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New laws to keep in mind in 2014

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The beginning of 2014 has brought quite a few changes in regards to the laws in Illinois. Some of these laws apply to student's everyday activities, including driving and tobacco use.

Other laws are controversial, and have been long awaited by some residents of Illinois.

HB 183 Firearm concealed carry

This law allows residents to apply for concealed carry permits, granting them the ability to carry a weapon on their person.

Licenses are expected to begin being issued sometime in January.

Permit holders are not permitted to bring their gun into Parkland College, however.

According to Parkland's the Police website, Department is in the process of putting up signs on all entrances to Parkland informing the public that firearms must be left in their locked vehicles and out of view.

HB 3243 - Cigarette butt littering

New laws have also put tobacco restrictions on smokers both statewide and locally in Champaign. One new law implemented a stiff punishment for those who litter cigarette butts on the ground, if caught the offender may have to pay fine of \$1,500.

A policy that affects the Chambana area specifically is the new smoking ban on the U of I campus.

The law bans anyone smoking cigarettes, e-cigarettes or any tobacco related substances anywhere Performance on the U of I campus, including privately owned vehicles the new ban. parked on campus property.



Illustration by Katie Balch/Prospectus News

A summary of the smoking ban can be found online at www.campusrec.illinois.edu/ Smoke-Free.

Joey Moody, U of I student and Earth Science major, didn't particularly like the new ban.

"The new law on cigarette butts I can understand as that is littering. But a complete ban on smoking even in the privacy of one's own apartment or car is just going too far. I don't understand how they're even going to enforce such a law campus wide," Moody said.

In contrast. Vocal major

was needed. It's one less thing polluting the air and less stress on people's lungs," Perez said. HB 1247 - Cellphone use

while driving The Illinois Vehicle code has been amended to ban the handheld use of a cellphone

while driving. The only way to use a cell phone while driving now is if answering and talking on it is completely hands free via

Computer Science major Jacob Miller is for the new law.

Bluetooth.

"I've seen way too many people not paying attention to "I believe the smoking ban I hope this new law at least they can acquire it through

deters people from doing that, or takes the dangerous drivers off the road with arrests or license revocations," Miller said.

The cell phone law has some exceptions like emergencies but for the most part drivers must not have the phone to their ear while driving.

The punishment starts with a \$75 fine for the first offense and raises up from there.

HB 1 – Medicinal Marijuana Illinois also legalized the medicinal use of marijuana in the state of Illinois.

If someone meets the the road by texting or talking requirements and is approved or search for others, visit on their phone while driving. for use of medical marijuana http://goo.gl/RYclMj.

one of 60 vendors in the state of Illinois and can have 2 1/2 ounces of it every two weeks.

Residents aren't yet able to apply for this new type of medicine, however.

The agencies overseeing the program have 120 days from January 1 to lay out the rules and regulations, and those who qualify may not see a full implementation of the law until much later this year.

See page five for students' responses to marijuana use.

SB 2356 - Speed limit

The new speed limit is now increased from 65 to 70 mph on many interstate highways. Interstates 57, 72 and 74 are among the ones included in this increase.

HB 226 – Underage voting

17 year old residents are now qualified to vote during the primary elections on Tuesday, March 18, 2014, as long as they reach the age of 18 years old by the next elections in November.

Underage voters who are interested in participating must register to vote by Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2014.

SB 1005 - Violent 'flash mobs' penalty increases for participants

Those who use social media to form violent 'flash mobs' will now face harsher prison sentences, increasing from three to a maximum of 6 years. Violent 'flash mob' participants have used these tactics to rob stores and harm others.

Those who participate in non-violent 'flash mobs', such as freezing with a group of friends in the middle of a crowded mall, must keep in mind that if the event suddenly turns violent or another participant harms someone, they could all be subject to the harsh penalties.

To read more on these laws

Yale study identifies gene mutation as a cause of Tourette's



William Weir The Hartford Courant

A team of Yale researchers

says it has found a genetic cause of Tourette syndrome, a discovery that could lead to better medications for the hardto-treat disorder.

In a study published Wednesday in the journal Neuron, the researchers say a genetic mutation that blocks histamine also leads to Tourette syndrome, a neurological disorder that can cause various tics, such as repeated motions and involuntary verbal utterances. But Tourette's experts say that the way the researchers studied the gene mutation - a specially bred mouse - might be the real breakthrough.

In 2010, the Yale researchers studied a family of eight children, all with Tourette's. Their father also had the disorder. They all carried a mutation of a gene known as histidine decarboxylase (HDC), which blocks histamine production.

recent study, however, that But when the researchers they were able to prove that the gene mutation and the blocked histamine actually caused Tourette syndrome. Although histamine is a compound most commonly associated with allergies and the immune system, it also serves as a neurotransmitter, a chemical that sends signals throughout the brain. To actually measure levels of histamine in the brain - and determine what happened when those levels were disrupted - the scientists needed animal models.

The researchers took two groups of mice, one bred to have Tourette's, and a control group. They then examined the activity of histamine and dopamine another neurotransmitter that plays a major role in the cause of Tourette's - in the part of the brain known as the basal ganglia.

