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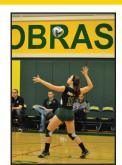
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Public safety attains hybrid car



Photo by Craig Towsley/ Prospectus News

Parkland College's Department of Public Safety recently added a 2012 Ford Fusion Hybrid to their fleet. The vehicle is a hybrid powered by a four cylinder gas engine and an electric motor.

Ted Setterlund Staff Writer

Parkland College has been gaining recognition around the community for their decision

to go green. Just last February, the college received a grant from the non-profit TKF Foundation to design urban, green spaces around the campus as part of the TKF Foundation's 'Open Spaces Sacred Places'

program. This fall, Parkland College is making way for several changes to the campus as part of their green efforts.

In addition to celebrating National Sustainability Day Wednesday, the Department of Public Safety acquired a new hybrid police car last Tuesday. Plans are in place to order more of them.

Yvonne I. Meyer, Police Sergeant of the Department of Public Safety, was one of the people who helped bring the hybrid police car to campus.

"I was actually going to be in the New York City area visiting a friend of mine, so we made a trip to New York and made some contacts with the New York City Police Department. I was able to go to their fleet services, view their hybrid cars and talk to the people who worked on the cars," Meyer

When she talked about the cars themselves, Meyer said that the hybrid cars are much smaller vehicles than what the police officers are used to, but she explained that, "The New York Police Department pointed out that all cars are getting smaller, so you have to get used to that."

Von D. Young Jr., Chief of Police and the Director of Public Safety, said this about the new police car, "We were given a direction by the college to look at something that was green technology, something that we could possibly look at sustainability and obviously provide a car that would be efficient."

The brand of the car is a Ford Fusion, and according to Chief Young, "I did a search on the computer, I knew that Ford had a hybrid out there that was available. So Sergeant Mever and I did a search on the Ford Fusion Hybrid, and actually found out that the City of New York has been using Ford Fusions for about 3 years."

According to Meyer, they had concerns over the safety of hybrid cars since the cage for those arrested is harder to install and the electronics that are in police cars would have to use a much smaller circuit than what the other police cars generally use.

"I wanted to make sure that it was going to work and they are extremely happy out in New York City with their hybrids. They could not talk any better

about them. They just thought the cars were wonderful," Mever said about the concerns over the hybrid cars.

The car brings with it other green technology. The electric car charging station, also called an EV charging station, is being installed in front of the new Advanced Technology building and will be available for public use later this year.

The charging station project was spearheaded by the college's Sustainable Campus Committee, which is co-led by Hilary Valentine, who is also Manager of Creative Services, and Greg Walburg, Associate Professor of Construction

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Tips on registering for spring courses



Staff Writer

Mark Roughton

pre-registration beginning this week and registration for spring semester classes at Parkland starting on Monday, it's time to focus on next year already.

Those of you beginning your second semester of your first year at Parkland must see a counselor to register your classes. All students beginning their second year at Parkland who have at least 30 credit hours do not need to consult a counselor.

John Sheahan, Director of Parkland College's Counseling and Advising Center, is in charge of registration. For those of you wondering why the minimum number of hours necessary to forgo counseling is 30, Sheahan had this to say, "We require you to get advised, which is really what the school

interests."

"After that amount, we still recommend advising but you're free to register on your own. That's trying to keep the student from making mistakes."

The 30 hours point at Parkland is roughly halfway through most degree programs.

All students that haven't accumulated 30 hours need not worry. There will be plenty of time to make sure each student gets the courses they want. However, there are things each individual should remember before moving on to complete this process.

The most important thing about registering is the timeliness in which it is accomplished.

"Getting registered early is important, particularly since students can get the classes they want," Sheahan

In other words, don't wait

thinks is for students' best until the last minute! It just heightens the risk of failing to geta class you may need to graduate.

Before coming in to register, think about a plan for your academic career ahead of time. This is true even if you are unsure of you major.

"Think about your goals, long term and short term," Sheahan explained. "We work with a lot of undecided students. It's good to say 'I don't know what I want to do' instead of having to dig that out of people."

The next thing to focus on for registration is the type of schedule that will work best for you. Ideally, it will fit around your lifestyle and other parts of your life.

"If you're not a morning person, don't something at eight o'clock in the morning," Sheahan said. "It's a recipe for failure."

If you are a morning

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Photo by Mark Roughton/Prospectus News Social Work major Madison Parrish receives advice from Counseling and Advising Director John Sheahan on Friday, Oct. 19, 2012.

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The Science **Debate**



Shane Rogers Editor

After three presidential debates, a number of questions remain unanswered. Many voters have heard all they care to and more about five point plans and Obamacare, but still know very little about other important subjects.

While the candidates' stances on subjects such as foreign policy and the economy are decidedly important, what about their positions on the issues that affect these subjects?

At the core of many of these subjects lies Science. It has become present in nearly all aspects of our lives. To find out where the candidates stand, the website Science Debate 2012 partnered with numerous scientific organizations to get answers

Groups such as the National Academy of Engineering, the American Institute of Biological Sciences, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and Scientific American reached out to thousands of scientists to find the most important

The group compiled a list

of the most important science policy questions and asked the candidates where they stood. The scope of the questions ranged from ocean health to the role of Science in public

Scott Siechen, Professor of Biology, explained why Science issues matter on campus. "The food we eat, the clothes we wear, the medicines we take, the tools we use and the games we play are all possible because of science. The global communications system that is changing the way we learn is possible because of science," he explained.

Marketing Major Lisa Catrambone believes that many students today take science for granted. "These days we're so attached to technology, but give no credit to the scientist and engineers that create these amazing devices," she explained.

"Many college students get their political views from their family or social media, unfortunately. Generally I don't think science related issues matter to them, at least not as much as social issues that get a lot of media coverage."

the should But what



Photo by Robert Duyos/Sun Sentinel/MCT

Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney listens as President Barack Obama makes a point during the final presidential debate at Lynn University in Boca Ratvvon, Florida on Monday, October 22, 2012. Bob Schieffer was the moderator.

government's role be in Science? Obama is in favor of large investments into the fields, particularly clean energy research.

"We will continue to prioritize investments in research to ensure that our country remains a global leader and that Americans can remain innovators, working to better their lives and the lives around them," Obama explained.

