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## Student Services Center to bring space, amenities



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Site Supervisor Ray Spencer (left) talks with Wayne Penington (right) on the construction site of the new Student Services Center, Feb. 12, 2013.

**PN** Ted Setterlund  
Staff Writer

If the campus seems like a congested place, it will soon change. Approximately 210,000 square feet of space is coming.

With an opening date set for early 2014, Parkland College will be opening the new Student Services Center on the east side of campus.

The addition of the new center will mark the completion

of a series of additions that has been taking place over the course of the past few years, including the Automotive Technology Building on the northwest side of campus.

"It'll be very nice for them to feel more comfortable about roaming around the halls, and even interacting," President of Student Government Sandra Jimenez said. "I think that (the center) will get students to socialize more and be a part of the Parkland community

more."

Groundbreaking of the new building took place in the spring of last year, following several years of planning and design work. The building was designed by Chicago-based architect firm Perkins+Will. Another local project of the firm includes Temple Hoyne Buell Hall at the University of Illinois.

Construction for the Student Services Center is provided by Poettker Construction, a

company based out of Breese, Illinois. Poettker Construction works in 13 states spanning the Midwest.

Like X Wing, the new building will have three floors. Designed as a welcome center for visitors and future students of the campus, it will also serve as a hangout spot for students.

The addition will include a new, larger bookstore as well as a new food court. According to Tom Caulfield, Director

of Student Life at Parkland College, Food For Thought will continue to be the food provider.

Caulfield has seen this project develop from its very first stages. One of the purposes of the new building is to house the Office of Student Life.

"We've waited a long time for the center to be built. There is a very complicated process

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## Financial aid makes college affordable

**PN** JoJo Rhinehart  
Staff Writer

Students often find themselves out of high school without any idea of what their next step in life be.

They may have already applied for their colleges or been accepted into a four-year university, but there are still many decisions to be made before a student can actually relax and enjoy their college years.

Students are usually good at wringing the money out of parents when it comes to dorm life and living in their home-away-from-home. Walmart's packed parking lots can attest to that, with frantic college-goers roaming the aisles searching for the perfect dorm room accessories.

However, many more students tumble into the "real world" in full force, without their parent's or guardian's wallets backing their next big move.

Whatever the case may be regarding one's financial standing, the end result is always the same: The tuition

bill arrives. For many four-year universities, this means a staggering blow of at least three zeros demanding one's payment.

Fortunately, students that have

only amount to around \$3360, or \$112 dollars per semester hour.

loans or qualify for work study," Wendt said.

Wendt also mentioned the numerous scholarship opportunities listed on Parkland's website

Barnes had much of her financial stress lifted when she was awarded a \$5000 scholarship. Barnes said that she used the search engine at fastweb.com to locate scholarships that she qualified for.

When Barnes notified that she had been awarded the scholarship, she was ecstatic. "I couldn't believe I actually got the scholarship," she explained.

"It was over a year of college paid for. It took me like an hour to write the essay, but it was well worth it now that I don't have to pay a tuition bill," Barnes said.

Wendt referred students to Parkland's scholarship search engine, which is located under the student services tab on Parkland's website, my.parkland.edu.

In order to access this page, a student must have signed in with their student account. By doing this, the search engine is provided one's GPA, focus of study, and several other

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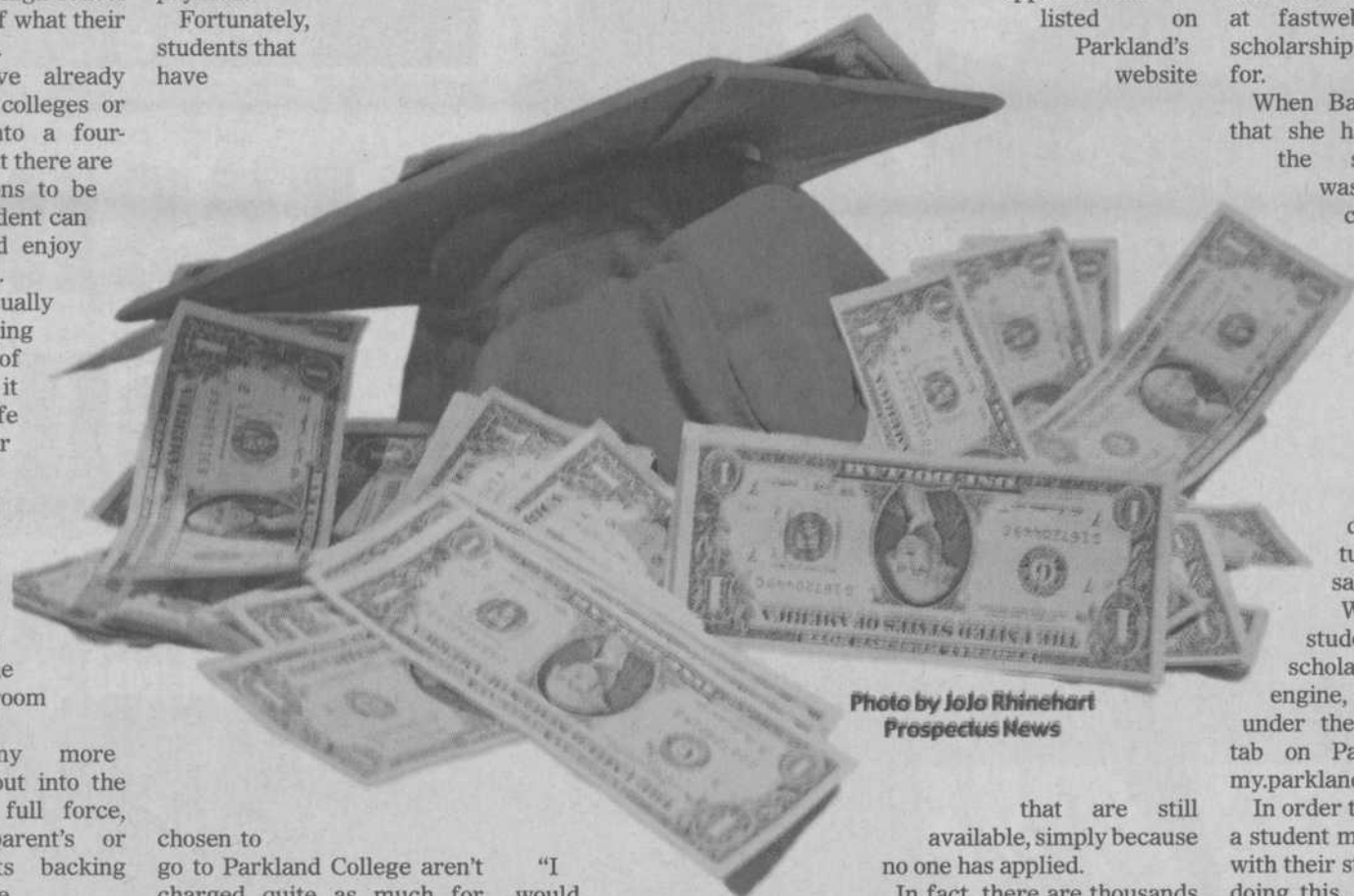


