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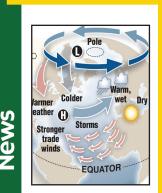


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Students get into shape by working out at Parkland College's Fitness Center in room P128, which is located in the lower level of the Gym.

Alisha Kirkley Staff Writer

Whether related to religion, language, culture or just social fun, there are student clubs and organizations for nearly everyone. Among these is a student organized clubs to educate others about health issues, support the local community and encourage other students to make positive choices. That club goes by the name of P.U.S.H., otherwise known as Parkland United for Student Health.

P.U.S.H. is student organized,

events that are focused on health, and decide what activities they would like to be a part of or take part planning or developing an activity or event they are interested in."

P.U.S.H. is for students who are interested in living healthy lifestyles. This does not mean people with health issues or less active lifestyles are unwelcome. Students who want to make a change in their lifestyle, such as exercising more or eating healthier foods, are more than welcome to join. "We actually encourage those that may want to make a positive change in their lives and need support, encouragement, and motivation to turn over a healthy new leaf," Lewis explained.

running and walking group, organizing an intermural sports team, volunteering at blood drives and flu clinics, exchanging healthy recipes and educating peers on sexual health.

Members of P.U.S.H. already participate in numerous activities, including social events that foster health, local community events that promote health and wellness and other activities that promote and support social policies and improve various aspects of wellness.

the Wellness Center in Room X-240, which is right across from the second story entrance to the library. Students are always welcome to come in and ask questions about the club.

related education to students and staff," Lewis said. Some of the services supplied are personalized diet assessment, smoking cessation assistance, alcohol and drug education, free fifteen minutes chair massages, free condoms, blood pressure readings and stress management counseling. There are also free pamphlets about the P.U.S.H. program and other health topics available just outside of the entrance of the Wellness Center.

In addition to the Wellness Center and P.U.S.H., students Center should be at the top of P.U.S.H. members meet in can utilize the Fitness every student's list for rough

appropriate workout attire with tennis shoes when visiting the Fitness Center. The Fitness Center is located in the lower level of the Physical Education building in room P128.

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P.U.S.H. and the Wellness Center can be found on Facebook as well. For updates and information on these and other programs, students can "like" the Parkland College page.

Out of all the resources that take advantage of what Parkland offers, the Wellness times, even if this means just dealing with extra stress during exam week. And if a person wants to start down the road to a healthier lifestyle but lacks the motivation, they should consider joining P.U.S.H, for that little extra push towards the goal line.

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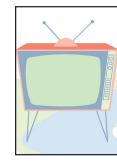
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which, according to Wellness Educator Mekenzie Lewis, means "The organization is run by students, meaning students get to decide the direction or involvement of the organization. It is an opportunity for students to meet others with similar interests, learn about local

There are many activities that the group has discussed and would like to start up. Some of those ideas are starting a

"We act as wellness coaches to assist with personal growth and change and to offer health

Center and even get class credit for it. They may also choose a non-credited, noninstructional class (WAC 650-001 - Fitness Center Use) for \$50 per semester, which has no prerequisite but is only available during specific hours. Students should bring their Parkland ID and wear

Parkland gains national spotlight with urban greening award

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An award-winning landscape design and horticulture professor again puts Parkland College in the national spotlight for urban landscape architecture.

A team led by Parkland Associate Professor Kaizad Irani was recently awarded a \$42,200, six-month planning grant from the nonprofit TKF Foundation to design publicly accessible urban green spaces for its "Open Spaces Sacred Places" program. The prestigious competition awarded \$500,000 in planning grants to only 11 cross-disciplinary teams nationwide.

The overall goal of Open Spaces Sacred Places is to generate more complete knowledge about how nature-based sacred spaces benefit and impact city dwellers. One of the teams TKF selected was the Parkland-led Waukegan Area Sacred Spaces Project (WASS); WASS team members also include First Baptist Church of Waukegan, Lake County Forest Preserves, Chicago Wilderness, and the Landscape and Human Health Laboratory at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The other 10 projects winning

TKF planning grants were involved with such organizations as Walter Reed Medical Center, Harvard University, Cornell University, USDA Forest Service, Brooklyn Greenway Initiative, Columbia University, The Horticultural Society of New York, University of Michigan, University of Washington, and The Greening of Detroit.

Irani's team plans to design a healing garden for the Greenbelt Forest Preserve in Waukegan and connect it to an ambassador Open Spaces Sacred Places site four miles away at the First Baptist Church of Waukegan. Later this summer his team will again compete for TKF funding, to implement the plans it develops on the two sacred spaces and conduct research on the impact of these spaces. The UIUC's Landscape and Human Health Lab, dedicated to studying the connection between greenery and human health, will conduct the research.

No stranger to national success in competitive landscape design, Professor Irani's landscape artistry has been selected to grace such sites as St. Jude Children's Hospital, New York City's Lower Manhattan entrance near Ground Zero, and a healing labyrinth

garden at Crystal Lake Park in Urbana. As director of Parkland's Horticulture/Landscape Design program, Irani said Parkland students will benefit from this grant through exposure to the design process in the classroom, as he works with the WASS project team and relays this process to his students. Future students will also benefit from this project, since Irani will be able to draw from this design process as another real-world example.

