

Dr. Harris' tenure filled with memories and milestones

By DYLAN HEATH AND
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Prospectus Staff Writers

Dr. Zelema Harris has dedicated the last 16 years of her career working to improve Parkland College and the quality of its education. June 30 will mark the end of her presidency at this highly respected college. She has brought many values to the campus and the people who make up the college. In addition, she has created many programs and left us with a place that offers an even higher quality of education.

Growing up in Texas, Dr. Harris has seen, first hand the problems that racism can bring about. Due to this, she considers it important to see not the differences in people but the similarities. During her tenure at Parkland, she has used her own experiences to help create a more equal campus.

The ethnic diversity can be seen in the students attending the college as well as the faculty and staff. This year almost 1/3 of Parkland's students are of a minority. The district alone hardly reaches a minority population of over 15%. In comparison to the University of Illinois figures, Parkland's number of minority students is thriving while the number of minority students on the campus on the opposite side of town is declining. Subsequently, this will

change in the years to come as Parkland students transfer to the university. Dr. Harris feels that cultural diversity is very important for a number of reasons. One way that everyone can benefit from an environment rich in culture is with problem solving. When people come from different backgrounds they develop different ideas and beliefs. When these people are brought together, a number of solutions can be considered when determining an answer to a problem.

In addition to helping make Parkland a more diverse campus, Dr. Harris has brought us many new programs throughout the years. More than a few new departments have been added to the college, which provide more courses for students, and more jobs for faculty. The Business Development Center, the Child Development Center, the Agriculture Technology Applications Center, and the Job Center are all additions that occurred during Dr. Harris' tenure.

Parkland also became a host of many different events during the past 16 years, including the state's first multicultural education conference, in 1993. These are just a few of the doors that Zelema have opened for the college.

The college itself has received an increasing amount of respect and recognition in the past few

years. Rightfully so, with a leader who has found so much success in her career.

Locally, Dr. Harris was named Champaign County Most Valuable Citizen in 2002. She received the Urban Agricultural Leaders Award for the Champaign County Farm Bureau in 2005. Yet another time Champaign has celebrated Dr. Harris' career was when she was given the Leadership Award for Outstanding Business/Professional Woman from the Champaign Chamber of Commerce. She has also been rewarded for her hard work and dedication on a grander scale.

She was named President of the Year by the American Association of Community Colleges and the CEO of the year by the American Association of Community College Trustees. In 1998, she was inducted into the Women's Hall of Fame at her alma mater, the University of Kansas. In 2001 she was elected to the American Council on Education.

It's hard to walk down the



Dr. Zelema Harris

Thanks to Dr. Harris, the ties between the U of I and Parkland have never been stronger. Students have had more success transferring, and their grades show how Parkland has led

3, call the Champaign Country Club.

Dr. Harris has provided a pathway to a promising future for Parkland. In the past 16 years she has built a founda-

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streets of Champaign-Urbana without encountering someone who has a relationship with Parkland College. Almost everyone in the area has, or knows someone who has, had at least one class at the college campus.

Approximately 200,000 people have gone through the campus' doors in the last forty years in order to better their life. Many of these students have used the lessons learned to continue onto a four-year school or started their career.

them down the right track.

A number of events have already taken place to celebrate Dr. Harris' career. The next event that will be recognizing her retirement will be held at the Champaign Country Club.

The event, to be held by Carle Foundation Hospital, will be a black-tie optional dinner and ball. Money will be raised for the Zelema Harris Endowed Scholarship. For more information concerning the dinner taking place on Saturday June

tion that can only lead to better things. With the help of the incoming President, Robert Exley Ph.D, Parkland will continue its success.

On behalf of the entire student body, Parkland organizations, and the community itself, thank you Dr. Harris for all you have done to benefit the college, congratulations on all of your accomplishments, and good luck in all of your future endeavors. ENJOY YOUR RETIREMENT!!!



Dr. Harris address the crowd at the 2006 Arbor Day Celebration on Friday, April 28.

Erika Porter/*Prospectus*



'Spirited Waves' fill the theatre



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First Off

By **JON VOLKMAN**
Prospectus Editor

Almost there.

It has been three long years since I first stepped onto campus and into college life. While not my first foray into college, Parkland has been my most suc-

“Just don’t forget to buckle the dog in before driving to the park.”

cessful.

During my time here, I have been involved with Phi Theta Kappa, *Images*, the *Prospectus*, and done many other activities as well. I first started with the paper back in February of 2004. Back then, I was inexperienced, and mainly wrote opinion pieces on a wide variety of topics.

I would look through the news, usually the “strangely enough” sections to find interesting pieces to write. I addressed all sorts of topics then too. From e-mail etiquette to noise pollution and more, I found plenty to write about.

In retrospect, I was the writer an editor hates, because I wasn’t able to attend meetings and never tried to cover an assignment. I just wrote what I felt like, leaving it up to the editor to try and squeeze me in.

It has been interesting writing and working for the paper.

I have not only written the opinion pieces like I did early on, but news pieces, interviews, and even sports articles. My topics have been as expansive as my interests, and it has made writing for the paper very enjoyable.

I have also done other tasks

for the paper, from helping with advertising to distribution. Some of my friends have been dragged along as I wandered the hallways of Parkland with a cart full of the current week’s edition. I have also gone around Champaign and Urbana putting out racks and papers. Which reminds me, I still have a few racks in the back of my car. They’ve only been there a few months.

Taking over as editor last sum-

“Within our country, our ability to vote does not apply only to the elections. It applies to our wallets, and how money earned is spent.”

mer, my journey with the paper reached its climax. I became more involved, ensuring every aspect of the process was done

to its best. I spent the summer cleaning out the office and reorganizing, a task that had been neglected for many years.

I wandered around campus, finding racks and retrieving them. Once retrieved, every one of them was cleaned. Many were replaced so that all of the racks out around campus were the same. In the office, we have 4 or 5 rogue racks, leftovers from a bygone era. Indeed, in the last year, I have worked very hard to instill a sense of pride with the paper. I believe that taking pride in one’s work is the first step towards achieving a quality outcome. With everyone who has wandered into the office looking to help, I have tried pass along that sense of pride and responsibility.

