, said the firm was "aiding and abetting an effort to score cheap political points on the backs of same-sex couples."

It's perhaps understandable that leaders of an advocacy group like the Human Rights Campaign would be outraged at the idea of anyone defending a law that they so strongly believe is discriminatory. But the suggestion that it's shame-

ful for Clement or his firm to do so misunderstands the adversarial process. For one thing, with sharp-witted counsel on both sides making the strongest possible arguments, it is more likely that justice will be done. For another, a lawyer who defends an individual or a law, no matter how unpopular or distasteful, helps ensure that the outcome is viewed as fair. If DOMA is struck down, the fact that it was defended effectively will make the victory for its opponents more credible.

The relationships between lawyers and clients in political cases don't follow a single model. Often, as with the legendary left-wing lawyer William Kunstler, there is an ideological affinity between lawyer and client. Theodore B. Olson, a predecessor of Clement's as solicitor general, has led the challenge to Proposition 8 and is personally in favor of same-sex marriage. But other lawyers regularly argue positions with which they disagree and represent clients they hold in contempt.

In criticizing Clement's law firm for agreeing to defend DOMA, the Human Rights Campaign contrasted that decision with the firm's admirable record in promoting equality for gay and lesbian employees. But there is no contradiction – unless one believes that DOMA doesn't deserve a defense. We hope Clement loses, but we don't begrudge him the assignment. Even a lawyer of his skills will find it hard to defend a discriminatory law like DOMA.

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Frida GHITIS
McClatchy Newspapers

How happy are you? How happy is the country? This very important question has gradually gained attention over the years, occupying the attention not only of psychologists and New Age gurus, but of economists, political scientists and government leaders.

The field of happiness studies is booming with researchers hard at work taking our emotional temperature, figuring out how we feel and trying to understand why.

The most recent results of Gallup's regular survey on well-being around the world shine a light on the mysterious phenomenon of national happiness.

Gallup conducted interviews with people in 124 different countries, asking them to rank their lives on a scale from 1 to 10. Those with scores of 7 or higher were classified as "thriving," in contrast to the less-happy categories "struggling" and, the worst one, "suffering."

The sad news is that an average of only 21 percent across the 124 countries qualified as thriving. This is not a very happy planet.

Majorities reported thriving in only 19 countries. The happiest country, with 79 percent thriving, is the usually dark and cold Denmark. The least happy, with just 1 percent thriving, is perennially sunny Chad in Africa.

Most countries where most people thrive were, not surprisingly, rich nations. But not all.

The United States came in at No. 12, with 59 percent thriving. That's more than most, but worse than other countries with more poverty and unem-

ployment, and with much less wealth than America, whose people are among the world's most affluent.

It's not surprising that rich countries such as Sweden, Canada, Australia and the Netherlands made the list. But it is stunning what a high number of Latin American countries ranked among the Happy 19, despite high rates of poverty, crime and joblessness. Among the Latin American nations with happy majorities, in percentages, are Venezuela (64), Panama (61), Costa Rica (58), Brazil (57) and Mexico (52.)

If you think peace, security and a predictable future bring happiness, you wouldn't have expected Israel to land in seventh place, ahead of the United States, with 63 percent thriving.

And if you see democracy as key to happiness, you'd be surprised to find the resolutely nondemocratic United Arab Emirates and Qatar at No. 16 and 19, respectively. The emirates don't allow their people the vote, but they are extremely wealthy and the government takes good care of the population.

Asian countries with booming economies and millions of people rushing out of poverty into prosperity don't have a lot of happiness to show for their success. Only 12 percent reported thriving in China.

Social scientists agree that money does help bring happiness, up to a point. Once people reach a certain level of affluence, additional wealth does little to improve well-being.

Many factors play a role, including cultural attitudes. Perhaps that explains why happiness defies poverty in parts of Latin America, and wealth cannot defeat pessimism in parts of Eastern Europe. But

research also shows that happiness can be enhanced by education, good healthcare, strong relationships and political empowerment. Religious individuals are often happier, but the happiest nations tend to be secular.

Until recently, most governments and politicians had not concerned themselves much with their people's happiness, a rather vague notion, preferring instead to focus on economic growth and measurable concepts such as the Gross Domestic Product – or GDP. That, however, is very slowly changing.

British Prime Minister David Cameron, a Conservative, said something that even a hard-boiled capitalist couldn't deny. "It's time we admitted," he said, "that there's more to life than money." Cameron said

it's time to start looking at what he called *GWB*, general well-being. *GWB*, he explained, "can't be measured by money or traded in markets. It's about the beauty of surroundings, the quality of our culture . . . and the strength of relationships." He pronounced the improvement of well-being as "the central political challenge of our times."

