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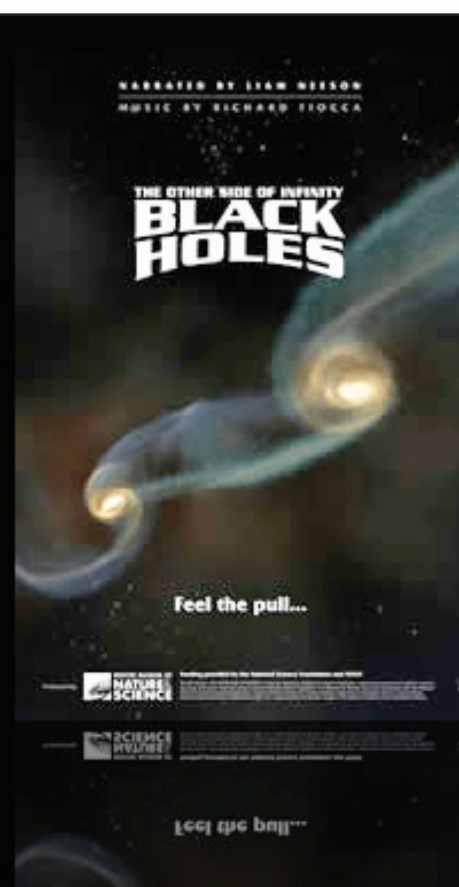
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# New shows, events to make debuts at Parkland



As seen above, a Kathryn Finnerty ceramic piece, and flyers for both the new Planetarium and Theatre shows, all of which can be seen at Parkland.

PN Jacob Kuppler  
Staff Writer

This spring, Parkland will host a number of new activities and events which cater to both the student body and the public at large. Among them are new planetarium shows, theater productions, and art exhibits.

The William M. Staerkel Planetarium is proud to unveil its new, all ages show, "Black Holes: The Other Side of Infinity," to Parkland. "The show has national acclaim," planetarium director, Dave Leake said. "When it first came out, many planetariums around the country put it out. We are

very happy to bring it to Central Illinois."

Originally produced in Denver, Colorado, "Black Holes" features amazing visualizations that were actually created by the National Center for Supercomputing Applications at the University of Illinois. Narrated by Academy-Award nominated actor Liam Neeson, the full-dome show uses data from computer simulations to deliver stunning visualizations that mimic the science behind black hole phenomena. Among the sights to be seen in this cutting-edge show, are the birth of the universe, the birth and death of stars, a simulated flight to a

huge black hole located at the center of the Milky Way Galaxy and more. While the show is open to the public, Leake cautions that younger audiences may not be able to fully appreciate it.

Similarly, Parkland's theater production "Frozen," by Bryony Lavery, is not for young children. In fact, Parkland's website suggests that only mature audiences attend, due to adult subject matter and language. "It's a psychological drama, a Broadway play that won national awards," the show's director, Randi Jennifer Collins Hard said. "People who enjoy mysteries and a good story will really like it."

In "Frozen," ten-year-old Rhona goes missing, which draws together Rhona's mother, a serial killer, and a criminal psychologist. According to Parkland's website, the cast embarks "on a thriller of a journey about grief, revenge, forgiveness and bearing the unbearable." This moving play dares to ask the questions, "What value do we place on life itself? What are the limits of forgiveness? Are there naturally "evil" people and should they be punished for their acts?" Starring Brad Mehrtens, Diane Pritcherd, Jenette Kozak Jurezyk and Zach Brenner, "Frozen" promises to take audiences for quite a ride.

The "State of the Art 2011-2012: National Biennial Ceramics Invitational," which opened at the Parkland Art Gallery in late 2011, is part of a tradition of ceramics showings that occur every two years. According to a press release issued by the Art Gallery, this time around the show was curated by Suze Lindsey, a professional potter with over twenty years of experience. She selected the work of a series of artists, whom she became acquainted with during her formative period. These include colleagues from Penland School of Arts and

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## Parkland expands science course offerings



Photo Courtesy of Rose Dalton  
Parkland Professor Rose Dalton poses with her Human Biology class which was offered for the first time in the fall of 2011.

PN Alisha Kirkley  
Staff Writer

Last semester, Parkland began offering new classes for students interested in the field of science. Human Biology (BIO 105) is one example of those classes, as well as Environmental Biology (BIO 104) and Physics: How Things Work (PHY 120-001/129-001H), a hybrid class containing BIO 104 and PHY 120/129 in one.

Professor Rose Dalton teaches BIO 105, which focuses on the incorporation of human anatomy and physiology with a global perspective. Simply put, the class looks at a system of the body and applies that to a global level.

"The global perspective is something you don't typically get in a pure anatomy and physiology class," Dalton explained. "So what we will do is we will take, for example, a topic in human biology like your immune system, and we'll talk about how your immune system functions."

She also mentioned one of the topics the class studied last semester, the HIV virus - a virus that directly attacks the immune system, which is usually what finds and kills viruses themselves. Viruses reproduce by infecting the

cells of a living organism; they cannot produce offspring on their own.