The private nonprofit TKF Foundation funds publicly accessible urban green spaces. It partners with organizations to create "Open Spaces Sacred Places" that increase a sense of community and contribute to a deepening of human connections. These sacred places reawaken and reaffirm the powerful connection between nature, spirit, and human wellbeing. Irani's philosophy for these designs is that "sacred places are those that have an inherent power--although subtle as it may be--to evoke introspection, promoting physical and emotional well-being that will provide respite from our day-to-day rigors."

Visit http://www.openspacessacredplaces.org/ to learn more about the project sites.

Parkland open house

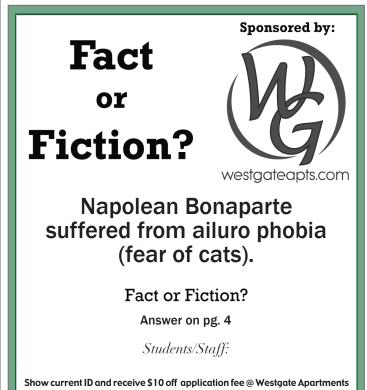
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residents Area are invited to bring their post-high-school goals focus into clearer bv exploring higher educational and career options during "Picture Yourself @ Parkland", the annual campus-wide open house scheduled for Friday, March 9, from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the College

Center.

Visitors will be able to speak with college representatives wide variety at а informational of booths. including college admissions. financial aid. academic majors, student counseling life, and advising, student academic support, and more. High school students, high school

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Cold winter weather, snow in short supply this season



WASHINGTON - Winter's been so mild in much of the United States this year that you can slip out some sunny afternoons to the golf course or bike path. Many snow shovels have stayed in storage. Heating bills have fallen.

Meanwhile, Europe's suffering a brutal winter.

But in the United States - in the East, Midwest, Texas, the Plains and parts of the West the average mean temperature was 5 degrees or more above normal over the past 30 days. Only Washington state and parts of Oregon showed coolerthan-average temperatures then.

It remains to be seen, however, whether U.S. winter records will be broken.

"We'll have to wait until February is over," said Kathryn Vreeland, a climatologist at the Northeast Regional Climate Center.

Mike Halpert, the deputy director of the government's Climate Prediction Center, said the U.S. had had a number of warm winters recently. But the last two were cold across much of the country, and that's fresh in everyone's mind, he said.

Part of the explanation for this year's mildness stems from the Arctic Oscillation atmospheric pressure patterns in the Arctic and northernmiddle latitudes.

The Arctic Oscillation has been in a warm or positive phase recently, meaning the polar jet stream is stronger than average and has shifted poleward, Halpert said. "Basically, that keeps cold air bottled up over the pole."

The last two winters were the opposite: A negative phase allowed cold air to drop down. That brought heavy snow to New York and New England last year, and the big snows in the mid-Atlantic in 2010.

Record keeping on the Arctic Oscillation began around 1950, Halpert said. In the 1950s, '60s and '70s, there often was a negative phase, bringing colder winters. In the 1980s, '90s and 2000s, many winters had a positive AO.

The Arctic Oscillation is part of the planet's natural cycle, Halpert said; it's too early to tell whether climate change is having an impact on it.

In the last couple of weeks, the Arctic Oscillation turned negative again, bringing severe cold to Europe and Asia, but not to the United States. That's partly due to another pattern of pressure, the North Atlantic Oscillation, Halpert said. That's remained positive.

It's also a La Nina winter, when cooler temperatures in the Pacific typically result in cooler temperatures in the Northwest. La Nina also directs storm tracks, shifting them away from the Southeast toward the west and north,

Halpert said.

While weather varies with each season and vear. climate scientists worldwide have observed a longer-term global warming trend. They've reached a consensus that it can be explained only by the increase in greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, mainly as a result of burning fossil fuels. Some climate research aims to see whether there are links between global warming and changes in the Arctic

Oscillation. Jeff Masters, the director of meteorology for Weather Underground Inc., keeps track of weather events and research on climate change and blogs about it at wunderground.com.

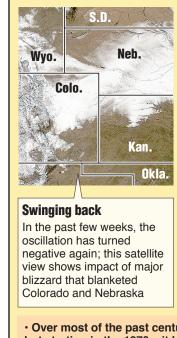
"In December, we had the most extreme atmospheric pressurepatterneverobserved over the North Atlantic, with records going back to 1865," Masters said in an email. The patterns have been extreme in four of the last six Decembers, he added.

This year, the strong jet stream has kept the cold air bottled up in Canada. The National Weather Service keeps snow data for 166 cities, and 157 of them have had below-average amounts, Masters said.

In addition, a rare tropical disturbance brought heavy rain Monday to the Florida Keys. It's the kind of disturbance usually seen in the summer hurricane season, "and something I've never

The Arctic Oscillation effect

Changes in atmospheric pressure patterns over the North Polar region known as the Arctic Oscillation is thought to be driving this winter's mostly unseasonably mild weather in North America. Looking at how the two phases of the oscillation work.