Romney, on the other hand thinks that the private sector should carry the burden of investment. "President

Obama's misguided attempts to play the role of venture capitalist, pick winners and losers, and spend tens of billions of dollars on politicallyprioritized investments have been a disaster for the American taxpayer," he said.

"I feel that Romney is correct on this point. Only because I feel that our government doesn't have any money it can really afford to put anywhere," Nash Moore, general studies student explained. "If there is a demand for something then somebody will try to make it." Many share the viewpoint

for investment. Others argue that staying on top of the global technology race is the only way out of our current economic situation.

"The goal of corporate funded research is often narrowly focused on what will be profitable for that company," Siechen argued. "This narrow focus brings with it great powerto achieve immediate goals safe and effective medicines and medical technologies, materials and devices of great use and entertainment etc. This applied research

that the budget has no room can and should be funded by corporations and they should reap the benefits of that research."

> "But government funded research, in which the researcher is free to pose any question and follow the evidence wherever it may lead, without demanding that it be immediately profitable for any entity is crucial to the future of the scientific endeavor," he concluded.

Catrambone agrees, "I think that it's easy for Governor

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Your free-spirited attitude lets you find the beauty in all miniscule hings. One day, you will be admirng the way the sunlight shines on the reflectors of the pedestrian crosswalk. You will then get the mowed down by an unconcerned Hybrid bus. Your outlook on life is useless now, because nothing is peautiful. Everyone dies a horrible, bloody death. You are most compatible with Capricorns, as you both suffer self-inflicted deaths.



You are sometimes judgmental, which leads others to commonly dislike you. Be careful what you say, though, because one day the person you are so quick to judge will be a terrible axe murderer. After telling her that her sweater is SO out of season, she will chop you up into pieces and feed you to her dog, Lizzie. Be watchful of the Sagittarius, as they may very well be the one who will soon kill you.



You are a very revengful person, and will be wronged by a close friend. One night, as you creep around the back of their house, plotting their massacre, a neighbor mistakes you for the animal that has recently been terrorizing his Begonias. He shoots with a bow, and pierces you. The arrow doesn't hit any major arteries, however, and you bleed to death slowly in the back of your traitor's house. The last sounds will come from the neighbor, who will be chuckling quietly, leading you to believe that your death wasnt an accident. Prior to your death, you will murder a Scorpio with an axe.

You are an independent person who also suffers from narcissism. Avoid mirrors, because what you see might be deadly. Your death is unexplainable, but the police report claims it was self inflicted. Your body will be found a week later twisted and broken in a small bathroom, giving enough time for the rats to come out and feast on your self-centered face. You are most compatible with ibras, as you both suffer selfinflicted deaths.



August 23-September 21

You are very organized and quick to trust others. After watching the weather and nearing that it is sunny out, you will decide to go out and enjoy the day despite the golf-ball sized hail and 65 mph winds. Your naivety will lead you right into the neart of a tornado, which will suck you up and throw you into the side of Parkland College. Several students were recently inflicted with a zombie virus, and will eat your remains before anyone is aware of your demise. You will not be missed, and the zombies will agree that you taste weird. You are compatible with Scorpios, because in the end you are both eaten.



You are known for your leadership qualities and are looked up to by your peers. Therefore, when you mistakenly fall over the side of a balcony at a party, all your buddies follow suit. You all die horrible but quick deaths. Luckily only one person below was crushed by your falling bodies, the rest were simply splattered by your insides and brain guck. You could be great friends with a Taurus, as you both manage to kill yourselves and several others



Graphic by JoJo Rhinehart/Prospectus News

in with the crowd, and prefer time to yourself rather than with others. This makes you difficult to recognize, and is the reason why you will soon freeze to death after being locked in a freezer while checking stock. The death will be slow, as it will take at least three hours for you to fall unconscious. And beware: frostbite hurts a considerable amount. You are compatible with no one.



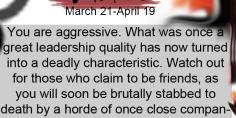
You have an inquisitive personality, and like to try new things. You will find a new interest in exploring small spaces underground. During one adventure, your tunnel will cave in, burying you alive. The weight of the dirt surrounding won't crush you, however, and you will die by suffocation many hours later. The authorities will give up hope searching for your body after two days, and your loved ones will be forced to mourn at an unmarked grave. Aquarius can relate most to you, as they, too, almost died by suffocation.



ou pride yourself in your strength and perseverance, but your fired up personality will be your demise. You will find yourself unable to control your anger, and spontaneously combust. Unfortunately, you will combust while pumping gas, killing yourself and everyone else in the area in a giant fiery ball of death and despair. You could be great friends with a Leo, as you both manage to kill yourselves and several others



You are overly attached with dreaming, and will begin to find yourself sleeping more and more often to relive the adventures experienced in your subconscious. Be warned: One night soon you will be sleeping soundly when a support beam will fall onto your unsuspecting body, comically enough cutting you Pisces into pieces. For the optimists, at least your dreaming will now go on forever, as you will never again wake up. You are compatible with Aquarius, as your obsession with keeping to yourself leads to your demise.



ions. Your attackers will be slow and deliberate, making sure you stay alive to receive your dues for being an egotistical prick. Your mate is a scorpio, and ₩**沒置 以5** you both go out by the hand of someone you were rude to.

You are an introvert, and spend too much time pampering. One night, as you're taking a bath, you will fall into an uncontrollably deep sleep. On the verge of drowning, you suddenly wake back up and pull yourself up from underneath the waters cold grasp. You live. Just kidding, as you reach for a towel to dry off your face, you pull your plugged-in hair dryer into the water, shocking you death. Your friends are Pisces and Gemini, but you will die the most painfully.

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Spencer Brown Sports Writer/Staff Writer

Interests: Basketball, movies ("White Men Can't Jump" is my current favorite), writing (obviously) and spending money (unfortunately).

Favorite assignment: My favorite assignment was the article on international athletes last Fall. It taught me a lot about different cultures on and off the field that I previously was not aware of.



Matt Crosby Photographer

Interests: I love photography and want to eventually work for National Geographic. I build custom bicycles and enjoy building things with my hands

Favorite assignment: I have enjoyed every assignment and i'm sure that my most exciting assignment has yet to come!



Ted Setterlund Videographer, Staff Writer

Interests: Listening to music and watching cheesy horror films and cartoons

Favorite assignment: My favorite was working on Occupy CU last year.