Thankfully, the faculty and staff of Parkland have been very outspoken about some of the effort that we on the paper’s staff have exerted. The e-mails on how wonderful the paper is looking, the comments received from our faculty advisor, John Eby secondhand, and the kind words passed along to the staff from people in the hallways. It has been appreciated, and I

one topic I thoroughly enjoyed.

They have used wind turbines to ease electricity costs since 1993. The district will have both of its turbines paid off in early 2007, and the district will have over one hundred thousand dollars in tax-free income at its disposal.

Checking back in with Spirit Lake, it seems they have been exploring other renewable energy sources as well, and realize the benefits are clearly worth the investment. My topics have not always been this interesting and upbeat though.

I have written on serious topics like elections and campus safety. Even with Parkland’s impeccable record, one must remain aware of their surroundings and stay safe. Even the safest environment can yield danger.

That doesn’t mean living in fear though, it means living aware. Awareness is something many struggle with, whether its remaining aware when driving or being aware fo a potential dangerous situation.

The best part of being Editor-in-Chief for the last year has been the people I have met.

maintain that we always welcome feedback, even if it is not positive.

Addressing the varied topics I have covered, it has been an unique experience. On the stranger side, I covered the topic of buckling up dogs when in the car. Some towns have passed legislation in regards to this topic, as animals pose a danger when loose in a moving vehicle.

I have also covered the NHL and its lockout, and how they lost an entire season over what was a very small amount of money comparitively.

Thinking back over the articles I have written, numbering over fifty total, I read some of them and wonder why it was even printed. While not written badly, some of the topics seemed repetitive, and the topics very closely related.

It has also been a learning experience, allowing me to research topics I have been interested in while getting paid to do so. Learning about a school district in Spirit Lake, Iowa was

From everyone on the newspaper staff, to various faculty and staff of Parkland, it has been wonderful.

Being able to share my passion and help others succeed and improve is thrilling. I think that ultimately is what has made the paper and college such a fun experience.

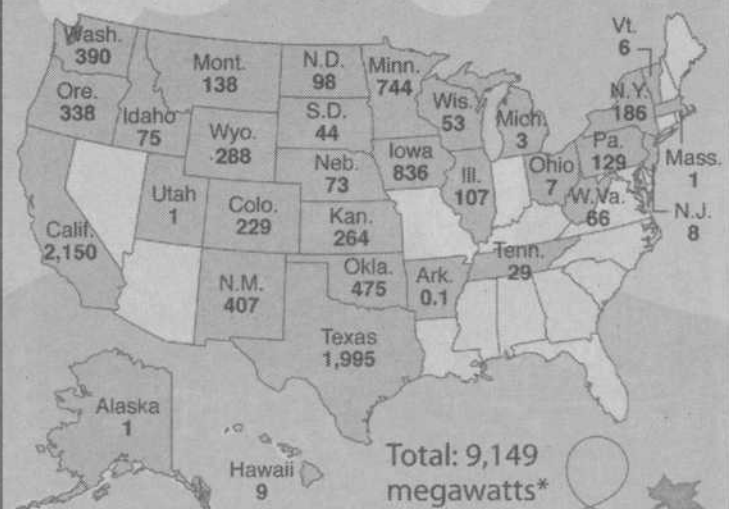
I love to share my experiences with others, and its wonderful to see the passion I have for something passed on to another. As I look ahead, my life could take many directions. I am graduating with two Associate Degrees, the culmination of three years of classes. I am entering the Information Technology field, and for now, that will suffice.

Eventually, I would love to pursue a degree in English, and switch careers. The road ahead though is unknown, and my path yet defined. For now, I can simply close the door on my Parkland career, and look ahead.

For those still here, I wish you the best. I have indeed enjoyed the time I spent in these halls, classrooms, and offices.

Wind energy

Installed wind power generating capacity, in megawatts:



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Note: As of Dec. 31, 2005
Source: American Wind Energy Association
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8:00 p.m.—The Stargazer
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Dollars and Sense

By **DONNA MAYER**
Prospectus Guest Writer

You know you want to work during the summer. You know what type of work you'd like to be doing. Now you need to find the job.

Let people know you're looking for a summer job. Tell your family, friends, and anyone else you know or talk to, and ask for a referral or a job.

In addition to looking for jobs in the usual stores and restaurants, check out amusement parks, camps, country clubs, parks and recreation departments, museums, historical societies, and resorts.

You may find jobs listed in the newspaper under Employment Opportunities—Seasonal.

Another option is to sign up with a temporary employment

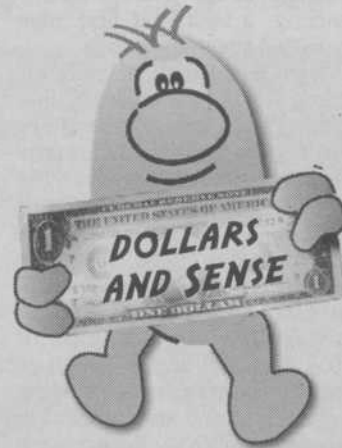
agency. You'll have a chance to work a wide variety of jobs, with a better chance of picking the hours and days you'd like to work.

Watch the newspaper for articles about new businesses or programs that might have opportunities for summer employment.

Self-employment offers a chance to set your own hours. Consider mowing yards, house painting, child care, dog sitting, or anything else you might think of.

Check bulletin boards wherever you go, including grocery stores, libraries, and at colleges or universities.

The Parkland Career Center at <http://www.parkland.edu/ss/cpes/employment.html>, or in Room A-175 has job listings, and they're more than happy to help you with your search.



Don't be shy about looking for a job. Talk to everyone you can think of, including people you meet while you're in their place of business.

The more people you talk to and get the word out to that you're looking for a job, the better chance you have of finding something you really like.

College urges students to apply now

For the fifth straight year, the Monetary Award Program (MAP) grant will be grossly under funded by the state of Illinois. The Office of Financial Aid at Parkland anticipates the application deadline for the MAP grant to be at the end of July, 2006. Students are being urged to apply for financial aid no later than July 1. Students applying after August 1, 2006 may not receive a Monetary Award for the upcoming academic year.

