

## GOP losses may aid students' finances

By **MATT KRUPNICK**  
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Tuesday's congressional shake-up could be good for the pocketbooks of college students and their families.

College leaders and others predicted that Democrats taking over the House of Representatives would try to reverse recent cuts in federal financial aid, increasing funding for needy students and lowering tax burdens on their families.

Federal grants have stagnated in recent years, leading students to go into debt to cover rapidly rising education costs.

"Inflation has occurred, and grants have not kept pace," said Robert Shireman, a former White House adviser who directs the Berkeley-based Project on Student Debt. "We've been seeing students take out much more expensive private

loans."

The most likely Democrat to take over leadership of the House Education and the Workforce Committee is Rep. George Miller of Martinez, who has sharply criticized the committee's Republican leadership for the aid cuts. Miller, the ranking Democrat on the committee, said Wednesday he would seek the chairmanship.

The incoming House speaker, Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-San Francisco, and other Democrats frequently mentioned college costs as a top priority during the campaign. And a federal commission recently called for dramatic increases in Pell Grants for the neediest students.

"It seemed to me that the tuition issue was covered an awful lot during the campaign," said Patrick Callan, president of the San Jose-based National Center for Public Policy in



David J. Young II, getting thousands of dollars in debt in college he now looks for full-time employment.

Scott Eslinger / *Dallas Morning News*

Higher Education. "The issue

of college affordability is rising to the surface."

But legislators have been far from unanimous on the best way to solve student debt problems. In addition to lower interest rates and higher grants, some lawmakers have pushed for tax credits that would help families pay for college.

In California, however, college prices are comparatively low, so tax write-offs based only on tuition would serve little purpose, said Scott Sudduth, assistant vice president for federal relations with the University of California system. The better solution would be to include living expenses in the formula, he said.

"Not all tax credits are created equal," Sudduth said. "A public education in California is a bargain, but the cost of living for students is not."

The Democratic takeover

could help St. Mary's College financially. The Catholic institution in Moraga has pledged to enroll a quarter of its student body from the lowest income levels, but the lack of Pell Grant increases and the school's rising tuition forced St. Mary's to spend 13 percent more on financial aid this year in order to keep the commitment.

With another tuition increase expected next year, the school will have to chip in the difference again unless Pell Grants increase, said Michael Beseda, a St. Mary's vice president.

"I think everybody in the (St. Mary's) community feels like it is such a crucial part of our mission that we have to make the funds available," he said.

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# What Now?

## Democratic victory may signal the emergence of a new coalition

By **STEVEN THOMMA**  
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WASHINGTON—Republicans lost more than an election Tuesday. They lost their chance to extend the conservative Republican majority that's dominated American politics since Ronald Reagan seized the presidency in 1980.

They may be able to get it back. Or they may be falling victim to one of the decisive shifts in the political landscape that occur about once a generation, when a new coalition consolidates around one party to dominate politics for decades.

It happened in the presidential elections in 1800, 1828, 1860, 1896, 1932 and arguably in 1968—only to be interrupted by the Watergate scandal, then rebuilt and expanded in 1980. It hasn't happened since, but the preceding midterm congressional elections often signaled the shift. Will such a new coalition

emerge in 2008?

Democrats hope that this week's elections signal that the American electorate is up for grabs again as it hasn't been in decades because the long-dominant Republican coalition has fractured.

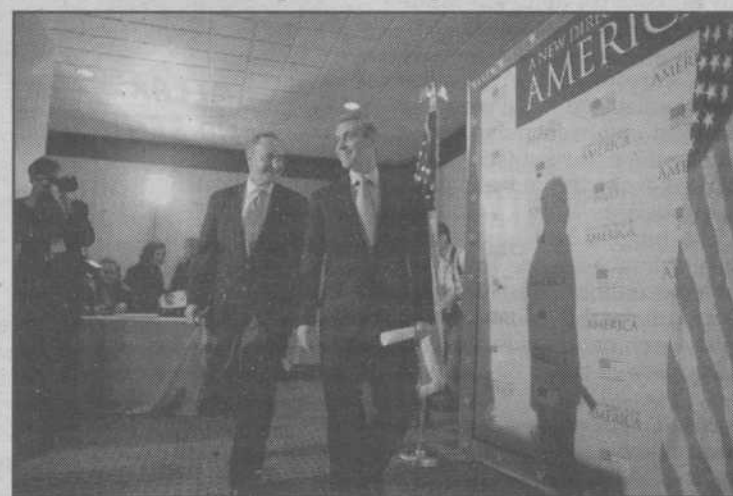
Pivotal blocs of swing voters—including independents, Hispanics and Roman Catholics—moved away from Republicans this year. Even parts of their once-loyal base, such as evangelical Christians, suddenly were open to voting for Democrats.

It's not that America has shifted to a liberal Democratic course. Many of the Democratic gains came with conservative or centrist candidates, such as anti-abortion-rights, pro-gun-rights Democrat Bob Casey Jr., who won Pennsylvania's Senate race. Also, seven of eight states approved amendments banning gay marriage.

In an Election Day survey,

Democratic pollster Douglas Schoen found that 53 percent

didn't share their values, and 47 percent said the Democrats



Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee Chairman, Rep. Rahm Emanuel and Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee Chairman, Sen. Charles Schumer, hold a press conference on election day results before a Democratic rally at a hotel on Capitol Hill in Washington.

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of voters said the Republicans didn't share theirs. "There's a

strong sense that the two parties are out of touch with the mainstream," Schoen said.

Thus the country enters the next two years with no dominant ideological or partisan consensus, unable or unwilling to coalesce into a solid majority behind either party. How voters align for the next era could hinge first on how Democrats govern in Congress, and then on the 2008 presidential election.

Given the rapid changes under way in American society—where party loyalty is a quaint notion for many, and large blocs such as independents and Hispanics swing back and forth from Republican to Democratic—it's unlikely that either major party can build a durable majority simply with partisan appeals to its base supporters, as both have tried to do in the past.

"We're in a period of great

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## Islam denounces terrorism

By **YOUSIF A. RADEEF**  
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Based on *Islam Denounces Terrorism* video

The terrorist attack on the world trade center in New York on the morning of September 11, 2001 cost lives of thousands of innocent people. This terrible savagery once more revealed a great danger to the peace and brotherhood of man—terrorism.

Terrorism is a crime against humanity, it targets innocent people, its aim is to spread fear

in society by killing people, and thus to draw strength to its political wishes. Different ideologies have resorted to terrorism in the past. The Jacobins, who carried out the French revolution, first used the concept of terrorism during the period of terror, when thousands of people were sent to the Guillotine. From 1870 and on, the racist Ku Klux Klan in the United States killed many people just because they were black.

Racist terrorism came to the state policy of Nazi Germany during 1930's. The Nazis implemented a bloody policy of terror against all those they saw as appose to them, beginning with the Jews.

During those same years, another ideology also imple-

mented state terrorism; some forty million people were killed during Stalin's bloody reign in the Russia before the falling of communist ideology. Communist terrorism emerged in Europe in 1960's. This time, organizations apposed to the state began shedding blood. The Red Progress in Italy and the Red Army Faction in Germany carried out a numerous bombings, arm attacks, and killings. The coming together of communist terrorism gave rise to even more blood thirsty organizations. The bloodiest communist and terrorist groups—ETA in Spain and PKK in Turkey—killed some thirty thousand people.