It was America that gave the world the revolutionary concept that "the pursuit of happiness" is one of the most fundamental of all human rights. And yet, which American politician would be brave enough to dare call for a government to ask the entire nation, How happy are we? And, even more daring, Should the government aim to make people happy?

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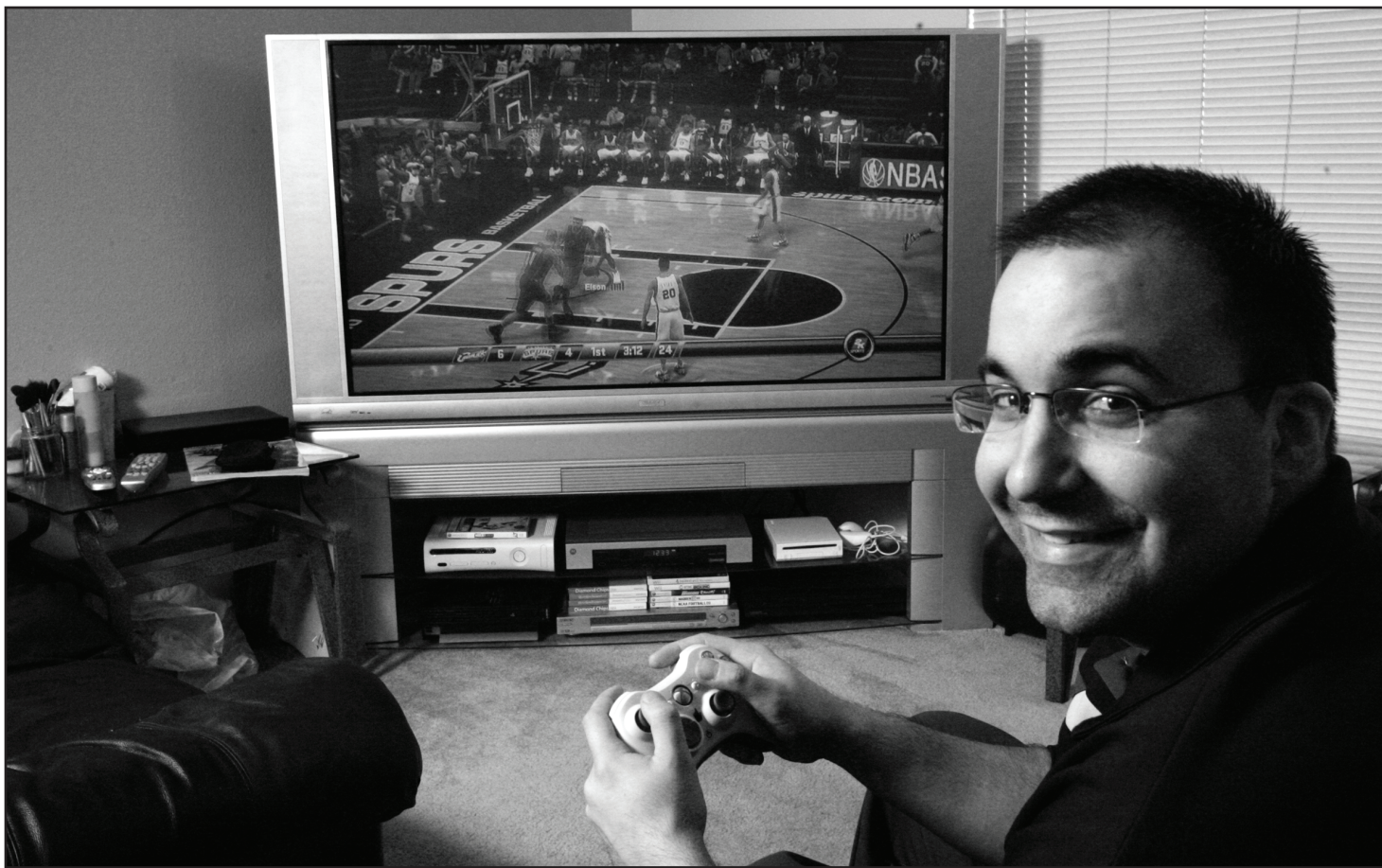
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A Look into the World of Focus Testing



Ben Lovelle tests out a game on the X-Box 360. Focus testing is a crucial part of game development, allowing developers to work out the "bugs" before games hit the stands.

Janet Jensen/Tacoma News Tribune/MCT

Jake GODIN
Video Game Columnist

"Buggy" games: We've all ran into them at one time or another. One of the more prominent ones that I remember would be Two Worlds for the Xbox 360. The back of the box insisted that this was "Oblivion on steroids," but what I saw instead was something more akin to "Oblivion on meth." I remember trying to play multiplayer with a friend and running into a myriad of white boxes in place of bushes, rocks, and even enemy dragons. That wasn't all though. While playing the central story I suddenly went from one part of the storyline to another, completely skipping a major cut scene. How could a game be released like this? Is it really that hard to get all of the mess ironed out in a game?