Students can apply for the MAP grant and Federal student aid programs by completing the Federal Application for Student Financial Aid (FASFA) online at: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

Winners announced for participation in survey

This spring, Parkland College participated in a pilot study aimed at helping us serve adult students better. As part of the study, 676 adult students completed the Adult Learning Focused Institution's (ALFI) Student Survey. On behalf of the College, thank you all for helping us by participating in the survey. Also congratulations to those who were randomly selected to win prizes for their participation. If your name appears below, you've won a prize for completing the survey. You may pick up your prize in room A113. Congratulations!

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By OFFICER MEYER
For the Prospectus



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Often people don't look for smaller vehicle like motorcycles and scooters and they could unknowingly be in your blind spot. Awareness of your surroundings allows your reaction time to go up and reduces the possibility of causing a traffic crash. Motorcyclists are not protected as are driver's of other vehicles. So, even a minor crash could prove to be fatal to a

motorcyclist. Additionally, the stopping distance for cars and trucks is longer than that of a motorcycle.

When traveling behind a motorcycle in town, or on the interstate, please allow a greater following distance. All it takes is minimal contact to the rear wheel of a motorcycle to cause its driver to lose control and crash. Drive safe and buckle up.

Wellness Center warns about mumps

By JUNE BURCH
For the Prospectus

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the outbreak of mumps that began in Iowa in December 2005 has spread to eight neighboring states, including Illinois with the majority of cases occurring among persons 18-25 years of age.

Although the outbreak is not expected to be as severe in Illinois as in Iowa since, unlike Iowa, Illinois has required 2 MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) immunizations for public school attendance for the last 15+ years or so, you are nevertheless advised to be aware of your risk for acquiring the disease.

Since the effectiveness of MMR immunization is approximately 80% after one dose and 90% after two doses, the Amer-

ican College Health Association is recommending that students, faculty and staff at colleges and universities have a total of two MMR immunizations.

Although birth before 1957 is usually considered proof of immunity, during an outbreak, one dose of vaccine can be considered for this age group if the epidemiology of the outbreak suggests that they are at increased risk of disease.

You are, therefore, encouraged to check with your health-care provider to determine the appropriateness of further immunization.

Some people should not get MMR vaccine or should wait:

—People should not get MMR vaccine who have ever had a life-threatening allergic reaction to gelatin, the antibiotic neomycin, or to a previous dose of MMR vaccine.

—People who are moderately or severely ill at the time the shot is scheduled should usually wait until they recover before getting MMR vaccine.

—Pregnant women should wait to get MMR vaccine until after they have given birth. Women should avoid getting pregnant for 4 weeks after getting MMR vaccine.

—Some people should check with their doctor about whether they should get MMR vaccine, including anyone who:

-Has HIV/AIDS, or another disease that affects the immune system

-Is being treated with drugs that affect the immune system, such as steroids, for 2 weeks or longer

-Has any kind of cancer

-Is taking cancer treatment with x-rays or drugs

-Has ever had a low platelet count

-People who recently had a transfusion or were given other blood products should ask their doctor when they may get MMR vaccine.

For additional information about the vaccine, stop by the Wellness Center for a copy of the CDC "What You Need to Know" flyer.

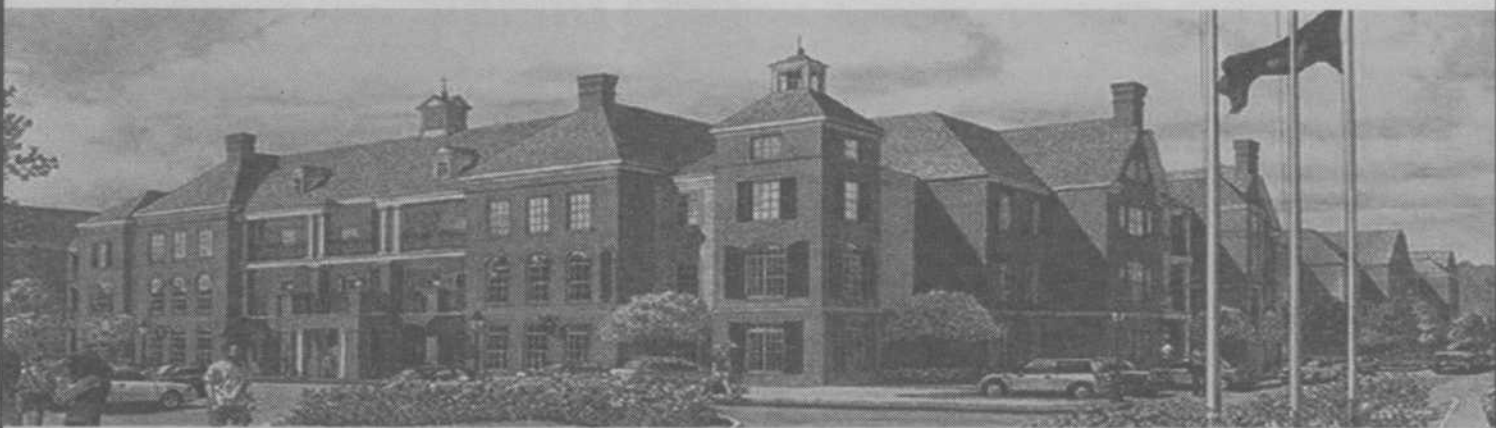
Mumps is an acute viral infection characterized by non-specific symptoms including fatigue, loss of appetite, general body aches, headache and fever, followed by swelling on one or both sides of the neck under the jaw bone.

Complications of mumps infection can include deafness, inflammation of the testicles, ovaries or breasts, pancreatitis, meningitis/encephalitis, and spontaneous miscarriage.

Transmission of mumps virus occurs by direct contact with respiratory droplets or saliva and can be transmitted between two and seven days before symptom onset until nine days after onset of symptoms. The incubation period is generally 16-18 days from exposure to onset of symptoms.