Phil Galaras Photographer

Interests: I play Olympic Handball for the Chicago Inter Handball club. I enjoy photography of course. And I love sitting down for a good football game.

Favorite assignment: So far my favorite assignment has been the piece on low enrollment. I got to be a little artistic with it.



Sean Hermann Publications Manager

Interests: I'm a huge Cubs, Bulls and Bears fan. I'm really interested in music, and run a music blog. I play in a band, and I'm also working on putting together a music festival in the spring. I love writing and photography. I also enjoy spending time with my girlfriend and kitten at home and hanging out with friends and family when I don't find myself working...

Favorite assignment: My favorite assignment would have to be any of our annual April Fools' Editions. We always get a great response from readers, all though President Ramage might beg to differ.



Javier Murillo Staff Writer

Interests: My interests include watching and playing sports, having fun with my friends and spending time with my girlfriend. I love coffee flavored ice cream – it is the quickest way to my heart.

Favorite assignment: My favorite assignment so far was the re-accreditation article that I wrote, learning the whole process was very informative. It is a topic everyone should know about and the interviews that I had were the best I have ever done.



Chanelle Stokes Photo Editor, Web Content Editor and Photographer

Interests: I enjoy photography, and playing sports. I also like to read and watch action or comedy movies. Another thing I really enjoy is spending time with friends and family.

Favorite assignment: My favorite assignment I've done so far was when I drove an hour to Pesotum for a photo shoot of the Parkland Equestrian Team.



Briana Kay Stodden **Production Supervisor**

Interests: Photography, Audio/Video Production, Singing/Song Writing, Pyrography, Knitting and Astronomy

I love being production supervisor at Prospectus News because it is exciting to see everyone's work come together to form a complete issue. My favorite issues to put together are the April Fool's Editions because it's fun to come up with new ways to change the paper that will make the reader look twice. Also, the staff really gets into it when we're coming up with ideas, which always makes me smile.



Alisha Kirkley **Graphic Designer, Cartoonist** Interests: Hooping, Raves, Designing and MW3 Online

Favorite assignment: I wrote an article reviewing haunted houses. It gave me an excuse to have fun.



JoJo Rhinehart Writer and Photographer Interests: Photography, playing Oblivion,

exploring and adventuring, and reading. Favorite assignment: I'm new to Prospectus News, so I don't have a favorite yet. However, I am excited to see what I can come up with in the future!



Burke Stanion Graphic Designer and Art Director for **Images magazine**

Interests: I enjoy landscaping, gardening, home improvement, just about any music, technology, and learning new things.

Favorite assignment: My favorite assignment has been the production of IMAGES Student Art Magazing 2012 and I look forward to working on the 2013 issue.

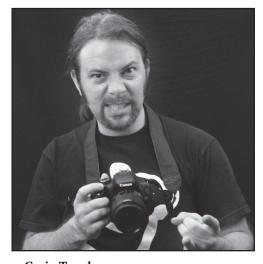


Mace Mackiewicz

Entertainment writer and occasional editorial writer with social themes.

Interests: I am a pretty big music buff, a pretty big gamer and a movie buff. I even DJ on the Parkland radio station 88.7.

Favorite assignment: My favorite was the overview of E3 because I got to use my knowledge of the video game industry and get into contact with video game companies.



Craig Towsley Photographer and Graphics

Interests: Enjoying time with my family, playing with my band, and designing 3D animation

Favorite assignment: My favorite assignment so far was photographing the Zombie Run



Alex Wallner Staff Writer

Interests: Playing golf, hanging out with friends and family, watching sports, and beating friends in fantasy football.

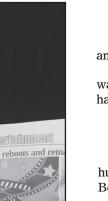
Favorite assignment: First volleyball article, I interviewed four people and met three out of the four that day.



Ghada Yousef

Graphic Designer for prospectus news Interests: Some of my interests include graphic designing, drawing, watching movies, and working out.

Favorite assignment: I do not have a favorite assignment because each one has it's own different challenges that I have to solve. I get to create a new graphic every week, which is pretty awesome!



Shane Rogers (pictured page 1)

Interests: Football, reading science fiction, and riding my bike.

Favorite assignment: My favorite edition was April Fools Day 2012. I got to write nearly half the paper and just had a lot of fun with it.

Madison Eddy (not shown) **Copy Editor**

Interests: Horseback riding, reading, hunting, camping, fishing, and watching the Bears, Cardinals, and Fighting Illini play.

Favorite assignment: I've loved every article that I've edited! They are all very intriguing and keep me entertained.

Nick Laptew (not shown)

Staff Writer

Interests: I have a passion for history, reading, writing, geopolitical affairs and good music.

Favorite assignment: My favorite assignment so far is the opinion piece I am working on right now about the dangerous similarities between Romney and Obama.

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Obama, Romney: Two sides of the same Presidential coin?

Nick Laptew Staff writer

With the conclusion of the third and final Presidential debate, Americans have become well acquainted with differences between President Barack Obama and Republican nominee Mitt Romney.

Lines have been drawn in the proverbial political sand, and Americans are left to choose between the differing positions put forth by both candidates.

However, while the candidates certainly have drastically different viewpoints on a wide variety of issues, there are several critical issues that the candidates completely agree

Unfortunately, the similar positions held by both candidates have far reaching, negative impacts on American society and various societies throughout the world. Despite the important, and often fatal, nature of these issues, they have been virtually ignored by the mainstream media.

Regardless of the lack of attention these topics have received, they are immensely relevant and affect millions of people across the world on a daily basis. Therefore, it is of the utmost importance that voters are not only aware of the differences, but also the similarities, that both candidates share on important issues.

First, let's look at the so-called "War on Drugs." Many people were shocked and dismayed to see that, in

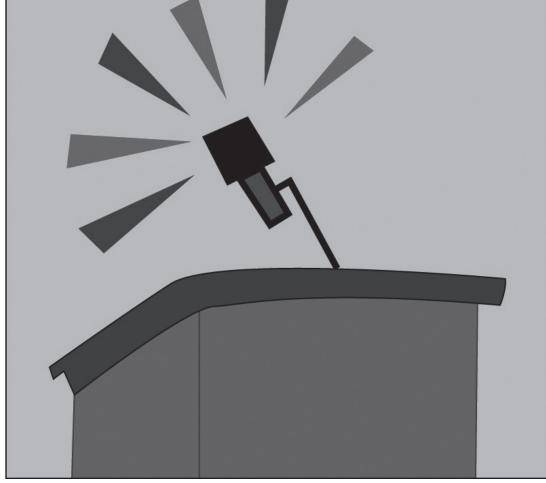


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the final debate which focused on foreign policy, not a single moment was devoted to discussing the drug war.