In comes Jordan Lynn, the Player Experience Researcher at Champaign-Urbana's local game studio, Volition Inc. Volition, if you hadn't known already, has created such gems as Saints Row 1 and 2 and the Red Faction series. They are currently set to release Red Faction: Armageddon on May 31st and have been working on the third installment of the Saints Row series, Saints Row: The Third.

Lynn heads multiple focus tests that Volition holds almost weekly and considers himself as a feedback channel between the designers and players. What he does is organize, recruit for, and run tests that have the sole purpose of "getting all of the noise that gets between the designers vision of the game and the players experience out of the picture." This "noise" could be anything ranging from an extreme difficulty spike to a bad heads up display (HUD). Essentially, anything involving gameplay that would frustrate the player

is fair game in Lynn's tests.

In order to gather this data, Lynn brings in a varying number of regular gamers, like you and I, sets them in front of an unfinished version a game they are working on, and simply has them play. They then record any thoughts they had on in a log and are asked a few questions here and there by Lynn or a designer who happens to be observing the session. Doing this, they can find out if there's anything out of the ordinary that may need to be altered, such as a confusing navigational message. Lynn can also just get a general feel for how the players like the game and channel any common complaints to the proper designer to see if he/she wants to do anything about it. They have to balance the criticality of the issue versus the effort, cost, and amount of time that it takes to fix it. Sometimes the issue may have too much of a ripple effect if it were to be fixed and end up costing too much money and time.

An example of this that Lynn gave would be if there was some instructional message appearing on screen that seemed a little vague to a focus tester. Well, what seems like an easy fix could actually turn up being much more complicated. The piece of text in question would first have to be re-ran through all of the languages that the game will be releasing in. Then, if the instruction is spoken dialogue, the voice actors need to be called in again to redo the line. If translating the particular string of text ends up being too long in one language (say, Spanish) and takes up too many characters, then the whole thing needs to be redone. There are simple workarounds sometimes though. If the vague instruction were something akin to "Destroy this structure" and the player simply

didn't know which structure to destroy, then the designers could implement a marker on the HUD to show which one instead of going through all the work to change the dialogue.

Focus testing begins pretty early in a games life, says Lynn. "At the very basic level, if there is any gameplay element, a mission, an activity, a mini mission, anything in even a rough form, we can test the basic ideas." The name of the game is to capture any early defects that may be present in areas like the HUD, control scheme, navigation, ammo, or just moving around. Lynn tries to hit tutorials first, since that's when all of the basic information in a game becomes known to a player. Part of the reason that focus tests are necessary for this, says Lynn, is because the designers play the game constantly, so they may not realize certain problems such as a difficulty spike or a vague message.

Focus testing isn't for every studio though. There are a number that don't use it as much as Volition, which is fine, says Lynn, but Volition ultimately hopes that they can greatly improve their gameplay by getting first hand impressions from players before the game is released. Just in Red Faction: Armageddon alone, Lynn says they were able to find at least four or five dozen issues and make changes on them.

Some were minor and some others were major, but by finding them through focus testing and making the proper changes, Lynn believes that the overall gameplay in Armageddon has been improved.

Focus testing is vital for Volition's game making process. Being able to remove some of the guesswork that comes standard with making games is an important tool to the designers and helps immensely. Something has me thinking that Reality Pump, the developer behind Two Worlds, may not have had the same luxury as Volition.

One of the last things Lynn mentioned was that Volition was beginning to ramp up testing on their next few projects. So now would probably be a good time to get in on the focus testing wagon. If interested, a simple visit to Volition's test page on their site is all that is required to get started. <http://www.volition-inc.com/Jobs/ParticipateinaFocusTest>.

Comments? Questions? I may very well have answers. If you'd like to say anything about my focus testing or just shoot me a question, feel free to E-mail me at ProspectusBonusStage@gmail.com. If email isn't your style, hit me up on my Twitter account, @JakeGodin.

Shoes that can be recycled

Sandy BAUERS
The Philadelphia Inquirer

Shoe waste is a terrible thing. All those feet in the world, needing protection, and we often just toss our old ones.

There are, of course, thrift stores that take donations of second-hand shoes. But now, a Georgia company has come up with recyclable shoes.

The shoes are Okabashi Brands, a family owned business based in Buford, Ga., (about 35 miles north of Atlanta). For about 25 years, as they focused on designing and manufacturing extremely comfortable shoes, they also worked on coming up with a material that is comfortable, durable and recyclable.

They've come up with a line of flip-flops, slides, clogs and other styles. The shoe is made of up to 30 percent recycled materials, which for now are old Okabashi shoes that customers have sent back when they're worn out.