For further information contact the Carle mumps hotline at 217/326-9000, the Center for Disease Control at www.cdc.gov, the American College Health Association at www.acha.org and click on latest news and updates, or contact the Wellness Center at jburch@parkland.edu.

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What I learned this semester...

ERIK PHEIFER

There is definitely one thing I learned this semester, specifically as a journalist. Being a journalist is a job that is often difficult. It is, at times, very time consuming and frustrating but well worth it and rewarding. It seems to be a never-ending task trying to track down sources for articles in time for deadlines. Then, when a source you are relying on for an article does not get back to you, you just want to pull your hair out. Of course, there are those times when you have an interview you will never forget. Some of the people you get to meet as a journalist are certainly a joy to be around, and it is those people that make this job so appealing. I would like to thank everyone who has been helpful to me this semester in the articles I have written.

DYLAN HEATH

This semester has taught me more than any of my other 19 and a half years. I feel I have learned more about who I am and what I want to do in life.

This is important and it's what should happen in college. More importantly I have learned how to achieve these goals. I feel like I have to accomplish my own goals before I can help anyone else.

I used to do anything that other people wanted me to, but this is because I used to not have any aim in life. I know this sounds selfish and a little un-humanistic, but how can I help others without helping myself first. . . Also going to class is important if you want to pass (trust me).

NIKKI BLIGHT

What did I learn this semester? That's a hard question to answer in just a mere hundred words. I have learned many things. I have learned skills that will help my in my future career, I have learned that in order to get the things you want, sometimes you have to nag and nag and nag, and I have learned that, when desperate, Jon will print my ramblings on video games in the paper without any argument. But most of all, I have learned that even though my time here at Parkland is coming to an end, it will be an experience that will stick with me for the rest of my life. All in all, it's been a good three years.

SUZANNA WINANS

This year, I learned a ton of useful information inside and outside of the classroom. In class, I think that I have certainly learned better writing skills, although *I still don't feel like no journalist.*

In the studio, I have spent many late nights developing my drawing and design skills and waiting for the Parkland security to come kick me out.

More importantly, I have learned plenty of knowledge outside of class. Procrastination is key to writing a good paper.

My homework should and always will be done between the hours of 1 a.m. and right before class. And the best way

to sleep in public is with headphones on.

Finally, I have learned that Parkland deserves a lot of credit for the quality of education and instructors that it provides.

I feel like the relationships that I have made with my instructors and fellow classmates are comparable to those I made in high school.

The reason being is because the instructors actually care about their classes and the kids in them as opposed to a University where the position of an instructor is just that, a position or title.

I am thankful that I chose Parkland for my first year of college and so is my checking account.

The *Prospectus* staff responds

JAKE MCGILL

Through this semester there have been many things that I have learned. Most new things that I have learned have come through many normal classes, but the most important thing that I have learned this semester was time management. Writing for the *Parkland Prospectus* this year, and especially during this spring semester, I have taught myself to meet deadlines and get things done on a weekly basis at a certain time. Through writing articles, working my part time job, and making the money to pay rent and bills I have been able to separate my time equally to all of those. Even though I am going to school to learn about journalism, I have learned about time management and I believe it has benefited me the most out of everything.