It is quite a natural consequence that racism, fascism, or

communism should give rise to terrorism. That is because each of these ideologies believed that conflict and violence are natural forms of human behaviors. In racist, fascist, or communist theories, terrorism is encouraged and seen as justified.

In recent years, however, another form of terrorism has come to the world agenda—although this is a total contradictory concept—Islamic terrorism. The concept is contradictory because there is no room for terrorism in Islam. In the Quran, God command all Muslims to bring peace, harmony, and brotherhood to the world. Islamic morality is not the cause of terrorism, but the solution to it.

The word Islam came from

the same Arabic root for the word peace. God has reviled this religion to invite all mankind to the true path and call them to peace and harmony. The fundamental characteristics of Islamic morality are virtues, such as love, compassion, sacrifice, tolerance, forgiveness, and justice. In the Quran, God command Muslims to treat all people well and fairly. Muslims are charged with displaying a virtuous morality to other members of religion and work for their good. In one verse in the Quran, it is said to Muslims: "you are the best nation ever to be produced before mankind. You enjoin the right, forbid the wrong, and believe in God."

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### Scholarship Scams

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Scholarships are a great way to increase your capital while going to school. Unfortunately, not every scholarship offer is on the up-and-up.

Knowing the following warning signs can keep you from being a scholarship scam victim.

- **Fees:** You should never have to pay to search or apply for scholarships or financial aid.

Be careful of offers like: "For a small fee, we'll give you the most comprehensive list of scholarships for which you're eligible from the largest database available."

The biggest and best scholarship databases are available for free online. FastWeb is a free scholarship search that will search nationwide for you. [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

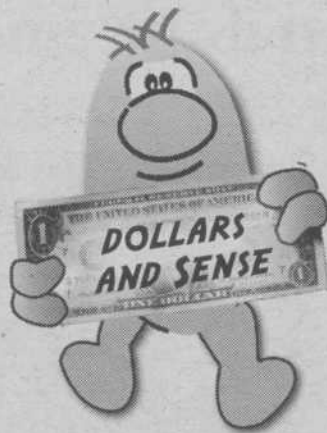
- **Credit card or bank account information needed:** You should never have to give credit card or bank account information to award providers.

- **Scholarship guarantee:** No one can guarantee up-front that someone will win anything.

Some of the more common statements made are:

"You are guaranteed a minimum of \$1,000 in financial aid sources."

No one can guarantee that you'll win a scholarship because no one can control scholarship judges' decisions.



"Everybody is eligible."

While scholarships are awarded based on a variety of merits and needs, some set of restrictions always apply since sponsors are looking for candidates who match certain criteria.

- **High success rates:** This is a case that if something sounds too good to be true, then it prob-

ably isn't true.

Don't be misled by statements like "We have a 96% success rate."

That usually refers to the percentage of students they've matched with the database, not the number of students who actually receive money.

- **No work involved:** There is no way to avoid putting in time and effort to complete a scholarship application.

- **No contact information:** Legitimate sponsors should provide contact information up-front. If a valid e-mail address, phone number and mailing address (not a P.O. box) aren't available up-front, and aren't provided even after you request it, be aware that it may be a scam.

- **Unsolicited scholarships:** If you are called to receive an award for which you never applied, be alert—it's most likely a scam.

- **Pressure tactics:** Don't allow yourself to be pressured into applying for a scholarship, especially if the sponsor is asking for money up front.

**They might use wording like:** "You must use our service to qualify for aid."

Scholarship matching ser-

vices don't control who wins a scholarship, they just match you to a list of possibilities.

"Awards are given on a first-come, first-served basis. Time is limited. Apply now!"

Most scholarships have set deadlines—very few have rolling admissions.

- **Claims of "exclusive" scholarships:** Sponsors don't make their scholarships available through only one service. They want to award their scholarships, and will promote them in as many places as possible.

- **Sponsor goes out of their way to sound "official":** Beware of official-sounding words like "national," "education" or "federal," or an official-looking seal in their aid. They may be trying to fool you into thinking they are legit.

- **Your questions aren't answered directly:** If you can't get a straight answer from a sponsor regarding their application, what will be done with your information, or other questions, proceed with caution.

If you have any questions about a particular scholarship or search service, please contact our office at [finaid@parkland.edu](mailto:finaid@parkland.edu).

# Dr. Exley recovers

## ■ Suffered 'moderate heart attack' in faculty/student fund-raiser

By **TAKAMICHI KONO**  
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On Monday the 13th, much-relieved Parkland community welcomed back its President, Dr. Robert J. Exley, who showed a remarkable recovery. The outspoken, enthusiastic president's energy will be gradually re-gearred up for his busy work.

While the November 8th Students vs. Faculty Basketball Game organized by the Parkland Student Government ended in a great success, uneasy feeling over the President's health lingered in the minds of faculty and students. "Wow, are you serious?" As late as on Friday, the news took Adetutu Dada, an Inter-Organizational Council (IOC) ambassador for the International Students Association (ISA)—and perhaps many others, too,—by great surprise. She recalled, "You know, he just came to our ambassador meeting on Tuesday.

I remember that he was so friendly that I was impressed." Similarly, Mark Shirley, a student worker for the Student Life Office, who missed the basketball game on Wednesday, remarked, "I did not know the news until Gale [Gale S. Anderson, the Secretary of Student Life] told me about it." Although Mark did not know the president personally, "it was surely terrible," he said.

Obviously, a community college president playing basketball with students is a pretty rare scene. So, in general, "what is the President's job like?" or "how he or she is important for the better future of Parkland community for all?" must be curious, frank questions from many students. According to Jody Littleton, the Executive Director of Community Relations, the President is a bridge between the Parkland commu-

nity and the outside community. Listening to local business companies and head figures from other colleges, gives the president ideas to frame future Parkland goal. Responsibly, the president is required to have good

Parkland since July, "He [Dr. Exley] has already made contact with the U of I chancellor [the second-highest ranked official at the U of I]," said Littleton.

The new president proves

lowitz, a professor of English, and Dr. Willie Earl Fowler, the President of the Parkland College Association and Professor of Political Science, agreed that the new President seems really quick to get involved in new environment. He is eager to attend the meetings of each, every single department and now has met many employees.

While Parkland policy is, in case, to assign one of the three Vice Presidents to deal with the absence of the president, voices encouraging Dr. Exley's full recovery are strong. "I was unpleasantly surprised to hear the mews," said the president of the ISA, Boris Pilev, who has made an exchange of views with the president during the ambassador meeting, "On behalf of the ISA, I would like to give him our best wishes." Unanimously titled "hard worker" and "friendly" among all of the interviewees acquainted with him, the new president will have a well-supported restart at Parkland.