Don't want to send them back? They're made of No. 3 plastic, which means that in most of this area, they can also be put into the curbside bin. (To be sure, check here: <http://1800recycling.com/>)

Other companies have done similar things. For instance, Nike has a program, and their shoes get ground up and then become everything from sneaker soles to running tracks to "the zipper on your hoodie," the company says.

But I haven't found any that take their shoe back and make it into the SAME shoe.

And just you wait. Okabashi is working on ways to take back all kinds of shoes, from red patent-leather spike heels to work boots, and recycle them. Obviously, with the range of materials involved and the company's "virtually" zero waste policy - which means they have to somehow use ALL the sent-back shoes, and not just some of the parts - this is a tad more complicated.

"It is Okabashi's objective to limit the amount of shoes and waste being dumped into the earth's oceans and landfills and to continually decrease our use of natural resources," the company states. "The result: this year alone we were able to reintroduce and reuse over 100,000 lbs of scrap shoes. That is 10 tractor trailers full of scrap that would have otherwise be sent to a landfill."

Since they're made domestically - in Georgia - they don't have to cross an ocean to get to you.

I thought the shoes looked attractive. The company boasts boast superior arch support, a massaging insole and more. They're also "vegan friendly" and affordable: A pair I liked was on sale for \$14.99.

View the company's site at www.okabashi.com.

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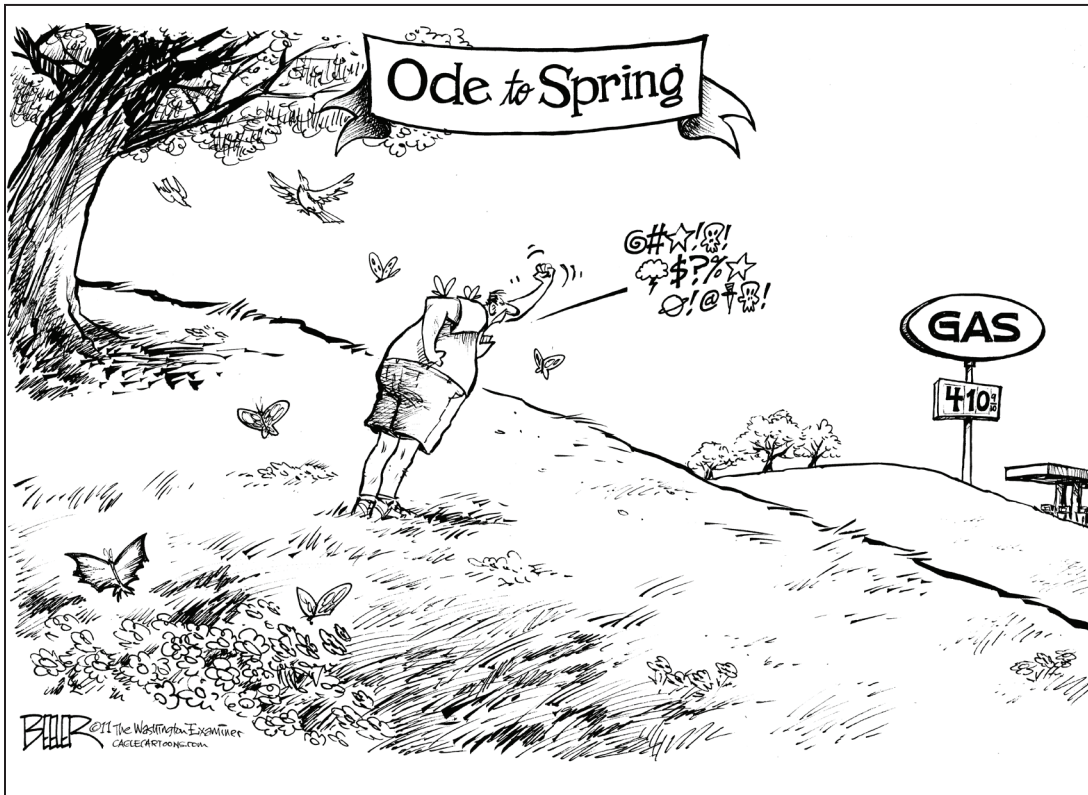
Officer Matthew Kopmann



April is Alcohol Awareness Month. It is an opportunity to raise awareness of alcohol abuse and encourage people to make healthy, safe choices. Alcohol Awareness Month began in 1987 and is sponsored by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence. A primary focus of Alcohol Awareness Month over the years has been Underage Drinking and the devastating effects it can have on our youth.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, young adults aged 18 to 22 enrolled full-time in college were more likely than their peers not enrolled full-time to use alcohol in the past month, binge drink, or drink heavily. Past-month alcohol use was reported by 66.4% of full-time college students compared with 54.1% of persons aged 18 to 22 who were not enrolled full-time. Binge and heavy-use rates for college students were 45.5 and 19.0%, respectively, compared with 38.4 and 13.3%, respectively, for 18- to 22-year-olds not enrolled full time in college.