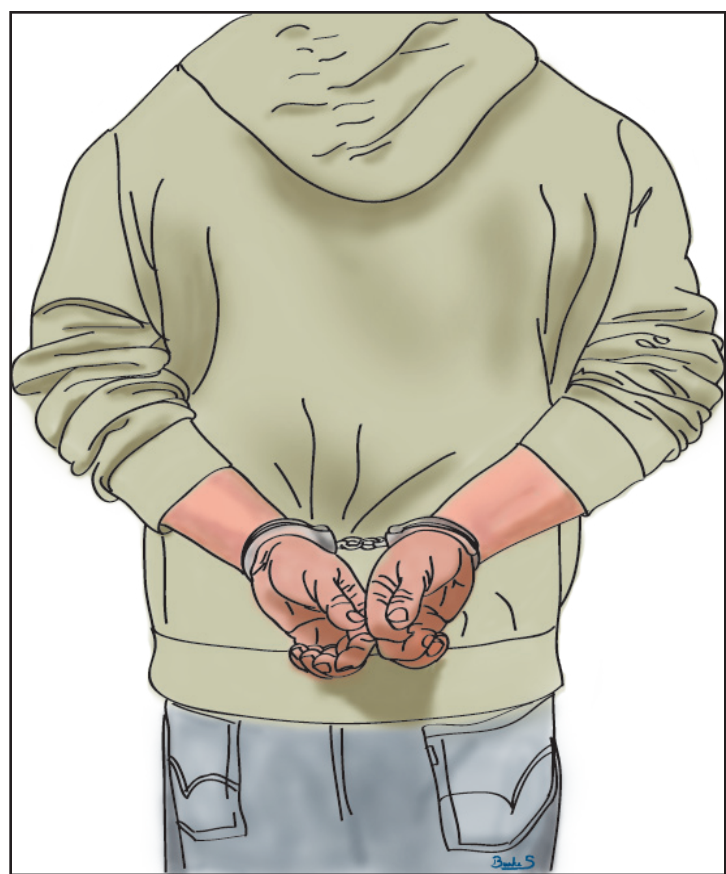
"(The virus) specifically infects upper T-cells, which are a part of your immune function," said Dalton, who then explained the remaining structure of the class. "We then talked about how wide spread this virus is. Then, we expanded on the HIV virus and started talking about pandemic situations in general and how likely is a pandemic situation. Then, we looked at examples of those pandemics occurring, HIV virus being one of those."

BIO 105 is a four credit-hour class that can be taken to fulfill a Physical/Life Sciences requirement for students pursuing Associates degrees in Applied Science, General Education, and certain certificates. Students pursuing Associates degrees in Arts, Science, Engineering Science and Fine Arts may take the course to fulfill a Life Sciences requirement, pending Illinois Articulation Initiative approval. This semester, the class was dropped due to low registration, but will continue being offered in the future.

BIO 104 and PHY 120/129,

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## National Defense Authorization Act sparks debate among students



PN Morgan Bernier  
Assistant Editor

The National Defense Authorization Act has been a part of the White House budget for the past 49 years and was once again signed into law by President Obama on Dec. 31, 2011.

The National Defense Authorization Act for the 2012 fiscal year, however, contains new provisions that could lead to the indefinite detention of any covered persons. The act defines a covered person as "a person who planned, authorized, committed, or aided the terrorist attacks that occurred on Sept. 11, 2001, or harbored those responsible for those attacks" and as "a person who was a part of or substantially supported al-Qaeda, the Taliban, or associated forces

that are engaged in hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners, including any person who has committed a belligerent act or has directly supported such hostilities in aid of such enemy forces."

The White House had previously threatened to not sign the act because of these provisions, but these claims were proven false when the President signed the act into law on New Year's Eve. The signing, however, was met with reservations on President Obama's end.

"The fact that I support this bill as a whole does not mean I agree with everything in it," said Obama through a statement on the White House web-

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## Wikipedia, Google to protest SOPA

PN Morgan Bernier  
Assistant Editor

Today, some of the most visited websites in the US will be "blacked out" to raise awareness of the Stop Online Piracy Act and the Protect IP Act.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid plans to bring the Stop Online Piracy Act to a vote on Jan. 24, 2012. In anticipation of this vote, many websites, including Wikipedia will be taking their content offline for the entire day of January 18. Sites such as Google will also participate in protests by posting a link on the Google homepage to let users know about the company's opposition to the Act.

The intent of the Stop Online Piracy Act is to prevent illegal downloading and copyright infringements through websites such as The Pirate Bay and other downloading sites. However, due to the vague wording in the bill, many search engines and websites that host user content could be crippled by guidelines contained in the bill.

One good way to summarize the danger of the Stop Online Piracy Act is found on Reddit.com's administrative blog. "SOPA and PROTECT IP contain no provisions to actually remove copyrighted content, but rather focus on the censorship of links to entire domains," according to the blog.

This is by no means a full summary of the Stop Online Piracy Act, but it hopefully will raise awareness. For a full summary of the bill, check out our article in the Dec. 7, 2011 issue of Prospectus News written by Buster Bytes, which can be found online at <http://goo.gl/iy6Ee>. It is always important

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## 11th Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration



Photo by M.C. Neal/Prospectus News  
Carlos Donaldson accepts the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Outstanding Achievement Award on Jan. 13, 2012 at the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Countywide Celebration, which took place at the Hilton Garden Inn in Champaign. The event was sponsored by Parkland College and several other area businesses and organizations. L to R - Urbana Mayor Laurel Prussing, UI Associate Chancellor Dr. Menah Pratt-Clarke, Parkland College President Tom Ramage, Carlos Donaldson, Champaign Deputy Mayor Tom Bruno, and Champaign County Board Member Pius Weibel.

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Illinois State Senator Kwame Raoul jokes about replacing President Barack Obama in the senate during his keynote address at the celebration.



Photo by M.C. Neal/Prospectus News  
Kathleen Charleston of Parkland College and Otis Noble III of the University of Illinois gave the closing remarks at the celebration.



Photo by M.C. Neal/Prospectus News  
Gospel group Noah I. Brown and Company performing live at the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Countywide Celebration.