*Editor's update: As of November 15, Dr. Exley was readmitted to the hospital following mild chest pains. He will undergo additional surgery on Friday to remove blockage of his arteries. Dr. Exley released a memo to students on Tuesday, which he stated, "Hello Parkland College students. I would like to say thank you for your concern. I have received multiple cards and well wishes over the past few days. I am recovering from the heart attack well and look forward to many, many years ahead. Although I did not enjoy the heart attack, I am delighted with the results of the game—Habitat and Alternative Spring Break students are definitely the winners. Next year? I'll opt for a coaching role."*

*The Prospectus staff would like to wish Dr. Exley well during his time of recovery.*



Dr. Robert Exley, Parkland College's President. Dr. Exley was whisked away from the Student/Faculty basketball game after suffering a moderate heart attack. He is returning to the hospital for more surgery Friday.

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ears for Parkland's demand for the local community as well as the opposite. A new leader for

outstanding also in his in-college works. During the interview, Professor Seth Mende-

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### Parkland Planetarium

Friday, November 17:  
7:00 PM Fall Prairie Skies  
8:00 PM Stellar Extremes  
9:30 PM Ladies & Gentlemen...The Doors!

Saturday, November 18:  
7:00 PM Santa's Secret Star  
8:00 PM Stellar Extremes  
9:30 PM Ladies & Gentlemen...The Doors!

### Parkland Art Gallery

November 6-December 7:  
All Terrain: Perspectives on Landscape

Thursday, November 16:  
6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.—Reception (Gallery Lounge)  
7:00 p.m.—Gallery Talk by Steve Hudson

### Parkland Theatre

November 16, 17, 18:  
8:00 p.m.—Urinetown the Musical

November 19:  
3:00 p.m.—Urinetown the Musical

### Parkland Athletics

Tuesday, November 21:  
5:30 p.m.—Women's Basketball vs. Olney

### Parkland Open House

Friday, November 17:  
1:00 p.m.—4:00p.m.—"Big, Small, We Got It All" (central lounge)

### International Students Association

Thursday, November 16:  
12:00 p.m.—12:50 p.m.—Rm. X-223

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## Officials look for options after voters approve affirmative action ban

By **LORI HIGGINS AND PEGGY WALSH-SARNECKI**  
*Detroit Free Press (MCT)*

DETROIT—Julius Tunstull already thinks the city of Detroit doesn't do enough for minority contractors. He can't imagine what it'll be like when the voter-approved ban on affirmative action takes effect Dec. 22.

The ban would make illegal the city's use of a formula for awarding bids that provides an edge to women and minority contractors.

"It'll just be worse," Tunstull, who is black, said Friday. He is owner of Tunstull Building Co. in Detroit, a small company that specializes in residential, indus-

to achieve diversity and provide equal opportunity in accordance with the new law.

Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick has asked the law department to explore the city's options and also plans to meet with the NAACP to talk strategy, said Matt Allen, the mayor's spokesman.

One solution could lie in a move Kilpatrick made months ago when he told staff to create an ordinance that would give preference to Detroit-based contractors.

"That way, you don't have to deal with gender or race," Allen said Thursday.

Passage of Proposal 2 has already spawned one lawsuit by

a policy that makes students eligible for admission if they rank in the top 10 percent academically of their high schools.

But the University of Michigan uses race in admissions, and officials say nothing will change during the admissions cycle for the fall 2007 freshmen class.

UM spokeswoman Julie Peterson added that the university is planning to legally challenge the ban.

While the ban will affect UM the most, it will also have an impact on other Michigan universities or even K-12 programs, such as Wayne State University's 10-week Go Girls program, which helps seventh-grade girls improve their math skills. The program may have to admit boys or seek more private funding.

State-based programs are struggling to determine how their provisions will have to change to keep them going. The state has a Contractors Assistance Program that offers 12-week training sessions to women and minority contractors. It was unclear Friday whether the program could continue.

It's also uncertain whether federal contracting dollars—which often sets aside funds for minority and women contractors—would be challenged. Jennifer Gratz, leader of the push to ban affirmative action in Michigan, said Friday that it's a question the state attorney general's office will have to answer.

Some answers could come from a conference the nonprofit group Toward a Fair Michigan has planned for Dec. 8. More than 100 state leaders have been invited to begin discussing how to proceed with programs and funding post-Proposal 2.

"We need to have a conversation on race and ethnicity in Michigan and we're challenging leaders to step up to the plate," said William Allen, a professor at Michigan State University who co-founded the group.

Allen, who is black, believes diversity can occur without affirmative action, and said preferences are condescending.

"To reach out to minorities is not affected by the proposal," Allen said. "The question is how you make the decision to hire or to admit."

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President Bush meets with Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi along with Rep. Steny Hoyer and Vice President Dick Cheney, not pictured, in the Oval Office of the White House in Washington.

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trial and commercial construction.

Without affirmative action, minority and women contractors "would be at a disadvantage. They're just going to pass us up," he said.

Tuesday's election, in which a majority of Michigan voters approved a ban on affirmative action programs in government contracts, hiring and higher education admission, has cities like Detroit trying to determine how to protect initiatives designed

activist group By Any Means Necessary, as it filed suit in U.S. District Court in Detroit to stop the implementation of the constitutional amendment. Governmental institutions, colleges and universities are planning their response.

In California, where a similar ban on affirmative action was approved in 1996, universities changed to a race-blind admissions process. And in Texas, a ban on race-based admissions at state universities resulted in

## Firsts for women in U.S. politics

House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi is set to become the first female speaker in history; a look at other political firsts for women:

**1866** Elizabeth Cady Stanton runs for U.S. House; gets 24 votes of the 12,000 cast

**1872** Victoria Woodhull runs for president on the Equal Rights Party ticket

**1917** Jeannette Rankin, R-Mont., elected to U.S. House

**1925** Nellie Tayloe Ross, D-Wyo., elected governor to replace deceased husband

**1931** Hattie Wyatt Caraway, D-Ark., appointed to U.S. Senate to succeed her late husband

**1933** Frances Perkins appointed to cabinet by President Franklin D. Roosevelt as secretary of labor

**1933** Ruth Bryan Owen appointed ambassador to Denmark by President Roosevelt

**1964** Sen. Margaret Chase Smith, D-Maine, nominated for president at Republican national convention

**1972** Rep. Shirley Chisholm, D-N.Y., runs for president; gets 151 delegate votes at national convention

**1978** Nancy Kassebaum, R-Kan., elected to Senate without succeeding her husband in office or first being appointed

**1984** Rep. Geraldine Ferraro, D-N.Y., selected by Walter Mondale as running mate on Democratic ticket

**1992** Carol Moseley Braun, D-Ill., African-American, elected to U.S. Senate

**1993** Janet Reno named attorney general by President Bill Clinton

**1997** Madeleine Albright, named secretary of state by President Bill Clinton

**2001** Hillary Rodham Clinton, former first lady, elected to U.S. Senate

**2001** Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., elected by colleagues as House Democratic Whip, highest-ranking woman in history of U.S. Congress; elected Democratic Leader, 2002

**2005** In Washington state, Gov. Christine Gregoire, U.S. Senators Patty Murray, Maria Cantwell in office at same time

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## ISLAM

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(Quran: 3:110)

In another verse, God commands Muslims to respond to evil with goodness: "a good action and a bad action are not the same. Repel the bad with something better. And if there is enmity between you and someone else, he will be like a bosom friend." (Quran, 41:34)

Bloodshed, war, and cruelty are terrible sins that can be punished by God. In one holy verse, God has this to say to who commit these sins: "there are only grounds against those who wrong people and act as tyrants in the earth without any right

rorism, one of the greatest disasters of our time.