· During positive phase, the polar jet stream is stronger, shifts northward Lower Arctic air pressure bottles up the coldest air Ocean storms driven further north Wetter weather comes to Alaska, Scotland,

Scandinavia Drier conditions prevail in western U.S. and Mediterranean

Effects of the negative phase

Effects of the

positive phase

 The polar jet stream is weaker, air pressure is higher there than at mid-latitudes The stratosphere over the Arctic is less frigid Cold air drawn south Wetter weather affects Mediterranean

 Drier conditions prevail in northern Europe

· Over most of the past century, the oscillation has alternated. but starting in the 1970s, it has trended toward positive

Source: National Snow & Ice Data Center, University of Colorado; NASA

seen in February during my 30 years as a meteorologist," Masters said.

All this and other extreme weather over the past two years is just too much to be an unusually long run of natural extremes, Masters said.

"Something is definitely up with the weather, and it is clear to me that over the past two years, the climate has shifted to a new state capable of delivering rare and unprecedented weather events," he said. "Human

emissions of heat-trapping gases like carbon dioxide are the most likely cause of such a shift in the climate."

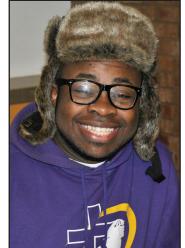
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Smoking near the Parkland entrances: Do you have an opinion? How do students feel about this issue? Let us know at: www.facebook.com/prospectusnews











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Name: Scott Beatty

A: It doesn't bother me.

Name: Jade Mackey

A: As long as they try to be A: Can we move it? I don't like considerate of others I don't walking in smoke. mind.

Name: Marcus Ramóne



Name: Shelby Craft

A: It is okay as long as they are farther away from the doors.



Name: Tanesha King

A: I believe that it's not a A: It's not a problem, I'm healthy approach for those who don't smoke and it doesn't set a good example.

Name: Nick Pettiford

actually one of those people.

Duty upon damaging unattended vehicle Officer Matthew Kopmann

The Parkland College Police Department responds to vehicle accidents on campus. This is to inform you that you have a duty to report an accident if you damage another vehicle or property, especially if the vehicle is unattended. Failure to do so could result in a \$120 citation and a mandatory court appearance.

According to the Illinois Vehicle Code 625 ILCS 5/11-404, The driver of any vehicle which is involved in a motor vehicle accident with any vehicle which is unattended resulting in any damage to such other vehicle shall immediately stop and shall then and there either locate and notify the operator or owner

of such vehicle of the driver's name, address, registration number and owner of the vehicle the driver was operating or shall attach securely in a conspicuous place on or in the vehicle or other property struck a written notice giving the driver's name, address, registration number and owner of the vehicle the driver was driving and shall without unnecessary delay notify the nearest office of a duly authorized police authority and shall make a written report of such accident.

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Start planning for spring break



PN Jacob Kuppler Staff Writer Staff Writer

There are several factors to take into account when preparing for spring break. Students have to find a way to manage their time and resources in order to complete their coursework and still find the time to relax and enjoy the break. While this may seem like a difficult task, there are definite strategies for avoiding difficulties over the week off of school.

A recent article found on About. com's College Life website offers many good suggestions for managing your time when it comes to completing coursework. First and foremost, it is strongly suggested that you formulate a plan of how you will spend your time finishing your assignments and studying for any exams following the break.

The site explains, "Making a plan will prevent those 'Oh, no! I forgot I had to do that, too!' moments that have a tendency to creep up at the worst possible times." It is also suggested that you stick to your original plan as opposed to procrastinating. In fact, putting off doing your coursework and studying until the last free moment is very much discouraged. "Of course, you've probably been hearing this advice for ages. But leaving major college coursework to the last minute is a very bad idea," the site states.

Another thing that students should Illustration by Larrauri/MCT expect is the necessity to work on homework or studying for extended periods of time. Doing so actually reduces the amount of time spent on homework, because it helps your brain to better process information and complete the work you are doing if it is given time to "warm up."

With that in mind, another strategy that students should consider is letting their friends, family and roommates know that they will need to take the time to do their coursework. Doing so makes it easier to get things done as well. That way, you will most likely have the support of those around you. Knowing that you will be allowed to do your assignments in peace will make them that much easier.

Of course there is the possibility that loud neighbors or obnoxious roommates will inadvertently interfere with your ability to get your coursework done. If thisprovestrue, About.com recommends that students go to local libraries. "They can be a great place to plant yourself and your laptop, get internet access, and work for several hours in peace and quiet," the site explains.

When it comes to managing funds during spring break, Money Management Tips.com makes the following suggestions for college students. First of all, keep track of your spending, particularly impulse spending. That way, you can see where your money is going and you can make adjustments, if necessary. If an individual realizes that, for instance,

they are spending too much eating out they could spend more on groceries and enjoy more meals at home. Being frugal is the second suggestion. Take advantage of student discounts and avoid frivolous spending.

Another strong suggestion is to make a budget based upon your income and savings. Having made yourself a budget, do your best to stick to it. If you do make a few unwise purchases, however, do not be discouraged. Instead, just adhere to your budget more strictly in the future.

Another excellent recommendation is to create an emergency savings fund for whatever may come up. You never know when you will find it necessary to get work done on your vehicle, when you may have health issues or some other sudden crisis may arise. Being prepared for any eventuality will keep you in good standing.