This lack of attention is disturbing both because of the proximity of the main battlefield of this war, Mexico, and the ways in which the various policies that have resulted from the war on drugs have negatively affected American citizens.

Mexican In 2006, when president Felipe Calderon took office, he launched, with encouragement and financial support from Washington, a military-led offensive against the drug cartels. Since this offensive, it is estimated that over 60,000 Mexican's have lost their lives, yet the cartels, as well as their product, remain as prevalent and powerful as ever.

Governments across Latin America have grown weary of Washington's impossible demands to militarily stop the

production and distribution of illicit drugs. Some invited the U.S. to sit down at the Summit of the Americas to discuss alternative policies, such as legalization and education.

However, despite growing opposition and mounting evidence of the failure of current policies, both Obama and Romney maintain staunch prohibitionist stances towards drugs.

Domestically, the prohibitionist stances held

by both candidates increasingly at odds with the American public. A recent Gallup poll showed that 50 percent of Americans are in favor of the legalization of marijuana.

While 50 percent of American's may favor marijuana legalization, both Obama and Romney are in strict opposition. Despite promises to the contrary, Obama has unleashed the DEA and federal prosecutors on medical marijuana users in states like California. In an appearance in New Hampshire, Mitt Romney promised to fight legalization tooth and nail.

The war on drugs has also seen a cataclysmic rise in the imprisonment of nonviolent drug offenders. Because of this, the United States has the highest incarceration rate in the world, with 730 out of every 100,000 people in prison.

"I think putting someone in prison for drug possession is completely ridiculous," general studies student Doug Ziegler said. "I mean, in some cases drug offenders get locked up longer than rapists. Something is definitely wrong with that."

Regardless of shifting opinions concerning the drug war, Obama and Romney remain steadfast in their prohibitionist approach toward drugs. Both are determined to continue the war on drugs at the cost of the freedoms and lives of thousands of individuals throughout the world.

Another issue the candidates

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Has Halloween become an X-rated holiday?



JoJo Rhinehart Staff Writer

Halloween is a well-loved holiday by children and adults alike. The tradition of stuffing your face full of candy and dressing up to be an entirely different person could be described as the main reason why so many people enjoy the festivities.

In recent years, however, the tradition has shifted from being an innocent holiday to an excuse to dress provocatively. The costumes have gotten smaller, and the motive most people have when they choose their outfits is to be sexy, not scary.

shops Costume offer hundreds of varieties of costumes to choose from. There are scary zombies and gory headless men, sexy bumblebees and French maids.

These costumes are all made for the purpose of dressing up to celebrate Halloween, but you might be shocked to find out where else these costumes are being worn.

Several costumes at local shops can also be found in local pornography stores, organized in the fetish section. These outfits are used for couples when they are experimenting with role playing, and are even described by many of the companies as "for the bedroom only."

of the people Most interviewed at Parkland agreed that they would never



Photo by Chanelle Stokes/Prospectus News

Have today's Halloween costumes shifted from fun and scary to an excuse to dress provocatively?

shop at a adult store for their Halloween costume. Many said it was too revealing, because the outfits were made purely to be sexually appealing to the wearer's partner.

One woman, who requested her name be held anonymous, said that she loves Halloween because she can dress to look sexy. Her costume choice this year is a cop, complete with a four inch skirt and high heels.

After being informed that her outfit could also be found inside of a porn shop, she shrugged it off, claiming that as long as your private areas are covered, it is fine.

An employee of a local costume shop, who also requested his name and place

of work be kept anonymous, commented that he didn't understand what the big deal was. He believes that people make too big a deal over the way people dress during Halloween.

"There are a lot of immature people, and if everyone wouldn't make such a big deal out of the human body then it wouldn't be a problem," the costume shop employee said.

The employee also said that he noticed more females calling the outfits too provocative than males. It was the females who were the ones buying the costumes they were previously mocking, creating a never-ending circle.

The majority

male population, however, applauded the women on their outfits for the night, saying they were very beautiful and classy. They claimed they did not see anything wrong with girls showing a little extra skin to celebrate Halloween.

Several of the males interviewed claimed that the reason their outfits would show a lot of skin is because they think it would be funny, not sexy. They said they were more worried about the props they could use with their costume, syringes to hold Jack Daniels and suspenders with shot glass holders to make sure they were never without a drink.

Nursing Major Erica Berry

commented on why she believes females choose their costumes.

"Most people dress like this because it is socially acceptable. They want to feel sexy and attractive, so they will put it all out there because it's what everyone else is doing," Berry said.

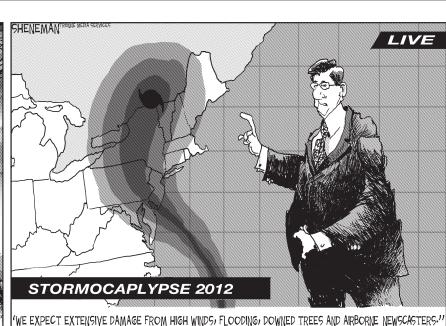
Fine and Applied Arts Professor Amy Stoch commented that young women in college were old enough to dress however they wanted, and the difference between the way some girls dress every day and the way they dress on Halloween is minimal.

The important idea to Stoch was that everyone was keeping safe. Although there are no statistical differences in violence occurring on Halloween as compared to other nights, it is still important to watch out for yourself and your friends.

There is no set opinion on whether girls dress too provocatively on Halloween. The main idea is that as long as you are comfortable with what you are wearing, it is acceptable.

Fortunately for those guys and girls that feel a little bit uncomfortable with the new explicit fad, there are still plenty of gory, headless and terrifying costumes out there that can scare those more scantily clad.





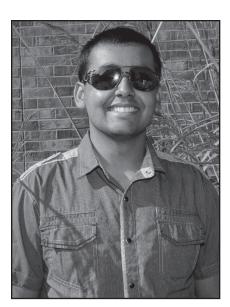
What are you going to be for Halloween?



