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## President Clinton recognizes Parkland's Diversity program

By: Barbara Torbeck<br>Prospectus Staff Writer

Parkland College's Cultural Diversity in Education program has recently been recognized as a "Practicing promise" by President Bill Clinton.

Pres. Zelema Harris says she's excited about the progress of the program. "I think it's wonderful recognition for the work we've been doing over the past four years in trying to improve race relations by giving those individuals who attend these sessions the opportunity to learn more about different cultures."

The program, coordinated by Pauline Kayes and Lorena Johnson, involves workshops and special sessions that help faculty to understand how to relate with students of another culture.
"The whole point of this is to foster an ongoing dialogue among educators about how inclusive classrooms and inclusive educational communities can result in better success achievement and retention rates for our cultural diverse and minority students," explained Kayes.

Parkland is one of the few community colleges in the country to receive this recognition. Kayes and Johnson are proud of the success that the program has made. "We've seen a lot of success," said Kayes. "We've seen a lot of faculty and staff that we work with, as a result of these workshops, have a true understanding."

This program was started four years ago after President Clinton announced the importance of educational diversity in schools. Kayes felt the need for this type of program, in order to teach young and old the skills of working with people of other cultures.
"As students go into the work world, they're going to be in a greater diverse work force than ever," she said. "That means that people are going to have to have the skills to operate and communicate across all kinds of differences."

Harris said when the program started, it was interesting to watch the faculty pull together. "It's a first for community college people to tackle this issue," she said, "because normally our faculty are busy teaching. They're not in the business of doing research on this type of program."

Now that the program is in full effect, Kayes has noticed a remarkable change in the classroom environment. "The faculty are really motivated and committed," she said. "They're changing their classroom, talking to their colleagues, and making an impact."


Pictured is the Parkland Girls Cross-country team and coaches


During the week of October ?-? Department of Public Safety responded to 19837266234677 calls for service and 246643164 medical call for service.

Tuesday, September 29
Police officers found and held a subject wanted for questioning by the Champaign Police Department. Officers stood by while Champaign PD questions the subject.

## Wednesday, September 30

Police officer took an assault report. According to the report a male student made threats towards a faculty member. Officers investigated the allegations and turned their findings over to the Dean of Students for further information.

## Thursday, October 1

Police officer took a report of a hit and run traffic accident. The accident is still under investigation.

Officer took a theft report. The theft occurred near the theatre/planetarium drive. Their are no suspects and the case is still under investigation.

## Friday, October 2

Police officers responded to assist Champaign PD on the west side of K's Merchandise to a report of $16-20$ suspicious subjects. Upon arrival several of the subjects fled the area on foot. Officers cleared the scene after dispersing the people.

Police officer completed a harassment report. The report is under investigation.

## During the week of September 29 through

 October 5. The Department of Public Safety responded to six medical calls during this time and 218 calls for service.
## James Ayers elected to ACCT board

Parkland Board of Trustees member James Ayers was elected to the board of directors of the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) during its annual convention Sept 23-26 in San Francisco.

Ayers, an attorney, mayor of Monticello, and president of Central Illinois Manufac turing Company, was elected to a one-year term.

The 26 -member ACCT Board of Directors includes 15 directors elected by re-
gions, nine directors-at-large elected by the ACCT Senate, and two appointed directors. Ayers will represent the central region.

A member of the Park land College Board of Trustees since 1989, Ayers has held several leadership positions in the Illinois Community College Trustees Association, including chair of the east central region and of the Federal Relations Committee.


## 174 crimes this year <br> Crime down on UI campus

Crimes against people decreased nearly 16 percent on the University of Illinois campus and in the surrounding community during the 1997-98 academic year and 1998 summer session, according to the U . of I. Police Department.

From Sept. 1, 1997 through Aug. 31, 1998 there were 174 crimes against people in the reporting area, down from 206 crimes against people in that area in the preceding year

The statistical reporting area includes the $U$. of $I$. campús and neighboring parts of Ohan paign and Urbana. It is bordered by the lllinois Centralkailroad tracks on the west (near Neil St), Race Street on the
east, University Avenue on the north, and Windsor Road on the south. There were 43 fewer robberies and 14 fewer reported sexual assauls in the reporting area from September 1997 to August 1998, but inere were 2? more aggravated as saults and batteries in that area

Some patterns indigated by the statistics!

* About 45 percent of the
total crime victims were $U$. of 1 . students
Elght of the 11 criminal sexual assaults during the 1997-98 academic year and 1998 summer session were perpetrated by acquainttances of the victim; all of the victims were women,


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With midterms approaching, and test and paper dates looming near, traffic in the Library is picking up.