# Lifestyle

## Q&A with the Student Government President

**PN** Tyler Cravens  
Student Government  
President

I want to personally thank all of those who responded to our survey sent out to all the student email accounts. I also want to thank the hundreds of you that signed our petition supporting FIRST – increased funding for clubs, activities, Student Government, inter-murals, etc. We took that proposal before the Parkland Board of Trustees at their December meeting. I hope you all did well on your finals and had a great winter break.

Dear Mr. President: What do you do as Student Government President?

Dear Carolina: As student president it is my responsibility to lead the Student Government. That includes in our frequent meetings, events, and advocacy efforts. It is my duty to set the agenda for us and delegate responsibilities. I appoint students to committees and personally serve on campus committees. You can typically find me in my office every day of the week in the afternoon. I am usually working on reports, proposals, and other things to benefit students. Since November I have been working on FIRST, which I wrote about previously. I also meet with campus administrators and officials often to discuss student issues. Stop by and see me with your concerns and ideas in room X159 or email me.

Dear Mr. President: How can I get information on what Student Government is doing?

Dear Sam: Student Government has recently ramped up its efforts to communicate with the student body. We launched a new Facebook page in December. Please ignore the old page that we no longer have access too, the picture for it is a black polo. This article you are reading is another brand new effort to keep students informed. Over a month ago we also launched a Student Government tab on my.parkland. This year we have also made sure to have someone in the office every day. We also have been spending numerous hours in the college center lately amongst our fellow students to hear their concerns. I hope some of you enjoyed the “Cookies & Concerns” event the week before finals. I know we did. Stop by from 11am-1pm and you will very likely find someone. Other times of the day it is also likely we are around, but that is the most likely time. We also have a twitter account @Pland-Stugo for those of you who prefer that method. Email us using the email provided. Call us at 351-2227 and leave a message if we do not answer. We are here to serve the student body and hope to hear from you soon.

I encourage students to send questions to me at stugo@parkland.edu. I will pick 2-3 questions to respond to for each article.

## Meet the coffee professor



Terry Evans/Fort Worth Star-Telegram/MCT

Tom Vincent pours a cup of espresso at his Arlington, Texas-based Texas Coffee School.

**Patrick M. Walker**  
McClatchy Newspapers

FORT WORTH, Texas - Some days, the thought of that first cup of coffee is the only thing that gets Tom Vincent out of bed.

In that way, of course, he's no different from plenty of other people who like a morning caffeine jolt.

What sets him apart? For the rest of the day, he never stops thinking about coffee. How to

brew the perfect cup. How to teach pros and amateurs alike to do the same. How to create the kind of coffee culture in North Texas that one can find in Austin or Vancouver.

This month, Vincent's Arlington-based business, Texas Coffee School, turned 1 year old. At his training center in an office suite at South Cooper Street near Harris Road, he conducts workshops for everybody from experienced baristas looking for new ideas

to prospective coffeehouse owners to home coffee enthusiasts.

When he's not doing that, he travels the country speaking at industry seminars, serves as a consultant for restaurants and “geeks out” in his training center lab, searching for things like the optimal water filtration and temperature for the high-end beans he buys from artisanal producers.

“My whole goal is to take elitism out of specialty coffee

and make it more easily approachable for everyday people,” he says. “Coffee is the most affordable luxury item in the world. Think about the most you've paid for a glass of wine or a piece of chocolate. I've never seen a cup of coffee no matter how rare cost more than \$7 a cup.”

Vincent set off down his path in 2006 almost by chance. He was working in marketing and

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# Ask Buster: Questions from the readers

**Buster Bytes**  
Tech Columnist



**Adam S:** I'm thinking about replacing or upgrading my older desktop computer. I bought it almost ten years ago and it's still running Windows XP.

I'll be using the computer mostly for things like checking

my e-mail, using Microsoft Word, making Excel spreadsheets, watching some YouTube videos, and checking my Facebook. I probably won't be using Photoshop, but I will be viewing and downloading some photos. I've been looking at computers with 4G hard drives and am seriously considering buying one built at Computer Deli. I've also looked at HP Pavilion and Novel (IBM) laptops, all of which come with 4G, although their speeds vary.

What's best? Should I get a laptop, a desktop or a tablet? What do you recommend?

**Buster:** “What's best?” is a pretty broad question. There are a few factors in determining which system is best for you: Is cost a big factor? A bigger monitor, faster processor, better video card, more memory and more storage are better but they come at a price. Will you be using the system away from home a lot? Desktops are generally cheaper and faster. They're also a lot easier to upgrade. The larger keyboard and mouse are easier to use, and monitors can be much larger. Desktops can even be connected to most new flat screen televisions! Laptops are good for those who frequently use their computer away from home, but are not as fast and are more expensive. They are more difficult to upgrade, maintain and repair. Tablets are fun toys, great for checking email, reading documents and spreadsheets, watching videos, and checking Facebook. However any extensive typing or document creation is a bit of a hassle. Tablets are also slower than laptops and much slower than desktops, are usually impossible to upgrade, and very difficult to repair. They are, however, very convenient and easy to carry around. For the most part, tablets are similar to smart phones with a larger screen. I personally find that I use my home desktop the most, although I do have a laptop for those times when I really need to do some work away from home, school, or the office.