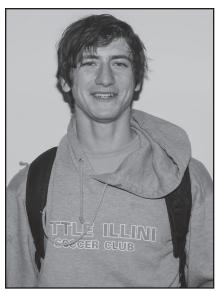
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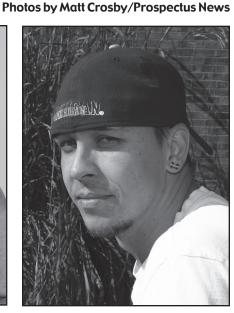
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Romney to think the money can come from private sectors because he is no stranger to being around money and other people with money. It's easy to say 'Oh, I'm sure someone will pay

for this...eventually." "The problem is, if no one pays for it, it won't happen. Not without funding from the government. America takes great pride in their space program.

We put the first man on the moon and just landed Curiosity Rover on Mars. It's one of the things that make this nation great," she said.

Another key point of contention between the candidates is the role scientific research should play in public policy decisions. Obama believes that scientific research is one of the most important means of determining public policy, while Romney feels that public opinion is just as important as the data collected

from research in determining correct policy.

Catrambone sides with Obama on this point saying, "Is that even a question? Of course scientific data is more important. Public opinion is just that, an opinion. We get our facts from science. Public opinion used to be that the world was flat. Science can eventually change an ignorant persons mind. An ignorant person's mind is not going to change Science." Siechen had this to say about the

subject, "Science does not work by consensus of popular opinion. The public cannot be experts in any field."

"The sources of scientific information available to the public are notoriously oversimplified, biased and open to manipulation by parties wishing to skew the data in a way that is beneficial to them."

"However, it is the public that ultimately votes whether or not to fund basic research. This sets up a difficult situation. We need

better science education and better secondary sources of information in order for the public to be as well and accurately informed about scientific findings as possible."

As you enter the voting booths next Tuesday, keep in mind that it is important that you, too, are accurately informed about scientific issues. For more information about what topics were asked of the candidates and their responses, visit www.sciencedebate. org/debate12.

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Design and Management.

"The EV charging station was acquired by the Parkland Sustainable Campus Committee as part of the college's efforts to reduce greenhouse gases," Valentine explained.

"In a greenhouse gas inventory collected in 2010, it was determined that transportation to campus accounts for 40-50% of the college's greenhouse gas emissions," she continued.

"The committee is studying ways to encourage single-passenger car drivers to use alternative forms of transportation, including carpooling, biking, riding the bus, and walking."

Regarding upcoming plans Valentine said, "There are no official or immediate plans to install more EV stations, but we do anticipate that there will be more electric vehicles."

For more information about charging stations in the area, visit www.afdc.energy.gov/fuels/electricity_ locations.html, and for more information about sustainability at Parkland College, visit www.parkland. edu/about/sustainability

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person, go in early to your classes, and if you tend to be a late sleeper, you may not want to go in until about noon. Design a schedule so that you will guarantee being on time to your opening class every day.

One essential key for students' success in college is determining how much of a course load they can handle. This is determined by the time available for a student in a given day free of work and social commitments.

"How much of a course load can you take, while getting and maintaining excellent grades?" Sheahan asked. "At the same time keeping work, other responsibilities and

your personal life in good working order." Once you take all of these factors into consideration and make a decision on your course load, the focus must switch to your individual support systems. Is your financial aid, money, housing, transportation and child care, if needed, ready to deal with your

"All of those things you have to have set up to enable you to concentrate your efforts on school," Sheahan explained.

absence?

The the final step is to prepare the payment before the deadline. The deadline

is December 17 for those who register on

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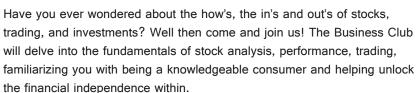
"Sometimes we have cases where they're depending on their parents to pay and their parents forget," Sheahan pointed out. "You still get your classes cancelled."

Those needing to see a counselor should keep in mind that no matter what time you go between now and the end of semester, there will most likely be a line. Pick a day when you have time and can afford to wait

in a line. Remember, for those students who already have 30 hours, registration is open to you now. Go to https://my.parkland.edu and get started! Those of you still in the beginning stages of your Parkland career should see a counselor as soon as possible so you're ready when November 5 open

registration hits. Remember to consider all the steps I mentioned and do so in a timely manner in order to get the exciting fun-filled classes vou want!

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agree upon is the use of remote controlled drone aircraft in the military. The use of drones to carry out targeted strikes against suspected terrorists have sky rocketed under the Obama administration. These extra-judicial assassinations have raised many moral and legal concerns.

Drones primarily carry out two different kinds of strikes. The first are personality strikes, in which a known individual is tracked and targeted. The other are signature strikes, in which individuals or groups of people that exhibit militant characteristics, but are not specifically identified, are targeted.

"What really blows my mind about drones is that these things are piloted by guys thousands of miles away," general studies student Daniel Luzzi stated. "It's like a video game for these guys, you know? They're sitting in front of a TV screen with a controller in their hands, launching missiles at people as if they were playing Call of Duty."

The controversy surrounding the use of drones pertains to whether or not the President has the authority to order extrajudicial assassinations. Obama certainly seems to think so, as he has carried out over 250 drone strikes to date, more than six times the amount carried out under Bush.

Foreign terrorists are not the only victims of extrajudicial assassination by drone. Obama has even ordered the execution of American citizens - radical cleric Anwar al-Awlaki and his sixteen year old son Abdulrahman al-Awlaki.

Despite the fact that no law exists giving the President the power to be judge, jury and executioner, Romney is in complete agreement with the precedent set by the Obama administration.

When Scott Pelley of CBS asked Romney whether or not he believed it was appropriate for an American president, on the president's request alone, to order the death of an American citizen suspected of terrorism, he responded "Absolutely."

Another subject for concern is what

some call the erosion of civil liberties. During Obama's first campaign in 2008. he made promises to abolish the use of torture, eliminate the use of warrantless wiretapping, restore Habeas Corpus and close Guantanamo Bay prison in Cuba. To date, he has yet to make good on any of these

promises. Obama has continued the funding of massive surveillance programs targeting American citizens, which were initially started under the Bush administration. Guantanamo Bay is still open and fully operational. With the recent signing of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2012, Obama has also eliminated Habeas Corpus.

Sections 1021 and 1022 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2012 give the President the authority to use all necessary and appropriate force to detain, indefinitely and without trial, American citizens suspected of terrorist affiliations.