A good way to avoid creating a financial crisis is the careful use of credit or debit cards. By spending strictly with cash, you get to keep a closer eye on your funds, and won't incur debt the way you could with credit cards. As MainStreet's website points out, "consumers generally spend more conservatively when they have to watch dollars physically disappear from their wallet." By following these simple suggestions, you can be sure that your spring break will be well spent.

'Megatrouble' for Megaupload





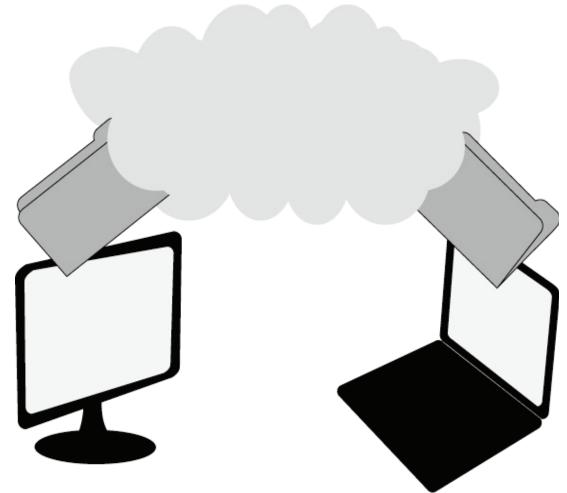
U.S. Courts are currently extradite attempting to

can store their data off site, forgoing the necessity of storing and maintaining the hardware on site. Employees of the companies can then readily access data from office, home or out of town, keeping up to date on project developments or making changes to group projects from outside of the office. Such data is usually insured and secured against corruption and loss, and can be accessed and manipulated from any platform or operating system.

bership incentives offered by Megaupload encouraged the ness did not reproduce or copy spread of copyrighted material and that cash rewards for members who attracted the most new business were evidence of this practice. Although Dotcom was a resident of New Zealand and his company, Megaupload, was based in Hong Kong, some of their cloud storage was hosted by third party operators in Virginia. This was sufficient for the FBI to begin an investigation, which led to Dotcom's arrest and upcoming extradition hearing.

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Dotcom has pled not guilty and maintains that Megaupload has always responded to claims of copyright infringement by investigating and removing offending material. It was claimed that mem- Dotcom's lawyer Paul Davison stated in court, "His busimaterial as alleged," and that any copyright holders who had approached the company were given access to the site to verify that their material had been removed. Megaupload had even received endorsement from many celebrities in the film and recording industries and was planning on releasing a jukebox type service, which would pay artists directly through advertising for music played and listened to for free by users. Dotcom is being held in New Zealand and has been denied bail, as past criminal charges have categorized him as a flight risk. All of his assets have been seized including \$7 million worth of vehicles and his mansion. His wife, who is pregnant with twins, and his children have been evicted from their home and forced to



Megaupload founder Kim Dotcom after New Zealand courts denied his bail on February 3. Dotcom was arrested on January 20, in a massive raid by New Zealand Special Forces troops on his home, after U.S. prosecutors alleged that Megaupload was used primarily for pirating copyrighted material.

Dotcom's supporters claim that this show of force was excessive and was an attempt to strike fear into the online pirating community in the wake of so much popular rejection of the SOPA and PIPA bills proposed in Congress.

Megaupload offered cloud data storage services through third party server operating companies, which are used for a number of reasons. American companies utilize these services from operators such as Amazon, Microsoft, Atmos and Symantec. The companies

Amid allegations that his company has cost over \$500 million in damages to American film and music industry companies, Dotcom has been charged with Conspiracy to Commit Racketeering, Conspiracy to Commit Copyright Infringement, Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering, Criminal Copyright Infringe-

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live on the charity of friends as they await the results of an extradition process which will likely take months. Papers are expected to be filed February 22.

The move by U.S. prosecutors has had mixed results, regardless of the outcome of Dotcom's case. Some other online hosting companies such as Filesonic have reacted by disabling the sharing capabilities through their service,

allowing users to only access data which they personally have uploaded into their own account. Other providers have simply blocked all access to their servers from users in the United States. For many other sites, however, there has been no effect whatsoever. There is even another service, called Tribler, which has taken this opportunity to announce that its file sharing technology is impossible to shut down. In a

statement to the website TorrentFreak, the leader of the team, Dr Pouwelse, explained that "Our key scientific quest facilitating unbounded is information sharing." Tribler is decentralized and holds no files in storage anywhere. Instead it is based on peer to peer connections for file sharing and has been up and running continuously for the past six years with no downtime.

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part by Dr. Bella DePaulo her

recent book, "Singled Out,"

this prejudice may be the next

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trying to set you up with every

unmarried person she knows.

DePaulo, in a summary of

highlights from her book, says

that "when married workers

can add their spouse to a health

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add any other adult to their

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to be banished by the courts.

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Singlism: the latest prejudice

plan, singles are receiving unequal compensation for the same work."

DePaulo also adds that single people pay more taxes than their married counterparts, and gives examples of married people receiving "discounted rates on auto insurance, club memberships, and travel packages, while single people pay full price." As real as these slights against singles are, it is important to remember that companies do have reasons for doing this, and it isn't just to hurt unmarried people.