Terrorism attacks innocent people who have done nothing wrong. It is merciless, slaughtered little children, it leaves others orphaned, it destroys cities and kills families and inflicts suffering in millions of people, and it existed in many cities like Mostar, Paris, Kosovo, Jerusalem, Oklahoma, Madrid, Beirut, Srebrenica, Zagreb, Tel Aviv, Hebron, Gaza, Lima, Zeneca, Diyarbakir, Dublin, and Sarajevo.

Moreover, some terrorists carry out this evil in the so-called name of Islam and blacken the name of Islam in the eyes of many people. Even if terrorists have Muslim identities the ter-



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to do so. Such people will have a painful punishment." (Quran, 42:42)

According to Islam, killing innocent people is one of the most terrible sins possible. So much so that another verse: "...if someone kills another person—unless it is for retaliation for someone else or for causing corruption in the earth—it is as if he had murdered all mankind." (Quran, 5:32)

This importance attached to human life in the Quran has been seen through out the history of Islam, beginning with the days of the prophet. Our prophet took the greatest care to protect the lives of innocent people, he never began a war except for defensive reasons; even then he warned his commanders that no one innocent person should be harmed and no holy place should be destroyed. This justice and tolerance were manifest through put the history of Islam.

Christians and Jews found the tolerance and peace they could not find in European states at the time in Muslims lands. For this reason, Islam is a religion of peace and harmony. The duty of a Muslim is to behave kindly and justly to all people and to struggle against curty in the world, at the head of these comes ter-

rorism they inflicted can't be labeled Islamic terrorism, just as it would not called Jewish terrorism if the inflictors were Jewish, or Christian terrorism if they were Christians. That is because murdering innocent people in the name of religion is unacceptable. Religion commands love, mercy, and peace. Terrorism on the other hand is the opposite of religion; it is merciless and brings the bloodshed.

Terrorism is a tool applied by racists, fascists, and communists—all ideologies that reject religion and religious morality. There is no room for terrorism in religion. One Qura'nic verse quotes, "God does not love wrong doers." In other verse, those who resorted terrorism, that is who cause corruption in the earth are referring to this way, "As for those cause corruption in the earth, the curse will be upon them. They will have the evil abode." (Quran, 13:25)

For that reason, all true Muslims must stand up against terrorism; they must tell and demonstrate to the whole world that Islam is a religion of peace and love, and that Islam denounces terrorism.

Yousif A. Radeef is the president of the Muslim Students Association.

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# In the running?

## ■ A list of possible presidential candidates

By **BILL LAMBRECHT**  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch (MCT)

A list of possible 2008 presidential candidates:

### REPUBLICAN

— John McCain. To many, the senator from Arizona's candidacy is a foregone conclusion and his recent buddying up to Bush loyalists and other old adversaries suggests he's serious. He's a genuine hero with terror-fighting credentials and know-how in handling the media. Allies say he's the answer to the GOP independent-voter problem that exploded last week.

— Rudolph "Rudy" Giuliani. He continually scores well in national polls, and GOP candidates across the land flew in the ex-New York mayor (circa 2001) as an anti-terror symbol. But he's given no indication thus far of wanting to run and skeptics wonder how far his distinctly moderate Republicanism would play among hard-core GOP conservatives.

— Mitt Romney. Perhaps no one benefited more from the collapsing political career of Virginia Sen. George Allen, which opened up a space in the party's conservative wing. His ability to become governor of Massachusetts shows electability and his well-known name and good looks are assets. Skeptics wonder whether his Mormon faith would play in places like South Carolina, a key primary state.

— Newt Gingrich. The leader of the GOP revolution of 1994 was once one of the most powerful politicians in America. He's a big thinker who confuses some and bores others with wordy statements such as his goal of "defining the idea context and solution context of the next generation of American politics." Name ID would be no problem.

— Bill Frist. The heart surgeon and outgoing Senate majority leader is moving back to Tennessee to make up his mind about a national campaign after term-limiting himself in Washington. His intellect is admired but he may have damaged his future by orchestrating perceived Senate missteps on immigration and the debate over Terri Schiavo.

— Chuck Hagel. The Nebraska senator is regarded by some as McCain-light for his straight-shooting ways, such as calling the GOP Medicare prescription drug bill "a sham and a ripoff for everybody." But he's more conservative than McCain and his personal story—turning a \$5,000 investment into a cellular phone empire—would have appeal.

— Mike Huckabee. A Baptist minister and TV executive, the outgoing Arkansas governor has strong anti-abortion credentials that would be appealing in the right-leaning universe of Republican primaries. Despite dealing with a Democratic legislature, he scored successes on health-care and other issues as governor, the preferred platform these days for seeking the White House.

— Duncan Hunter. Who? You may have missed the news, but the hawkish California congressman who headed the House Armed Services Committee declared recently that he is taking steps to run for the White House. He regards himself as a defender of the Reagan legacy; he's an immigration hard-liner and engineer of the controversial border fence.

— Rick Santorum. Unlike fellow loser George Allen in Virginia, the defeated Pennsylvania senator who once was touted as the face of the Republican revolution is viewed as having a ballot future because of a wide following in the GOP and an ability to put the concept of compassionate conservatism into practice.

— Arnold Schwarzenegger. The California governor and movie muscle-man who was re-elected last week is showing Republicans how to appeal to blacks, Hispanics and environmentalists. But no, he can't run for president because he wasn't born in the United States.

### DEMOCRATS

— Hillary Clinton. She's queen of the hill in polls and her 1.5 million-vote Senate re-election victory last week shows she can play upstate and everywhere else in New York. She'll be a major player with the advan-

## Running in 2008?

The next presidential campaign is officially in gear. A look at some of the possible contenders:

'08

### Democrats

Dems



**Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, N.Y.**  
Has both positives and negatives from her husband's presidency



**Former Sen. John Edwards, N.C.**  
Consistent voice for the poor; charismatic campaigner in 2004



**Sen. Russ Feingold, Wis.** Early opponent of Iraq War; voted against Patriot Act

### Others

- Gov. Tom Vilsack, Iowa (announced candidacy)
- Sen. Barack Obama, Ill.
- Gov. Bill Richardson, N.M.
- Gov. Phil Bredesen, Tenn.
- Sen. Joseph Biden, Del.
- Sen. Evan Bayh, Ind.
- Sen. Christopher Dodd, Conn.

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### Republicans

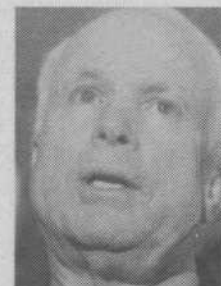
\*GOP\*



**Rudy Giuliani, former New York City mayor** Led city through Sept. 11 attacks



**Sen. Bill Frist, Tenn.** Controversial Senate majority leader



**Sen. John McCain, Ariz.** Well-known; appeals to Democrats and Independents

### Others

- Rep. Duncan Hunter, Calif. (announced candidacy)
- Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich
- Gov. Mitt Romney, Mass.
- Mayor Michael Bloomberg, New York City
- Sen. Sam Brownback, Kan.
- Sen. Chuck Hagel, Neb.
- Gov. Mike Huckabee, Ark.
- Gov. George Pataki, N.Y.