When Romney was asked by Wall Street Journal reporter Kelly Evans if he would have signed the act if he were President, he replied in the affirmative, asserting that people suspected of terrorism "are not entitled to rights of due process under our normal legal code."

What exactly qualifies as suspicion of terrorism has yet to be defined by either candidate. Therefore, under the broad language used in the law, the President has the authority to decide what actions warrant suspicion of terrorism, leaving a significant amount of room for abuse.

At first glance, Romney and Obama appear to be polar opposites. They are of different races, grew up under completely different circumstances and represent two different political parties.

Nevertheless, they share identical viewpoints on some of the most explosive geopolitical issues of our time, causing the Presidential election to look more and more like choosing either side of the same Presidential coin.



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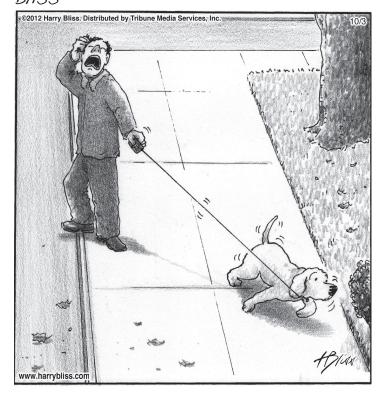
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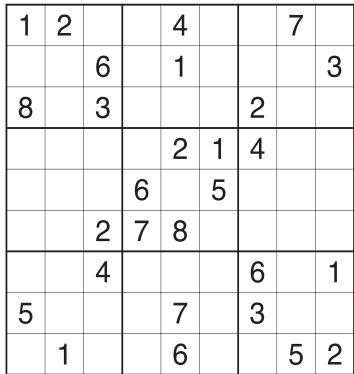
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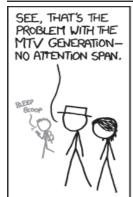
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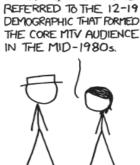


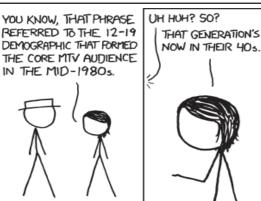


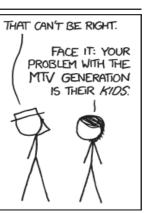


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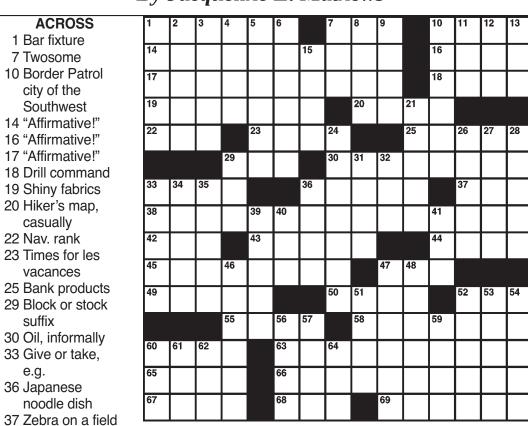


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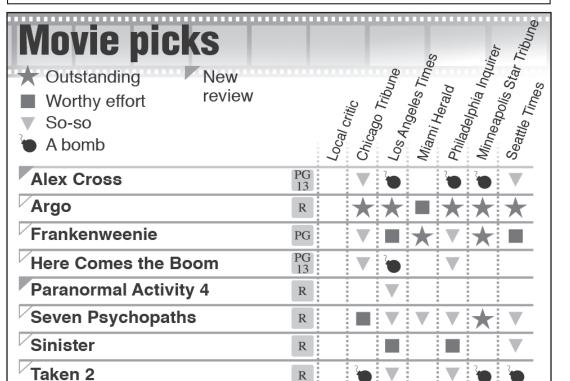
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Cobras prepare for Region 24 Tournament



Alex Wallner Staff Writer

With the 2012 Parkland volleyball regular season coming to a close, the team looks fired up for the upcoming Region 24 tournament, which is hosted by the Cobras this year.

The team enters next week's Regional as No. 3 in the field, behind only Illinois Central College and Lincoln Land College, who are rated No. 1 and No. 2 respectively. Both are teams that the Cobras have already beaten this season, either during a tournament or an individual match.

The Region 24 tournament begins Wednesday, Oct. 31 at Dodds Athletic Center at 6:00 p.m. The Cobras will first face No. 6 Rend Lake (9-28) and are favored to win on paper.

The Cobras had unbelievable regular season racking up a record of 37-7 and earning a ranking of sixth in the country. They look to end the regular season on a strong note, with a tri-match against Vincennes and East Central College on Saturday and are hoping to end the season 39-7.

Thisteamhasanunbelievable amount of momentum going into Regionals and going out this weekend on top would make the team gain even more momentum down the stretch.

Head Coach Cliff Hastings says, "I think the regular season went about as well as I could have drawn it up. I liked that we struggled a bit the first few weeks."

"I think that really brought a high level of alertness and attention to the girls in terms of their needed commitment and work ethic to be successful. Of course, I like that we won the conference and had a 27-match winning streak in the middle. We defeated a number of topnotch teams, and it showed our team, our supporters and other teams that we are a force to think seriously about."

"I think going into Regionals, we are pretty prepared," Dana Belcher, sophomore, replied. "We have played about 40 games, I feel like we still have stuff to work on, but I think this coming week we have four practices and I think we will prepared for that. It's my second year and I know last year, we went in there and lost our first game."

"I think as sophomores, we have a lot of momentum with that, going back as revenge in a way, we'll be fired up so hopefully we can get the freshmen fired up with that same type of energy as well,"

"As a team we have gained a lot of momentum," Allyn Krenz, freshman, stated. "Losing to ICC this past weekend will give us the fire needed to beat them again. As a player I know what I need to do to help the team be successful, and losing the ICC makes me want to win even more."

As the Cobras go into Regionals, they must be satisfied with their seeding. Even though they have the best record out of any of the teams in the field, they still have to be motivated to play at their highest level despite their ranking.

"There are some very good teams in our region, and we're going to have to work hard to win one of those coveted bids to nationals," Hastings explained.

"We didn't necessarily create the easiest path for ourselves, but nothing worth having is worth having if it was given to you. A tough path at Regionals reinforces the required work ethic needed for a tough path at Nationals to achieve our ultimate season goal."