"We found that the neurons are more active in the animal model (with Tourette's) and that they had a little more of the neurotransmitter dopamine," said Christopher Pittenger, It wasn't until the most senior author of the study.

increased histamine levels in the mice's brains, they found that doing so reduced dopamine levels.

Exactly why increased activity in the basal ganglia can lead to Tourette's isn't understood, Pittenger said.

"What I really hope is that this is going to lead us to new insights as to what's out of balance," he said.

The specific gene mutation is very rare - in fact, it's never been found outside of the family involved with the 2010 study. But Pittenger said "all causes of Tourette syndrome are likely to be rare," and each one could shed light on how histamine/dopamine imbalance affects brain function.

"That is what this animal model puts us in a position to do," he said. "The specific findings about dopamine in this paper are a first step in this direction."

The U.S. Centers for

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Photo by Tammy Ljungblad/Kansas City/MCT Camper Spencer Miller, 11, of Platte City, Mo., concentrates on his next move during a game of Connect Four at The Joshua Center, camp for kids with Tourette's syndrome and other neurological conditions, including obsessive compulsive and attention deficit disorders as well as Asperger's.

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College recruiters give low-income public campuses fewer visits



Larry Gordon
Los Angeles Times

The Webb Schools, a private high school in Claremont, is a magnet for college recruiters from around the country and the world. This fall, 113 Ivy League and other schools sent representatives to the campus - more than the 106 students in the senior class.

At Jefferson High School, a lowincome public school with 280 seniors in South Los Angeles, eight recruiters from local universities showed up.

Recruiters' visits often are an important first contact for students to discover campuses far beyond their hometowns and for the colleges to discovertalented applicants. Students may be left behind in the competition for college entrance and financial aid when admissions officials skip their campuses, counselors and education experts said.

A Los Angeles Times survey of public and private high schools across Southern California found that campuses with a high proportion of low-income and minority students had far fewer visits from college recruiters.

Among schools in affluent communities: La Canada High School hosted 127 visits from recruiters between August and November. Palisades Charter on the Westside, 133; the private Marlborough School, a girls campus in Hancock Park, 102.

Corona del Mar, a public school in Newport Beach, had 85, sometimes booking as many as six in a single day. On Oct. 10, for example,



Photo by Luis Sinco/Los Angeles Times/MCT

Recruiter Gary Bednorz of the University of New Mexico makes a pitch to students at Mayfair High School in California, on May 23, 2012. Out-of-state colleges are taking advantage of California's cutbacks on universities to recruit students.

representatives of Pepperdine, Yale, Lehigh, Washington State, Columbia and Whitworth, were there between 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., according to college coordinator Mary Russell. The recruiters meet with students in a special lounge recently refurbished with parent donations.

By contrast, Pasadena High School

had 20 visits over the fall semester; Compton High, five; Hoover High in Glendale, 15; Santa Ana High, five; Belmont High near downtown Los Angeles, about 25; Roosevelt High in Boyle Heights, 20.

"Underserved communities have trouble getting resources and access to things like that," said Jefferson Principal Michael Taft. He said his school lost funding for a full-time counselor who arranged for the visits and who could encourage recruiters to overcome negative images about low-income, heavily minority public schools.

Colleges, particularly from out of state, say they do not discriminate

against those schools. But they say time and money constraints compel them to return to schools where they've been successful in enrolling students or at least garnering applications. Some concede that students' ability to pay tuition without substantial financial aid also can sway their choices.

Students at high schools receiving few recruiters often need more information and encouragement because they are more likely to come from families with less college experience, according to Gregory Wolniak, director of New York University's Center for Research on Higher Education Outcomes.

"Having visits from schools can serve to compensate for some of those family background differences," said Wolniak, who has studied how high school alumni enrollment networks help students get into college.

Roosevelt senior Beverly Vasquez said she found the college presentations at her public school helpful; she is applying to the University of Redlands now, in addition to Loyola Marymount, Occidental, UCLA, UC San Diego, Cal Poly Pomona and others. But she believes more visits could expand students' horizons, particularly with private and out-of-state colleges.

"I think it would make a huge difference," said Beverly, who wants to study engineering.

Her classmate Javier Evangelista is applying as a mechanical engineering major to Notre Dame, Stanford, UC

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Tomb of previously unknown pharaoh found



Tom Avril The Philadelphia Inquirer

University of Pennsylvania archaeologists say they have found the tomb of a previously unknown Egyptian pharaoh who ruled more than 3,600 years ago, the first discovery of what they predict could be more than a dozen tombs from a forgotten dynasty.

The tomb, found last week, was heavily looted, but hieroglyphs on the chamber walls clearly identified it as belonging to a ruler named Woseribre Senebkay, the Penn team announced Wednesday in conjunction with the Egyptian government.

The researchers already have begun excavating several nearby sites that appear to be from the same dynasty, at the site of the ancient city of Abydos, more than 300 miles south of Cairo, said Josef Wegner, a Penn associate professor of Egyptology.

"It looks like there's a whole royal necropolis of this lost dynasty," said Wegner, an associate curator at Penn's Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology.

Archaeologists had suspected the existence of the unknown pharaohs

from an ancient list of rulers called the Turin King List, portions of which are torn and decayed. By analyzing fragmented parts of the list, a Danish researcher named Kim Ryholt proposed years ago that 16 unknown kings belonged to the Abydos dynasty.