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chosen to go to Parkland College aren't charged quite as much for their education. According to Director of Financial Aid and Veteran Services Tim Wendt, a bill from Parkland would

"I would encourage everyone to apply for financial aid. Even if you do not qualify, you may still receive student

that are still available, simply because no one has applied.

In fact, there are thousands of dollars just waiting for someone to take an hour out of their life to submit for.

Business major Natalie

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The youngest person to win an official Academy Award was Shirley Temple, at the age of five in 1934.

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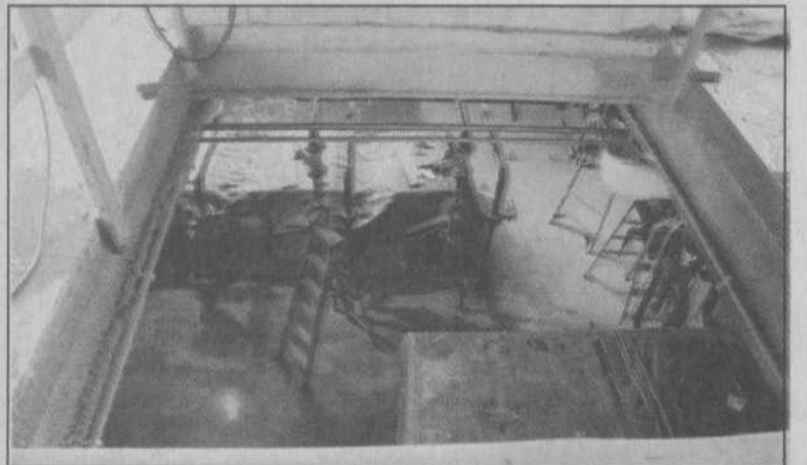
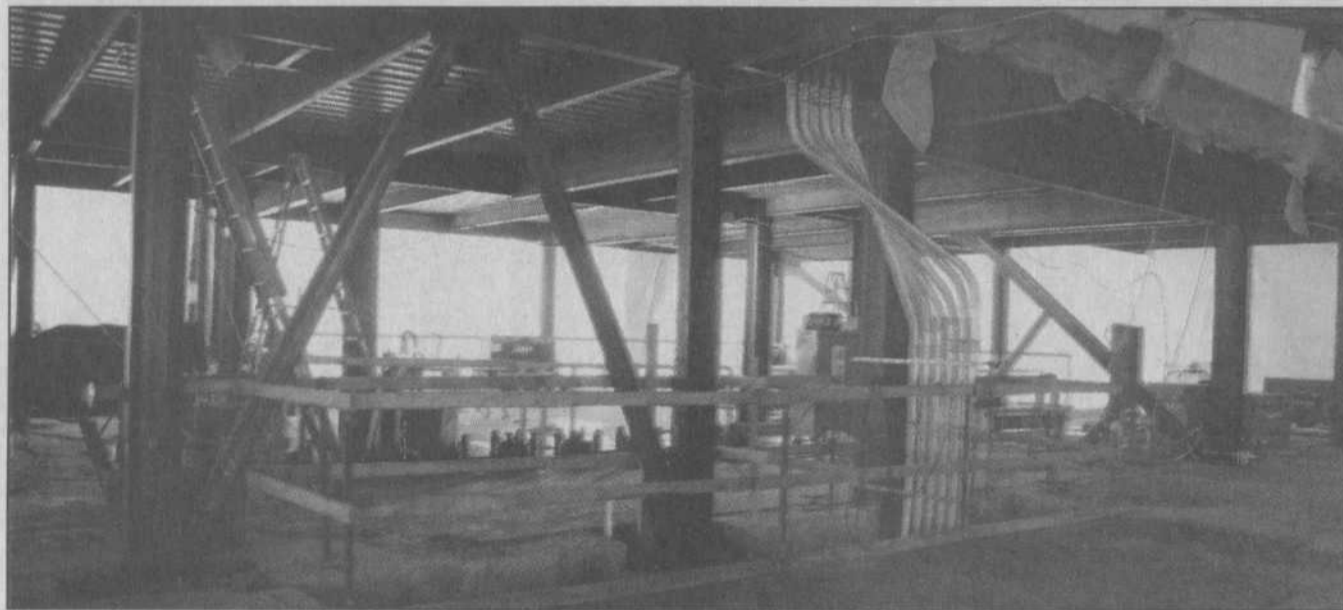
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# Lifestyle

## Black History Month staff profile: Marietta Turner

**PN** Mark Roughton  
Staff Writer

February is the time of year when African-Americans are recognized and appreciated for their achievements and contributions to the world.

Marietta Turner is a great example of an individual that helps make a difference every day. Turner is the Dean of Students at Parkland College.

"I have two main roles," Turner explained. "I am the student's advocate, all 10,000 students, whatever area they're in. Whether it's GED or ESL, credit courses or non-credit courses."

"So if a student has an issue they can talk to me about it and I will try to help them figure out what they would do next," Turner said. "My other role is that I serve as the adjudicator for the college."

If students don't follow Parkland's code of conduct, a manual which Turner has three of in her office, they are sent to her and she determines the correct course of discipline.

Turner arrived at Parkland College four years ago, and the journey is one she's glad she took.