As for the systems you are looking at, I should point out that 4G is a term which usually refers to mobile data service. The G stands for generation, since it's the fourth generation of cellular wireless standards. It's generally applicable to mobile phones and tablets, is sometimes available on laptops, but is usually not found on desktops. 4G service will usually require the purchase of a monthly data plan from a carrier such as Verizon, AT&T, or Sprint. 4G is most useful if you're frequently com-



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puting while on the go, away from home, work, or anywhere else that has a Wi-Fi hotspot you can access. So, if you're in your car on the highway, or in the supermarket, 4G service can come in handy. However, many locations now have Wi-Fi hotspots which can be accessed for free with a laptop or tablet without the need for a monthly service contract.

What I think you're actually referring to when you say that these systems have a 4G hard drive is that they have 4 GB of RAM. RAM stands for random access memory, which is different from the memory found in a hard drive. RAM is the workspace used by your computers processor to store the information it is currently using. When you save something to your computer, you store it to the hard drive, and nowadays these are generally much larger than 4 GB.

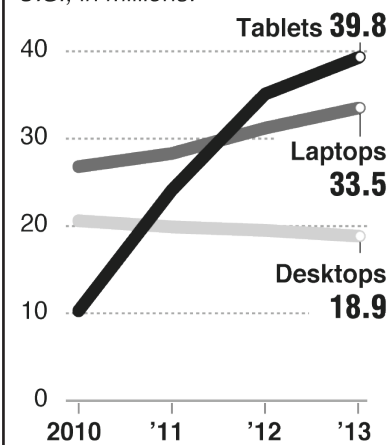
For what you say that you'll be using the system

for, you can get a fairly inexpensive desktop quite easily, but if mobility is a key concern, the tasks you mention can be accomplished quite easily on any of these devices. I personally have not purchased a computer from the local company you mentioned, but in my dealings with them, I have found them to be knowledgeable. When purchasing any system, make sure you receive a good warranty which covers parts and labor for at least a year. If you have any further questions, please feel free to let me know.

Have a question for Buster? He'd love to answer it! If he decides to use your question in a column, your name will be changed to protect your anonymity, and your email may be edited to fit newspaper formatting guidelines. Email him at buster@bust-erbytes.com.

### In demand

Projected sales of tablets, desktops and laptops in the U.S., in millions:



NOTE: Data reflect end-of-year totals; 2011-13 figures are projected

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## Now's the time to save for college

**Joan Marshall**  
The Baltimore Sun

Education beyond high school is a key to success later in life. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, 62 percent of all U.S. jobs now require a minimum of two-year or four-year degrees or special post-secondary training. That number is expected to increase to 75 percent by 2020.

Unfortunately, at the same time that some form of higher education is becoming more important, it's also becoming increasingly more expensive. The College Board calculates that college costs have risen faster than the rates of inflation over this previous academic year. In fact, the average cost for tuition and fees at four-year public institutions has increased nearly 51 percent over the last 10 years, after adjusting for inflation.

While the statistics may be daunting, there is a simple way to make higher education more accessible and affordable: Start saving even a small amount as soon as possible. Often we see parents worrying about their children's academic preparation for college, but financial preparation is equally important. In fact, according to a recent study in the Journal of Children and Poverty, researchers at the Center for Social Development at Washington University in St. Louis found that children with a savings account in their name were approximately six times more likely to attend college than those with no account. The amount saved was not important \_ only that they had some form of savings that were dedicated to higher education.

The sooner a family starts to save for higher education,

the more affordable it will be. However, many families think they don't need to prepare for higher education expenses when their child is an infant or toddler, often putting off the task until their child is in high school. State-sponsored and tax-advantaged college savings plans,

help families finance all forms of higher education and training throughout the country. Maryland's 539 plans can be used toward nearly any accredited college nationwide, public or private,

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a plan for a child who decides not to pursue higher education, the money can easily be transferred to a different beneficiary \_ another child or even the parents \_ for qualified advanced education and training. Or the family can simply take the money out of the plan (subject to certain fees, taxes, and a 10 percent federal penalty on the earnings portion of the withdrawal).

529 plans are also geographically mobile, so if a family relocates, they can continue in the plan they chose originally or roll over once a year into another state's plan if they prefer, subject to specific plan provisions. The College Savings Plans Network's website, www.collegesavings.org, offers non-commercial information that allows families to research each state's plans to select the best one for their needs.

Despite the rising costs, a college degree can make a significant difference in your child's future. While the current national unemployment rate for high school graduates is 9.7 percent, the rate for college graduates is 4.2 percent. Also, college graduates can expect to earn on average 66 percent more over 40 years than those with only a high school degree.

Whatever the individual situation, families should never delay starting to save because they're worried about something occurring in the future or can only make a small contribution. Start now. Save what you can afford. Adjust as you go along. The costs and importance of higher education will only continue to rise \_ but with smart planning and early savings, higher education and the benefits it brings can be a reality for all families, not just some.