Society has long expected marriage to be a part of everyone's life plan. While this view is changing, many

policies are still in place from when it was widely accepted as the truth. And as much as the prejudice exists in the workplace, it is even more blatant in social interactions.

Parkland students, when expressed asked, have different opinions on the prominence of singlism in society. One student, Evan Jones, says that, "It is the general idea that people shouldn't be single." This belief can be seen in the way society treats people who are unmarried and over age 40, or just not currently in a relationship. The basis for an ever-popular sitcom plot, and unfortunately common real-

life scenario, some adults feel the need to try to set their single friends up with their other single friends, even if neither party is interested in dating.

Looking at things from a different angle, Parkland student Jason Neff points out that how people look at a single person depends on how often they are dating. "There's a stigma for single men that aren't going out a lot, people think there must be something wrong," he said. "But, those who go on a lot of dates are viewed as having a good life, especially by other men."

Neff points out that there is a double standard when

looking at women. "Women who are single and going out a lot are viewed in a negative light," he said. The gender dichotomy of singlism does add another layer of complication to the issue.

Finally, completely different opinion was given by student ToCorey Reed, who said, "I don't think there is a prejudice against single people. People choose who they want to be with. If they don't want to be with anyone, that's their decision."

the matter shows that maybe singlism isn't as big of an issue as many people believe. Or at least that there are some people who don't feel any prejudice against those

who choose to remain single. While society is working on breaking down one more outdated prejudice, the most important thing is to ensure that you do your part to end discrimination against anyone and everything. If you're interested in more information about singlism, visit the website located at http://www. BellaDePaulo.com for some of the latest research.

Regionalism: United we stand?



PORTLAND, Maine - In U.S. presidential campaigns, you can expect to hear a lot about the Founding Fathers, and how their ideals, intents and

the English Civil War, when Royalist Virginia stood against Puritan Massachusetts, or when New Netherland and New France were invaded and occupied by English-speaking soldiers, statesmen, and

and abiding divisions are not between red states and blue states, conservatives and liberals, capital and labor, blacks and whites, the faithful and the secular. Rather, our divisions stem from this fact: The United States is a



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spiritual beliefs are allegedly in sync with those of whichever candidate is speaking of them at the time. In contentious times like ours, the Founders are regularly summoned from their graves to provide direction. If we could only recognize and embrace their instructions, the candidates argue, then we could find our lost sense of common purpose, restore our civic virtue, and finally return the Union to unity.

But these arguments are frustrated by the simple fact that the men who came together to confront a common enemy in 1775 and to craft an enduring alliance in 1789 were not our country's founders, but rather the founders' great- or great-great-, or great-greatgreat-great-grandchildren.

The real founders - early-17th-century Puritans and Dutch West India Company officials, mid-17th-century English aristocrats, late-17thcentury West Indian slave lords and English Quakers, early-18th-century frontiersmen from Ulster and the lowlands of Scotland, and so on - didn't create an America; they created several Americas.

Some of these American societies championed individualism, others utopian social reform. Some believed themselves guided by divine purpose, others by freedom of conscience and inquiry. Some embraced an Anglo-Protestant identity, others ethnic and religious pluralism. Some valued equality and democratic participation, others deference to a traditional aristocratic order modeled on the slave states of classical antiquity.

As I show in my new book, "American Nations," throughout the Colonial period these separate regional cultures regarded one another as competitors, and occasionally as enemies, as was the case during

merchants.

Only when London began treating its colonies as a single unit - and enacted policies threatening to nearly all - did some of these distinct societies briefly come together to win a war of liberation and create a joint government. Nearly all of them would seriously consider leaving this new union in the 80-year period after the Battle of Yorktown; two went to war to do so in the 1860s: the Deep South and Tidewater.

All of these centuries-old cultures are still with us today and have spread their people, ideas, and influence across mutually exclusive bands of the continent.

America's most essential

federation composed of the whole or part of 11 regional nations, some of which truly do not see eye to eye with one another. These nations respect neither state nor international boundaries, bleeding over the U.S. frontiers with Canada and Mexico as readily as they divide California, Texas, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia.

Despite the rise of Walmart, Starbucks, and the Internet, there is little indication that they are melting into some sort of unified American culture. On the contrary, since 1960 the fault lines between these

