

WEATHER

Week four of the 1998 Fall semester is about to start. Enjoy the weather.
(Pictured: Parkland's Fountain)



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Have you voted?

Student government elections

BY: TOBIAS G. SIMPSON
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

If you are a Parkland student with a valid ID and are reading this before noon on Wednesday (Sept. 16), you still have to vote in the Student Government fall election.

The voting booth is located in the College Center.

This year's student government elections has seen more candidates running for office than previous years, but about the same number of students voting (less than 3% of the student population).

"I wish we could get more students to come vote," said Kevin Ward, president of stu-go, commenting on the voter turnout. "I worry that the student body isn't aware of what all we do."

Last year less than 5 students ran for positions with stu-go and around 100 students voted in the fall of '97.

Over 200 students voted in the spring of '98.

This year 11 students ran for the available positions and by 1 p.m. on Tuesday almost 90 students had voted.

Results from this week's election will be released Wednesday night in the stu-go office and the new student

government body will begin acting in an official capacity Thursday afternoon.

One of the first orders of business is to swear in the new members, whose oath demands that they represent the needs of Parkland students and reflect the students' desires and interest.

Angel West, student government vice-president, also hopes the new student government can get organized quickly.

She said "I'd like to see us taking some action on getting MTD bus passes before the end of the month."

Dreamhouses become reality at Parkland

BY: BARBARA TORBECK
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

Two plain wooden playhouses with no decorations on them were carried into the Parkland College Child Development Center on Mon. Sept. 14.

Interesting enough, that was the point of the Dreamhouse project, a program sponsored by the C-U rotary organizations in the area. Throughout the year, the children will have the opportunity to decorate them in their own way.

This project enables kids to use their imagination to make their house into whatever they want.

Nancy Kemna, assistant

director of Parkland's day care center is excited about how the kids will benefit from the project. "It will give them a sense of satisfaction," she said, "and a sense of esteem."

Furthermore, the project involves an educational experience for the children. "Children learn through play because they're exploring their environment," commented Kemna. "The more they play with it, the more it allows them to learn."

Rotary organizations throughout the area have gotten involved in this program by funding and building these houses. Champaign, Champaign West, Urbana, Sunrise, and Savoy Rotary members have joined together to get the houses built.

Anita Broeren, President of Champaign West Rotary is glad to get this program started in the area. "It's a project that provides an opportunity to give something back to the community," she said. "This is what we consider service above self."

The houses have just arrived at Parkland, but it will take awhile before people see the end results, when the houses are decorated.

Both Broeren and Kemna



are interested in what the kids will create. In other communities where the project has started, some kids have been known to make animals out of the houses, painting them like horses or cows. Others make castles or build a McDonald's restaurant complete with a drive-thru window. "It will be interesting to see what they make," Broeren said.

"I think they will enjoy them," Kemna said, because they can pretend and explore."

This program was started almost 25 years ago by Charles Allen of Tennessee in order to give kids an opportunity to play using their imaginations, through the

Day of Caring

BY: BARBARA TORBECK
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

The United Way of Champaign County started the Day of Caring this morning by inviting its supporters and donors to various agencies in the community to see the progress accomplished in the community.

United Way gave donors the opportunity to see the impact that their contributions have made over the past year.

"It gets our donors out of their workplace and into our agencies so that they can see first hand how their contribution makes a difference in the community," said Bill Kitson, assistant director. "And it gives the agencies an opportunity to get some of those projects that they've been putting on their wish list completed so that they can have some extra things done."

The Day of Caring will continue tonight from 5-8 p.m., when Bank Illinois will sponsor a gathering open to the public to get new donors involved in United Way's fall campaign. There, United Way's goal for its '99 year will be announced.


Various businesses have contributed products including food, beverages, and decorations, in order to make the campaign kick-off a success.

Kitson said he is glad that so many people have gotten involved and hopes that the day will be equally successful as the past year. "The Day of Caring and the kick-off of our fall campaign is a very special day for us, and we're very hopeful that the community will embrace it," he said. "I hope that it will be the start of a very successful fall campaign."



Virtual Reality
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POLICE REPORTS



Tuesday, September 8

- Police officer reported a vandalism that occurred at the equipment shed located near the softball field.