## RUNNING

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tage of first-rate advice at home. Her principal task is persuading Democrats she's electable around the country.

— John Kerry. Most of the dozens of candidates the Massachusetts senator stumped for won last week. But his "botched joke" about non-studious young folks ending up in Iraq gave the GOP something to talk about in the campaign's waning days and had some old allies remarking that the Massachusetts senator has already blown one big election too many.

— John Edwards. The 2004 vice presidential candidate has been a conscience in his party and kept his potent "One America" campaign theme resonating by stressing poverty issues

and global hunger upon his return to North Carolina. Elizabeth Edwards' battle with breast cancer since the last campaign makes his rags-to-riches family story that much more poignant.

— Barack Obama. His rise to the status of rock star is a cultural phenomenon that has stunned political pros. Were it not for an accompanying rise to the top tier in polls of Democratic presidential hopefuls, the pros might not be so impressed. In weighing whether the Illinoisan is ready to run, he's surely considering whether two years of Senate experience is enough.

— Al Gore. "An Inconvenient Truth," the film in which he stars, posits that the human race has a decade or so to avert calamity from climate change. He has the environmental message to run on if he chooses to

make the race, and can rightly claim to be the last Democratic presidential candidate to win a majority of votes. But he may conclude that voters want a new face.

— Russ Feingold. The senator from Wisconsin showed the political establishment how to win with hilarious TV ads, and he can feel vindicated now that the American electorate has caught up with his anti-war sentiments. "I'm just now beginning to think about what the implications are for what I do," he said after the midterm election, hinting that he might be cooling on a campaign.

— Evan Bayh. His name has been popping up since the 1990s as a fresh Democratic face, and Indiana's junior senator, now 50, may need to decide soon whether voters still would see the freshness. Democratic vic-

tories last week in Indiana, a state as red as Hoosier jerseys, suggest renewed appeal in the Midwest for Democratic devotees of moderate politics.

— Tom Vilsack. The outgoing Iowa governor got a jump on the field last week when he filed papers with the Federal Election Commission to set up his campaign for the White House. Experts say he makes up in centrism what he lacks in charisma. His campaign receipts in a "Gala Celebration of American Community" fund-raiser in Des Moines on Dec. 2 could help him make up his mind.

— Bill Richardson. The New Mexico governor and former energy secretary in the Clinton administration is a skilled campaigner with a quick wit who can claim Hispanic heritage at a time of expanding influence of both Hispanics and Western

voters in Democratic politics. He said last week he'll decide soon whether to make the race, which might be aimed at vice president.

— Joe Biden. He ran for president once, back in the late 1980s, but quit after being accused of plagiarism. The irrepressible Biden, elected to the Senate at age 29, is an adroit strategist who will carry on at length on global issues and anything else. He asserted more than a year ago that he'll run for his party's nomination if he concludes he has a shot to win it.

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## Benchmark elections

Certain elections can mark a dramatic "realigning" of national politics. The 2006 midterm election may mean the long-dominant conservative coalition is breaking up in advance of such a realigning election.

**1800**

Thomas Jefferson's Democratic-Republican Party replaced the once dominant Federalists; in power until 1824

**1828**

Andrew Jackson's Democrats installed frontier populism in power

**1860**

Lincoln's Republicans replaced Whigs who had splintered in the 1850s

**1896**

McKinley's Republicans united a group of industrialists that evolved into progressive reform

Realigning presidential elections that forged a new political order

**1932**

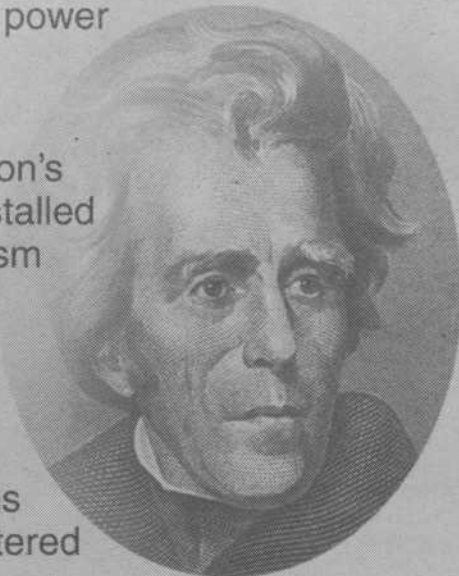
FDR's Democrats united many groups, at height of Great Depression, behind New Deal big-government policies

**1968**

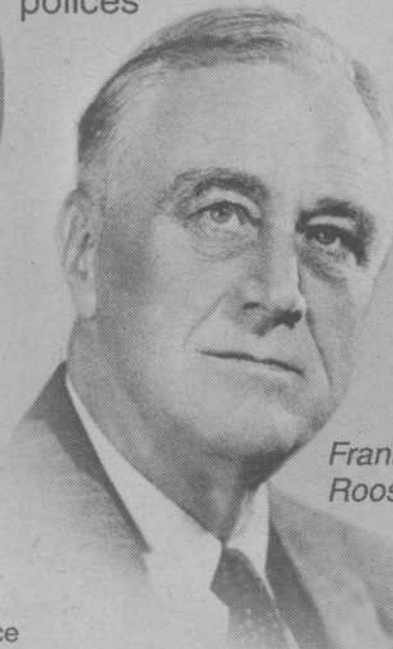
Nixon's Republicans with Southern populists broke New Deal coalition

**1980**

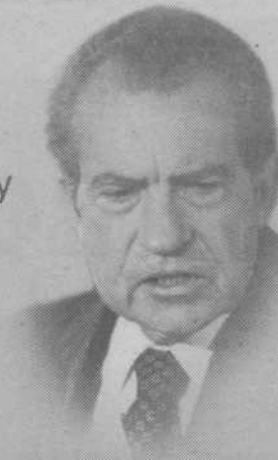
Reagan forged a broader conservative coalition that dominated politics until 2006 midterm elections