The name of Senebkay matches one of the partial names on the list, said Wegner, who identified the tomb's occupant with the help of graduate student Kevin Cahail. Some other names on the list are obliterated.

"They basically were forgotten to history," Wegner said. "In the later king lists, they don't appear. They just kind of vanish."

The tomb, dated to 1650 B.C., appears to have been raided by tomb robbers in ancient times, Wegner said. Even the king's bodily remains were ripped apart.

Preliminary work on the skeleton, conducted by Penn graduate students Paul Verhelst and Matthew Olson, suggests that Senebkay stood about 5 feet, 10 inches tall and died in his mid- to late 40s.

The tomb contained remains of a funerary mask, a coffin, and a cedar chest that would have been used to house the king's internal organs, customarily removed before burial.

The chest apparently had been reused from the nearby tomb of an earlier king who already was known to history. The discovery of that tomb, belonging to a king named Sobekhotep, was announced by the Penn-Egypt team this week.

The rash of discoveries began last year, when Wegner and colleagues found a 60-ton stone sarcophagus chamber that appeared to have been moved from its original site. They identified its original owner as Sobekhotep, but are still identifying the king for whom it was reused.

The new discovery of the tomb of Senebkay occurred in the process of excavating ruins near the 60-ton chamber. The tombs of other apparent members of the dynasty are thought to lie nearby.

Senebkay's tomb is painted with images of the goddesses Nut, Nephthys, Selket, and Isis. His reign occurred during what is known as the Second Intermediate Period, a time when multiple dynasties were competing for supremacy, Wegner said.

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University of Pennsylvania archaeologist Josef Wagner is the leader of an expedition to southern Egypt that found the birth brick, the first actual example of what previously had been known only from ancient drawings on birth scenes.



As economy heals, thriftness thrives

The Orange County Register

Maria Garcia's front yard sale held no theme.

Shoes, wrenches, blender, a Darth Vader mask - all were on the driveway in front of her one-story

Garden Grove home.

A child's shirt? Five bucks. The blender? Fifteen.

Garcia, 31, began holding monthly garage sales three years ago to earn pocket money for her father who had been forced out of the workforce by illness. Times were tough in Orange County then and unemployment was

at its peak. These days, the economy has improved. Local unemployment is 6.2 percent, slightly better than the national average. Home prices are

Still, for people like Garcia, the lessons about thriftiness learned during the dark times haven't gone away. Garcia works full time. But she also does what she can to save cash, buying cheaper clothes for her kids and shopping at thrift stores for

Garcia says she and her sister once were big mall shoppers.

She also says she hasn't been to a mall in years.

With people like Garcia taking on new habits, and rappers bragging about 99 cent sheets, and entrepreneurs looking to franchise garage sales, one thing seems clear: Thrift is chic.

"One man's trash, that's another man's come-up ..." - From "Thrift Shop" by Macklemore & Ryan Lewis.

Thrift stores are the Chia Pet of industries. Local and national experts say thrift store sales grew during the last recession - and they've continued to grow during the supposed recovery of the past three years.

And thrift stores are just part of a bigger trend. The Association of Resale Professionals reports that national sales in all quarters of the so-called secondhand industry including retail categories ranging from thrift shops to high-end consignment stores - grew more than 7 percent in each of the past two

And that number, they add, gives only a glimpse of a hard-to-measure market.

Economists who calculate gross domestic product count the value of for the Savers thrift store in Anaheim,



Photo by Lezlie Sterling/Sacramento Bee/MCT

Charity Kenyon looks through her closet filled with clothing treasures she bought second-hand at consignment stores, July 18, 2013, at her home in Galt, California. For the last 15 years, Kenyon has been a dedicated thrift store shopper.

goods only one time, the first time they're sold. So it's hard to gauge the true volume of America's thrift

But one industry - used cars - offers a clue about the relative popularity of used versus new.

And in Orange County, Calif., used has been hot. Sales of new cars in Orange County fell hard in 2008, the peak year of the recession, and didn't return to prerecession levels until

But during that same period, used car sales grew consistently, according to the state Board of Equalization.

It's Finance 101. When consumers have less to spend, they look for ways to get more for their money, said Esmael Adibi, an economist at Chapman University.

"A higher unemployment rate, a loss of income, means that people are going to choose things that nobody would have touched (a few years ago)," Adibi said.

But that trend is playing out even as those basic factors - jobs and income seem to be improving.

Matthew Zabala, front supervisor discount rack.

Calif., said both gross sales and the number of customers walking into the store have jumped by about 20 percent in 2012. During that same period, unemployment in Orange County fell from 8.8 percent to 7.6 percent.

Officials at Goodwill of Orange County have seen something similar, saying sales at their retail outlets in Orange County have grown steadily since 2008, even as economic conditions have improved.

And the Lutheran High Thrift Shop in Orange, which helps provide scholarships for a private high school, has seen double digit sales increases in each of the past three years.

Still, it's possible the fundamentals aren't as rosy as the economic statistics suggest.

And boom times at thrift stores might be a sign that some of the jobs created in the past few years don't pay enough to send consumers back to the malls.