Wednesday, September 9

- Police completed a burglary from motor vehicle report. The burglary occurred sometime between noon and 2 p.m. on September 9. Police have no suspects. The case is still under investigation.
- Police officers responded to a report of a suspicious person in a vehicle in the M-5 parking lot. Upon arrival the complaint was unfounded.
- Police officers responded to an accident in the B-5 parking lot. Upon arrival they found the accident to be property damage only. An Illinois traffic crash report was completed. No citations were issued for the accident.

Thursday, September 10

- Police officers completed a theft report in the financial aid office. The report stated that sometime between September 4th and 10th an unknown person or persons entered the office and took an AM/FM radio. Police have no suspects and the theft is still under investigation.

Saturday, September 12

- Officers responded to a report of illegal fireworks being used by juveniles near the theatre. The officers cleared with no report.

Monday, September 14

- Parkland police officers along with Champaign police officers searched the campus and surrounding areas for armed robbery suspects from the Champaign County School Employees Credit Union on West Bradley Avenue.

During the week of September 8 - 14, The Department of Public Safety responded to 194 calls for service and one medical call for service.

Dream house cont...

support of their community. "It was designed to create playhouses for agencies who didn't have them and couldn't afford them," commented Broeren.

Now the program has spread to about 50 countries around the world making a positive affect on children and their communities.

Parkland is one of the five day care centers in the city that will receive these houses. The Community Day Care Center, the Tote Your Tots at Provena Medical Cen-

ter Auxiliary, and the Orpheum Theater Science Museum will also receive these dreamhouses and be a part of the project.

Broeren said Rotary is glad to be apart of this project and they want the kids to know that they are there to help.

"I think it's really inspiring for the kids because they see that a service club is doing something for them," said Broeren. "It builds bridges between little kids and adults."

2 students win awards

Two Parkland students have been named recipients of Julia F. Burnham scholarships.

Vanessa Berry, of Tolono, and Karent Clemons, of Champaign, have been awarded the Brunham Scholarship, which was created by the Burnham Hospital Auxiliary to assist students in Parkland health programs.



Crime declines in Illinois

Serious crime in Illinois decreased 2.8 percent for the first six months of this year compared to last year, State Police Acting Director Gene P. Marlin said recently.

Arson decreased 8 percent, robbery 7.1 percent, bur-

glar 6.1 percent, and criminal sexual assault 4.7 percent.

Aggravated assault/battery declined 3.2 percent, and murder declined 3.1 percent.

Motor vehicle theft and theft were down 2.3 percent and 1.3 percent.

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Letter to Editor

By: Tobias Simpson

There is a lot of discussion these days about what action should be taken in response to our Presidents recent transgressions.

From calls for the Presidents impeachment to demands for an inquiry into Ken Starr's puritanical views on sex there are as many and varied opinions as there are people who hold them.

In an effort to further stimulate intelligent discourse and offer an avenue by which dissenting opinions can be presented I have chosen to throw my hat into the ring.

Before I go further, I should mention that my views do not represent those of the paper or the school.

First, let us rid ourselves of some basic false assumptions.

One, character and integrity have nothing to do with the President's job performance.

The very idea of this is so foreign to me that I can't even comprehend how someone

could say it and I think ours is the first generation that would even suggest it.

Tom Peters, author of *The Peter Principle* and a great deal of popular business literature always said that integrity is the most important aspect of leadership.

Two, that this is a personal matter. Congressman Lieberman, a close friend of Clinton's, made I think the most eloquent argument against this.

He pointed out that the legal issues involved were very public, the place and people involved were public figures often engaged in public business and the standards and integrity of our highest office are very public matters.

Which leads us to the third misconception, which says who are we to judge our President. After all, how many married couples have had affairs.

It is very popular in todays age to avoid hard decisions by saying that we can't judge--'intolerance' is the cardinal sin.

And yet, tolerance towards all behavior is defined as anarchy and we have to make judgements every day. I don't see *Colours* supporting bestiality or pedophilia.

Having read so far, you may think I support impeachment, but I don't.

I'm not opposed to it either, rather I think it is a very close call--I'm not sure the crimes warrant the undoing of a popular election.

And I do believe that we all make mistakes and that forgiveness is a virtue.

So what do I want.

I believe the honorable thing for the President to do is to resign and this letter is a call for his resignation.

I think this is necessary for the nations healing and well-being (we could focus on the many important matters going on in the world), for the Presidents personal healing (he could focus on his family and getting help), and to increase the Presidents prestige in histo-

ry (by taking full responsibility and showing by his definitive action that the "buck does stop here").