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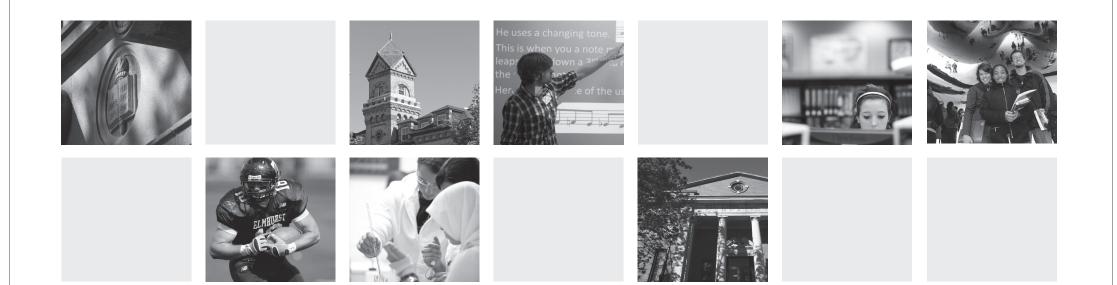
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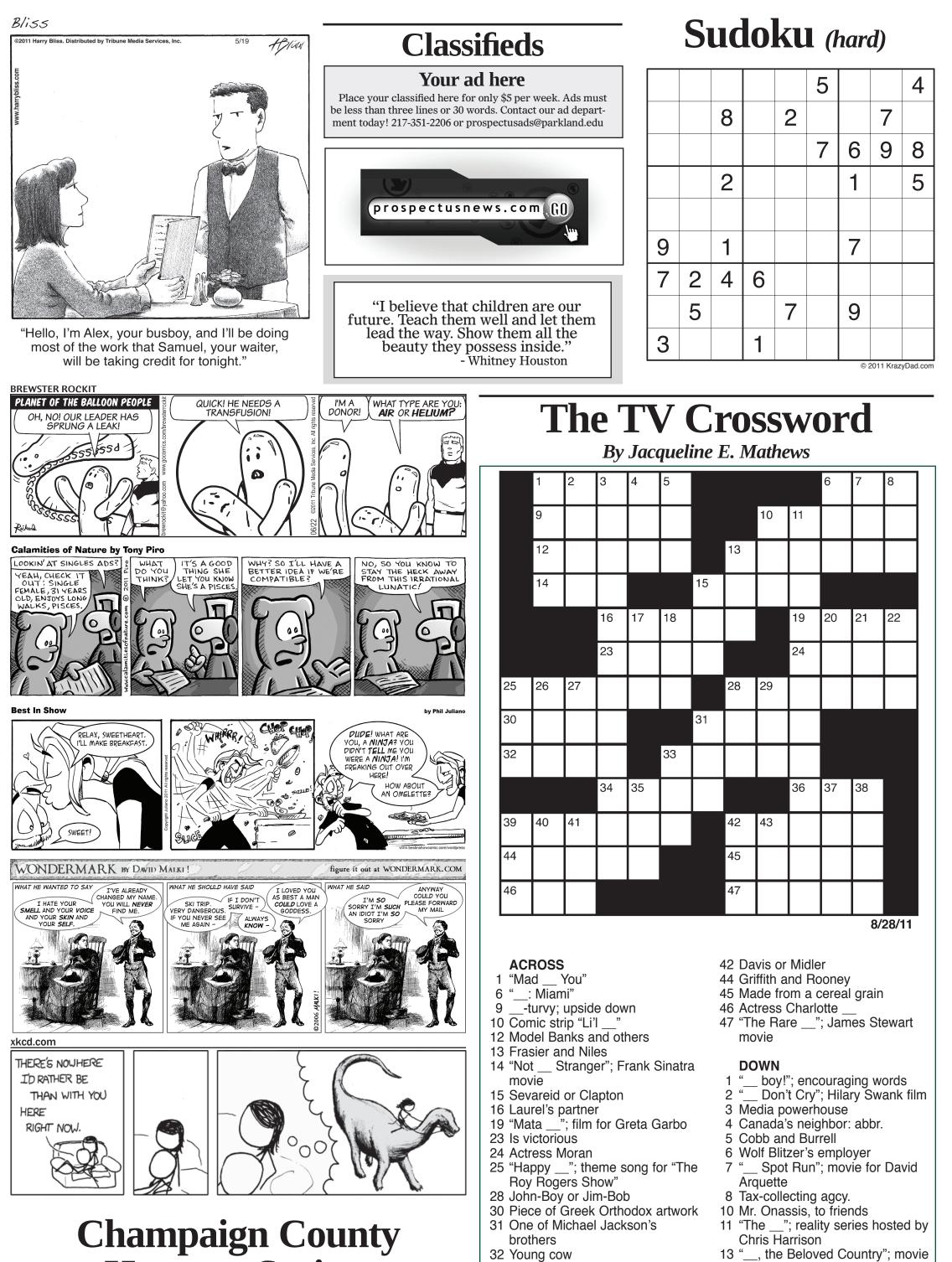
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Hall of Fame ceremony an added highlight to Cobras win

Mark Roughton and Spencer Brown Sports Writers

On a night when the stars aligned from Parkland's past, the men's basketball team shined the brightest. At halftime of Saturday's game, a ceremony was held recognizing the newest inductees to Parkland's athletic Hall Of Fame.

inductee Each was introduced and followed by their accolades. They were then walked to center stage to receive their plaque from members of the Hall of Fame committee, including Athletic Director Rod Lovett. An annual event, the ceremony honors outstanding athletes and thanks them for their contributions as a Parkland Cobra. Tonight, they had one more reason to be proud as the Cobras held off Lincoln Land CC for a 64-60 victory. Playing in front of a packed house, the Cobras executed with poise and determination. These characteristics two

welcomed signs of are consistency as March and the postseason inch closer. Head Coach Nate Mast's team had dropped three consecutive games on the road to John Wood, Lincoln, and Danville, but responded with a much needed 88-84 home victory against Illinois Central prior to last Saturday's contest against Lincoln Land. The Cobras dominated for most of the first half. A Shaquille Lowery three point basket gave the home team a 27-16 edge. These were the last points of the half for the Cobras, as the Loggers closed strong with eight straight points to close the deficit to 27-24. The Loggers opened the