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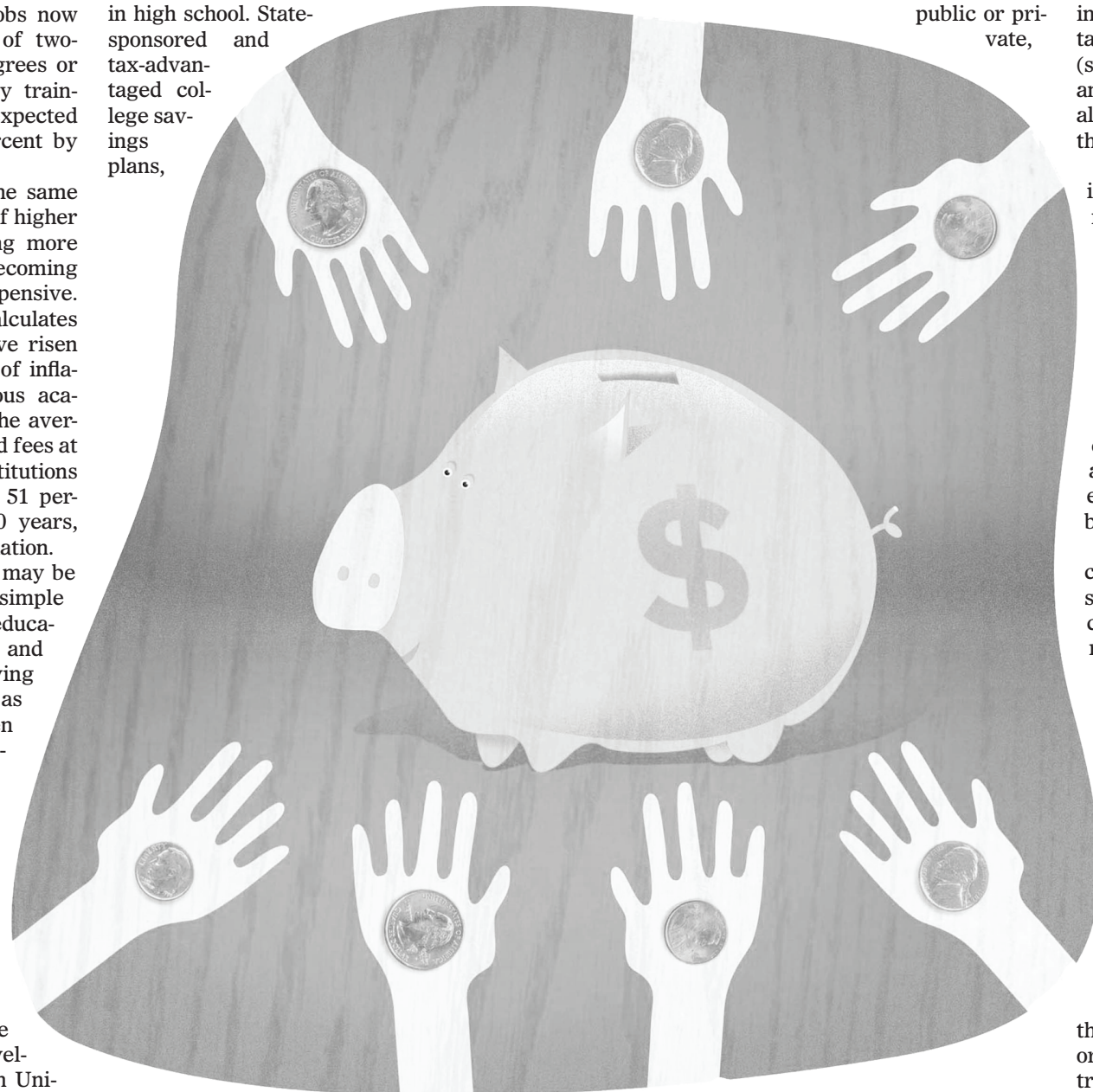


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called 529 plans after section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code, allow families to start saving from the time their child is born. In fact, saving for higher education can start in a 529 savings plan as soon as a couple begins to think about starting a family if the parent enrolls as the account holder and names

ment for higher education has to grow, the more valuable it can be. And those investments do not need to be designated for four-year degrees only. 529 savings plans can also be used for a two-year degree, eligible technical or trade training, room and board, books or other qualified expenses. 529

two-year or four-year, and at U.S. schools that have campuses outside the country.

People often fear making decisions and investments they can't reverse down the road, but 529 plans offer more flexibility than many realize. For example, if a family starts

## A United States of Europe?

**Bruce Ackerman**  
Los Angeles Times

Are we witnessing the birth of the United States of Europe?

There are uncanny similarities between the current round of wheeling and dealing and the founding of the United States of America. The Philadelphia Convention of 1787 represented America's second try at continental union. In 1781, the 13 states had come together behind a treaty-constitution that broadly resembles present

European arrangements.

America's first effort was the Articles of Confederation. Like the European Union treaties, it guaranteed each citizen's right to move throughout the confederation and exercise all the economic privileges of home-staters. It also created a weak unicameral Congress and a judiciary for resolving inter-state disputes. But it did not grant the confederation independent powers of taxation, preventing it from guaranteeing the large war debts issued by each of the states. Because many states were in shaky financial condition, their bonds had dramatically depreciated in value, undermining the confidence of European investors in New World projects.

This was one of the problems motivating the movement "for a more perfect union."

The Constitution of 1787 granted new powers to impose taxes and set up an analogue to the Bank of England. Once it came into effect, the federal government moved quickly to create a national bank and to

pay the depreciated state debt. This ended the credit crisis and established the credibility of the infant republic in European financial markets.

But before all this could happen, the founders confronted a threshold problem: So long as they were living under the laws of the confederation, it would be impossible to get their new Constitution ratified. Like the current European Union treaties, the Articles of Confederation explicitly required unanimous consent to any revision of its terms, and it was perfectly obvious that no such consent would be forthcoming.

Rhode Island was the Britain of its time - this small trading state was unwilling to give up its sovereignty to the federal colossus. It refused to send delegates to the Philadelphia Convention, denouncing it as an illegal secessionist assembly, which is precisely what it turned out to be. After a summer of secret sessions, the Philadelphians went public with a document proclaiming that, despite the articles' requirement of unanimous consent, the new Constitution would spring to life when only nine of the 13 states ratified.