Turner grew up on the south side of Chicago in Morgan Park. Growing up in a very family oriented household, her parents were active in the church and community which taught her the qualities of the person she is today.

"Our values, we were taught to be very supportive of family but also be about your community," Turner said. "You get a chance to be involved in community activism. That kind of created my social justice attitude."

Turner grew up with an older brother, a sister and a half-brother, who all found their way to college before she did after graduating from Morgan Park High School.

For most of her senior year, she didn't believe she'd go to college simply because her family could not afford to send a fourth person to school. Luckily for Turner, who was on track for college academically, she ran into her French teacher senior year.

"She entered my name for an education scholarship, so I ended up receiving that four year scholarship to college," Turner recalled.

Turner took the scholarship and her talents to the University of Illinois at Chicago and graduated in 1972 with a bachelor's degree in History.

"At that time I really wanted to be a History teacher, and History was my major," Turner explained. "I loved reading about it. I loved watching movies about it."

Turner takes a very valuable message from History, "If you don't know your history,



Dean of Students Marietta Turner stands in front of the Black History Month display in the College Center, Feb. 6, 2013. Photo by JoJo Rhinehart/Prospectus News

you don't know who you are or where you're headed," she pointed out. "You have to know your past in order to move forward with your future."

Even during a period in our history in which there was much racial tension and turmoil, Turner found ways to engage herself and enjoy the time.

"I got a chance to be a member of the student policy board for the student unions and help develop things," she said. "I was the chair of the dance committee too, so I

would bring black musicians and white musicians and put them in dances together to try to get students to get to know each other."

That community activism she knew so well growing up never left her throughout college.

"It was really interesting seeing more and more students, and more and more of an integrated factor going on at the university," she explained.

Not only was she finishing up college in 1972, but she was also getting used to married

life. Turner had married her college sweetheart the year prior in 1971.

"My then-husband decided he wanted to go to journalism school, so we moved to Champaign," she explained.

It didn't take Turner long to break into the community college scene. Once her former husband graduated, they moved back up to the Chicago area in Schaumburg near Harper College.

Turner had found a job as a grant writer for Harper College and was glad she did.

"I was bitten by the bug. I

loved community college," Dean Turner recalled.

However, she wouldn't stay at Harper long, as another opportunity had presented itself.

Morton Salt had openings in its sales department and was looking to integrate. So at the urging of a friend, Turner applied for and ultimately landed the job.

"I was the first female and African-American to go to work for them in the Chicago area," Turner happily recalled. "I ended up staying with them for nine years and it was a very

interesting time in my life."

Turner eventually left her job to move to a position at Prairie State College in Chicago Heights, where she eventually started and worked in the Career Services Program for three years.

She then became the Director of Admissions, and was in charge of tasks such as signing transcripts and running job fairs.

Finally, after all of her previous experience, she found an opening as a dean at Parkland and applied.

Vice President of Student Services, Linda Moore, was vital in selecting Turner from a large pool of candidates.

"She has a real gift for bringing people together and to work towards common goals," Moore said about Turner. "She has a gift for sometimes telling you something that would be hard to tell you, but telling it in a way that is so respectful and so supportive."

Moore knew then and understands now that Turner was clearly the right choice.

"She's a very warm, caring person and we want that in our Dean of Students because that person is an advocate for those student's rights," Moore explained.

For those unfamiliar with Turner, Business Administration major Denzel Ballard's, who has been employed by Turner for over a year, had this to say.

"It's kind of like she's a mother," he explained. "I can talk to her about anything."

Ballard is an Assistant to the Dean's Office. He takes calls and works closely with Turner in coordinating every day functions of the Dean's office.

"Ms. Turner, she makes it easier for you to talk, she makes sure your job is easier too," Ballard explained. "I like everything about Ms. Turner. She's an extraordinary lady."

Ballard has never had any problems, but when it comes to the disciplinary side of things, Turner is the woman that any student needs to see and talk to because she is on the side of the student.

"She can use bad and difficult situations to do good," Moore explained. "If a student gets into hot water, she works to try to make that an educational opportunity."

Remember the name Marietta Turner, because at some point you may have an encounter with her. Know that she is always on your side.

In her own words, "I like the idea of helping students; I like them to know that the more we can help them make good choices the better. Helping them to learn how to problem solve, that's the best part."

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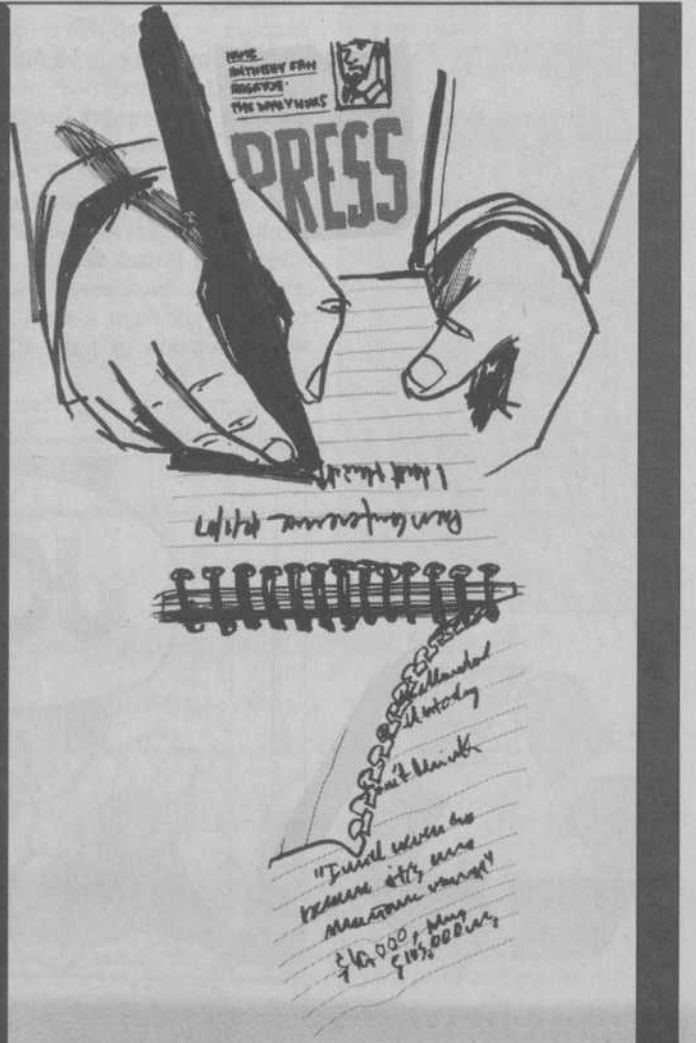
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# Opinions

## Drone strikes question citizen rights

**Doyle McManus**  
Los Angeles Times

It has been 11 years since the United States began using missile-firing drones to attack al-Qaida in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Yemen and Somalia. But only now are we beginning a full public debate on this new form of warfare, and it took the nomination of the Obama administration's drone czar, John Brennan, as director of the Central Intelligence Agency, to force it.