But I don't think our President will resign, simply because that is what character would do and I think we all know he isn't very strong in that department.

I also fear that he has shown himself to be very power hungry and will be unwilling to walk away of his own accord.

demonstrated this most obviously to me in his August 17th address to the nation.

Most of all, I am saddened. I am sad for this nation. For the uncomfortable position the President has placed us in and for our lack of moral character in dealing with this crisis.

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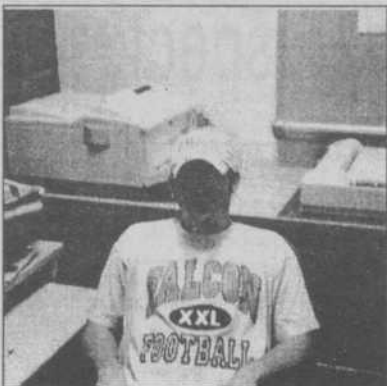
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I don't think I would live in any time period but now.



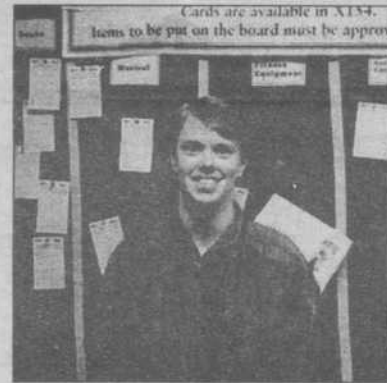
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60's - 70's



Eric Finn

1960's



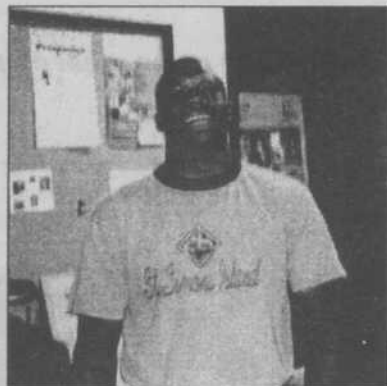
Melany Jackson

100 years from now - I think it will be a great time filled with technological advances beyond our comprehension and space travel for the common citizen.



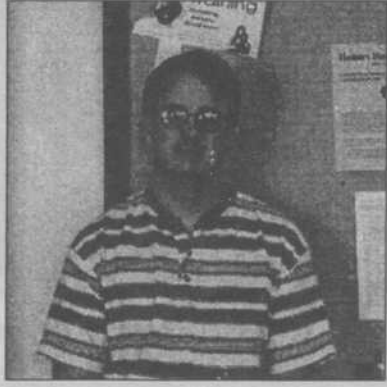
Adam N. Owen

I would live now because we have less manual labor than past generations. We live in the most technologically advanced era ever, and one of the most prosperous.



Chris Gilliam

70's Free Love



Ryan Vollmer

I would go back to the Revolutionary War period. I think it would be interesting to see all of the events unfold.

BY: TOBIAS G. SIMPSON

Virtual reality game big hit at PC

Parkland's student body was treated last Wednesday to a virtual reality game similar to the Pac Man of our childhood.

Similar in that there was a maze and ghosts and power pellets, but that's about where the similarities end.

Players stood on a podium which turned them into Pac Man and used their head movements to control the character.

The head gear worn by the players provided all the video and audio feedback.

The TV was there simply to provide onlookers with a sense of what the

players were experiencing.

The game was set up and open to students from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the Gallery Lounge.

It was free to any student who wanted to participate, and was promoted and paid for by the Office of Student Activities.

To bring the game here cost around \$1500 plus hotel and meal expenses for one night for the operator.

The operator, Rich Gritter, who has been doing this for about eight years, said he's on the road all week and often in a different town and state every day.

"On this college tour, I've been all

over the midwest, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Ohio, Tennessee," said Gritter. "I don't mind all the travel. I like the constant change of scenery and meeting new people."

The company, Kramer Int. Entertainment, which provided the virtual reality game, is based out of Cedar Rapids, Michigan.

They provide all sorts of novelty entertainment nationwide, including making your own music video, laser tag, and the current favorite--virtual reality car racing.

Parkland students really seemed to enjoy the Pac Man game.

There were people playing all day, some more than once.

Gritter said he had a pretty even division of men and women playing, but that men were more likely to hang around and play repeatedly.

The game was intended for the students' enjoyment, but also for their education.