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On the Library Home Page, you can access a variety of databases (computereeze for lists of sources). These include:

Newsbank offers a collection of full text newspaper articles. (Available only via campus computers)

Info Trac, indexes more
and nine of the victims were U. of I students.

* Robberies occurred every day of the week and during every time period.
* Aggravated assaults and batteries occurred every day of the week but were more likely to occur on weekends; they also occurred more often between 9 p.m. and 3 a.m. - Men were more than three times as likely to be victims of aggravated assaults and batteries as women.
Students should call 9-911 from campus telephones in an emergency or to report any suspicious activity.


## Absentee voting for Nov. 3 election <br> Absentee voting for the gen

 eral election on Nov. 3 is now open at the County Clerk's Office, Mark Shelden County Clerk, announced.The office is located at 1776 E. Washington St., Urbana.

Applications for absentee ballots may be made by mail, or a registered voter may vote absentee in person in the County Clerk office.

For more information on election voting: 217-384-1241

## Vet Tech week

During the week of Oct. 11 17, the students at Parkland College, involved with the Veterinary Medicine program will be celebrating National Veterinary Technicians Week.

Members from the Vet Tech club will show pet owners how to take care of their pets, how to choose the right pet, and ways to give them a happy home.


Lorena Johnson, a coordinator in the Cultural Diversity in Education program, looks at there programs web page. The program received recognition from President Clinton.

## OPEN AUDITIONS THE BOYS NEXT DOOR

by Tom Griffin
Directed by Buck Zachary
Parkland College Theatre
Saturday, October 17 - 12 noon - 4 p.m.
Casting an ensemble of 7 men and 2 women (actor ages 18 and up). Audition is open
to all members of the community and will consist of cold readings from the script and to all members of the community and will consist of cold readings from the script and
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more information please call the director at $217 / 586-4036$.

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No change in binge drinking

Br: Christine Tatum College Press Exchange

CHICAGO-More than half of American students drank to get drunk last year, and the number of binge drinkers is virtually the same as it was four years ago, according to a study released Thursday by the Harvard School of Public Health.

The survey of 14,521 students is the sequel to a 1993 analysis of students' alcohol consumption. Both studies were based on responses from randomly chosen students attending 130 colleges across the country.

The latest report, published this month in the Journal of American College Health, shows that 52 percent of students drank to get tanked in 1997, compared with 39 percent in 1993. Overall, the number of students who binge-defined as five drinks in a row for men and four in a row for womendropped slightly, from 44.1 percent in 1993 to 42.7 percent last year.

However slight, that drop is basically the study's only bright spot, said Professor Wechsler, lead author of both studies. The decease, he said, would be attributed to a rising number of students who abstain from drinking altogether. Nineteen percent of students reported that they hadn't had a drink in a year, compared with 15.6 percent in the earlier study.

Wechsler said more students may be abstaining because they're repulsed by the behavior of their drinking friends and tired of vomit-filled bathrooms, unwanted sexual advances and late-night disturbances.

That makes sense to Dan Meade, a senior at Georgetown University who said his struggles with binging prompted him to quit drinking more than a year ago-a decision, Meade said, that has made his life "immeasurably better."
"I would get so drunk l'd black out and not remember a thing I'd done," he said. "I had to make a lot of apologies to people for things I didn't remember. At first, my drinking was largely limited to weekends...then it started to hurt my grades."

Both of Wechsler's studies say the biggest beer-guzzlers on campus are in fraternities and sororities, where four out of five of those students binge. While many fraternities have announced plans to go dry, Wechsler criticized the one caveat usually attached: in the year 2000.
"Postponing things until the millennium is not the way to handle the problems of today," he said.

While the study did not show which colleges had the most drinkers, it did indicate that binging students are more likely to be found on campuses throughout the Northeast and Midwest.

Students at historically black and women's colleges and commuter schools where few students live in dormitories tend to drink less, the study also indicated.

Identifying the problem of binge drinking is far simpler than finding way s to stop it, Wechsler said. And to make any change, everyone-including alumni who toddle back to tailgating parties on campus so they can get intoxicated"needs to assume responsibility in the fight against unhealthy drinking habits. Campuses shouldn't necessarily ban alcohol, just ensure that students of age are drinking responsibly, he said.
"We have to know all the contributing factors to this behavior-the fraternities, the tradition surrounding athletics and the sale of alcohol for dirt cheap in bars and stores throughout the community," Wechsler said. "This is a call for college presidents and students to develop codes of behavior that is acceptable on campus. And as people transgress those codes, they have to be dealt with accordingly."

The crafting of new policies should be interesting, Wechsler said, nothing that one in five students are frequent binge drinkers, while another one in five abstain from alcohol consumption. Falling between the two extremes is one-fifth of students who binge occasionally and two-fifths who drink but do not binge.