Brooklyn Robbins, the former Cobras' two-time NJCAA All-American, was one of the few inducted to the Parkland College Athletic Hall of Fame on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2012 in the Dodds Athletic Center. Photo includes from left to right (Tom Ramage, Linda Moore, Brooklyn Robbins, Jim Reed, Rod Lovett)

second half with a bucket to complete a 10-0 run narrowing the Cobra lead to just one. It was at this point that Jamel Johnson took over. Scoreless in the first and unstoppable in the second half, Johnson scored all 18 of his points in the second half. A force in the paint, he helped the Cobras build a 10 point advantage late, an advantage that would prove to be too much for the opposition to overcome. One person that could identify with Johnson's dominance Saturday was Billy Mock. The lone men's basketball player inducted into the Parkland athletic Hall of Fame Saturday, he is best

known for his record setting performance of 45 points in a single game. Mock was one of several names called to center court during halftime of the Cobras' victory.

"It's a great honor. A long time coming," said Mock, referring to the 40 years passed since his playing career at Parkland.

Other honorees included Dave Rear and Jesse Griswold for baseball, Brooklyn Robbins and Coach Brenda Winkeler volleyball, athletics for contributor Jennifer Smith and the 2005 Baseball NJCAA World Series runners-up team. Nine players from the team were on hand to receive the awarded plaque including former Eastern Illinois Panther and key contributor Tyler Brandon.

"It was a great thing," said Brandon. "When you put in your heart and soul, it's always great to get recognition." His Cobras got all the way to the championship game before losing a close one to Grand Rapids CC. "Our coach told us you have to be willing to run through a wall to make it to a championship game," Brandon recalled. He and the rest of the 2005 team accomplished just that, allowing them to be inducted into Parkland's fifth Hall of Fame class seven years later.

title, he added.

Those are the standards that manv athletes, coaches, special contributors, and teams have been able to reach in Parkland's 44 year athletic existence. Eight coaches or administrators, five contributors, five teams, and 17 players have been inducted in the five years of the Hall of Fame, including its new 2012 class.

Potential candidates are nominated by former coaches and administrators and а five person committee is responsible for deciding who gets in each year. It is not always an easy process because there are so many individuals that have been involved with the Cobras.

"The most difficult part comparing players is of different eras since the number of games and competition is very different," Lovett acknowledged. The committee tries to keep the class small with about

seven inductees each year. The purpose and goal of the Hall of Fame are very clear to Lovett. "Parkland Athletics has had some amazing athletes, coaches, and teams, and we felt it was important to recognize them. It is important that our current and future athletes know about those who have come before them," he explained.

Those ideals were certainly recognized Saturday, as many former and current Cobras were on hand to witness the fifth class of athletes inducted into Parkland history. The second straight win for the Cobra men capped off a great night for Parkland athletics.

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It clarifies our debates over immigration and the American shares the Yankee emphasis identity, in which proponents of contradictory arguments each is also deeply skeptical of believe they are articulating longstanding American ideals. But what's rarely understood is that each of these is rooted in a different regional cultural tradition. The Quaker-founded Midlands - a narrow tier of our heartland stretching from Philadelphia to Iowa - always saw itself as an ethnic mosaic, with peoples of many cultures and languages living side by side.

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kingmaker in our presidential contests. Midlander culture on the common good, but government, wishing it to leave their communities in peace.

Greenville College?

The Hall of Fame, started

five years ago, is not easily

entered. Both the prospective

inductee's individual and team

accomplishments have to

have been very high for the

"We have different criteria

candidate to make induction.

for each category," said

Lovett, current Hall of Fame

committee member. "A player

must have been a first Team

All-Region or All-America,

made it to the professional

rankings, been in Olympic

participation and have given

special contribution to the sport." Additionally, coaches

must have been here at least

three years, while teams must

have competed for the national

nations have been growing wider, fueling culture wars, constitutional struggles, and ever more frequent pleas for unity.

Recognizing the presence and fundamental characteristics of these rival regional cultures makes our history a lot easier to understand. It illustrates why certain parts of British North America remained Loyalist in the Revolution - or tried to remain neutral - and often had different interpretations of what the struggle was actually about. It offers a much clearer explanation for the geographical alignments on the eve of the attack on Fort Sumter, when only one part of the future Confederacy had seceded and only one slice of the Union was willing to take up arms to stop them, and almost everyone expected the U.S. to break into three or four parts.

The same fault lines appear on county-level maps of most closely contested presidential elections in our history, and in recent congressional debates over health care reform, financial industry regulation, and the debt ceiling. You can see it in the contrasting policy records of (Yankeedom native) Mitt Romney and (Deep Southern-raised) Newt Gingrich and, indeed, the geography of their support in

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Yankeedom - stretching from New England to the Upper Great Lakes states - argued instead that we were a melting pot into which immigrants were to be assimilated into Anglo-Protestant cultural norms, Calvinist work ethic and all. The Yankee idea looked perfectly insane from the vantage of El Norte, the Spanish borderlands in northern Mexico and parts of what is now the southwestern U.S., where the "Anglos" were the 19th-century immigrants.