Virtual reality is gaining favor as a business tool and many students could be making use of V.R. technology later in their careers.

PAC - MAN Virtual Reality Game



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6:00 p.m. **SOMETHING STRANGE**
Two productions, directed by Instructor Sarah Daniel, from College For Kids summer 1998. The first program, which begins with unusual flickering lights, is from the creative drama class; the second is from the mask making and mobile class.

7:00 p.m. **LIVELY VERBS**
Professor Sally Wallace, PEW Scholar

7:30 p.m. **CREATING INCLUSIVE EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITIES**
Educators tell about making the classroom more user friendly for all students.

8:00 p.m. **UPON REFLECTION:**
Ethnicity and Race, Tetsuden Kashima

8:30 p.m. **UPON REFLECTION:**
Ethnicity and Race, Ellis Cose

9:00 p.m. **AUTHOR, AUTHOR LEADERSHIP BY DESIGN:**
Strengthening Integrity in Higher Education E. Grady Bogue, Professor, Department of Educational Leadership, University of Tennessee.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. **CROSSROADS CAFE**
Rush to Judgement; Buyer Beware; No Vacancy; Turning Points

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:00 p.m. - Midnight **CLASSIC ARTS SHOW CASE**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

10:00 a.m. - 6 p.m. **CLASSIC ARTS SHOW CASE**

6:00 p.m. **PARKLAND CHALLENGE**
High School Quiz Bowl

6:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

8:00 p.m.

Blue Ridge Vs GCMS
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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

6:00 p.m. **PARKLAND REPORT**
The Parkland Theatre Host Tom McDonad talks with Artistic Director Randi Collins Hard, about the upcoming season in the Parkland Theatre.

6:30 p.m. **LEADERSHIP & CORE VALUES**
President Zelema Harris's welcome back speech to Parkland faculty and staff, Fall 1998.

7:00 p.m. **THINKING COLLEGE EARLY**
Preparing Academically & Financially GOALS 2000: USDOE Town Meeting

8:00 p.m. **YOUNG CHILD WITH MOTOR CHALLENGES**
APPLES Magazine

9:00 p.m. **GET WITH THE PROGRAM**
African-American Women, Healthy & Strong Conference & Health Fair at Parkland, May 4, 1998. Dr. Zelema Harris, Imani

Bazzell, Gladys Hunt, Janice Harrington.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

6:00 p.m. **PRISMA, ENGLISH**
A reliable Half-day Elementary School; Centre For Art and Media Technology

6:30 p.m. **PRISMA, GERMAN**

7:00 p.m. **PRISMA, SPANISH**

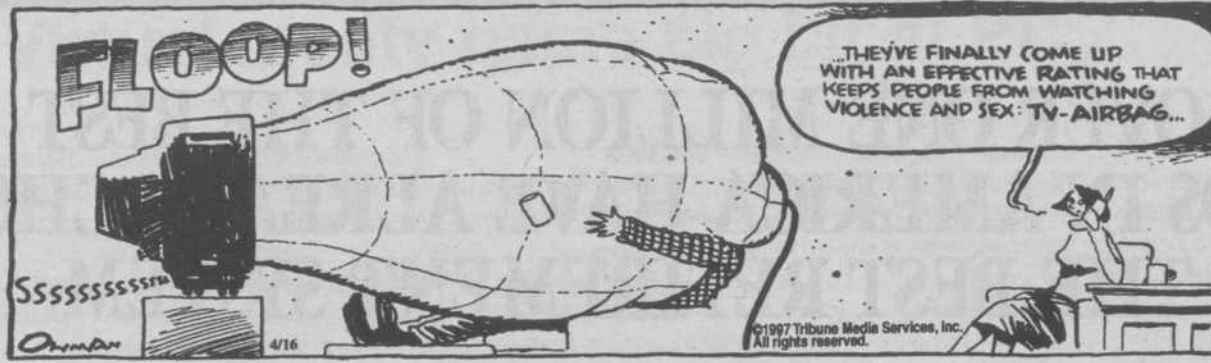
7:30 p.m. **PRISMA, FRENCH**

8:00 p.m. **THE GERMAN SCENE, ENGLISH**
Saxony-Anhalt Draws Foreign Investors; Centro in Oberhausen Symbolizes Radical Change in Ruhr; Research on Bavaria's Zugspitze; Die Prinzen, Germany's Princes of Pop; Konrad Adenauer Foundation Study Tours; State-of-the-Art Recycling Transforms Old Cars; German Medical Technology in Russia; Monchengladbach, Textile and Clothing

8:30 p.m. **GERMAN SCENE, GERMAN**

9:00 p.m. **GERMANY LIVE, TRIER**
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"Why can't sex be like it is on 'Melrose Place'? Wild, frequent, and meaningless."