To commemorate the month the Parkland College Police Department is hosting an Alcohol Awareness Day on Wednesday April 27 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. More information will be sent out, but if you are interested in participating or have any questions, please contact Officer Kopmann at (217) 351-2369 or MKopmann@parkland.edu



DREAM NATION by LOUIS COPPOLA

XOE, MY GIRLFRIEND WANTS TO BE AN ACTRESS! SHE TRIED OUT FOR "GLEE!"

BUT SHE WAS REJECTED!

THEY SAID I LOOKED TOO HARSH TO PLAY A TEENAGER!

THE FUNNY THING IS SHE IS A TEENAGER!

Calamities of Nature by Tony Piro

IF YOU COULD HAVE ANY ONE THING, WHAT WOULD IT BE? A BASKET OF PUPPIES EVERYONE LOVES PUPPIES.

A BASKET OF PUPPIES IS MULTIPLE THINGS. I SAID ONE THING ONLY.

OKAY, JUST ONE PUPPY THEN.

TECHNICALLY, PUPPIES ARE COMPOSED OF A BILLION BILLION ATOMS, SO THAT'S NOT ONE THING.


OKAY, GIVE ME ONE MEASLY ATOM!!

BUT ATOMS ARE MADE OF -- THEN NOTHING I'LL TAKE NOTHING!!

ACTUALLY, THERE'S STILL QUANTUM FLUCTUATIONS...

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Question/Answer by Bruce Walker, History Professor

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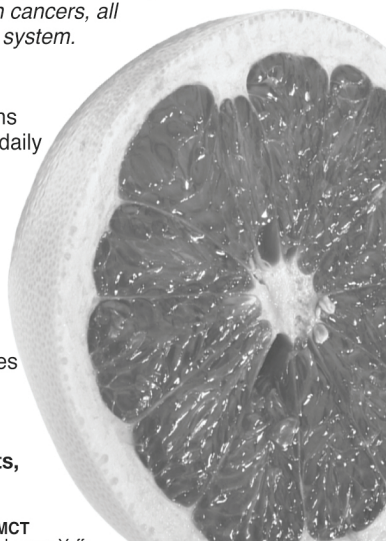
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Pump prices

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Two-year trend

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- Series for Paul Guilfoyle
- "Cat __ Hot Tin Roof"
- "The __ Clause"; Tim Allen film
- Crawling insect
- "...__ the ramparts we watched..."
- Actor Stacy __
- Barker and Bell
- "CSI: __"
- "Carmen" or "Figaro"
- Actor on "Criminal Minds"
- "Back __ Future"; movie for Michael J. Fox
- "American __!"
- Actress Leoni
- "Sanford and __"
- Remains pending
- "The Young and __"
- "None But the __"; Frank Sinatra movie set during WWII
- Buck of "Hee Haw"
- Suffix for health or wealth
- Samms and Thompson

DOWN

- Weaver's device
- "__ the loneliest number..."; start of a hit song for Three Dog Night
- __ Jessica Parker
- Nanook of the North, for one
- __ West
- "Message __ Bottle"; movie for Kevin Costner & Paul Newman
- Major's superior: abbr.
- Word in many e-mail addresses
- "Candid __"
- Entrapped
- "__ Wonderful Life"
- "How I __ Your Mother"
- Pea casing
- "Gunfight __ O.K. Corral"; classic western for Burt Lancaster
- Perlman and others
- Signified
- "Sesame __"
- Scarlett and her father
- Setting for "Bonanza": abbr.
- Like a shiny photograph
- Stitch
- Della of "Touched by an Angel"
- "The Magnificent __"; movie for Yul Brynner & Charles Bronson
- Adder or cobra
- Baby's eating accessories
- Meat-and-vegetable dish
- "Mr. __"; Michael Keaton movie
- "A __ of the World"; film for Sigourney Weaver
- Carney or Garfunkel

Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

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Sports

Real Men Wear Pink!

Cobras Host Invitational for Breast Cancer Research

Markus RODGERS
Sports Writer

The M-WAC champion Cobras hosted their annual Car X-Parkland invitational at the Ironhorse Golf Course in Tuscola on Sunday, April 24th, and Monday, April 25th.

The Cobras participated in the first Pink Out event the golf team has ever had, and had a very respectable turnout. Head Coach Zach McNabney wore pink shoes to the event, and the entire golf team wore pink polos in support of breast cancer research.

Over the past several years the Parkland Pink Out Events have been successful; this event was no exception, yielding roughly \$500. When asked about the impressive turnout, McNabney said humbly, "We were just trying to follow suit. A lot of parkland athletics have pink outs, so we had to

get more creative." McNabney was creative to say the least; hosting the first non-Parkland campus pink out (on Easter) was extremely risky but having the Coach of the Year and impressive young talent from all over helps sell your event to the crowd.