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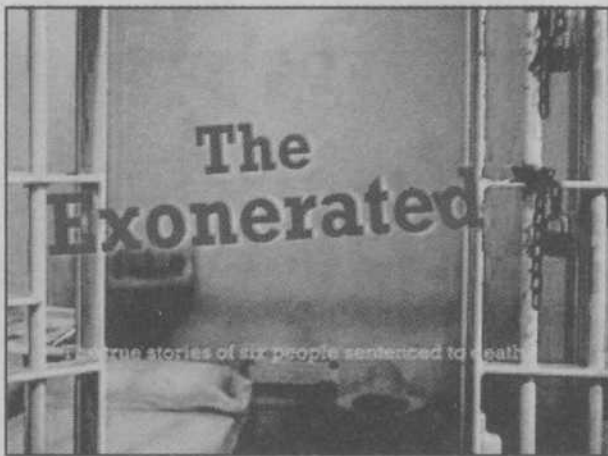
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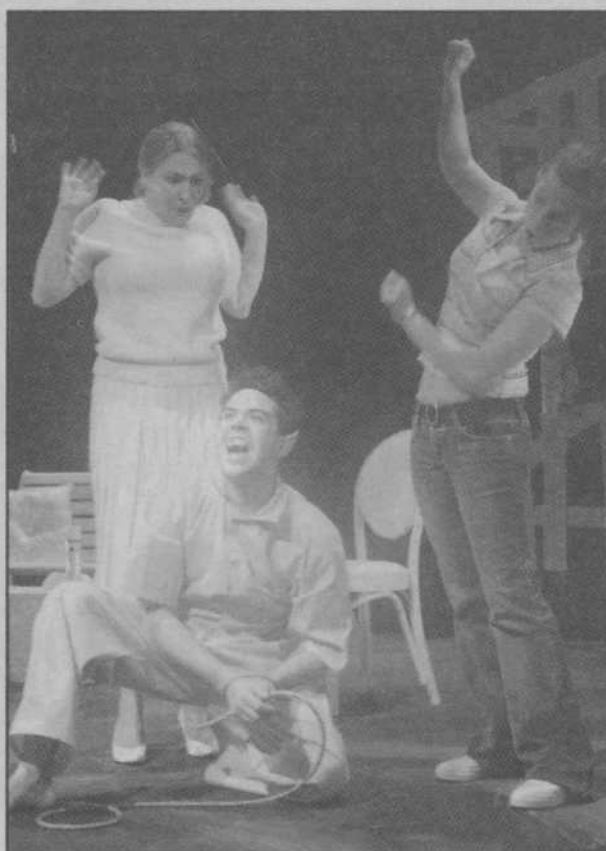
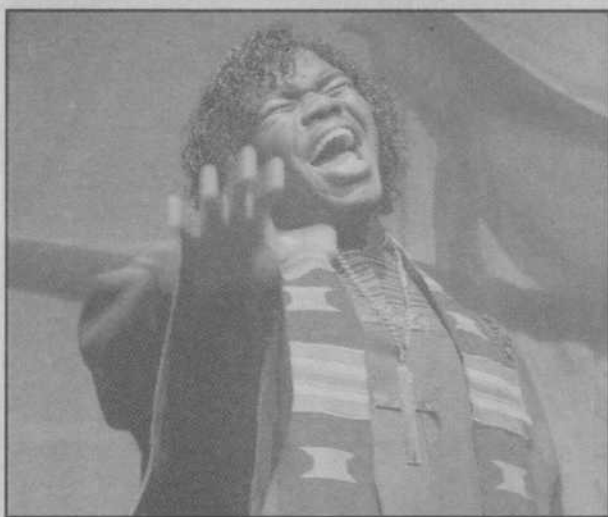
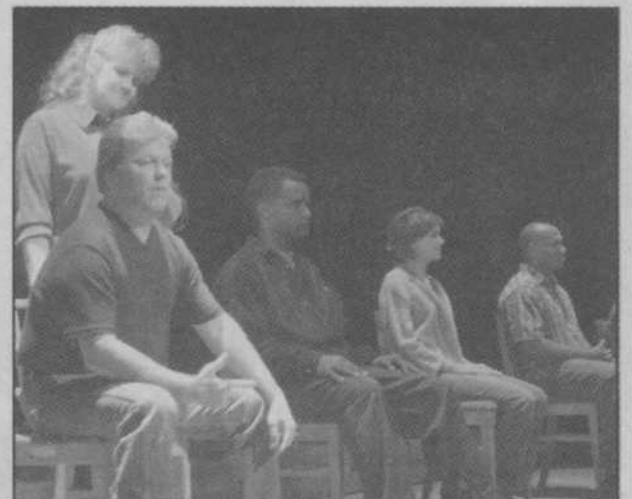
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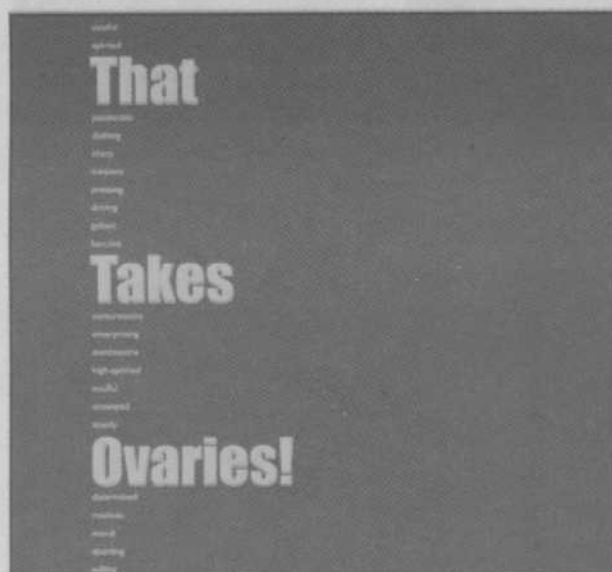
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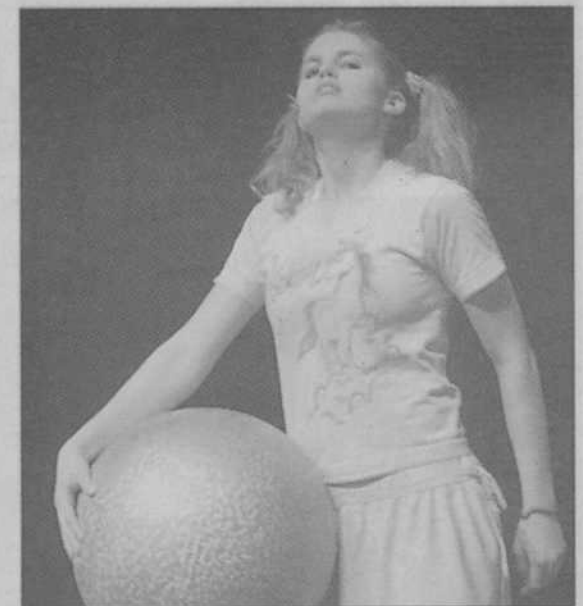
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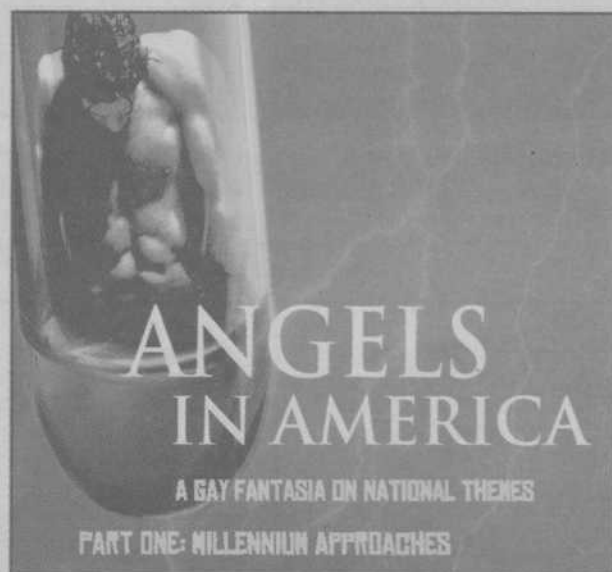


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By Rivka Soloman and Bobbi Ausubel
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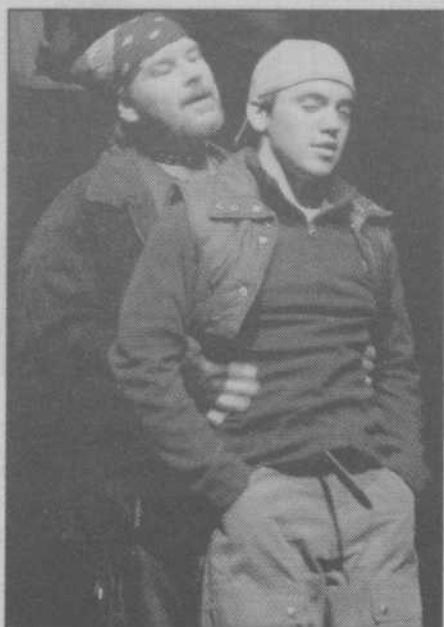