That's a good thing, if belated. The Senate Intelligence Committee's hearing last week on Brennan's confirmation prompted a modest measure of openness on the criteria the administration uses to order drone strikes. And it opened a broader debate: Are drone strikes against U.S. citizens legal? Are drone strikes in general good policy?

First, on the legal basis for drone strikes. Since 2011, when a U.S. drone killed Anwar Awlaki, a New Mexico-born al-Qaida militant in Yemen, members of Congress and others have been demanding to know what rules the administration was using to determine who was put on the "kill list." Could the president order the killing of a U.S. citizen, even a member of al-Qaida, without violating his constitutional right to due process?

Last week, a Justice Department "white paper" summarizing the rules was leaked to NBC News, providing the clearest explanation yet of the administration's legal reasoning.

Its principal argument was that al-Qaida is at war with the United States, which makes any active member of al-Qaida



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- U.S. citizen or not - an enemy combatant, liable to attack at any time. Conservative critics sometimes charge that the Obama administration treats terrorism as a matter of law enforcement, not warfare, but neither the administration's words nor its actions support that complaint in this regard.

Still, the Justice Department paper said, an American citizen in al-Qaida has some right to due process before the U.S. government kills him. Accordingly, the administration has put these limits on itself: "An informed, high-level official of the U.S. government" must determine that the targeted person "poses an imminent threat of violent attack against the United States" (the definition of "imminent" is broad) and that capturing the target isn't feasible.

Brennan, who has been pushing for clear rules, told the Senate committee that the administration takes those criteria seriously. The public should understand "the care we take, the agony we go through, to make sure we do not have any collateral injuries and deaths," he said.

None of the senators questioned his sincerity, but several senators still said they would feel better if an outside authority reviewed the intelligence community's targeting decisions. As former CIA Director Michael V. Hayden has noted, there's an anomaly in the law: The government has to go to court for the authority to wiretap a U.S. citizen in al-Qaida, but not to kill him.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., the committee chairwoman, said she wants to

consider setting up a similar system for targeted killing: a court that would scrutinize the "kill list" and provide an independent review of the targets.

Intelligence community lawyers I've talked with hate the idea - "Why on earth would you want to get a judge involved?" one asked - but for a nation founded on the notion of a separation of powers, the principle of outside review is sound.

Still, protecting the rights of U.S. citizens in al-Qaida is only part of what is at stake; those cases are unusual. In the long run, a more important question may be whether the drone strikes, which have killed more than 3,000 people, are creating more enemies for the United States than they are eliminating.

Scholars who have studied

the political effects of drone strikes in Pakistan and Yemen have argued that even well-targeted raids often claim innocent victims, and the result is a backlash against the United States. Likewise, Hayden and retired Gen. Stanley A. McChrystal, the former U.S. commander in Afghanistan, have warned that too many drone attacks - in Pakistan, for example, where the CIA uses "signature strikes" against suspected militants without identifying them individually - can be a bad thing.

"What scares me about drone strikes is how they are perceived around the world," McChrystal told the Reuters news agency last month. "The resentment created by American use of unmanned strikes ... is much greater than the average American appreciates. They are hated on a visceral level, even by people who've never seen one or seen the effects of one."

During a hearing that lasted more than three hours, only one senator asked about that critical issue - a senior Republican, Susan Collins of Maine.

"If you looked at a map back in 2001, you would see that al-Qaida was mainly in Afghanistan and Pakistan, and if you look at a map today, you would see al-Qaida in all sorts of countries," Collins said. "If the cancer of Al Qaeda is metastasizing, do we need a new treatment?"

Brennan agreed that the possibility of a backlash against

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## Postal Service delivery plan is needed to address deficit

**Fort Worth Star-Telegram**

The U.S. Postal Service, an independent agency that receives no taxpayer money for operation, is a 200-year-old institution still tethered to Congress by centuries-old shackles.

Partly because of that impediment, and changing communication habits in a technologically advanced society, the Postal Service has been losing billions of dollars the past few years - \$15.9 billion in the last fiscal year alone. This has happened even though it reduced staff, combined operations and cut hours in some underused post offices.

After months of imploring Congress - with little success - to approve cost-cutting measures, including closing thousands of postal stations, Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe announced Wednesday that the USPS will stop Saturday letter delivery. Package deliveries, an area where the Postal Service has increased business, would continue six days a week, as would service to post office boxes.

The move is expected to

save \$2 billion annually. But it also conflicts with a 30-year mandate from Congress: Appropriations bills routinely call for six-day delivery.

Donahoe says he has authority to move forward on the change, which would take effect in August, because Congress hasn't approved an appropriations bill and the government is operating under a continuing resolution (a temporary spending rule). That temporary measure expires March 27, so lawmakers still would have time to stop the plan if they want to.

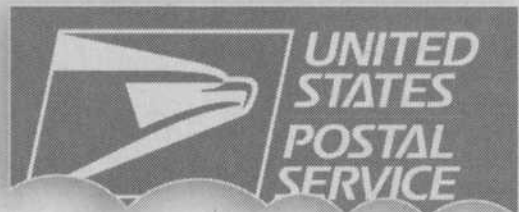
Some members of Congress have expressed support for the proposal, but others argue that cutting Saturday service would hurt rural areas and some businesses.

For the Postal Service to return to stability, much less profitability, it must continue to modernize and improve its ability to compete.