Confronting this revolutionary

change in the rules of the game, Rhode Island simply refused to play, as did North Carolina. When the first Congress met in 1789, there were 11 states in the union. The dissenting states caved under pressure - with Rhode Island entering in 1790 only when Congress began threatening to impose tariffs on its trade unless it abandoned the veto solemnly granted to it by the Articles of Confederation.

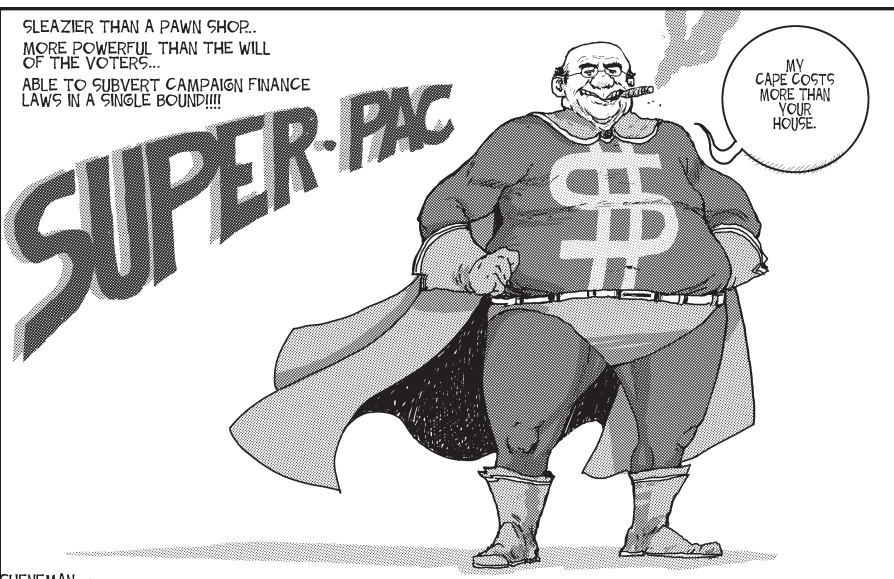
These embarrassing facts have long been forgotten, even by most serious students of the U.S. Constitution. But they put the current crisis in a new light.

The members of the new Eurozone treaty won't bludgeon Britain into Rhode Island-style capitulation. But if British Prime Minister David Cameron stands firm, his veto will likely lead to the ultimate exclusion of his nation from the EU. The projected treaty will create a large bloc whose interests systematically diverge from other members, but which will depend on a steady flow of supportive decisions by EU institutions to maintain the Eurozone's credibility.

Given these dynamics, Cameron is simply fooling himself if he really believes "that the EU institutions - the court, the commission - (would) work for all 27 nations" when this would compromise the euro bloc's fundamental interests. When Britain tries to undermine ongoing support for the Eurozone, it will predictably provoke a constitutional crisis - in which the euro bloc will eject Britain to prevent its continuing acts of sabotage.

This is a time for some serious diplomacy from the Obama administration. The United States should help bridge the gap between the Continent and Britain's divided coalition of conservatives and liberals, encouraging both sides to return to the bargaining table. If left unchecked, the current institutional dynamics will generate a United States of Continental Europe at an unacceptable price, gravely weakening the West for a very long time to come.

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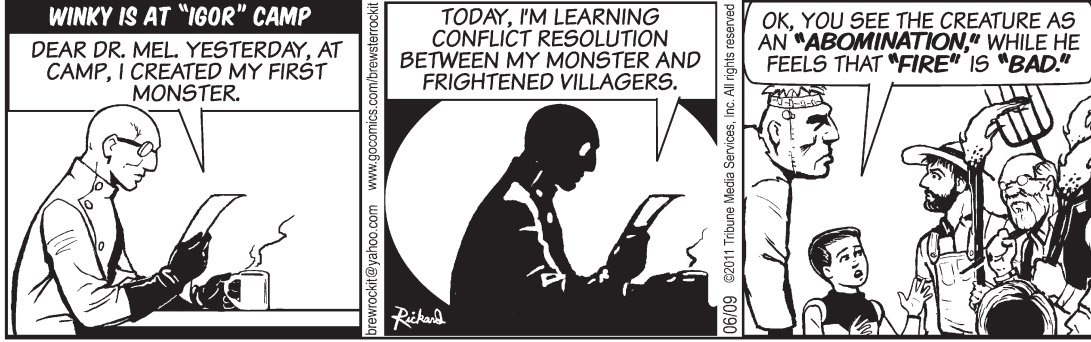
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- Martin Luther King, Jr.

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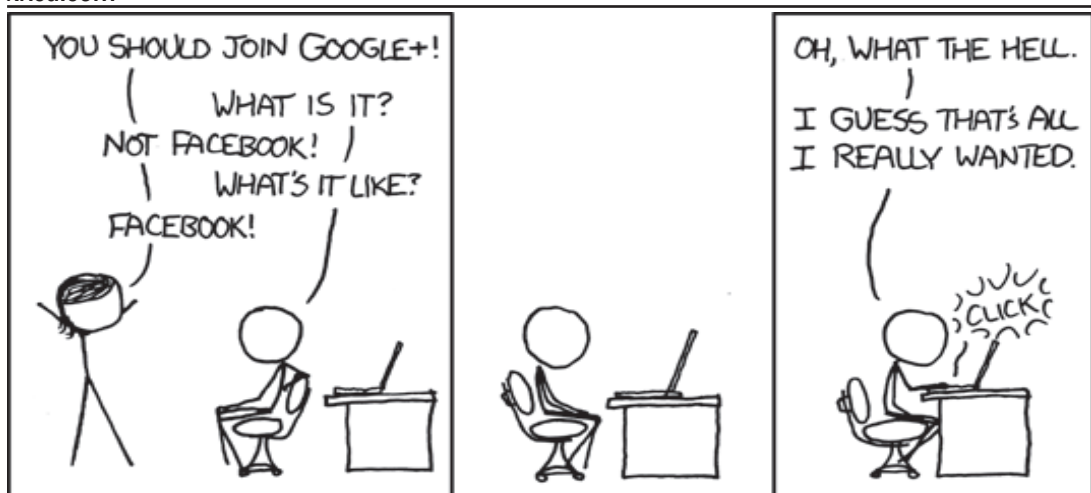