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"Don't feel bad honey. Bruce Willis is a sex symbol and he's almost bald too."

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You know, I look so good that I'm not quite sure if I even want to be seen with you tonight.

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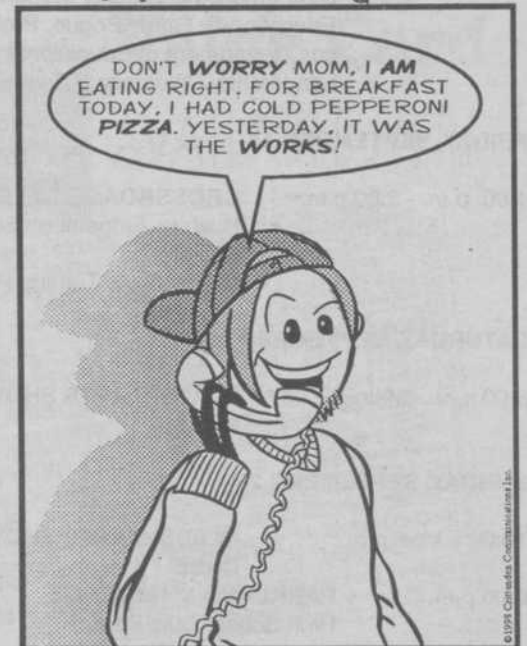
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Leslie McNair
Running for Senator

Hello, my name is Leslie McNair. I am a senate candidate for the 1998-99 Parkland Student Government.

For those of you who do not know me, I would like to provide you with some background information about myself. I am of Thai and Irish decent. I attended two very different high schools: Redford High School in Hawaii and Connellyville Area Senior High in Pittsburgh, PA. I moved to Champaign, IL, and attended my first semester here at Parkland College in the fall of 1994.

My qualifications for Student Government are numerous. While at Radford, I served as secretary of my sophomore class and then treasurer of my junior class. I believe it takes a responsible, dedicated person to manage the tasks needed when involved in any type of student body. I am that person. As of the present day I am employed by the C-U News Agency. My title there is UIUC Campus Distribution Manager. Working there the past year and a half has instilled in me what it takes to maintain a sense of productivity. That is what I plan to bring to the student government, productivity. Listening to the students' views on topics concerning Parkland College is one of the first steps in making productive and positive changes. I will listen. I will attempt to make those changes.

One issue that I am personally concerned with is that of the noticeable segregation students place themselves in. You see the "clicks" everywhere on campus: in each wing, in the lounge areas, and outside. I understand that is comfortable to fraternize with those that are like you. I feel there is nothing wrong with that. The problem exists only if those groups choose to remain closed and uninterested in learning about each other. I attended high school in Hawaii, where everyone is a mix of everything. I have been influenced by nothing but multiculturalism attitudes and for that I feel fortunate. I hope to bring some of that fortune to the students at Parkland College.

Melissa Roberts
Running for Senator

Hello! My name is Melissa Roberts. Most of you don't know me so let me tell you a little about myself. I graduated from Westville High School in May of 1998. While attending Westville High School I was involved in many activities. I played basketball, softball, was a member of our scholastic bowl team, worked on a prom committee, and was an active member of the drama club.

Being involved in all these activities taught me some real scents of team work. It gave me an insight into how every person working together can make any operation run smoothly. I am also a member of the Georgetown Church of the Nazarene. Being a member of my church has taught me many very important lessons. One that I feel I would be able to use in student government is compromise. There is a wide range of ages groups in my church and keeping everyone happy isn't always easy. However, listening to everyone with an open mind has helped me a lot. I've learned that everyone has good ideas and deserves to have their opinions heard.