## 1 dead, 5 hospitalized after dorm fire

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MURRAY, Ky. (CPX)- One
student was killed and five were iniured atter a fire ravaged the fourth floor of a dormitory at Murray State University Sept. 18.

It was the second fire in a week to strike the eight-story residence hall, and university officials told the Associated Press that the latest blaze was intentionally set.

However, they would not say of the fire was related to a smaller one that broke out on the same floor on September 13.

Michael Minger, 19, of Niceville, Fla., died in the second fire. One of the five students injured in the blaze, 21-year-old Michael Priddy of Paducah, Ky, was flown to Vanderbuilt University Medical Center in Nashville with severe burns on his arms
and back. He was listed in critical but stable condition on Monday.

Four other students were hospitalized locally, and 10 more were treated at the scene.

All of the 300 students living in the dormitory were evacuated. The university is housing them in local hotels, empty rooms on campus and by converting single rooms into doubles

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6:00 p m.COLLEGE FOR KIDS
Student projects from the Lights! Camera! Action! class. Sessions 2 \& 3, College for Kids, Summer 1998
7:00 p.m. EMPOWERING GIRLS WITH CONFIDENCE, SKILLS, \& VISION Presented by the Office of Women's Programs and Services. Imani Bazzell talks with Debbie Murphy, Gender Equity Coordinator; Debbie Nelson, Director of Elimination Violence Through Education, A Woman's Fund; and Susan Kundrat, Registered Dietician, about helping girls develop self esteem.
8:00 p.m. UPON REFLECTION: ETHNICITY \& RACE
With Samuel DeWitt Proctor, theologian and author of The Substance of Things Hoped For. Proctor, grandson of slaves, became president of two college, served in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations, and was advisor to Martin Luther King, Jr. and Jesses Jackson.
8:30 p.m. TBA
9:00 p.m. AUTHOR, AUTHOR DEVELOPING THE WORLD'S BEST WORK FORCE
Dr. Tody Zeiss, editor and an author of the new book by that title published by the American Association of Community Colleges, and Chari of AACC, hosts this program about outstanding work force development efforts by community colleges across the country. Panel of experts discusses issues.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. CROSSROADS CAFE
United We Stand, Opportunity Knocks, The People's Choice, Outside Looking In.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10
8:00 p.m. - Midnight CLASSIC ARTS SHOWCASE
Short segments of opera, ballet, orchestra and other
performances, film clips, and museum visits.
SUNDAY, ОCTOBER 11
10:00 a.m.-6 p.m. CLASSIC ARTS SHOWCASE
6:00 p.m. PARKLAND CHALLENGE
High School Quiz Bowl
Oakwood vs. Urbana
6:30 p.m. Monticello vs. Prairie Central
7:00 p.m. PARKLAND COMMUNITY FORUM POWER IN PLANNING: KEEP YOUR MONEY WORKING
Host Louise Allen talks with local financial experts Robert Cochran, Banklllinois, retired; Mary McGrath, Cozad Asset Management; and Marc R. Miller, Miller \& Hendren. First in a series to help us plan for the expected and the unexpected in our lives.
8:00 p.m. LIVE \& LEARN: WOMEN'S PROGRAMS \& SERVICES

Host Dave Leake, Coordinator of the William M. Starkel Planetarium talks with Mary Lee Seargent, Acting Director of Parkland's Office of Women's Programs and Services, and Imani Bazzell, Coordinator, SisterNet and Get With The Program.
9:00 p.m. THE PARKLAND REPORT: THE PARKLAND THEATRE Host Tom McDonneil talks with Artistic Director Randi Collins Hard about the upcoming season in the Parkland Theatre.
9:30 p.m. FOR ARTS SAKE
Cutting Through Tradition: Art Quilts by Deborah Fell, Judy Husband, and Mary McDonald. Denise Seif, Parkland Art Gallery Director, talks with the artists about their work recently on display in the Gallery.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 12

6:00 p.m. PARKLAND REPORT
STATE OF THE COLLEGE
Host Tom McDonnell, WPCD News Director, talks with Parkland President, Zelema Harris.
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. BACK TO SCHOOL SAFE \& SOUND
GOALS 2000: USDOE Town and Meeting U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley and panel of parents, educators, and business and community leaders.
8:00 p.m. ILLINOIS EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES SYSTEM: THE SOONER WE START, THE FARTHER THEY'LL GO,
APPLES Magazine Representatives from the llinois Department of Human Services and the STARNET Early Intervention Team.
9:00 p.m. LIVE \& LEARN: WOMEN'S PROGRAMS \& SERVICES Host Dave Leake, Coordinator of the William M. Starkel Planetarium, talks with Mary Lee Seargent, Acting Director of Parkland's Office of Women's Programs and Services, and Imani Bazzell, Coordinator, SisterNet and Get With The Program.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