Matt Hart posted a 73 and a 78, doing his part in the balanced attack for the Cobras. No one on the roster shot above an 80 and Hart called that "encouraging." "We're coming together at the right time," said the star prospect.

Hart came in as a first teamer with a chip on his shoulder. Though he just missed the top 10, his performance was still proof that Hart could compete with the best. Recruited from England, Hart has been everything coach thought he would be and more. Given the fact that he has only been here since January, his adaption is

more than impressive.

Lewis Martin, also a first team selection in the M-WAC, picked up right where he left off as well. He finished 5 strokes out of 2nd place and the Cobras were clearly inspired by his play.

The invitational included 36 holes of the top teams in the nation as well. Joining the #17 Cobras on the green were the (then) #10 John A. Logan, #14 Rend Lake, and the D-1 #1 team Indian Hills. The field also included several more teams, including region 24 foes Lincoln, Spoon River, Danville, and Lewis & Clark. Indian Hills ended up pulling away from the Cobras and winning the invitational, leaving Parkland in fourth place despite being 3 under par Saturday. "It's okay," said Hart, "we have a good feeling going into regionals next week."

Though the event is over,

donations are still accepted and appreciated; all proceeds will be donated to Mill Breast Cancer Institute. It was standard to donate by hole (ex. \$.50x36 holes=\$18), but anything you can spare will help in the Cobra's efforts to fight this horrible disease. There are two ways of doing this: either bring a form of payment to the athletic office, or online and visit the Mills Breast Cancer Institute website and give directly to the source. If you prefer a check you can make it out to Parkland Golf or directly to the Mills Breast Cancer Institute.

Starting next week the men's golf team will be attempting to make their strong push for nationals and can use all of the faculty and student support they can get, so let's get out and support our Cobras!

Heartland takes bite out of PC Softball

Rod LOVETT
Athletic Director

The Parkland College Softball teams winning streak came to an abrupt halt on Saturday as the Heartland Hawks blitzed the Cobras 8-0 9-1. The defeats ended the Cobras winning streak at 19 while HCC won their 13 and 14th consecutive games. The wins also vault HCC (28-17 20-2) into first place in the M-WAC, one game ahead of the Cobras with one week left in the regular season.

In the opener, PC managed just one hit in the defeat as

HCC scored twice in the 3rd to score all the runs they would need. Game two was much the same story as the Hawks jumped out to an early 3-0 lead and never looked back. Sarah Gray was the lone bright spot in the defeat collecting two hits. PC (32-14 20-4) has another busy week ahead against some outstanding competition. PC will host nationally ranked #2 Kankakee on Wednesday, travel to #7 Lincoln Land on Thursday, and to #10 Illinois Central on Friday before playing their regular season home finale against Lincoln at 1:00 on Saturday.