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By Agatha Christie
Director: J.W. Morrisette
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Angels In America- Drama
Part I: Millennium Approaches
By Tony Kushner,
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Reflecting upon Dr. Harris' presidency

■ Sixteen years at Parkland leave many with lasting impression

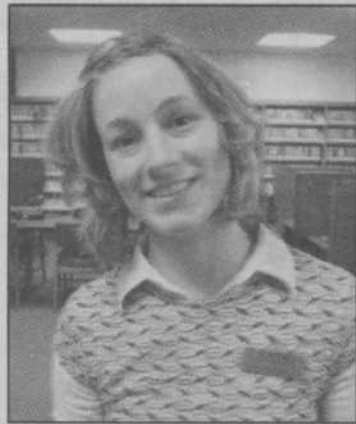
Parkland community offers words of wisdom and praise



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"Absolutely well done!"
- Skip Thompson



"Dr. Harris is an activist who worked herself out of a job."
- Jill Coe



"I'm really glad I got to know you."
- Sarah Baker



"She is the bomb."
- Jeff Rohlfing



"She was a great president and we are going to miss her."
- Stefani Redding



"I think she is a fine lady, she did well promoting P.C.—a lot of achievements have been made in her presidency."
- Yousif Radeef



"For the year I've been here I've noticed her tremendous support for each and every student as well as the services she has implemented in her tenure."
- Brad Hardcastle



"Thank you for letting me participate in the leadership conference each year and thank you for your passion."
- Angela Jancola



"This is all a tribute to her leadership, our goal is to raise 150,000 at the presidential gala on June 3 for scholarships to help students."
- Carl Meyer



"I've been working since 1960, Dr. Harris is one of the most inspirational leaders I have ever seen."
- Minor Jackson

Weather Forecast



Wednesday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low near 54. West southwest wind 7 to 10 mph becoming north northwest.

Thursday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 69. North northwest wind around 9 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 47.

Friday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 66.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 44.

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 64.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low near 43.

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Dr. Harris receives the lifetime achievement award through work with Phi Theta Kappa

By **PORCHA CLARK**
Prospectus Staff Writer

Dr. Harris has been a wonderful edition to Parkland. Due



in part to her many efforts to become involved with the students, she received the Michael Bennett Lifetime Achievement Award. We all know about Phi Theta Kappa, an organization that honors those students with high grade point averages. Would there be a Phi Theta Kappa if it was not for Dr. Harris? According to Deb Lewis the president of Phi Theta Kappa, Dr. Harris was the driving force behind starting a chapter here at Parkland.

When coming to Parkland Dr. Harris was surprised that there was not a chapter. She was very involved in supporting Phi Theta Kappa at her previous college, and that helped motivate Student Life to make a chapter. Now, what is the Michael Bennett Lifetime Achieve-

ment Award? According to Deb Lewis, the Michael Bennett Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to retiring college administrators for exemplary services rendered to Phi Theta Kappa during the course of their academic career.

These retiring administrators all have a rich history of promoting the goals of Phi Theta Kappa through their support of their campus chapters and their Phi Theta Kappa regions. The Michael Bennett Lifetime Achievement Award is named for a past president of St. Petersburg Junior College. Dr. Harris was honored for being very involved with, and giving extensive moral and financial support to the chapter.

Dr. Harris' support for Phi Theta Kappa was a main factor in nominating Dr. Harris for this prestigious award. Only three college presidents from across the country were given this honor this year. This award will be presented to Dr. Harris at the honors convocation.

Students Celebrate Success in Adult Re-Entry Program

On the evening of May 9, the Parkland College Adult Re-entry program celebrates the successful completion of the very first group of accelerated students.

The celebration will take place at 6:00 in Room D244. A total of 14 students have completed the 4 semester program. All of the students in the program have transfer plans.

Many community college students come to school later in life. Almost 44% of Parkland College students are ages 25 and above and the average age is 27.

Parkland feels that helping these older students be successful in college is vital to the community's economic and social success.

In 2004, an accelerated program was created that would allow Parkland's adult students to complete an associate's degree on a time line compatible with their younger counterparts.

Based on completion rates this has been an extremely successful program and these students should be acknowledged for all their hard work says Billie Mitchell, Director for the Adult Re-entry program.

This program is an option for busy, working adults, with each accelerated program offering a selection of classes, equivalent to a full-time course load, that meet only one night per week on campus.

Qualified working adults can complete an associate's degree in about two to three years using the accelerated plan instead of the five or more years it would take a working student to complete a degree taking classes part-time.

The celebration is for all the students in the adult re-entry program who have been successful despite the odds against them.

These students are working at full-time jobs, studying an average of 20-30 hours per week with a full-class schedule, and taking care of our families, plus additional unexpected life events. One student's father was involved in two serious vehicle accidents that required extended care.

Another student's son served active duty in Iraq.

Several of the students have had changes in employment, all of this while raising children of various ages and stages.

Gallery announces Fine Art Juried Exhibition winners

The Parkland Art Gallery proudly announces the 2006 Parkland Student Fine Art Juried Exhibition and Award winners.

A jury made up of members of the art faculty selected the best student work from the current school year. More than two hundred works of art were selected from over 430 submissions.

Several awards were presented to students with exceptional artworks. These award winners include: Tedra W. Ashley - Metals Award for a work of jewelry/metalsmithing; Jason R. Patterson - Art Coop Award for sustained studio excellence; Milena Tiner - Shaw Creative Associates Award for outstanding artistic achievement; Sheila Schneider - Dr. David & Shirley A.

Jones Student Art Award for a work of outstanding artistic achievement; Maria Dorofeeva - Underwood-Alger Scholarship Award, a full tuition scholarship for Parkland College; Eric Cain - FAA Department Chair Award; Emily Klein - President's Award for artistic excellence; and Danielle McNamara for the Library Purchase award. Hyo Young Kim received the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts Scholarship for a summer workshop.