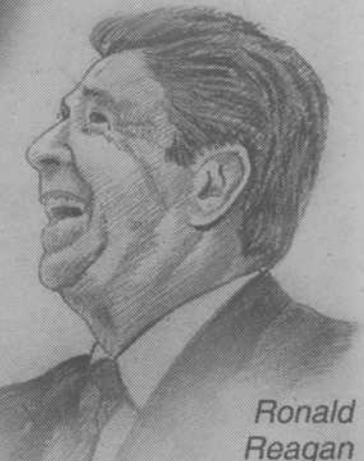
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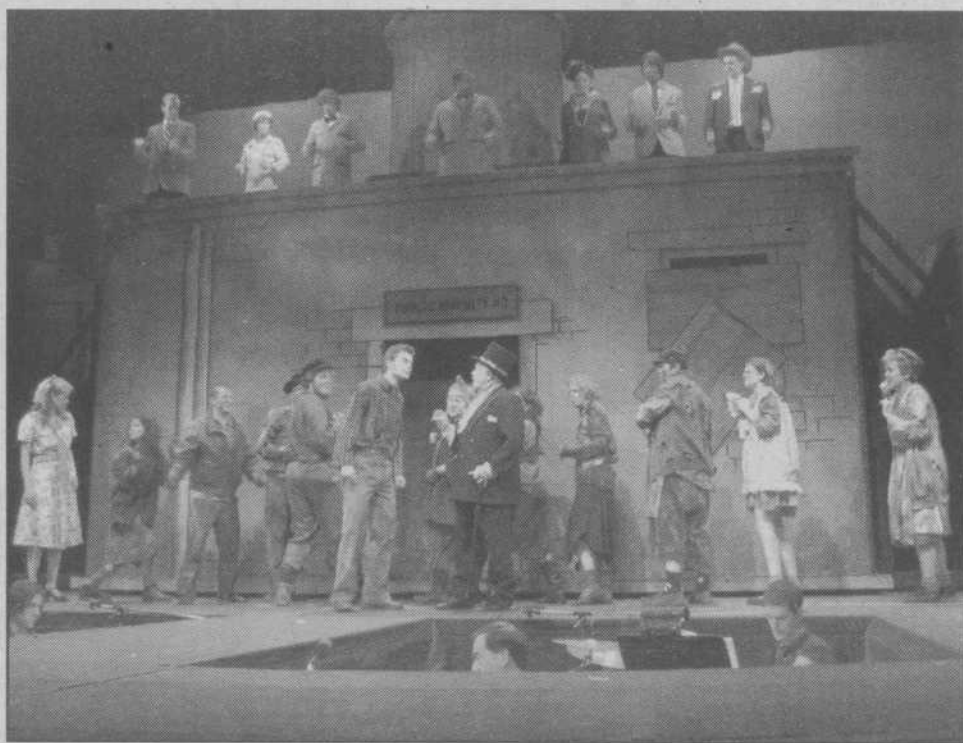
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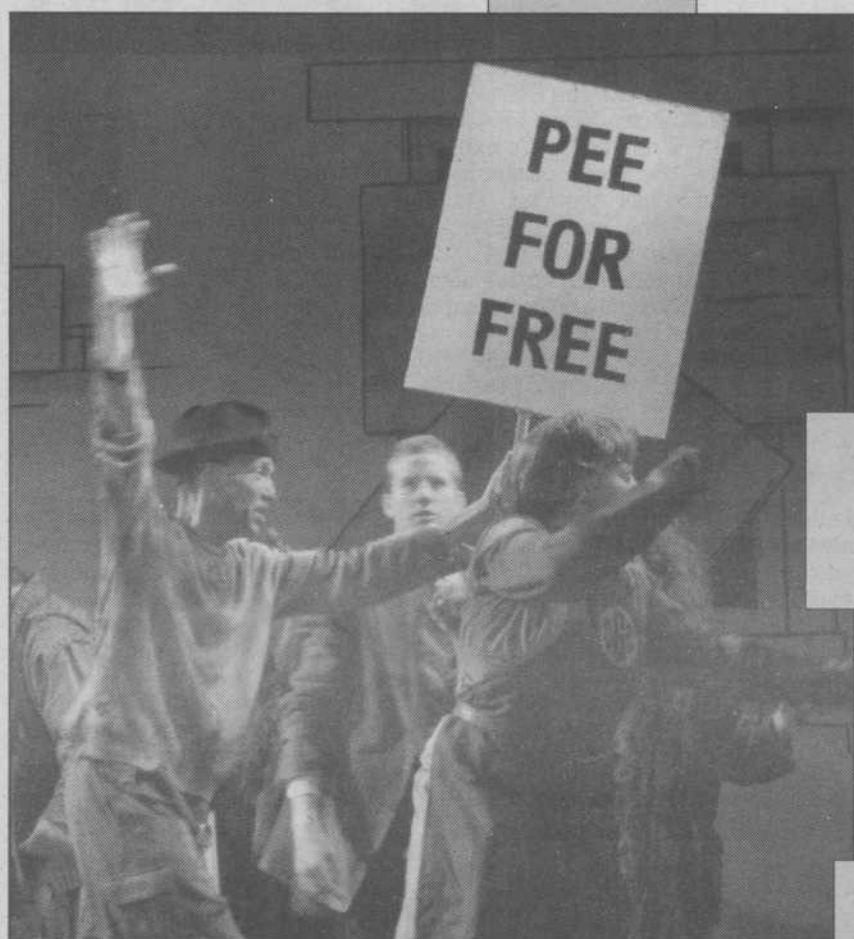
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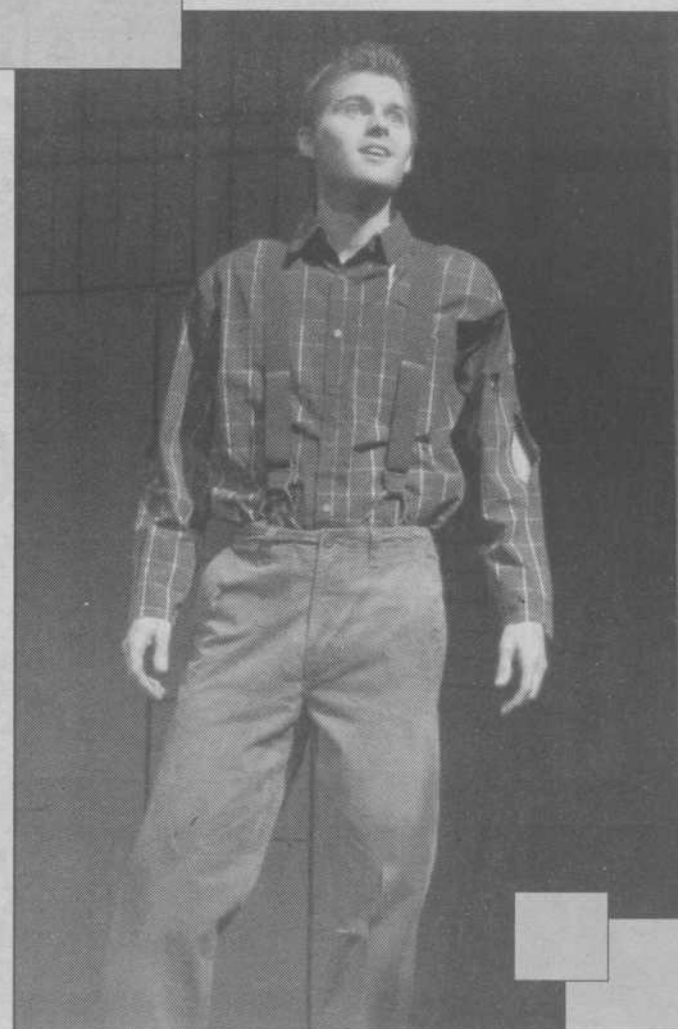
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## DEMS

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foment," said John Green, a political scientist at the University of Akron. "There are so many elements of the electorate in play. The demographic structure is changing rapidly. We're seeing regional migrations; we can't build exurbia fast enough. Also, the globalization of the economy is by no means over. An awful lot is going on socially and economically."