If elected, I plan to use the skills I have learned through high school and while serving my church. By listening to the students I hope to learn of the problems facing many of the students here at Parkland. As a new student I don't know of all the problems or suggestions that students have. I am willing to listen to anything with an open mind. By just talking to just a few students one of the problems that I was addressed with was the lack of communication between teachers and students. Many students I talked with felt that speaking with their teaching was rather intimidating. I feel that if this problem was communicated to the teachers much of this problem could be resolved. Another suggestion I have heard is that not many Parkland extracurricular activities are well publicized. They wish to know more about what the clubs and organizations consist of here at Parkland. I feel that if addressed with this subject groups and organizations a like would submit information to the students and give them a better understanding of what these activities are about. Also, I would like to see more publicity for Parkland's organized sports. By making sporting events times and places better known I feel that the organized sports and their athletes would receive the support and recognition that they deserve.

As one can see I am willing to work hard if elected as a senator for your student government. The past activities that I have participated in have left me with the ability to compromise and to listen with an open mind. I am ready to take on the problems and suggestions of the student body here at Parkland. I would like to take this time to wish all the candidates good luck and to thank everyone who signed my p

Gregg Jackson
Running for Senator

My interest in petitioning for the position of Senator in Student Government stems from my ability of being a superior leader, an excellent follower, and an effective communicator.

I'm campaigning for the office of Senator because I'm a people's person. I love working with people, ensuring that they are 100% satisfied with the operation of "life"- "student life" in this instance.

There are several students here at Parkland, such as myself, who have worries and concerns that should be addressed. Yet we students need to feel comfortable enough to confide these worries and concerns not only with the Parkland College staff, but also with diligent, responsible, dedicated individuals, such as myself, who will ensure that these worries and concerns are addressed in a timely manner.

That is why I view Student Government as a platform that, if I were to be elected into office, I will use to voice the opinions, interest and/or concerns of the students here at Parkland College.

Now, I can't guarantee that the student(s) will receive the EXACT result(s) in which they desire. Yet, I will guarantee that I, GREGG JACKSON, will exhaust every remedy possible to address and resolve any/all worries, concerns, problems, (whichever may be the case) brought to my attention by you; the student.

Now that you know what my motives are for running for Senator, let me tell you a little about myself. I'm a freshman here at Parkland from Chicago with experience in Public Relations, Business Administration, and Hospitality. My major is Computer Engineering with a minor of Hospitality. As mentioned earlier, I'm a people's person. I truly enjoy working with the public, using my communication skills to ensure that things go as smoothly as possible for everyone.

My Interest in Serving in Student Government

I am the best candidate for the position of Senator by experience, potential, and most importantly dedication. Don't just let me tell you this — provide me the opportunity to prove all of this to you; vote GREGG JACKSON for Senator on the Student Government at Parkland College.

Adriana Arnal
Running for Secretary

My name is Adriana Arnal. I am from Venezuela, and I am running for the position of secretary of Student Government. I am currently the President of the Hispano-Americano club, and I am also one of the founders of this club. I am also the Treasurer of the French club. One of the goals of the Hispano-Americano club is to integrate our campus and increase diversity awareness. I have been working with the club to make this goal come true, and would also like to do this from Student Government.

As a secretary of the Student Government I would like to put a special effort into increasing the number of students involved in Parkland's activities, and integrate international students to campus life. I would also like to be involved with student affairs so I can improve the environment for all students that attend Parkland College.

If I am elected as secretary for this year I hope to achieve all of my peer's goals, and improve the atmosphere for all students.

Sincerely,

Adriana Arnal



Kory Langhofer



Leslie McNair



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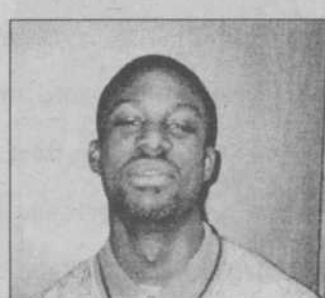
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Lorena Purissimo



Adriana Arnal



Marcus Johnson
No platform

John Lyons, Nam Nguyen and Melissa Roberts are not pictured.

Kory Langhofer (Buzz Alan)
Running for Senior Senator

I am interested in serving in student government for two reasons:
First, I want the student body to be fairly represented through this organization. Any student government representative must fairly and accurately reflect the wishes of his fellow students. I believe that I can do this by listening to my peers and friends; at all times maintaining contact with the true decision maker — YOU. By voting for me, Buzz Alan, you vote for the power of students to control their own affairs.

Second, I believe that I have a duty to speak for the underrepresented minorities on campus. As Senior Senator, I will do my best to ensure equality among all people of every creed, ethnicity, religious persuasion, and culture. While I do not always embrace the views of others, I do believe in all people's innate freedom of choice. I shall do my best to preserve that freedom, and our equality on such grounds.