Or, for shoppers like Yvonne Varela, the jobs might not be consistent enough to keep them away from the

Before that, she says, she wouldn't have considered shopping in a thrift

"A lot of my girlfriends are single moms, too, and at first we were like 'Oh, secondhand? That's kinda gross," Varela said.

But since 2010 Varela has had a hard time finding consistent, full-time work. And, on a recent Wednesday, she was looking sifting through jeans for her 10-year-old daughter at Lutheran High Thrift.

The stigma of shopping secondhand, she said, has evaporated.

"We are addicted," Varela said. "... I call that getting tricked by a business..."

A couple of years ago, a friend of Yazen Haddad complained to him about the hassles of holding a garage

An idea was born.

Today, Haddad runs Garage Hunters, an Irvine-based company that pairs consignment store owners with homeowners wishing to thin out.

Haddad, who also sells real estate, said decluttering is earning big bucks, and that a typical garage Varela, 35, was laid off in 2010. auction Orange County churns out about \$1,500. What's more, his buyers - consignment store owners - are eager for product.

"I see a lot of new buyers," Haddad said. "It's definitely a new market."

There's even a new twist in the thrift business.

In May, Goodwill of Orange County expanded, debuting its first boutique store, based in Tustin.

The goal is to offer high-end donations to shoppers looking for high-end (but secondhand) product.

"I think we realized people are hooked," said Corrine Allen, vice president of Goodwill of Orange County retail operations.

"... I wear your grandad's clothes. I look incredible ..."

And that might be a sign that something deeper than economics is at work - fashion.

Between the racks at Lutheran High Thrift, not everyone is struggling to get by.

"I think a lot of people if they don't need to shop here, they still come here," said the store's manager, Suzanne Sotelo.

Without being prompted, Barbara Rose, from Orange, said her whole outfit was secondhand, down to the \$2 pink wedges.

Rose said she's been a "thrifter" her whole life. But, recently, she's been copied by well-off friends. Thrift store parking lots are full, she said, sometimes with Mercedes and other high-end rides.

"It's just a big social change, where people are very much inviting that idea to recycle," said Savers' front manager Zabala. "It's really amazing when you

completely love the thrift store. They come three to four times a week and spend \$40 to \$50 each week." Savers' shopper Lauren Zakich

have customers come in, and they

agreed, saying even her boyfriend who once had to be dragged to a thrift store - has become an eager customer. "Even though I have some friends who (still) say thrifting is gross, I

think it has become a fad to wear things that were (previously) in style," the 22-year-old said. "Maybe that's because

generation is struggling to earn money, even when we graduate from college."

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Public Safety gives students advice on new laws



Parkland College Public

January 1st brings many things each year, New Year's resolutions. a new spring semester just around the corner, and in Illinois this year, several new laws that will have an impact on most residents of the state.

One of the laws that has had the most attention on it by the media is the Firearm Concealed Carry Act.

Citizens in the State of Illinois will now be able to attend an Illinois State Police approved course, pay a fee, and apply for their concealed carry permit.

If awarded, this permit will allow citizens to carry a concealed firearm in public, however there is a list of automatically restricted areas as well as different classifications of businesses that can designate whether or not they are allowing concealed carry on their property.

Parkland College falls under one of those restricted areas, and I'm sure you've all seen the signs posted on all the main entrances around campus; no one can conceal carry on campus property.

your personal vehicle on your way to campus, you must immediately leave your firearm in your vehicle upon arrival in the parking lots.

Another law that has received attention from the media is the total ban on the use of electronic communication devices while you're driving a motor vehicle.

This means that whether you're texting, calling someone, or scrolling through songs on your iPhone, it's illegal to have any electronic device, whether it's a cell phone, personal digital assistant, or portable/mobile computer (iPods and other electronic media players fall into this category) in your hands while you're driving.

Any police officer that sees you with a device in your hands while you're driving can pull you over and write you a ticket.

Those tickets start at \$75 for the first offense and get more expensive the more times you get caught, topping out at \$150 for 4th and subsequent offenses.

Exceptions to this law include: Calling to report an emergency (calling 911) and any continued

If you happen to conceal carry in communication with emergency personnel during an emergency

situation. Using electronic vour communication device in hands-free or voice-operated mode, which may include the use of a headset.

Using vour electronic communication device while parked on the shoulder of the roadway.

One last note on this law, if you're involved in an accident while using any sort of electronic communication device in a prohibited manner, and someone gets injured or killed, you will be charged with an additional misdemeanor or felony, respectively.

Another new change this year is that in certain areas of the state, interstate highway speed limits will increase from 65mph to 70.

Be sure to check on the signs on the roads you're driving on before automatically going 5mph faster.

It's good to be back after over a month-long winter holiday break, good luck with classes this spring and keep an eye out for a weekly public safety article for tips on staying safe and informed this semester!



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Back to the drawing board on 'net neutrality' rules

Los Angeles Times

The Federal Communications Commission has struggled for a decade to find a way to preserve what may be the Internet's most important quality: that there are no gatekeepers between users and the websites they frequent. Three successive FCC chairmen have tried writing guidelines or rules to stop broadband providers such as Time Warner Cable and Verizon from playing favorites among websites or giving their own services an unfair advantage, only to run into problems when the commission tried to enforce them. On Monday, a federal appeals panel for the District of Columbia Circuit rejected the commission's latest set of "net neutrality" rules, saying they violated federal law. There's no easy fix, but the commission should keep trying.