6:00 p.m. PRISMA, ENGLISH
European Yiddish Festival: Europa musicale
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
The Berlin Airlift; Trip Around the World at Bonn Festival for Tolerance; Building the Liner "Deutschland" in Kiel; German
Consumer Goods Trade Fair in Shanghai; Europe Top Female
Glider Pilot; German President on State Visit to Norway; Berlin's
Highly Competitive Radio Market; Jena, High-Tech, Entrepreneurs.
8:30 p.m. GERMAN SCENE, GERMAN
9:00 p.m. GERMANY LIVE, FEHMARN
A 185 -square-kilometer island in the Baltic

# Sports 

## Shaky at the start....

Cross country team revs up

By: Barbara Torbeck
Prospectus Staff Writer
After a shaky start at the beginning of this season, the cross country team has come alive.

At the Danville meet on Sept. 26, both the men's and women's teams ran some of their best times and placed sixth out of 15 schools.

Also at the SIU meet on Oct. 3, as the only junior college there, the team placed tenth out of 15 schools.

Coach Jeff Bovee says he is really excited about the team's progress. "We just did really well," he said. "We seem to be pulling it together. It's very exciting.'

The women's team has really gotten strong. Candy Ard, one of their lead runners, has an average time of 19:03.00 in the 3 -mile run. Katrina Lampley runs the 3 mile in 19:40.00, while Jodi Huddlestun runs just seconds after.

Sarah Dietrich, who placed fifth at Nationals last year, is back to help the women's team stay strong. After suffering from an injury at the beginning of the season, she is gearing up for the upcoming meets.

Other team members include Shannon Dietrich

Maggie Andrew, and Steph Hedrington, giving the girls a boost.

Meanwhile, the men's team is staying focused in winning at the next meets. The men's team includes some more strong runners including Roque Chavarria, Nick Parks, Kevin Harris, and Gebrae Hudson.

Chavarria's average time for the 5 -mile run is $25: 54.2$ while Parks runs it in 26:42.6.

Bovee sees the potential in the team as Nationals comes up. "I really think our women's team has a great shot at placing in the top three at Nationals," he said. "I'm really glad that they are coming along at a faster rate then I expected."

The next meet will be on Oct 17 at Parkside when the team will go against all the regional schools. The team is eager to see how they rank with other teams. "We'll really get a good chance to see where we are," said Bovee.

Now with the team reaching higher and higher on the place list, Bovee is keeping the team focused and determined. "We'll just keep working hard," he said. "We're building momentum to carry us in to the championship."

## Golf team improves season

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The golf team came bac this week after a discouraging loss last week to win third place out of in the lincoln invitational on Oct. 1-2.

After placing ninth out of 14 schools at the ICC invitational on Sept. 26-27, the team came back to show the schools what they made of.

I thought we had a reai good tournament," said head coach Greg Thom. "There was lots of improvement."

All this improvement was
made in practice. The players focused on the objectives of the game rather than just playing through.

What kept the team's confidence for this invitational was the positive note attitude that was always enforced throughout practice.
"We tried to stay positive," said Thom. "It continued to build up our confidence and remind us that we do have a good team and good players

Now with the added confidence builder after their successful week, the team looks to one of their biggest tests of all

On Thurs, through Fri., Oct. 8 9, Parkland's golf team will compete at Rend Lake Invitational.

Besides the fact that they will be competing against al the schools in the region, they will have the chance to compete against other teams from around the nation.

Thom says he is looking forward to this tournament. "This will be a good chance to see how we do with not only the people in the region but with the teams outside of the region as well."

Co-captains
Katrina Hanners Susan Riggs

Meredith Cole
Crystal Barone Amanda Allender Beth Bailey Carrie Foltz
Jennifer VanWakeman Kamie Rittenhouse

Cheerleaders
Sr. captains Gwen Royman David Gray Jr. captains Mindy Coles Dave Waters

Amanda Cline Jessi McMasters Harvey Reynolds Mark Medearis Jim Logdon

## Cobra Sports <br> Upcoming Events <br> Men's and Women's Cross Country

(next week) Saturday October 17
Wisc-Parkside Invitational at Kenosha, W
Golf
Thursday October 8 at 9:00am
Rend Lake Invitational at Mt. Vernon, IL
Friday October 9 9:00am
Rend Lake Invitational at Mt. Vernon, IL
Volleyball
Friday-Saturday October 9-10 time TBA
McHenry Trinity at CrystalLake, IL
Wednesday October 14 at $7: 00 \mathrm{pm}$
Springfield College at Springfield, IL

## Soon to come

## Men's Basketball

First Game: November 7
Women's Basketball
First Game: November 10