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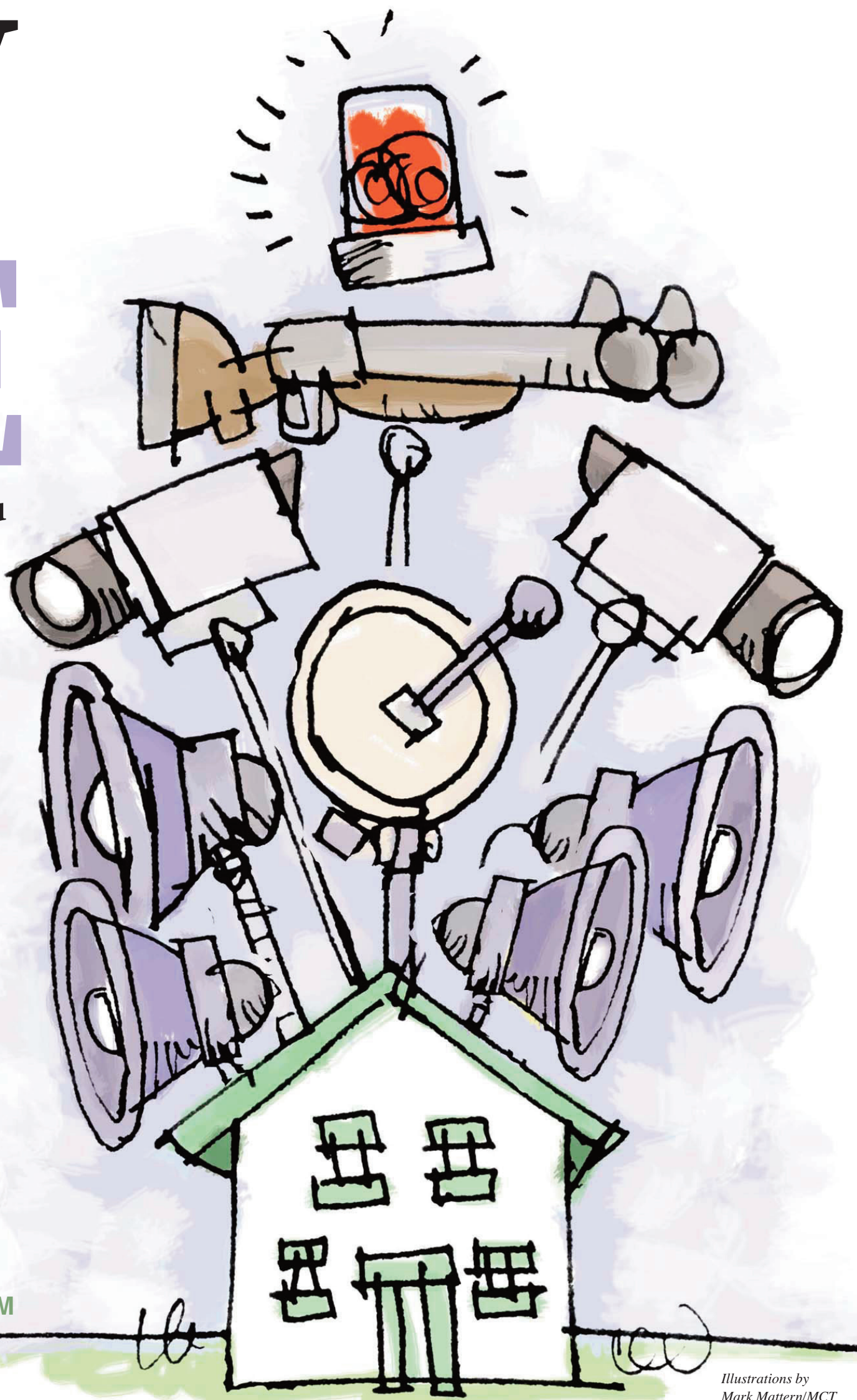
A few reminders to keep you and your property secure

BY BRIAN HAAS, MARIA CHERCOLES AND DANIEL VASQUEZ
Sun Sentinel

Whether it's a fast run to the mall to pick up a birthday gift, a stop at the ATM for some walking-around cash or merely darting out of the house to get to an appointment, too often our minds are on a million different things. A million different things, that is, except for one thing we should be thinking of: safety.

And while we're not paying attention, we can face a vehicle break-in, a stolen PIN number or even a burglary at home.

Sometimes crime is unavoidable, but there is plenty you can do to help keep yourself, your family and your property secure. Here are some safety tips from the experts to help you prevent crime.



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WHEN SHOPPING

- Reduce distractions, such as using a cellphone, while walking to your car.
- Always park in well-lit areas.
- Limit the amount of valuables you carry to minimize potential loss.
- Do not leave packages in your car and return to stores.
- If you make a valuable purchase, go straight home.
- Do not overload yourself with packages. Use will-call and curbside package pickup services instead.
- Make a plan ahead of time in case your children become separated from you.

WITH YOUR VEHICLE

- When your vehicle is unattended, don't leave the windows down. And remember to lock the car.
- Take valuables with you and lock anything you must leave behind in your trunk.
- Don't leave anything in plain sight. If you can't hide an item in your trunk or car, take it home before going elsewhere, suggests Sgt. Thomas Palmer of the Broward (Fla.) Sheriff's Office.
- Don't forget about cellphones or other electronics you are charging in the console.
- Copy down serial numbers on any electronics to make recovery easier.
- Take as little with you as necessary when making routine trips to the store, school and other places.
- If you can, park inside your garage instead of in the driveway.

AT THE ATM

- Use ATMs you are most familiar with in well-lit, well-placed areas.
- Be aware of your surroundings, particularly at night. If you see suspicious people, do not use the machine.
- Have your card in hand as you approach the ATM. Don't wait to get to the ATM and then look for it.
- Be careful that no one can see you enter your PIN on the keyboard. Use your body to shield the keyboard.
- Do not count or display money from the ATM. Put your money into a pocket or purse and count it later.
- Be cautious when strangers offer to help if you are having difficulty with a transaction.
- If using a drive-up ATM, be sure passenger windows are rolled up and all doors are locked.