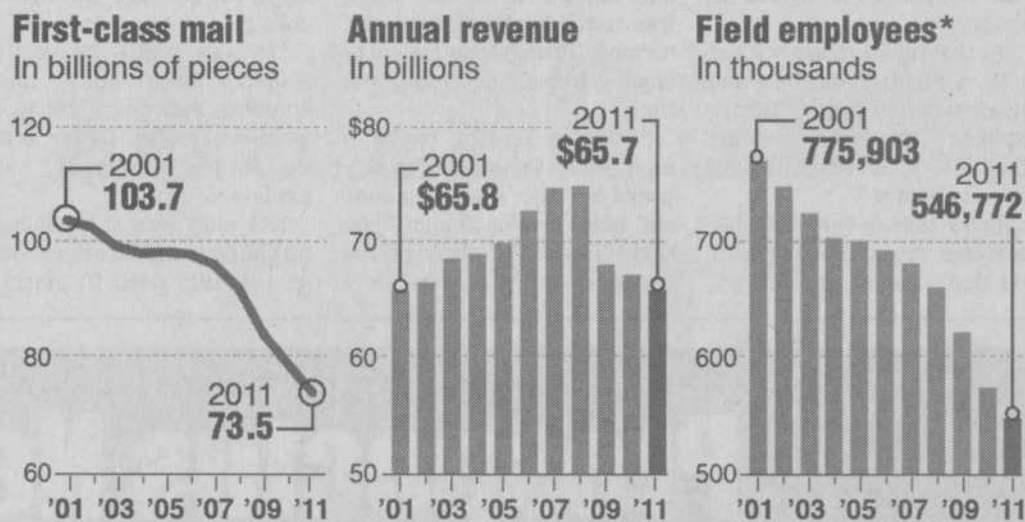
The USPS has 546,000 career employees and operates the world's largest fleet of civilian vehicles, according to the agency website, about.usps.com.

While many in Congress understand this, they've found it difficult to consider changes

### Postal Service to cut delivery



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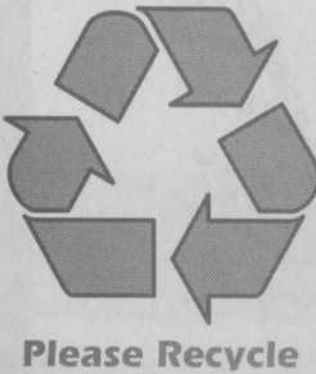


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to an institution that their constituents often see as not just a vital service but also a local landmark or an important

community center. But if the agency is to remain any of those things, Congress must let it be a viable business.

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key descriptions that help to provide a student with a list of what scholarships for which they qualify.

This means that half the work is done for the students, and their part is just to apply.

Wendt stressed that there are never enough students because countless times he has seen due dates come and go without a single applicant.

Application periods are March 15-April 15 for the fall semester, and October 15-November 15 for the spring semester.

Often scholarships are left over past these deadlines, but the earlier a student applies, the better chance they have of receiving the award.

Many students fear applying for scholarships because of the dreaded essay that is required by most.

English Professor Umeeta Sadarangani assures students that this fear is unnecessary, because Parkland has resources that are there to help.

The writing lab, located inside of D-120's Center for Academic Success, provides current Parkland students and employees valuable feedback on their writing.

The lab's hours are posted on Parkland's website, and all students are encouraged to take advantage of this walk-in service.

Sadarangani commented that students who took the effort to

get help were usually satisfied with the assistance they received. The professors in the lab provide one on one time to work through a student's toughest writing problems.

However, Sadarangani also stated that the professors in the writing lab will not edit a student's paper, or go through and show a student what to fix.

"In the end it will be the student's work. We will teach them how to proofread but we will not edit their work for them," Sadarangani stated.

"We can show a student patterns in their errors. We usually ask students what it is that they think they need help with."

Now is the time to fill out your FAFSA for the spring semester, located at FAFSA.gov. Wendt stresses again the importance of filling it out early, so you can receive as much money as possible to continue your education.

The FAFSA website offers a help page that answers some of the most frequently asked questions, and Parkland's Financial Aid and Veteran Services department, located in the A Wing, has computers that students can use with the help of staff there to work through the FAFSA form.

Ultimately, whether a student has chosen to attend a costly four-year university immediately or take the less expensive route through Parkland or another community college, financial aid is available for those students that take the time to apply.

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where you obtain money from the state of Illinois," Caulfield explained.

"We sat in the number five spot for about ten years, and had no movement. We were so far off our needs in terms of square footage that we had to have this center, but we just did not have the money provided by the state."

"It's a major square footage change for student government, Student Life, clubs and organizations that don't have any space at all currently," said Caulfield.

According to Caulfield, the building will be different from the rest of the buildings

on campus. It will be the first building on campus to be Gold LEED certified by the United States Green Building Council. The Workforce Development Center at Heartland Community College in Normal was the first state-funded certified green building design in Illinois.

Linda Moore, Vice President of Student Services, also took part in the planning. Regarding the effect the new center will have to the students, she said, "Back in the mid 1990s, we were advised by external consultants that we had a 110% deficit in space for students and student services functions. The Student Services Center will finally address those needs."

"A frequent concern expressed by visitors and new students is that there

is no apparent front door to the campus, and that it is difficult to know where to enter and how to navigate the campus," she explained. "The building also should help with foot traffic flow on the east end of campus, since it will connect to the L, A, and B wings."

About how the construction is being handled, Moore said, "The latest report from the architects indicates that everything is on schedule. The relatively mild winter we've had so far no doubt has contributed to that."

For more information about the new Student Services Center and current updates, visit [www.parkland.edu/construction-update/sscenter.aspx/](http://www.parkland.edu/construction-update/sscenter.aspx/).

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drone strikes was "something we have to be very mindful of," and that counter-terrorism strategy cannot depend solely on missile strikes. But he insisted that the critics are wrong and that populations terrorized by al-Qaida "have welcomed the work that the U.S. government has done."

Congress hasn't shown much appetite for regulating the U.S. war against terrorism until now. That's partly because there's been little public pressure to do so; an ABC News-Washington Post Poll last year found that a whopping 79 percent of

Americans approved of drone strikes, including against U.S. citizens.

The intelligence committees have monitored the drone war and concluded that it's being conducted with care - although, as Feinstein notes, the evidence has been shrouded in secrecy.