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### ACROSS

- 1 "\_\_\_": Miami
- 4 \_\_\_ Michelle Gellar
- 9 Waitress on "Alice"
- 12 On a \_\_\_ with; equivalent to
- 13 Wipe the slate
- 14 Suffix with fact or intellect
- 15 Onassis, to friends
- 16 Actor George \_\_\_
- 17 Pull hard
- 18 Malia Obama's sister
- 20 Melissa Gilbert's role on "Little House on the Prairie"
- 22 Actor on "Criminal Minds"
- 26 Actress \_\_\_ Zellweger
- 27 "Dancing with the Stars" judge
- 28 "Love \_\_\_ Many Splendored Thing"
- 29 Asner and Sullivan
- 32 Hair dyes
- 35 Actor on "Criminal Minds"
- 39 Compensate
- 40 "\_\_\_ of Two Cities"
- 42 "\_\_\_ Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs"
- 43 "\_\_\_ in Toyland"
- 47 "Ripley's Believe It or \_\_\_!"

### DOWN

- 48 Pigpen
- 49 "\_\_\_ Lucy"
- 50 Wolf Blitzer's employer
- 51 Ending for host or count
- 52 Taunts; ridicules
- 53 Affirmative vote
- 1 Expert accountants, for short
- 2 Teasdale and Gilbert
- 3 From Dublin or Belfast
- 4 "\_\_\_ Street"
- 5 "Who Do You Think You \_\_\_?"
- 6 Cleaning cloth
- 7 "Not \_\_\_ Stranger"; Frank Sinatra movie
- 8 "\_\_\_, Dolly!"
- 9 "Back to the \_\_\_"; film for Michael J. Fox
- 10 Bacall or Holly
- 11 Olympic gymnast Korbut
- 19 "Death Becomes \_\_\_"; Meryl Streep movie
- 21 Large Internet provider's letters
- 23 Lt. \_\_\_ Van Buren; role on "Law & Order"
- 24 Varnish ingredient
- 25 Intended
- 29 Kicks out
- 30 One of the Seven Dwarfs and his namesakes
- 31 "20,000 Leagues Under the \_\_\_"
- 33 Razzes good-naturedly
- 34 Title for Joe Friday on "Dragnet": abbr.
- 36 "\_\_\_ Fat Greek Wedding"
- 37 Reagan or McKeon
- 38 "Home \_\_\_"; Macaulay Culkin film
- 39 "Terminator 3: \_\_\_ of the Machines"
- 41 Sicilian volcano
- 44 Actress MacGraw
- 45 Barker or Newhart
- 46 Arden of "Our Miss Brooks"

Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

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# Sports

## Cobra men beginning to hit their stride



**Mark Roughton**  
Sports Writer

The Parkland Cobras Men's basketball team is beginning to hit their stride as they have won six of their last seven games, including a perfect record in the month of December. The Cobras have shrugged off the slow start in November with improved team play on both sides of the ball, pushing their record to 11-7 overall at the halfway point of the season.

A big difference between now and the beginning of the season is the defensive tenacity the Cobras have displayed, holding their last five opponents to just 62.5 points per game. "Defense is a huge emphasis for us," Head coach Nate Mast said. "Our team goal is 65 points or less for

the opponent every night, and when we do win it seems that those scores are in the 60's or low 70's." Mast's team is right on pace with this goal as they have allowed an average of only 64.5 points per game in each Cobra win thus far.

The recent stretch of great defensive play is due in large part to the fact that the Cobras are starting to mesh with each other better. "Through December, I thought we built on our chemistry and got a little more comfortable and settled in," Mast said. "I feel like the pieces are coming together now."

The coaching staff worked tirelessly throughout the early portion of the season figuring out the rotations and different starting fives they can use to be successful. Mast has found four solidified starters and

acknowledges that the deep bench the Cobras can throw at teams makes his job of identifying that fifth starter much easier because there is simply no drop off in talent.

"Any given night somebody can have a great game for us," Mast added. Mast has consistently played ten or 11 players for significant minutes during the course of the season, thus being able to keep each player fresh and ready to go. Having that luxury has played a major role in the team's recent resurgence.

Mast, along with assistant coaches Coleco Buie and Dustin Yoder are still searching for that one player who can lead the rest of the team and get everybody on the same page. Mast would be the first to tell you that having that extra "coach" on the floor to keep

the team in tune with the head coach's expectations is vital, though he admits that with this team, it's not going to be just a one man responsibility. The responsibility is to be split between sophomores Jamel Johnson, Cody McCollum and Shaq Lowery. "They each have to work together to be our leaders," Mast said. "Getting those guys to work together, I think that will make us the most effective when they are all leaders at the same time."

Johnson, Lowery and McCollum have continued to shine, powering the Cobras through this great stretch, each averaging double figures in scoring and providing that necessary leadership to speed up the learning curve for the freshmen. The Cobras have gotten great lift from their

bench during this turn around as there are five other players that have provided a consistent scoring threat, including Charles Glass III, Tiger O'Neil, Anthony Woods, Mark Gilchrese and Geordy Mulumba. This will prove to be essential down the stretch, as balanced scoring will give their opponents more to think about.