The Art and Design department made eight purchase awards. These pieces will become part of the permanent student collection and can be seen throughout the college. The purchased pieces were created by: Eric Cain, Emily Klein, Milena Tiner, Glen Akers, Monica Dig, Jessica Lambert, Shawn Fairchild, and

Suzanna Winans. Merit awards were given to 40 works of distinction. (Please see enclosed listing)

This annual exhibit presents a broad spectrum of media taught at Parkland, including drawing, printmaking, painting, metals/jewelry design, ceramics, photography, and sculpture.

This last exhibit of the spring season is often the first exhibit for these emerging artists and is a public recognition of their accomplishments. The exhibit will be in the Art Gallery through May 6.

All events in the handicapped-accessible gallery are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday - Fri-

day, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday - Thursday, 6 - 8 p.m., and Saturday, noon - 2 p.m. To find the Gallery when classes are in session, we suggest using the M parking lots. Enter through any door and follow the ramps uphill to the highest point, where the gallery is located. The gallery windows overlook the outdoor fountain area. This exhibit is partially supported by Parkland College student activities. For more information, call Lisa Costello, gallery director, at 217/351-2485.

(Editor's note: Participating artists are listed by hometown)

Bement: Becky Headley

Buckley: Keith Davis

Champaign: Terra Anderson (merit award), Tedra W. Ashley, Sarah Baker, Daniel Bornt, Sarah Broadfoot, Thomas Burk, Anthony Burkert (merit award), Ben Burkhart, Eric Cain (merit award), Michael Coles, Brian Cook, John Croissant, Margaret DeCardy (merit award), Monica Dig, Michael Dorries, Jason Early, Victor Feldman, Berenice Fuentes (merit award), Jim Gallagher, Heather Harris (merit award), Ed Heske, Brett Helle, Barbara Johaneck, Karyn Johner, Ryan M. Jones (merit award), Carol Kamradt, Taylor Kane (merit award), Hyo Young Kim, Miriam Lake, Dennis Lewis (merit award), Carl Lund, April Martin, Ann McDowell, Anu Murphy, April Nelligan, Margie Nelson (merit award), Jason R. Patterson, Vicky Patton, Eugene Peterson, Erin Rogers, Ann Rund (merit award), Sheila Schneider, Judy Seyb, Kristin Smaardyk (merit award), Sheri Stinson (merit award), Barbara Strauss, Carroll Valli, Kenton Visser, Bonnie Voigt (merit award), Brian Walters, Johanna Weichsel, Chris Whitaker, Catherine Williams, Suzanna Winans, Ingeborg Yates

Chatsworth: Doug Keever

Cisco: Jeanie Bennett

Effingham: Judy Dethmers (merit award)

Foosland: Shawn Fairchild

Gibson City: Megan Bradbury

Gifford: Sandra Gehrt

Homer: Heather Barnes, Nina Riggs

Ivesdale: Mauna Adams

Loda: Latasha Perdue

Mahomet: Robert Beach III, Cindy Carlson (merit award), Sarah Holt, Jessica Lambert (merit award), Melissa Lynch, Jonathan Moore, Dee Siegmund, Cindy Smith (merit award), Jackie Taylor, Blanche VanArde, Brenda H. Vogen (merit award)

Marengo: Robert Fish

Monticello: Janet Brandon (merit award), Sylvia Flowers, Amy Marshall, Carly Morrison

Pesotum: Ian Johnson

Philo: Danielle McNamara, Ralph Nuara

Rantoul: Dominique Comeau, Tara Farrington (merit award), Katie Partridge, Brittany Pyle

St. Joe: Danielle Clem, Erin Prather (merit award)

Savoy: Glenn Akers, Kristin Anderson (merit award), Kyuah Lee, So Hyoung Jeon, Shane Rodems (merit award), Melinda B. Wilcox

Seymour: Michael Watson

Tuscola: Ashley Hudson, Jane Kappes

Urbana: Gene Basden, Melanie Brine (merit award), Alyce Cheska, Maria Dorofeeva (merit award), Regina DuRocher, Barbara England, Michael Fuerst, Susan Garner, Chantal Haas, Donna Hoeffinger, Judy Jones (merit award), Kim Kersey, Emily Klein (merit award), Terri McGaughey, Sophie Meyn, Angeliki Pilati, Paula Popowski (merit award), Irena Razic, Danielle Ross, Z. Ruziakova, Barbara Ryan, Maryam Saqib, Martha Seif, Liddia Stevens (merit award), Amy Stevenson (merit award), Amy Strong (merit award), Zoe Swords, Gayle Tilford (merit award), Milena Tiner (merit award), Emily Wiedenmann

Congratulations to the Cobra Softball team for winning 20 straight and a fourth straight conference title! Good luck in the Region 24 Softball Tourney!

Cobras hope to duplicate success

By **ERIK PHEIFER**
Prospectus Staff Writer

The Parkland College Baseball and Softball teams are entering the stretch run of their regular seasons. They are preparing themselves for the upcoming postseason where a return trip to Nationals will be on the line. Each team will be trying to duplicate last year's success as both teams finished as National Runners-Up.