But Collins shined a light on a question that can be debated in public: Are drone strikes effective in the long run, or are they creating more enemies than they kill? That's a worthy target for Senate and House committees to go after.

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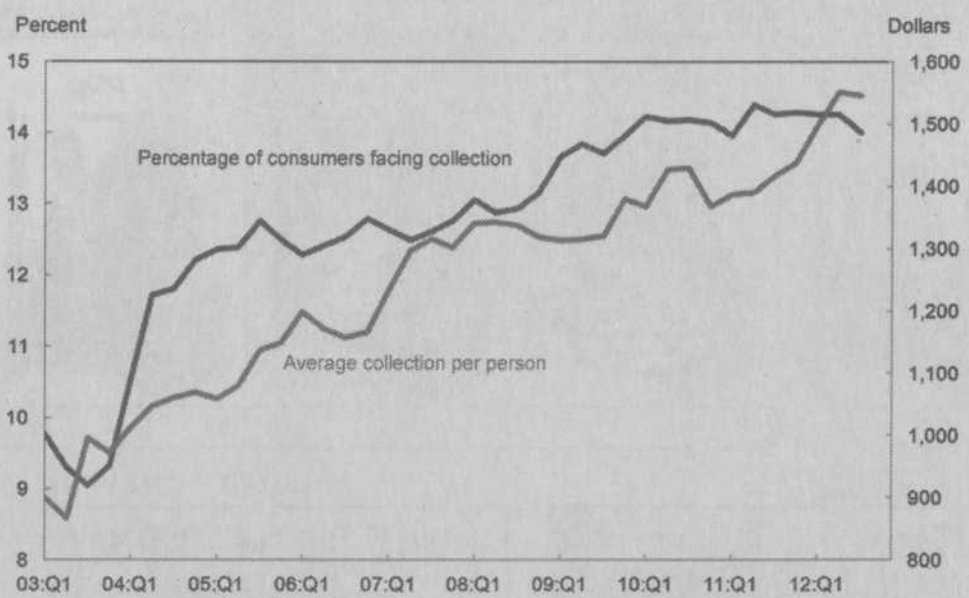


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BREWSTER ROCKIT



Calamities of Nature by Tony Piro



Best in Show Comic



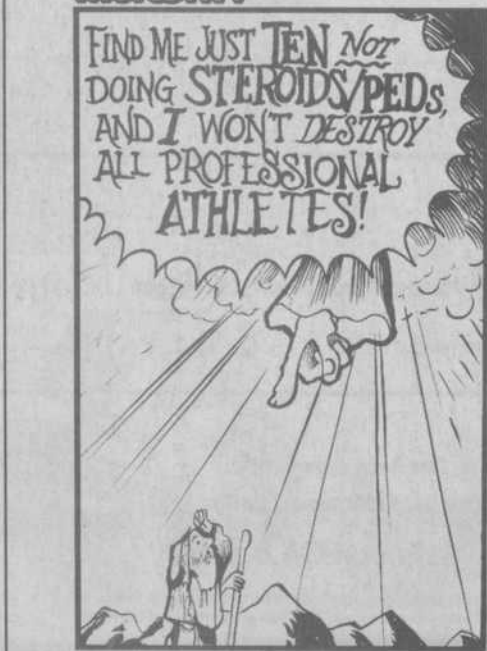
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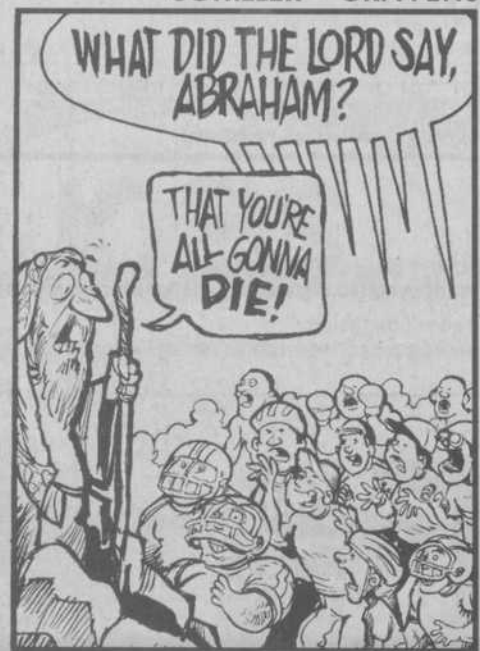
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## The TV Crossword

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

- ACROSS**
- Goes on
  - "Dude!"
  - Jamboree gp.
  - Wise youngster?
  - Dumas's Edmond Dantès, e.g.
  - PC-to-PC system
  - Tomato-based concoctions
  - Not safe
  - Do-it-yourselfers' projects
  - Lee org.
  - Word after mess or media
  - End of the war
  - Lowdown
  - They may be tipped in acknowledgment
  - Birthplace of the Bauhaus movement
  - Totally dominate
  - "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" actress
  - High deg.
  - Mughal emperor, 1556-1605
  - Race invented about 800,000 years before its time
  - Schools of thought
  - Field workers
  - End of many a riddle
  - Range part: Abbr.
  - Lone Star State collegiate athlete
  - Greek vowel
  - Show since 12/17/1989 whose five main family members are hidden in this puzzle's other long across answers
  - Dreamer's acronym
  - Coastal safety measure
  - Lincoln and Ford
  - Return addressee, briefly?
  - "Waiting for Lefty" playwright
  - Sudden burst

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60					61						62			
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By Mark Bickham

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**DOWN**

- Ness, for one
- "Horton Hears"
- Not good, chance-wise
- BellSouth, for one
- Moves a muscle
- Thom \_\_: shoe brand
- Concerned query
- XCV years from now
- Troubled a lot
- Leaves home?
- A and B, e.g.
- Hot spots
- Not sitting well?
- Noted septet member
- Russian John
- Jima
- Mint
- Reason for cramming
- Den \_\_, Nederland
- Prefix with dexterity
- River inlet
- Spearlike fish
- Recordholder's suffix

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

A	R	U	B	A	C	L	A	W	G	O	O	F						
R	E	R	U	N	A	S	I	A	O	R	C	A						
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# Sports

## Cobras' Play 4Kay promotes breast cancer awareness

**Alex Wallner**  
Sports Writer

Every year, teams all across the country find a way to benefit breast cancer survivors and those who still struggle with the disease.