The Cobras have already been tested early and often playing a handful of teams ranked in the division I and II polls. There is a method to this strategy by Mast. "If this is how tough it is now, it's going to be just as tough at the end so let's learn how to win these type of games now so when it comes down to the time it matters most, we're prepared," Mast said.

The schedule will begin to

work itself out, as they will have the chance to take advantage of a great home stretch where they host seven straight at Dodd's Athletic Center. Marquee games on the schedule include two with No.17 ranked Lincoln College and two with No. 4 ranked John Wood Community College. The trend of great play must continue in order for the Cobras to finish strong against such stout competition. Parkland travels to Lincoln Land for its next contest January 18, and their next home game is February 8 against Illinois Central. Come out and support your Parkland College men's basketball program as they strive to finish strong and springboard into postseason play.

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## Women's Basketball continue strong season

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Sports Writer

Although they are a fairly young group of players, the Cobras Women's basketball team continues to perform at a consistent level. The 2011-12 season has nearly passed its midpoint, which means that conference play is underway and the postseason inches closer. Head coach Karrie Redeker's club has posted a record of 11-5 and plans to build on the lessons and successes of this season.

One example of success, which the coaching staff can point to, is the six game winning streak that followed a loss to Olney Central in the season opener. A streak that saw the Cobras win games by an average of almost 16 points per contest. During that run, no opponent scored more than 63 points. That level of defensive performance has been a staple and a point of emphasis from coach to players. "We set a defensive goal of holding the other team to 65 points or less, as we have found that to be a 'winnable' score," Redeker said. "Defense is easier to control on a nightly basis because it only takes effort, intensity, and a team concept. Therefore, we should expect a solid defensive effort every game. It's harder to control offense as far as the types of shots we are going to get or the percentage we are going to shoot each game."

Lessons can be drawn from the stretch of games following the winning streak. A bit of inconsistency plagued the Cobras as they split their next eight outings, including

a home loss to current No. 14, Kirkwood Community College. Redeker cited one huge reason for this, saying, "turnovers have been a killer for our team this season, so we have consistently tried to find ways to address improvement in that area." This was especially an issue in their latest defeat by the hands of Division I team Jefferson College in overtime, in which the Cobras committed 35 turnovers.

With such a freshman heavy ball club, games like those are somewhat inevitable. The task that is usually addressed by the coaching staff is keeping those young players, and those players willing to improve, focused. Redeker praises the progress of her freshman. "The area that our freshmen have improved the most has been picking up the pace of the college game and learning the intensity with which they need to play," she said.

As the season continues, the coaching staff has also done a great job helping players understand their roles and develop their games. "In high school most of them were relied on for scoring; now they are asked to be a more complete player," Redeker said.

This season has witnessed Redeker's team post a better road record (5-2) than home record (6-3). "I'm not sure there is a reason other than possibly that there are less distractions leading up to the game," Redeker said about the record. "When they are on the bus going to a game, they can only listen to music, watch a movie, or sleep. We also have had a pretty difficult home schedule, so I would think that

may have affected that statistic the most."

Great performance on the road is a sign of mental toughness and maturity with such a young club. Despite previous losses, one goal of this team is to hold serve on their home floor. The coaching staff's New Year's resolution is to be perfect at home in 2012.

So far, so good for the Cobras as they were victorious this past Saturday in their first home game of the New Year. After watching an 18 point halftime lead disappear against opposing Lewis and Clark Community College, solid play and execution saw the home team pull out a thrilling 85-80 victory. Lewis and Clark tied the game twice in the last 5:06, but could not take the lead. Poor shot selection down the stretch, along with Parkland's solid defense, was their downfall.

Hopefully, the momentum from this victory will travel to Springfield, as Redeker's team prepares to face Lincoln Land Community College tonight. They would also like it to set a pace for the rest of the season. "We must take one game at a time and win the majority of them to put ourselves in the top 4 so we can host a first round game in early March," Redeker stated. "Our kids need to continue to work hard each day and continue to improve and we will see where that leads." This team continues to show improvement. It should be an exciting run to the finish line. Be sure to support the team, whose next home game is January 23, at 5:30 p.m. against Milliken JV.



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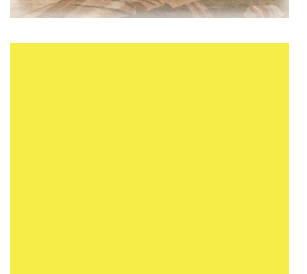
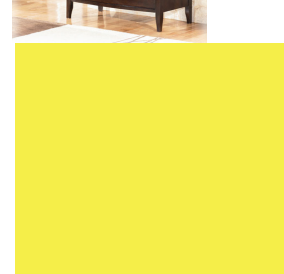
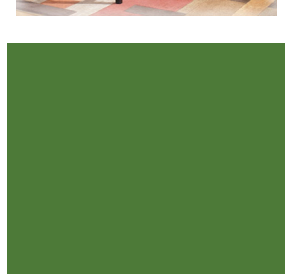
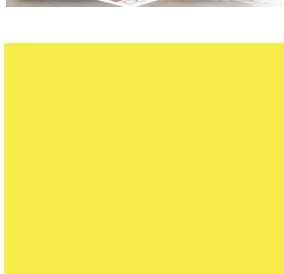
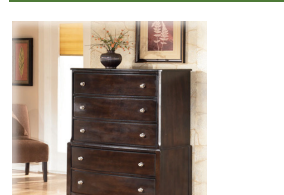
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