The result is a shifting political landscape that's ripe for what Green called "attempts at coalitions that might not last longer than one election."

Or temporary coalitions built issue by issue.

One such coalition could be built around comprehensive immigration restructuring, for example, which was supported by President Bush, moderate Republicans in the Senate and Democrats, but blocked by Republicans in the House of Representatives.

The president wanted to keep building Republican support among Hispanics, the fastest growing part of the population.

Hispanic support for Republicans increased from 31 percent for Bush in 2000 to 37 percent in the 2002 midterm elections to 44 percent for the president in 2004.

Yet House Republicans, appealing to a conservative base that refused to support any plan that let illegal immigrants remain in the United States, blocked comprehensive immigration revisions despite being criticized as anti-Hispanic.

Hispanic support for Republicans plummeted Tuesday, to 26 percent.

First they lost support from Hispanics. Second, they lost ground among Catholics and evangelical Christians.

Once dependably Democratic, Catholics were lured away by Reagan in the 1980s and have leaned Republican ever since. Two years ago, Catholics voted for Bush over their fellow Catholic John Kerry by 50-47 percent.

This year they supported Democrats by 55-44 percent.

The Republican share of the white evangelical Christian vote dropped from 80 percent in 2000 to 70 percent this year.

As they drove away parts of

their coalition, Republicans also governed Congress in a partisan way that turned off independents and moderates. They shut out Democrats from negotiating legislation, all but closed down bipartisan ethics monitoring and refused even to inform the Democrat on the board that oversees the House page program of suspected problems involving former Rep. Mark Foley, R-Fla.

Independents went for Democrats this year by 57-39 percent, after dividing almost evenly between the major parties since the mid-1990s. Moderates went for Democrats by 60-38 percent.

"There are a bunch of people in the center who aren't satisfied with the way everything became so polarized," said Holly Brasher, a political scientist at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

"People may be growing more conscious of the need to balance the right with the left. People do think consciously of that; it's not an accident."

Leading Democrats appear conscious of the pitfalls of trying to move the pendulum too far to the left, but the party's lib-

eral base wants exactly that.

Pro-impeachment forces plan a rally in Philadelphia to pressure the Democrats to throw Bush out of office. As many as 60 congressional Democrats planned to meet next week to discuss a timetable for withdrawing from Iraq with George McGovern, whose 1972 Democratic presidential campaign defined antiwar activism.

But Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., a liberal who's expected to be the next speaker of the House, has signaled that she wants the new Democratic House to avoid partisan ideological battles on issues such as impeachment or forcing a quick withdrawal from Iraq.

Al From, the president of the centrist Democratic Leadership Council, agrees that the path to building a Democratic majority lies in not repeating Republican mistakes.

"In pursuing the Bush-Rove formula over the last six years, Republicans have deliberately abandoned the political center and invited Democrats to occupy it," From said.

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## The Watch

The Watch is a monthly feature to raise awareness of crime and emergencies that occur at Parkland College. The Police Officers of the Public Safety department provide this information to remind students, faculty and staff that anyone can be a victim of a crime anywhere, at any time. Our office is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. There is always a Police Officer on duty. If you witness a crime, contact Public Safety immediately at 351-2369. In case of emergency dial 911 on any office phone or use the emergency call boxes throughout campus.

Oct. 2- Disorderly conduct for an unknown person spitting on a student's vehicle.

Oct. 4- Disorderly conduct for a student harassing another student in a Parkland lounge.

Oct. 9- Student conduct report for students involved in a physical altercation.

Oct. 10- Battery occurred between students resulting in one student being issued a Champaign City Notice to Appear for Disorderly Conduct.

Oct. 10- Criminal damage to property and vandalism for human waste left in multiple locations on multiple dates.

Oct. 11- Multiple students involved in physical altercation resulting in one arrest for aggravated battery.

Oct. 19- Deceptive practice, student used stolen credit card to pay for Parkland tuition.

Oct. 20- Reported theft of checkbook and credit cards, later discovered to be unfounded.

Oct. 23- Criminal damage to property for vandalism to Parkland tractor-trailers at Parkland Business Development Center.

Oct. 31- Suspect attempted to cash a counterfeit check from Parkland College at a bank in Chicago.

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Traffic Citations- 5  
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## 'Ritual' gets University of Central Florida frat suspended

By **SUSAN JACOBSON**  
The Orlando Sentinel (MCT)

Police called to a University of Central Florida fraternity house two weeks ago found young men crawling on hands and knees, screaming profanely and wearing women's underwear, fairy wings and a diaper.

University police released this account of the incident Thursday, the same day the national headquarters of Sigma Alpha Epsilon suspended the UCF chapter pending its own investigation of how three men at the house ended up being taken to a hospital.

"After reviewing the police report, we are disturbed," SAE spokesman Brandon Weghorst said from Evanston, Ill. "That is not behavior that we expect from our members. It goes against everything that Sigma

Alpha Epsilon stands for."

UCF already has suspended the chapter from campus activities while it investigates allegations of hazing, alcohol misconduct and disorderly conduct. UCF police are conducting an investigation. Hazing is a crime in Florida.

"We take this very seriously," university spokeswoman Linda Gray said.

Chapter President Dru Dalton said he could not comment Thursday and referred calls to the national fraternity.

UCF police responded early Oct. 26 to the on-campus fraternity house, which sports a large gold lion statue out front and purple doors. Officers heard weeping, moaning and "aggressive screaming," according to their report.

At first, investigators were told they could not go inside

because a "ritual" was being performed, police said.

When officers entered, they saw seven or eight crawling men wearing bras and women's underpants and one man sobbing on the floor and wearing a rainbow-colored wig and a diaper.

One man wearing a pink tank top, women's underwear and a blond wig lay on the floor vomiting while another participant held his head up, the report states.

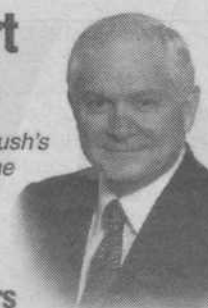
At least one of the participants was crying and having apparent trouble breathing, so rescue workers were called.

Three men were taken to Florida Hospital East Orlando because they were suspected to be highly intoxicated, according to authorities.

They were released that morning.

## Robert Gates

President Bush's choice for the new U.S. secretary of defense.



### Early years

Born 1943, in Wichita, Kan.

Education B.A., College of William and Mary, 1965; M.A., Indiana University, 1966; Ph.D., Georgetown University, 1974

### Career

1966-1974 Intelligence analyst, CIA

1974-1979 National Security Council staff

1979-1993 CIA; served as executive staff director, deputy director for intelligence, chairman of the National Intelligence Council, deputy director of central intelligence, deputy assistant to the president for national security affairs, assistant to the president and deputy for national security affairs, and director

Worked as a private consultant

2002-2006 President of Texas A&M University

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## Donald Rumsfeld

The U.S. secretary of defense since 2001 announces his resignation.