This is why I, Buzz Alan, am running for the office of Senior Senator. I hope that I can count on your support in my endeavor, and look forward to serving you in the coming year.

Nam Nguyen
Running for Senator

As a student at Parkland I feel that I can effectively serve the student body to improve the experience of attending college. I have lived in the Parkland community my entire life, and am familiar with the nuances and special features of college and surrounding community. My parents attended Parkland, and I have followed in their footsteps. I am enthusiastic about the up coming semester and look forward to being apart of this institution. During my high school career I was involved in many organizations that resemble the Student Government at Parkland, such as Student Council and National Honor Society. I held numerous leadership positions in many of those organizations, and have a great deal of experience in participating in service projects. I am actively involved in the community such as religious groups and environmental clean-up efforts. During my term I hope to improve the college experience. I will also strive promote school pride, and improve the services available to the students and faculty. One area of particular concern is the advancement and expansion of our resident radio station at Parkland. I will never fail to put forth my best effort in the services of this educational institution Thank you.

Rory Lee Nolan
Running for Student Trustee

I feel that I am qualified for this position because I have served on Student Government for three years as Senator, Senior Senator and Vice President. I have traveled all over the state of Illinois representing Parkland at the Illinois Board of Higher Education's various meetings. I believe that "actions speak louder than words." I am not going to prove my worthiness as a candidate, but let you the students decide.

My motivation for running is because I am tired of education being sacrificed for money and power. Education should not be used as the knife that cuts us into social classes. I believe the mark of intelligence is not power or fame, but the actions one takes to better his or her surroundings. I believe that we are human beings and not glorified puppets that represents each social class. I believe that knowledge is power and that the quality of education should not be based on race color creed and beliefs. I challenge each and everyone of you to test my credibility and integrity. I am not a leader unless I have support from you, the students. I do not ask for you to always believe in me, but rather help me make decisions that will help us grow as students and as a college. Education is what we are here for, so let us help to better our surroundings and not let them define us as individuals. I will need all of your support because what I do has to come from the will of the students of Parkland College. I thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Rory Lee Nolan

Pablo Saavedra
Running for Senator

We are all important and equal, including the International students and for this reason it's critical that some of the international students speak up and are heard. This is important for all of us at Parkland. My greatest concern is that we are not heard enough and are therefore not always considered. I believe it is time for us to grow as a group, and to develop with the full support of Parkland College.

I would also like to try to create unity among all students with more activities and social events, and to establish a community where Parkland faculty and students can meet, communicate, and emerge with better, shared ideas.

"One common task and the participation of All"

This is my goal...and your help and participation is important to that goal. Don't look at the people on the basis of their differences; see them as human beings who are not very different from you at all.

Because of my ideas and goals, I am running for senator: To Serve You!

Johnny T. Lyons
Running for Treasurer

I feel that I would be an asset to the student government because of my great leadership skills.

My daily life consists of planning and implementing treatment programs for children with behavioral disorders at Cunninghams Children's Home. My understanding of structure and commitment brings focus to my daily responsibilities. I am looking forward to being a part of the Student Government and enhancing my educational experience.

Lorena Purissimo
Running for Senator

My name is Lorena Purissimo. I am a freshman at Parkland College, and I'm also an international student. Currently I am running for a senator position at the Student Government, and even though I am just a freshman in the Life Science department I have been involved with volunteer works inside Parkland College before. I am really interested about working with the student body again because during my time working as a volunteer I became increasingly aware of the students' needs, and of the regime that runs the student body. As an observer I know that several changes are needed to be made.

As a senator I would like to get the student body more involved in these changes, in the decisions and in the activities designed for our benefit. I would sincerely like to involve new students to the College in these activities, because as a freshman I know what is like to feel a little left out and lost at sometimes. New surroundings and new challenges are not always easy to overcome, and they are even harder to overcome when you do not know how the system around you works. I would like the chance to get all students more involved in the student affairs, so no one is left out in a situation like this.

If I am elected as a senator, I will try and would prefer to be ever one's voice in the Student Government. I will try to get new and former students more involved and more active in all the issues directly and indirectly relate to them. I would specially like to reach out to new students, International or not, to help them become more familiar and active in their new environment. I desire to work with all of Parkland's students, and I'm willing to work to my fullest capacity to try to make Parkland College a better place for all students.

Sincerely,

Lorena Purissimo