AROUND TOWN

- If you notice another car following you, drive to the nearest police station or busy, well-lit area. Call 911.
- Make a habit of locking your car doors and closing your windows immediately when you get in your car, even before you fasten your seatbelt.
- Always lock car doors and take the keys when you leave your car, even if you'll be gone for just a short time.
- Don't leave valuables in view in the car, even if the vehicle is locked. Thieves can smash your window and grab your purse or computer in a matter of seconds.
- As you walk down the street or through the parking area, walk alertly and assertively. Don't weigh yourself down with too many parcels.
- Do not talk on your cell phone while walking through parking areas. Thieves will assume you are distracted by the conversation and perceive you as an easy mark.
- If you carry a purse, hold it close to your body; if a wallet, keep it in a front pocket.
- When carrying a purse, take only the essentials (a driver's license, a limited amount of cash, one credit or debit card and a check or two).
- Don't carry irreplaceable items such as photos of grandchildren, and don't carry your original Social Security card in your purse or wallet.
- Don't display your cash or any other inviting targets such as cellphones, hand-held electronic games or expensive jewelry.

- Never leave your purse or wallet unattended in a shopping cart.
- Have car keys out and ready when approaching your car. Check the back seat and floor before you get in.
- Complete an inventory. If your valuables or credit cards are lost or stolen, you will have serial numbers and phone numbers handy.



Create an inventory of your valuable items to keep handy in case of emergency.

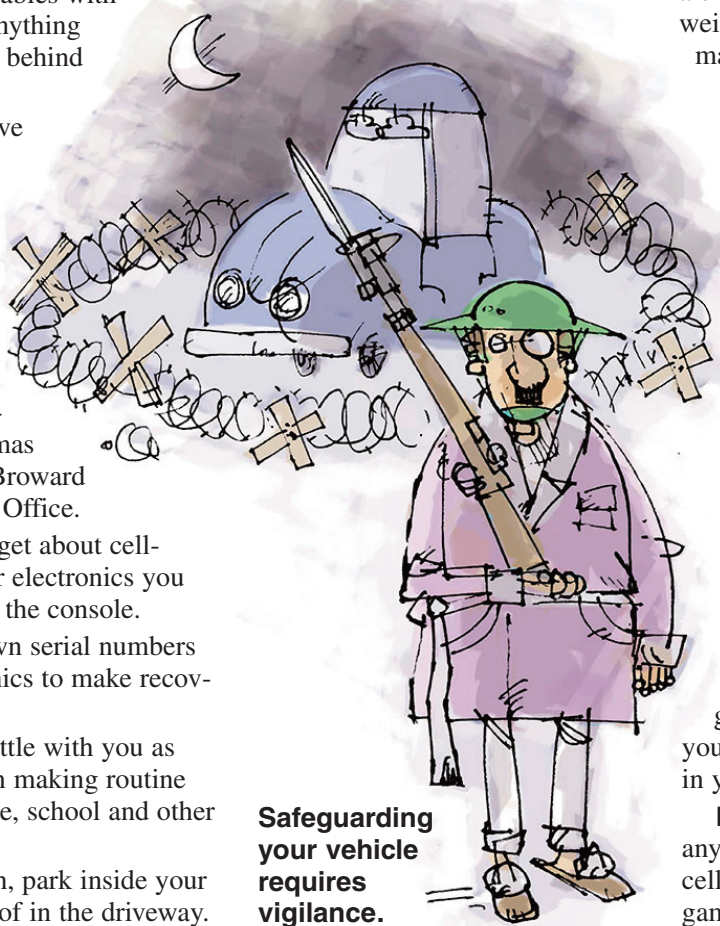
AT HOME

- Add decorative reinforcement plate to your doors. They can be found at most home-improvement stores and cost around \$10.
- Don't hide spare keys outside your home. Thieves are good snoops, especially when time is on their side.
- Light up your home. Use motion detectors outside and timers inside (when you're not home).
- Maintain landscaping. Overgrown trees and shrubs can provide hiding spaces for would-be thieves.
- Be really kind to a favorite neighbor or relative who lives nearby. Having someone you trust check on your home regularly goes a long way toward protecting your home.

IN YOUR YARD

- Trim those trees: Keep your bushes (including hedges) trimmed to 2 or 3 feet tall. Taller bushes provide burglars good hiding spots. In addition, experts recommend the first 7 feet of branches be pruned to prevent someone from climbing to an attic or second floor. Also, you don't want your bushes or trees to obscure your view of your yard.
- Protect your windows: To deter break-ins, you can plant thorny bushes under windows. Bougainvillea, barberries and roses work well. Using gravel stones under windows eliminates a criminal's ability to silently prowl near your house. Anyone who walks on those will make a loud crunching noise with each step.
- Shine a light: Install motion-activated floodlights in out-of-reach places around your home. Lights scare away burglars and alert homeowners to potential problems outside. Just make sure they're installed so no one can tamper with them.
- Get a survey: Some local police departments have free survey programs for homes and businesses. Just ask for the department's crime prevention folks. Officers can look at a wide range of security issues during these evaluations, including doors, locks, windows and garages. To see if evaluation is available in your area, call your local police department.

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Safeguarding your vehicle requires vigilance.