Kay Yow was one who struggled. Yow, a former head coach at North Carolina State, passed away at age 66 in January of 2009 due to breast cancer. Ever since Kay passed, women's teams across the country have been playing games in honor of her, with all the money going back to those who suffer.

This year, Parkland is one of the participants. The Parkland women hosted Lincoln Land College Wednesday night with all proceeds from ticket sales going to Mills Breast Cancer Institute in Champaign.

"I think playing in those kinds of games is always special, not only for us, but also for our coaches and fans," sophomore Taylor Redeker said. "It's a way for us to give back to those who are suffering from breast cancer that."

"Personally, I appreciate it. I was diagnosed with breast cancer in April of 2010 and have been battling it and doing really well and I appreciate that when I send it over there, that I know the money is going towards tremendous help," Athletic Assistant Mickey Cler explained.

"I get very emotional when I see all the pink and the people there that are thinking of those with breast cancer."

Not only does this game mean a lot to the people involved, but it has a deep history throughout the women's basketball landscape.

"The history started off as a Pink Game and has had a lot of different names, truthfully," Athletic Director Rod Lovett remarked.

"This year's initiative was Play 4Kay, in honor of the coach at North Carolina State who passed away from cancer, much like Jim Valvano on the men's side."

"I think we've been doing it for about six years and our



Lexie Taylor takes a shot against Lincoln Land Community College, Feb. 6, 2013.

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women also participated in a similar event at Millikin last Saturday. It's done, for the most part, to keep awareness out there for people who have breast cancer," Lovett

concluded.

The success of events such as this always results in an increase in similar events. For Parkland College, this is one game that will be played for

many years ahead and with its success will improve.

"It's closer to home now because it seemed like we were doing it, but we didn't know anybody that had breast

cancer," Cler explained.

"Then one of our colleagues, Jennifer Smith, wound up being diagnosed with it in Stage 4 and is still going, so it made it more personal now

more than ever."

"I definitely think we will continue it. In the past we have highlighted a former employee, Jennifer Smith, who was battling breast cancer and so we like to give any money that we raise from these things locally," Lovett said.

"There's the Mills Breast Cancer Institute here in Champaign-Urbana and we like to give any money directly to that because we know it will go right back to the community."

Continuation of an event this successful means more attention and publicity, which means more money coming in and being sent out to those who need it the most.

"Each time we have a benefit like this, we've always sent \$500 to \$600 over to Mills to make note of the support towards our employees that are going through this," Cler said.

It was a big game for breast cancer but also for Redeker and her team as they improved the record overall on what is a great season so far.

"We've only had six losses on the year and I think we have learned from each and every one of them," Redeker explained.

"We went to Arizona over Christmas; we lost three games over there and I really think that was the turning point for us because when we came back, we started the New Year off right. We are undefeated on our home court and we hope to keep it that way as the season continues."

Overall, the night was great for everyone. The women on the court benefitted with a win and the women suffering benefitted from the money raised.

For more information on the Mills Breast Cancer Institute, visit their website at <http://carle.org/MedicalServices/Mills-Breast-Cancer-Institute.aspx>. More information about Play 4Kay can be found at [www.play4kay.org](http://www.play4kay.org) and to find out more about the Kay Yow Cancer Fund, visit [www.kayyow.com](http://www.kayyow.com).

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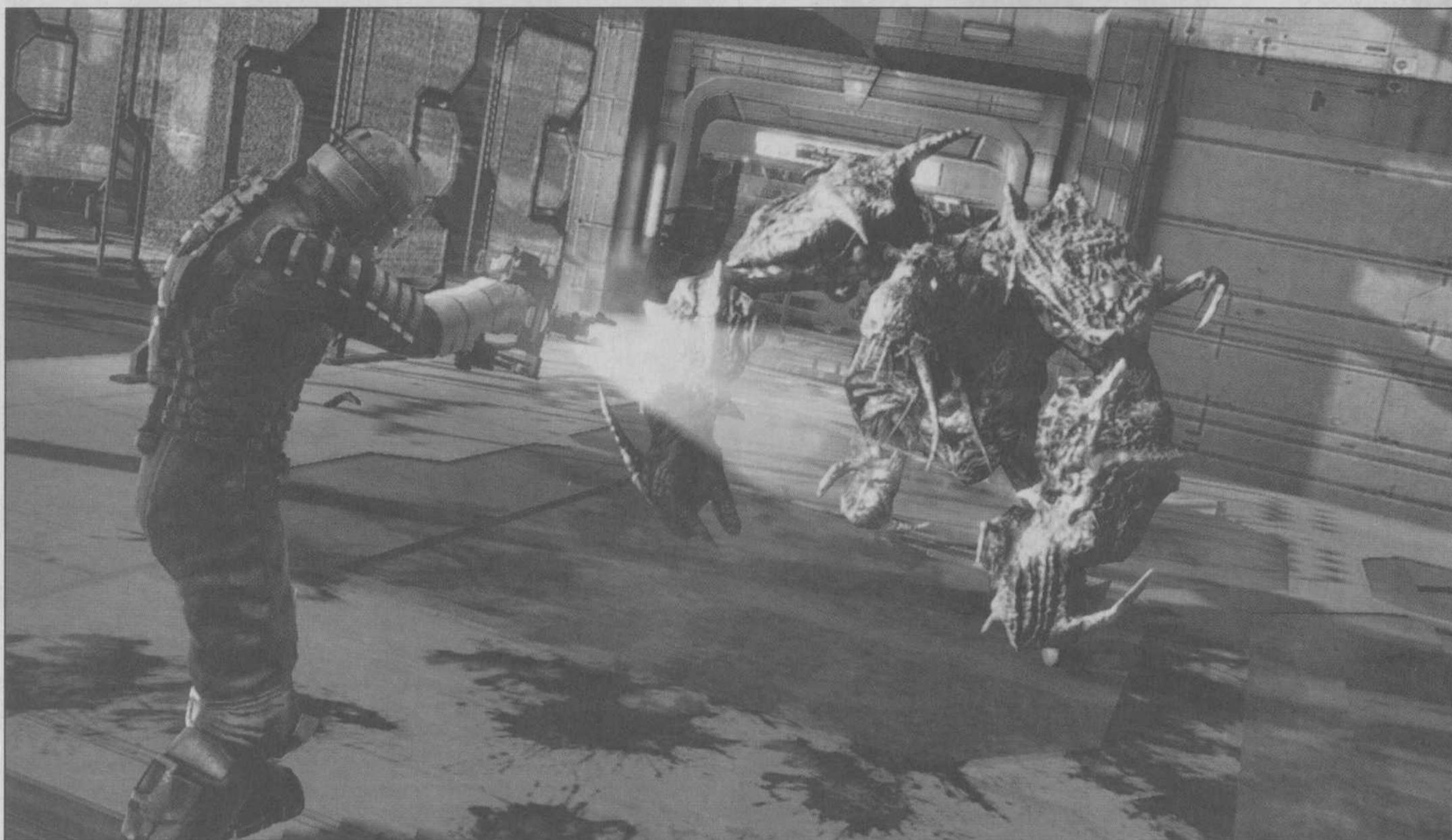
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# Entertainment