Belcher said, "Yes, I feel like we should have one that game against ICC and we dealt with that loss, but we have beat them before, so we have to go out there and fight because its Regionals and I think people should not lay down for these

games because it is postseason and it's what everything counts

"We have a tough region and no matter where you are seeded, you play some tough matches. We are excited to have an opportunity to play for a chance to make Nationals," Assistant Head Coach Gia Lewis-Smallwood explained.

Overall, this team has extremely high expectations, reaching Nationals. This is something that the team has a great chance to achieve. The Cobras have a great deal of talent come together to play as a team.

"My expectations Regionals are to just make it to Nationals and I think we'll focus on Nationals when the time comes. For now, we're focused on making changes and working hard for Regionals," sophomore Shelby Geers added.

Hastings added, expectations are that we play as a team, we fight hard, and we have a great time doing it. My expectations are never any more and never any less."

"The girls have worked hard over the last 2.5 months, and they are ready. Each component is put in place for our team to be successful. If we do these things, the scoreboard at the end of the match will be in our favor."

"It's when we forget that it's a game and we should be enjoying what we're doing that we slip a bit. If these things stay at the forefront of our minds, I plan for another trip to Nationals where anything is possible."

This team has all the confidence in the world. They are a hardworking group that never backs down, and keeping that up for the rest of the season may lead them to a National championship, something they have been striving to achieve.





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Emma Cabutti serves against East Central College on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2012 at Dodds Sports Complex.

Cobras Soccer season comes to a close



Spencer Brown Sports Writer

"And Then There Were None," is the title of Agatha Christie's detective fiction novel and probably one of the best-selling mysteries of all

That title could also reflect the number of Parkland soccer teams that remain in competition. None.

However, there is no mystery on how both the men's and women's soccer teams arrived here as we take a look back over the past season.

Men's head coach Mark Sikora had an uphill climb from the start. The loss of All-Conference talent, Dhani Cerra, was one obstacle.

Whether or not Cerra would have made an impact on the outcome of the season is up for

Regardless of that fact, the season started slowly, and the Cobras lost four of their first five games of the season.

Of those 4 losses, three consecutive losses were by one-goal margins. The fourth loss was to current No. 7 ranked Schoolcraft College.

They were very competitive matches. Sikora's team showed a lot of resiliency as it

fought its way back into contention. The Cobras would not suffer a loss in their next five games. That stretch saw them post a

record of 4-0-1 with the tie being a 0-0 effort

against rival Lincoln College on September 8. Inconsistency plagued this team down the stretch as wins and losses were traded heading into postseason play. They finished with a record of 8-7-2.

After playing the University of Illinois club team to a 1-1 tie, it was off to the postseason.

Lying in wait was their Region 24 rival Lincoln

In the middle of that postseason contest, Lincoln scored four unanswered goals which put the game out-of-reach for the Cobras.

The final score was 5-1.

It was the fourth year in a row that Lincoln College decided the fate of Parkland men's soccer season.

It is also the fourth straight year Parkland has hovered around the .500 mark at the end of the season.

Since 2009, the Cobras are 36-32-5.

The good news is that Sikora has a core group of guys, anchored by the four freshmen from Morton, Ill., ready to take this program to the next level.

The attention now shifts on recruiting for the fall 2013 season to make this team a contender



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and eliminate the yearly ghost that haunts their postseason dreams, Lincoln College.

As for the women, a season of promise and aspirations for Nationals ended prematurely. Last Thursday, the Lady Cobras lost a semifinal contest to Heartland College effectively ending their season.

At the end of regulation, the score was tied 1-1. Two overtime periods ensued. Neither team

A slot in the Region 24 Final came down to

penalty kicks. Josh Alford's team only converted 3 of 5 shots and Heartland advanced, making all 5 of their

penalty kick shots. Though a disappointing end to a team's season with hopes a Nationals berth, it was still another successful campaign for the women's soccer

program.

'We started really strong in the beginning,"

Keren Sharabi said. The midfielder and co-captain just completed her sophomore season. "Everybody was playing for each other."

Strong in the beginning is an understatement.

The first ten games of the season consisted of nine wins and one tie. A grand total of four goals were given up during that span. The next four games were a split for the Cobras. Sharabi insisted that opposing talent

or focus was not the issue in either of the two "We were creating a lot of opportunities to score," Sharabi said. "We shot more in goals

than the opponent, we just didn't score." "Like our coach says, 'maximize your

opportunities and minimize your mistakes." The next game, Alford's team did exactly that.

An October 16 defeat of Trinity Christian by the score of 8-1 concluded the regular season. In the quarter final game against Lewis and

Clark College, the dominance continued. The Lady Cobras advanced with a 3-0 victory. Next were the Semi-Finals in Normal, IL where they fell to Heartland College on penalty

kicks after a 1-1 tie through overtime forced the penalty kick scenario. The team finished 13-3-1.

Alford will miss the likes of Priscila Azuaga, Audra Krusz and Sharabi. The sophomores now begin the transition process to assessing and hopefully competing at a four-year institution.

All is not lost. The head coach had an outstanding recruiting class this past year and is sure to follow this off-season with a class as good or better.

The past two seasons have seen the Lady Cobras post a record of 27-5-2. Needless to say,

they are making themselves a relevant threat. The goal now is getting Parkland to Nationals, nothing less.

"I'm glad I had the opportunity to play with those girls," Sharabi said of her teammates before the loss Thursday.

Her expectation, along with the rest of the team, was to get that elusive spotlight on the grand stage.

As Parkland continues to build itself into a player on the national scene, hopefully those girls will honor Sharabi, Krusz, Azuaga and the rest of this year's sophomores with an appearance at Nationals.

Only time will tell.

For the time being, both programs appear to be making strides in the right direction.

For more information on men's and women's soccer, visit www.parkland.edu/athletics.

"Paranormal Activity 4" disappoints viewers



Mace Mackiewicz Staff Writer

"Paranormal Activity 4" is the latest installment in the popular movie series. This movie takes place about five years after the first two movies and builds on their endings, as well as the elements that were introduced at the end of the third one.

"Paranormal Activity 4" is not a successful horror movie. A significant number of the scares rely on the audience being jumpy.

The movie is filmed via Mac computers. This is probably the creepiest thing about the movie, as the main character is obsessed with using these cameras to stalk the other characters.

Another way in which "Paranormal Activity 4" goes wrong is its overcommercialization. product placements are shameless. The movie bombards the audience with products from Apple, Apple Crisps, wine and Pepsi.