The FCC's rules had three main provisions for wired broadband providers: They could not block access to any legal content or service, they could not favor one site's traffic over another, and they had to make clear what they were doing to reduce congestion in their pipes.

Wireless broadband providers could not block legal sites either, and could not discriminate unreasonably against competing voice or video services.

That sort of unimpeded access is



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President Barack Obama speaks at press conference with U.S. Rep. Mel Watt (D-N.C.), left, and telecom industry lobbyist Tom Wheeler, right, in Washington, D.C., Wednesday, May 1, 2013. Watt was nominated to be the next director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency and Wheeler was nominated to head the Federal Communications Commission.

pretty much how the Internet has functioned since the days of dial-up modems, and it's crucial to the dazzling innovation and technological advancements since the advent of

broadband connections. Writing for a three-judge panel, Judge David Tatel accepted the FCC's argument that the steady stream of new content and services drives the demand for Internet

connections, so protecting the openness of the Net would spur the investment in broadband that Congress hoped to encourage. The problem, Tatel wrote, is that the commission's rules put broadband providers into a tighter box than federal law allows.

Opponents of the net neutrality rules say the FCC is trying to fix a problem that doesn't exist. But top broadband executives have repeatedly said that they want to charge tolls on the sites responsible for the most traffic, and AT&T recently announced a plan that invites sites to pay the data bill for AT&T's customers.

The FCC could answer the court's statutory objections by reversing a pair of rulings it made in the last decade that classified broadband as an information service, not a telecommunication service subject to far more extensive regulation. But such a step could be regulatory overkill, subjecting 21st century services to rules that date back 80 years. New FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler noted Monday that the court upheld the commission's authority to impose some rules on broadband providers, and he pledged to keep trying to preserve "a free and open platform for innovation and expression." Broadband providers should join in that effort, or risk

devaluing their most valuable product.

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Does a college degree lead to good jobs and happiness? Or to debt and regret?



Chicago Tribune

Higher education is one of the more expensive investments many people will ever make.

The average cost of a year in college, including tuition, fees, room and board, now runs about \$23,000 - enough to buy a new car. Graduates typically leave with \$30,000 each in student loan debt.

But cost is just one thing that deserves to be considered when young people decide whether and where to go.

Another is what they get for their money. That's harder to measure, and it's not something that can be reduced to a dollar

figure. Aschoolthatoffers mediocre instruction or demands too little of students may leave them poorly equipped for the

real world even though they have diplomas.

Most people hope a college education will help them get a good job. But universities have a broader and deeper mission than that. Reading Shakespeare is valuable even if it doesn't strengthen your resume.

Fortunately, someone has decided to try to figure out what people get out of college, in both tangible and intangible ways.

The Gallup polling organization and Purdue University have unveiled a project to survey college grads to find out how they're doing.

Gallup Chairman Clifton and Purdue President Mitch Daniels write in The Wall Street Journal that the survey will ask college graduates questions like: "Are you employed? How much do

those critical qualities that Gallup finds employers truly value and are predictive of work success: a person's workplace engagement and well-being."

It will also inquire about community involvement, personal relationships and physical well-being. Purdue will commission a separate survey of its own alumni to see how they are doing and how they compare with other college graduates. The first results, based on a sampling of 30,000 people, should be out in the spring.

"We owe it to potential students, we owe it to businesses who might recruit our students, to be able to say something with statistical confidence about the quality of our graduates," says Daniels, who previously exercised

you earn? It will also measure his iconoclastic bent as the is well-being, and that in reform-oriented governor of the end is the purpose of a Indiana.

> This knowledge can only be helpful to youngsters and their parents who are making Anthony Carnevale, director for their careers. It also promises to be a spur to schools to learn how their graduates are doing and what professors and administrators can do to improve their professional outcomes. The published data will even allow conferences to compare themselves with others. Can the Southeastern Conference excel in this realm as it does in football?

But more than money and career are relevant. The survey is designed to tell colleges whether they are helping their students achieve the worthwhile, rewarding lives they seek.

"What Gallup is measuring

college education, especially in a democracy - pursuit of happiness is the bottom line," decisions of huge importance of Georgetown University's Center of Education and the Workforce, told The Chronicle of Higher Education. "If college serves these other purposes - that is, it allows you to live more fully - that is not unimportant."

New data about important matters can be highly valuable, Gallup-Purdue and the undertaking, funded with a \$2 million grant from the Lumina Foundation, should provide a lot of it. Employers are bound to welcome the project. But no one stands to gain more than colleges and those who attend

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"The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey" was the most pirated film of 2013, more: than 8.4 million people downloaded the film using BitTorrent networks, which allow peer-to-peer file sharing.



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Disease Control and Prevention identifies other possible causes of Tourette being researched, including smoking and drinking during pregnancy, complications during birth, and streptococcal infection.

Kevin Black, a professor of psychiatry at the University of Washington in St. Louis, said that the Yale study was an impressive one overall.