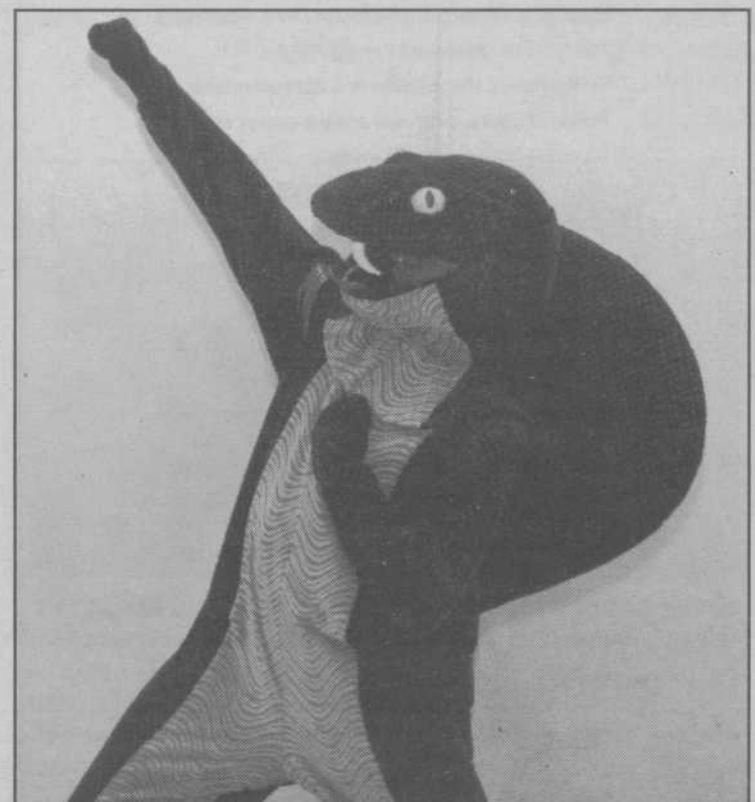
The baseball team is ranked 4th in the current NJCAA division II poll. Their season record stands at 34-11 with an impressive conference record of 18-3. The Cobras are on a hot streak, winning their last 10 games and 24 of their last 26, after starting the season off a little slow. The baseball team will begin

Regional play in a couple weeks at a site yet to be determined.

If the baseball team is on a hot streak, then the softball team is on fire. The softball team has a great overall record at 36-6 and an amazing 23-1 mark in conference play. They have been consistent all year long and are on a current 15 game win streak while winning 23 out of their last 24 games.

This streak has helped them leap from 7th to 3rd in this week's poll. The Lady Cobras postseason will begin this weekend with the Region 24 tournament, which takes place from May 5th through the 7th.

Each team definitely has a great chance of advancing to Nationals with a strong possibility of bringing home some trophies.



A College Girl Named Joe

by Aaron Warner



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BY JAMES CAPRAL



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by Josh Shalek



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Two Dudes

by Aaron Warner



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 - Makeshift flood protection
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 - Pizza order
 - Brightly colored parrot
 - Sean and William
 - Squealed
 - Total
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 - Tractor-trailer
 - Teatime treat
 - Seed cover
 - Blackguard
 - Pillar of a community?
 - Doddering
 - French fathers
 - Categorize
 - Periphery
 - FedEx rival
 - Certified formally
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 - Blow one's own horn
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The suspect is described as a black male, 5' to 5'6", thin to medium build, wearing a white t-shirt and blue jeans. The Champaign Police Department is seeking information about this shooting.

CrimeStoppers will pay a reward for information leading to the arrest of the person responsible for this crime. If you have any information, please call CrimeStoppers at 373-TIPS.

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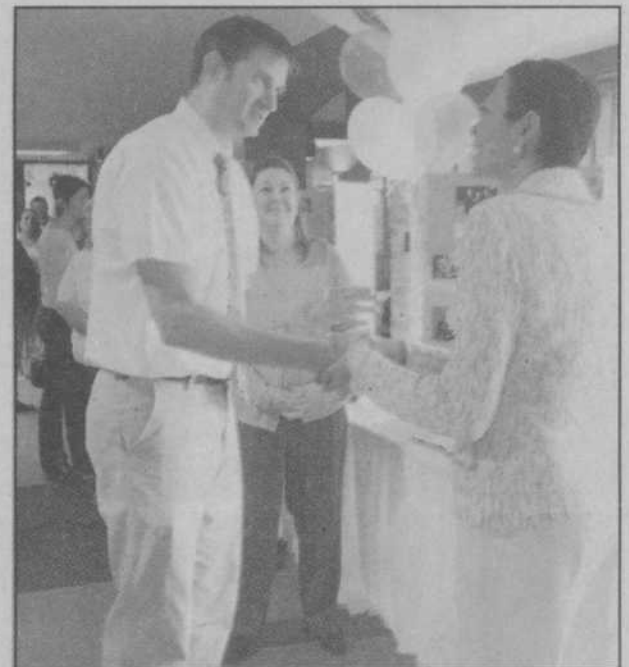
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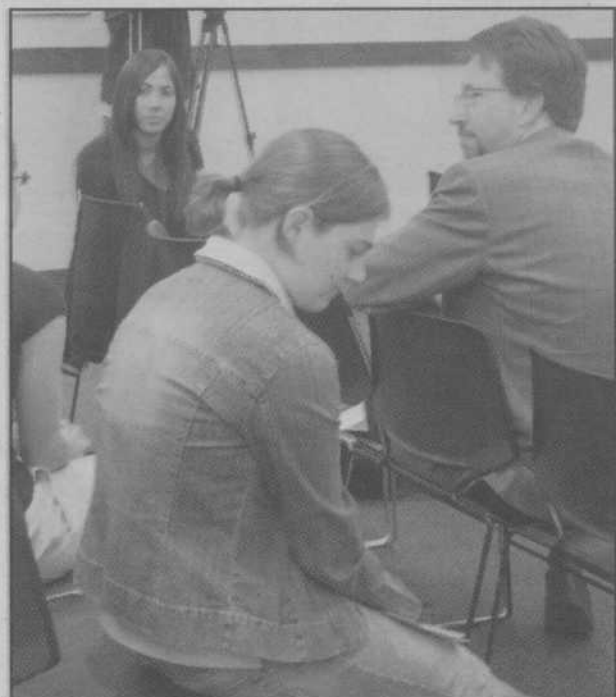
Dr. Harris' Retirement Reception, April 28, 2006

Many of Parkland's faculty, staff, and students were in attendance at Dr. Harris' Retirement Reception. The event took place in the Gallery Lounge on Friday.

Erika Porter and Karyn Johner/*Prospectus*



Third Annual David Jones Persuasive Speaking Contest



Above: Renee Slagel, third place winner, Jessica Williams, first place winner, Lauren Cylkowski, second place winner, and Patrick Sarsfield, honorable mention, at the Third Annual David Jones Persuasive Speaking Contest. The event took place Monday, May 1 in the evening. Also pictured are students and staff in attendance.

Nicole Simmons/*Prospectus*