## Glitches and changes spoil "Dead Space 3"



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"Dead Space 3" is the third main game in the "Dead Space" franchise. The game, once again, follows Isaac Clark and his battle against the Necromorphs, which are the reanimated bodies of the dead deformed by alien genes. The series has been known for its science fiction story with survival horror element gameplay.

"Dead Space 3" is set sometime after the second game in the series and things have gone much worse than they were in the previous games.

The game starts off on a pretty intense note with the last remaining member of Earth's military coming to get Clark off the planet.

The Unitologists, a group of extremist religious individuals, have started overthrowing earth's government and are activating the markers from previous games to cause another Necromorph outbreak.

As the game progresses, Isaac and his comrades discover what they believe to be the planet that is the source of the Necromorphs. The majority of the game takes place here, but the beginning is a laborious process to get there.

"Dead Space 3" starts off as one of the most boring action games in years. "Dead Space" is a franchise known for its survival horror elements which have been, for the most part, stripped out of this game.

The beginning of the game completely takes place in space as

the player tries to find a way down to the supposed Necromorph planet. Isaac travels from destroyed ship to destroyed ship trying to find more resources to safely make it down to the planet.

Nothing inherently scary happens. What made the first two games so great wasn't necessarily horror, but Isaac was always falling into madness as he was hallucinating about talking with his dead girlfriend.

In "Dead Space 3," Isaac is about as sane as anyone could ever be and he seems nearly like a flawless character, if not for the rivalry with the character that is dating Isaac's girlfriend from the end of "Dead Space 2."

The game does finally pick up and grow into its new form when the player reaches the planet.

The game's story takes a huge step up and everything is really intriguing, until the end of the game where "Dead Space 3" does the exact same thing that "Assassins Creed 3" and "Mass Effect 3" did with their endings.

Everything that people had grown to love about this franchise seems to have been ripped out and replaced.

What made the game hard before was that the player could only hold so many things in their inventory, including the different types of ammunition for each of their guns.

Now, ammo is universal and works for all guns. No longer is there any inventory management. There is never a worry of running out of any ammo, either. The game practically gives the player a constant injection

of ammo at every corner.

The other thing they've done wrong is to outfit all of the suits the player wears with the exact same specs. Upgrading your rig upgrades all suits which are all default and just look different.

In previous games, it was a big deal to get money to get a new suit that would increase the player's inventory limit, their shields and give them other perks. Now it's just all the same and it's boring.

The new weapons system is both an improvement and a downgrade. It's cool to be able to craft and upgrade weapons. The double weapons are really impressive and versatile. But only having two weapon slots instead of the original four is a huge step back.

The way to craft weapons and upgrade them requires a new resource system. In the previous games, the player could buy these things using credits. Now the player must scavenge resources to be able to get the best stuff.

These things would've been great in "Dead Space" or "Dead Space 2." They would've added to the survival horror elements and made strategy and choices much harder. But in "Dead Space 3," where the horror has been toned down and it's now an action game, this system is just frustrating.

Worse yet is the fact that EA added a micro-transaction system into the franchise. The player now has the option of buying resources with real money. There's a way to

get a lot of resources in the game using a resource collector but even it is limited because to get the most resources out of it, the player has to buy the upgrades using real money.

The good things about "Dead Space 3" don't happen until the player reaches the planet. All of the types of Necromorphs and some new ones make an appearance or at the very least, a cameo. This makes it so that the player constantly has to switch strategies.

New enemies in this game are the Unitologist soldiers who, while easier to kill than Necromorphs, have guns and rocket launchers. When fighting breaks out between all three groups, the player can strategize and help one of the groups finish the other group before finishing them off.

One annoying thing that returned is the invincible regenerating enemies. They can't be killed and they are just a cheap way of making the game needlessly harder. While no one will probably run out of ammo, it's annoying to be wasting it on these bullet-sponges.

"Dead Space 3" is also riddled with glitches. Shotgun blasts miss at point blank range. When enemies attack the player and they go into a real time event, the camera will go into a wonky angle so the player can't see the rest of the enemies and they'll take unwarranted extra damage.

There are even some bad audio glitches at one point of the game where the characters speeches came out reversed. Unexplained deaths happen now and again, as well.

The character, with full health, will magically spontaneously combust for no reason.

"Dead Space 3" is another disappointing end to a science fiction trilogy. First, it was "Mass Effect" with its infamous ending, then "Assassins Creed" with its boring gameplay and terrible finish, now it's "Dead Space" ruining everything good the series had going for it.

"Dead Space 3" has been getting mixed reviews. It got an extremely high 98 percent from Game Informer, a mediocre 70 percent from GamesRadar, and a low 50 percent from VideoGamer.

The game isn't all bad, but the beginning and the end are really badly done. If the entire game was like the middle third, this could've been a great game, but sadly it wasn't.

The game deserves about a five out of ten for the terrible glitches and the horrid beginning and ending of the game. The five is strictly for how fantastic the middle section is.

For the review from video gamer, visit [videogamer.com/reviews/dead\\_space\\_3\\_review.html](http://videogamer.com/reviews/dead_space_3_review.html).

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