"I would say it's one of the first chances there's been to follow up and test whether a specific gene can really cause tics and whether it can give clues as to how to treat those tics," he said.

Although the gene mutation in the study is rare, he noted that a handful of genetic mutations linked to Parkinson's disease have provided a lot of information about certain brain functions of patients.

The use of mice means that there are some limitations in the study, Black said. For instance, it's hard to compare the tics of mice to those of humans.

Carol Mathews, a professor of psychiatry at the University of California, San Francisco, who serves on the medical advisory board for the Tourette Association, said that the study could help understand the biology of Tourette syndrome.

"It won't solve the problem of Tourette's, but it's one more piece of the puzzle," she said. The specific gene mutation looked at for the study probably won't prove to be very important because it's so rare, she said, but the means they developed to study it could end up being very helpful. Because you can't take direct samples of the brain, she said, it's difficult to study and diagnose certain neurological disorders.

"This gives us another way of looking at (Tourette syndrome) by using the animal model," Mathews said.

Drugs now on the market can control dopamine activity, but they can also have serious side effects, such as significant sedation and weight gain, Pittenger said. But Pittenger said medications that control histamine, which then controls the levels of dopamine, might mean better treatment.

medicines Antihistamine for shouldn't affect allergies symptoms of Tourette patients, Pittenger said. That's because these medications affect different histamine receptors than those that factor into Tourette cases.

The disorder affects between 0.7 percent and 1 percent of children. Most of those affected improve significantly by adulthood, Pittenger said.

"Where there's really a need are for the people who don't grow out of it," he said. "They tend to have more severe problems, and that's where there's a need for new treatment."

Although the disorder is commonly depicted as producing wild and often vulgar utterances, experts say that most cases involve fairly mild symptoms, such as repeated throatclearing or blinking.

Histamine-regulating drugs have already been developed and are being tested for treating attention-deficit disorder. Pittenger said that to study them for Tourette's would require partnering with a pharmaceutical company to fund the testing and pay for the federal regulatory process. Even in a best-case scenario, he said, it could be a few years before such drugs would be available to Tourette's patients.

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Oct. 1 Technical problems plague the rollout of the HealthCare.gov

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Barack Obama.

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Davis, UCLA and Cal State Long Beach, among others. He said some colleges probably stay away from public schools because they don't think "there could be a student in this school who has the potential to win the next Nobel Prize, come up with a new technology or change the world."

"I do believe they are making a mistake," he said.

Too many colleges stick to traditional recruiting efforts - often concentrating on high schools with substantial numbers of students who meet eligibility requirements and those that have previously sent graduates to enroll as freshmen, according to Shaun R. Harper, director of the University of Pennsylvania's Center for the Study of Race and Equity in Education.

"That is shameful since so many talented students are not given a chance or not introduced to the vast landscape of higher education opportunities," he said.

In research that tracked young Latino and black men with good grades in New York City, Harper found that many colleges avoided their high schools, wrongly assuming "that nothing good is going on."

Recruiters say they seek talented minority and low-income students through large college fairs, citywide recruiting sessions, online outreach and videotaped presentations.

Some join community-based organizations that help young people enter college, such as the national Posse Foundation, Bright Prospect in Pomona and One Voice in Los Angeles.

Admissions recruiters from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign travel to about 800 high schools nationwide, casting a particularly wide net around the school's home state and neighboring

When it gets farther afield, California, for example, representatives tend "not to visit a school where the majority of the population may not be mobile and are not going to leave a certain radius of home" and are unlikely to be able to afford out-of-state education even with some aid, said Mike Drish, director of undergraduate admissions recruitment and outreach.

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Shaking the sands of time

The year 2013 was a blend of events many viewed with optimism – a new pope from South America, civil rights advances - and many doubts, such as worry over national security surveillance programs, chemical weapons in Syria, severe weather, qun violence, Obamacare struggles and government impasses. Some of the year's biggest stories:



Dec. 5 Anti-apartheid leader and former South African President Nelson Mandela dies at age 95, touching off worldwide mourning

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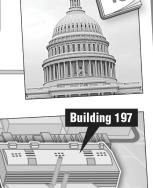
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Sept. 16 Aaron Alexis enters the U.S. Navy Yard in Washington, D.C., shooting and killing a dozen people in a matter of minutes; police killed him at the scene



July 22 The Duchess and Duke of Cambridge, Catherine and William, celebrate the arrival of their first child, baby George Alexander Louis





July 13 More than 16 months after George Zimmerman shot and killed 17-yearold Trayvon Martin, a six-person jury acquitted him of second-degree murder in the racially-charged case



March 13 Former Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio, 76, becomes first pope from Latin America, Francis; he quickly shows an aversion to opulence and a devotion to the poor

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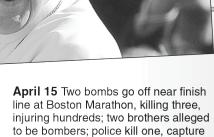
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May 20, 31 Near Oklahoma City, tornadoes rip through Moore and El Reno, Okla., killing a total of 32 people and causing an estimated \$2 billion in damage



June 6 Former NSA contractor Edward Snowden first leaks details of how the U.S. spies on its citizens and those of its allies: Snowden wins temporary asylum in Russia



June 26 U.S. marriage cases;

Supreme Court rules on two same-sex seen as victories for gay rights; as of December, 18 states allow same-sex marriage