For the past two centuries, federal politics has largely been a struggle between two shifting coalitions, one led by Yankeedom, the other by the Deep South. In recent decades, neither has been able to build a bloc large enough to control the levers of federal power on its own, which has made the great "swing nation" of the Midlands the

This has made its people ambivalent - and, thus, up for grabs - in the epic battles between the superpowers to their north and south. It's no accident that most of the great battleground states have a great swath of Midland territory, including Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Missouri. Win over Midlanders and you're likely to win a presidential contest; scare them with extreme positions to the left or right, and you most certainly will not.

Despite all this, our Balkanized federation has survived and, yes, thrived. But it has not done so because of shared fealty to a single American creed or a set of common principles held by our Founders, be they the 17th-century or 18th-century variety. Rather, it is because our leaders have brokered - and sometimes enforced compromises between our disparate founding cultures. If we're to succeed going forward, our representatives in the federal capital - from the president on down - will need to re-learn this dying art.

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counselors, and parents of college-bound students are especially encouraged to attend.

Students who attend "Picture Yourself @ Parkland" can also win gift cards to the Parkland College Bookstore simply by taking a picture at the event and tagging Parkland in the picture on Facebook. The tag enters each

participating student into a a set career path. drawing for the prizes.

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Watching TV: a different experience today



Rich Heldenfels Akron Beacon Journal

AKRON, Ohio - How we watch television keeps changing. It's not only that people are recording shows for viewing later. It's that they can call up the shows from on-demand channels, or watch them on their laptops, phones or tablets.

And our viewing opportunity does not end there. Beyond the shows that have broadcast or cable bases, there is the array of created-for-online video, from big-name productions like the sketches on the Funny Or Die website to the bazillions of cat videos on YouTube.

Nielsen studies include not only who's watching what, but also in what form and combinations; for example, more than 70 percent of women using tablets like the iPad will check their email on the tablet while watching a TV show. The 30 million people watching mobile video on a smart phone are most likely to watch You-Tube, Nielsen estimates.

The situation recalls the days when cable was on the rise and a broadcast executive likened it to being nibbled to death by sharks. No one alternative might have drawn a big audience, but the cumulative effect was devastating.

Now even the sharks, it seems, have sharks - some with names like iTunes and Netflix and Amazon On Demand, all making streaming video of movies and TV shows available to consumers.

And frankly, viewers like the sharks. The rise of online and on-demand viewing has given individual viewers more choices and more control over them.

If, for example, you love the commercials in the Super Bowl but don't want to sit through the game, you may find the ads online, some before the game ever airs. Late last week, two of the most talked-about ads, a Honda spot with Matthew Broderick and one for Acura with Jerry Seinfeld, had each been watched more than 8 million times.

NBC put the first episode of "Smash," its new Monday-night on series, its website days before this week's premiere - and several industry insiders said that online is an effective way to bring an audience to a new show.

But certain issues linger. A big one is how a traditional TV programmer in broadcast or cable can survive in a world where programs are available from other sources in relatively rapid fashion, particularly a new generation of

viewers accustomed to trolling the Internet.

One of the solutions has been to embrace and exploit other delivery systems. Time Warner Cable, for example, has an app that makes programming available through iPads and iPhones and expects to expand that

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Among traditional broad-

casters, ABC, NBC and Fox all make episodes of programs available online through their own sites and Hulu; CBS uses its own website and its online CBS Audience Network.

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ical alternatives? Netflix, for example, has pushed

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to offer streaming and DVDby-mail rental as separately priced services instead of a single package). But Advertising Age noted that streaming has far less potential profit than DVDs, with shorter rights deals for streaming; the publication estimated that one DVD subscriber was as profitable as four or five streaming subscribers combined.

Hulu, famous for offering programs for free, has added a pay tier. Online videos from networks now routinely include commercials (and do not let you skip them); some on-demand channels disable the fast-forward function so you have to sit

through the ads. All these changes may require rethinking of what a program distributor has to provide. There is no question that networks, stations and other programmers are getting ever more into social media. And broadcasters may focus on big events like the Super Bowl or the Academy Awards, enhance them with local programming and let less-watched shows go elsewhere - if those local shows can get financed.

As big as that question is, it is far from the only one.

What will happen to viewers who do not have computers, let alone online access, as the programming world looks past them? Cable changed the way broadcasters operated, shoving certain kinds of programs to the viewing margins. Online often promises content above and beyond what a basic telecast offers; those Super Bowl commercials I mentioned aired in a longer form online than they did on TV Sunday night.

What will a program designed to be seen both on a big screen and a tiny one look like? Technology does affect content. In the old days of TV, close-ups were more common, because the screens were small and the pictures often blurry.

And what will be our relationship as viewers to the programs of the new video age, and to each other? The ancient idea of communal viewing went by the boards as TV sets multiplied in homes and channels proliferated. You've undoubtedly seen people in a restaurant booth, each on his or her phone, and the siren lure of product on phones will get louder. What will become of dialogue when there is always, literally, a TV screen at hand?

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