Since these products aren't on billboards or in stores, it's obvious every time. A character needs a drink? They'll pull a Pepsi out of the fridge. Need to check a laptop? The characters will comment on

how impressive it is that the youngest kid has a Mac.

The attempts for scares in the film are lazy and have very little to do with anything paranormal. The found



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footage will cut from a character walking around to them shutting a closet loudly.

The movie tried something clever but failed to follow through. In one scene, a knife that someone was using was lifted up to the ceiling while they weren't looking. It just hangs there for half of the movie. Then, it falls into the cutting board later harming

no one, just to elicit a few screams from the audience.

Other aspects of the film are highly derivative of horror classics. There's one instance where a child

in a way very similar to the famous scene from "The Shining." A chair gets pulled out in front of the child, and then he rides away as if nothing happened. Everything that

is riding his toy bicycle

throughout the house

happens in this film is pointless. ultimately There is little-to-no build up and the ending comes out of left-field. At least in the previous films there was a person committing these murders, but now it's an invisible force that throws people around.

"Paranormal Activity 4" deserves 2 out of 10. There is no substance and nothing to cause scares.

This series has now become completely asinine. What started out as a series that tried to be somewhat grounded, has just become a joke and has become a victim of the cliche it created.

Unless the audience is invested in the paper-thin plot, there is no reason to see "Paranormal Activity

This film is currently being universally panned with a low 25% on Rotten Tomatoes, a 4.6 on IMDB, and a 40 on MetaCritic.

For more information, visit www. rottentomatoes.com, www.imdb.com or www.metacritic.com.

Creeps, screams and terror: A review of local haunted attractions



Alisha Kirkley Staff Writer

Everyone loves a good haunted house during the Halloween season.

For people that are thrillthe scarier the seekers, haunted house, the better. Some travel across the state or even across the world for the ultimate scare.

There are a few in the local Champaign-Urbana area, and many more that are only an hour away, both in the north and south.

This article will be reviewing haunted houses that are within an hour from the C-U area. The rating is based upon each house's scares, design and entertainment using a oneto-five point system.

The first haunted house visited this season was the "Midway of Madness Haunted Barn" located at the Champaign County Fairgrounds.

According to the owners, Chad Swim and Kim Heath, the haunted barn was a big success considering the fact that it is in its first-year and was assembled hastily.

"We love Halloween and haunted houses; this was a lastminute thing we put together. Our cast is made up of about 30 characters and the barn takes about six to eight minutes to complete," Smith remarked.

With all sorts of interesting props, characters and special effects, the duo found their inspiration from attending trade shows. The haunted barn featured many creepy rooms that were crawling with characters that either made their presence known right away or waited until the viewer was exiting their area.

There were also a few tight and unanticipated squeezes around corners and through halls, as well as a large portion of the maze presented in pitch black darkness, so one must rely on sense of touch.

A few eager participants stood waiting in line, curious to know more about the attrac-

"We haven't heard anything about it," one said. "One of the guys has been to several

other haunted houses but we haven't heard anything of this one. They have some awesome masks though."

and the line was packed with people. Overall, this haunted house earned a solid three and a half out of five.

With the crowd that attended this year, one can only imagine what kind of new and surprising ideas the "Midway to Madness Haunted Barn" will present next season.

The journey was then turned towards the "Halls of Madness and Insanity Woods" just outside Paris, Ill., where they are in the ninth year of fear.

There, Troy Stone and his cast of 30 screaming and eerie characters, as well as a few not-so-helpful yet entertaining clowns, wait to play with their "fresh meat", the phrase for which Stone yells to the crew signaling the start of another group of people.

He and his crew keep a list of tally marks for the number of people who have soiled their pants, a group for which "number one" and "number two" have occurred.

Starting inside, many rooms and themes arise throughout the attraction. Then, moving outside to "Insanity Woods", where many taunting, loud and amusing personalities dwell, it's back inside for the final stretch where you meet the very sarcastic and helpful clowns.

A group of four kids from ages 12-13 were all scared to go in without someone older.

"We've never gone through and the girls are scared," noted the only boy of the group. "I'm just nervous." After coming out, they said it was a lot of fun.

The "Halls of Madness" resides on the land of Stone, where he preps the scares from the middle to the end summer.

"The spooky ideas begin as early as July," stated Stone. "We have what is called 'Monster School' where we all get together and throw out ideas."

He often gets an idea for a room or character and will sketch it out on paper to develop it further.

Being in the business of entertainment, he says his favorite part of the haunted house is, "getting someone The lot was packed with cars out of the house and to have fun, whether it's being scared, laughing with their group, crying, as long as they had fun."

Stone and his crew come screaming with a four out of five for this spooky and amusing maze.

Around 30 minutes from "The Halls" was "Ashmore Estates".

For years, the author of this article was too nervous to visit "Ashmore Estates." Other people's opinions were that the closed mental institution was a reputable and truly haunted building.

Owner Scott Kelley was in character the evening of the review and could not be reached for interview.

The haunted attraction featured all three floors of the building with a different theme to every room.

They feature an attentiongrabbing maze comprised of what had to be over 100 doors and a bridge where the room spins.

Later on, a room filled with hanging sheets surrounded you, which felt as if it came right out of a horror movie.

A few random people standing in line said that they'd heard about "Ashmore Estates" and wanted to experience it for themselves, one person in a group was particularly interested in a real paranormal experience.

paranormal Numerous investigators have inspected the building and found there are, in fact, lingering spirits of the past. It is possible that a visiting guest, or even a cast member, may experience something abnormal.

Once a home for the mentally ill, the spot is now home to the paranormal, which earn it a four out of five.

Next season brings more scares, new ideas and new expectations, as well as new adventures. Have a happy and safe Halloween.

P2 - PARKLAND POINT



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P2 was built with the Parkland College student in mind - meticulous attention to detail and superior resident amenities make Parkland Point the perfect place to live.

- Every bedroom with its own bathroom
- Gated community with controlled gate access
- Contemporary floor plans - Luxury furniture package
- Full-size kitchens with granite counter-tops
- Full-sized washer and dryers - 24-hour maintenance and management
- Free off-street parking
- Fully furnished - Leases by bedroom
- Roommate matching program

The community boasts a new resort-style swimming pool and sun deck, clubhouse with wi-fi, a television lounge, media room and meeting space.

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