U.S. energy independence, fracking debate

In 2013, the U.S. started producing more oil than it imports for the first time since 1995: the trend is the result of advances in horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing, a controversial technology



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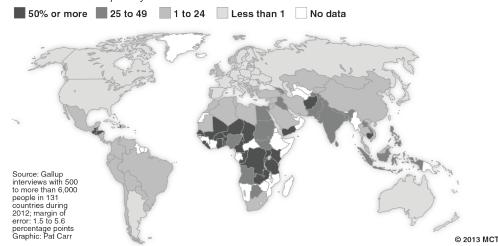


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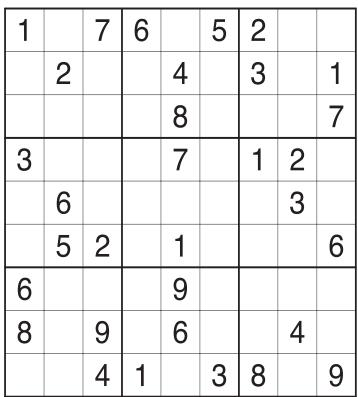
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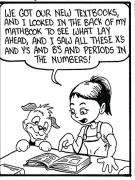


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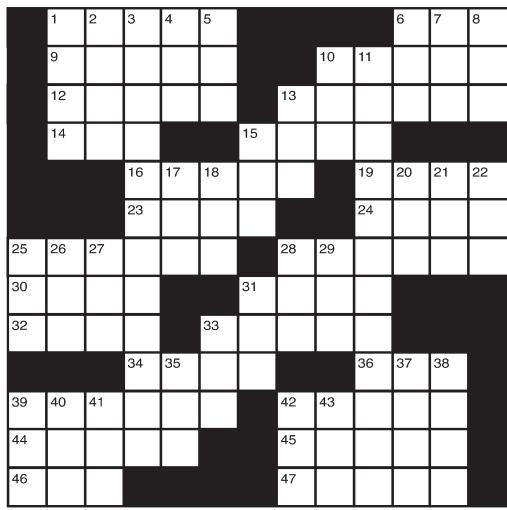






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Men's Basketball remain undefeated



Alex Wallner
Sports Writer

Parkland basketball is back for the second semester with a record of 6-0.

The team has been solid since the turn of the calendar with wins over Black Hawk East, ABCD Prep, Morton, Central Michigan Club, Millikin JV and Lincoln.

The Cobras have shined on the defensive side of the ball, allowing only 57.6 points per game in their first five games of 2014.

The second semester is already looking better than the first, as the team ended last semester with a record of five wins and four losses.

Wins over number one ranked Rend Lake and Lincoln Trail by buzzer beaters were the highlights of the second half of 2013, but not all the games from last year marked themselves as memorable.

"We started off the season pretty rough, 0-3, but it was on the road against some pretty good teams and then we hit that six game winning streak, including knocking off the number one team in the nation at home and our only other loss has been against the second number one team; which we put them in that spot and I think we are 11-4 right now," general education student Shane Seniour said.

This team worked hard to prepare for the Region 24 Tournament, which started on Saturday, Jan. 18, 2014 against rival Lincoln College, who the Cobras split the season series with last year.

Lincoln College, who comes in with a record of nine wins and eight losses, is looking for a breakout game after losing to Illinois Wesleyan JV 78-74 previously.

Parkland ended their game against Lincoln with a final score of 69-67, a close win for the

With this being the first conference game of the year, the team was prepared to bring



Photo courtesy of Rod Shilts/Parkland College

General education student Shane Seniour takes a shot during one of last semester's home games.

enough energy to the court hoping to start of the conference season on a good note.

"I'm looking for the team atmosphere to come into play here because we have a lot of tough conference games coming up, four in a

row, we start off with Lincoln and this is when the true challenge of a team comes out, can we bond together and do what we got to do in conference play," Kinesiology major Nate Tidwell explained. The schedule does not get any easier for the Cobras as they will face the fourth ranked team in the country, Illinois Central College, on Wednesday, Jan. 22, 2014.

The Cobras are well aware of the difficulty of their schedule so far and they understand that it only gets more difficult.

However, the athletes are confident that their growth throughout the season will help them achieve their goals.

"We're definitely more experienced, throughout the bench, getting some of the freshmen guys to step up and have huge games for us when injuries or whatever else inhibited, the first rotation for being all there and so we've had some guys step up big for us and getting everyone's confidence level up," Seniour stated.

Overall, what this team is trying to do is make an impact, and show not only the region and the conference, but the nation that they are here to make some noise and won't go away quietly.

"The type of impact I want us to make is hopefully to come away with a Regional Championship, but I think this year, we're a lot stronger, we're more of a team this year. I think we won't finish second to last like last year. I think we'll either be at the top or the middle of the pack, but our goal is to get the Regional Championship," Assistant Coach Charles Warren explained.

If this team wins the Conference Championship, it will bring a first round bye in the Region Tournament and an easier road to competing at Nationals.

"I think we have a great chance to win a Conference Championship, we just have to play as a team, move the ball and listen to coach and execute on defense and offensive end of the court," Tidwell remarked.

To view the 2014 schedule or find out more information on Parkland Cobras Men's Basketball, visit http://www.parkland.edu/athletics/mensbasketball.

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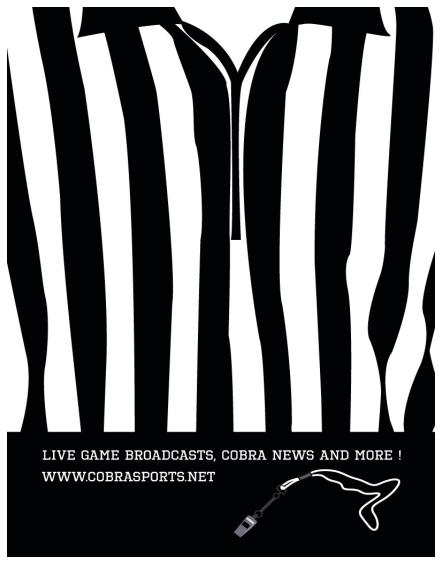
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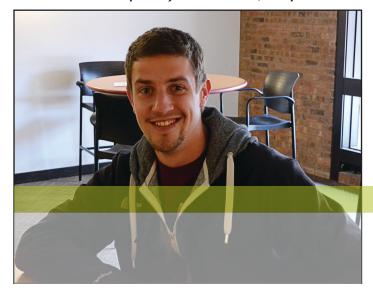




How do YOU feel about Colorado legalizing recreational marijuana?

Parkland students give their input, and discuss whether or not Illinois should do the same.

Compiled by Ted Setterlund/Prospectus News





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I'm excited that (Colorado) is going to allow the growth of industrial hemp, because that has got a lot of good utilities such as food and fiber, and I think hemp is very important for society to legalize. There is no reason (for Illinois) to keep it illegal. Most of the arguments against keeping it illegal are exactly the same arguments that were made during prohibition, and if you look back, you can find documents of doctors providing alcohol to patients.

-George Cruickshank/Mass Communication

When you look at it, there is no other drug that is legalized for medical purposes. It benefits not only for your health but also economically. Illinois should legalize it for the same reasons. You can tax it and make so much money. I mean look at our economy for the state of Illinois. So that can be one place where we can get (the money from). It is a huge tax crop, and it is not something that's going to take nutrients out of the soil

-Matthew Wells/Education Major

I think it is great. Its one thing for cops not to arrest people, and it's another thing to make money off of. Illinois should legalize it because it is much safer than drinking. It doesn't impair your motor coordination anywhere near the amount as alcohol. The fatalities that are related to medical and recreational marijuana are literally zero compared to overdosing on medicine and alcohol. You don't have to smoke marijuana, because just smoking is probably the biggest health risk so far.

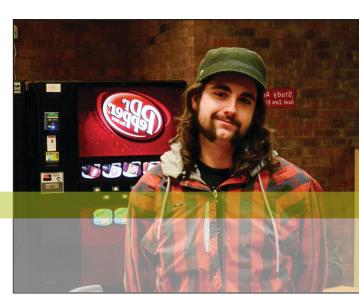
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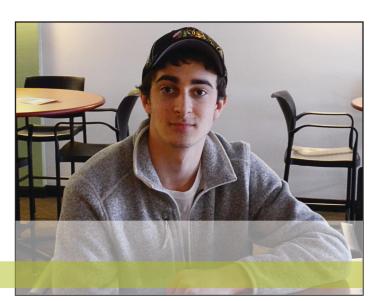
Recreationally I definitely support it. They are making lots of money and taxes off of it. I think Illinois should legalize marijuana because I know several people who use marijuana, and it is not hurting them. If they legalize it, the state can make money from it.

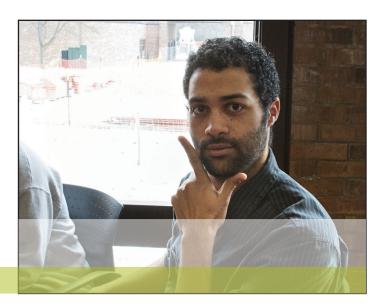
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Colorado made a ton of money on the first day alone, and the government is going to use that money on schools and such. So in one day, so much good stuff happened (to them). Illinois should legalize it because it is a growing trend. State after state is doing it, not only that, now states are making it full on recreational. So it is just a stepping stone. We can't do it all at once because change doesn't happen like that, but if you easily bring the public into it, based on public opinion, it is going to happen.

-Phillip Brown/Mass Communication





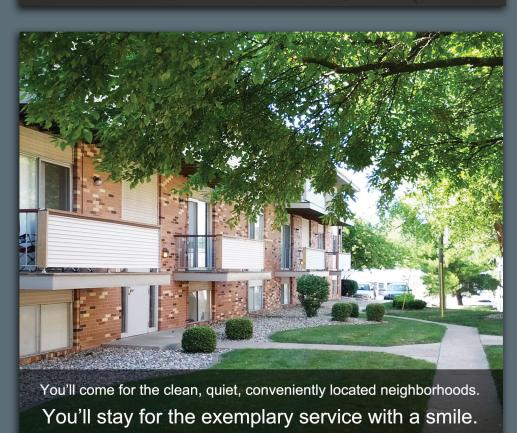


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