### Early years

Born 1932, in Chicago

Education B.A., Princeton, 1954; Navy ROTC scholarship

Military service Navy pilot, flight instructor, 1954-57

### Politics

Congress Republican representative from Ill., 1962-69

Under President Nixon Director of Office of Economic Opportunity, ambassador to NATO, other posts, 1969-74

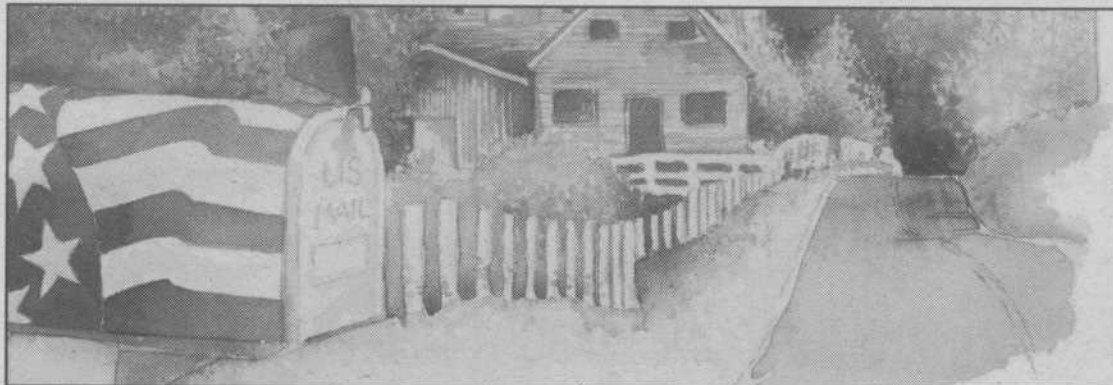
Under President Ford Chief of staff, secretary of defense, other posts, 1974-77

Other Presidential envoy on Middle East, 1983-84; presidential candidate, 1988; Commission to Assess Ballistic Missile Threat to U.S., 1999

### Business

Chief executive officer, G.D. Searle, 1977-85, and General Instrument, 1990-93

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**Thursday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 27. West northwest wind between 10 and 16 mph.

**Friday:** Partly cloudy, with a high near 46. West wind between 7 and 10 mph.

**Friday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 30.

**Saturday:** Partly cloudy, with a high near 44.

**Saturday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 30.

**Sunday:** Partly cloudy, with a high near 44.

**Sunday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 29.

**Monday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 46.

**Monday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 31.

**Tuesday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 48.

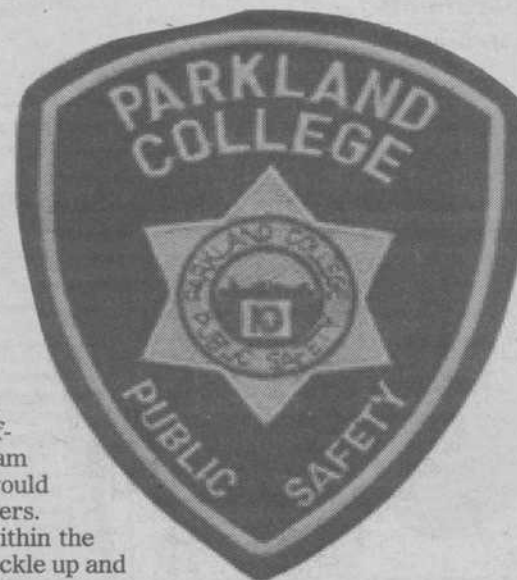
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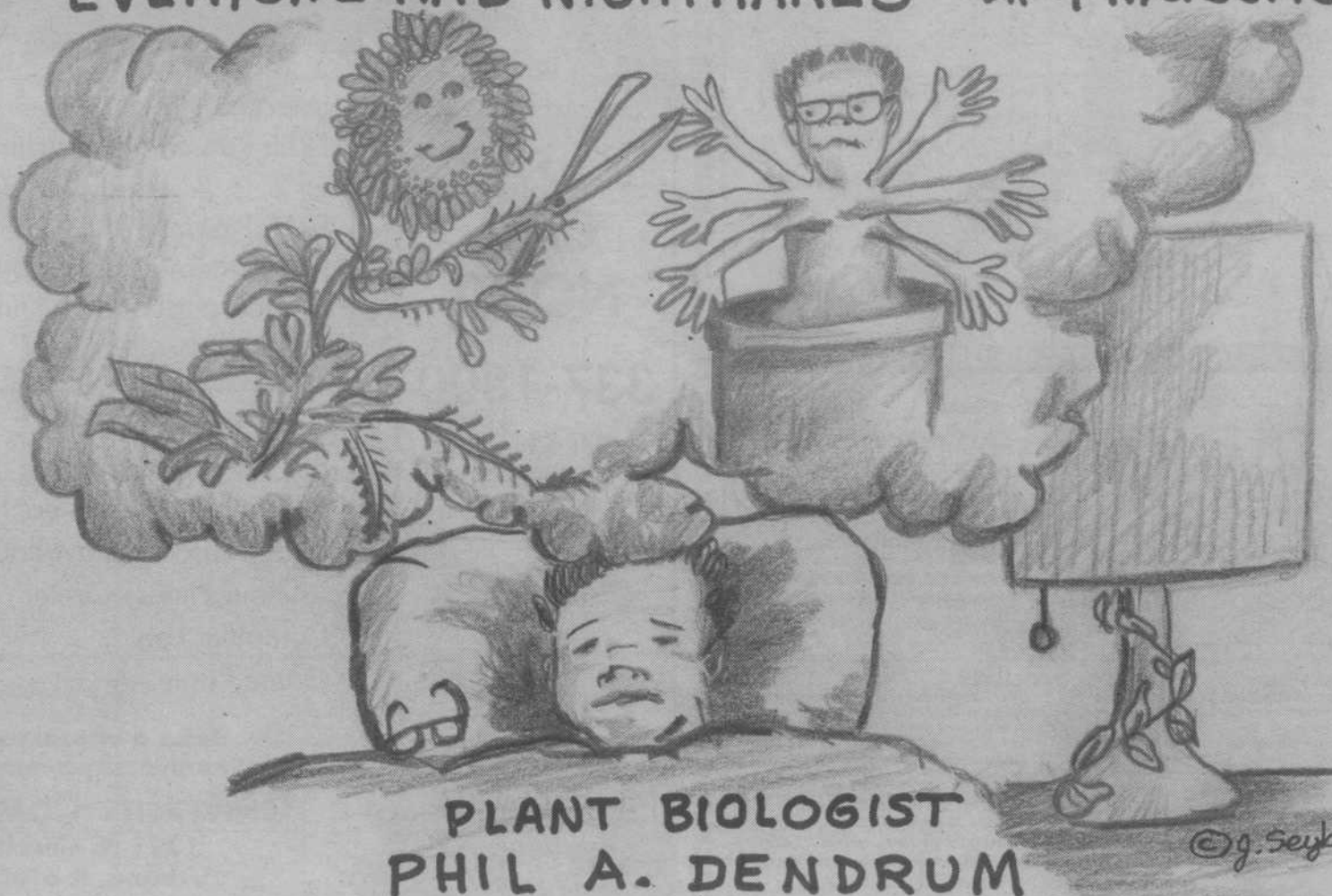
The Department of Public Safety is looking at changing the speed limit on campus to something slight higher and this is the reason for the portable device. It collects data for the speeds that are driven on campus.

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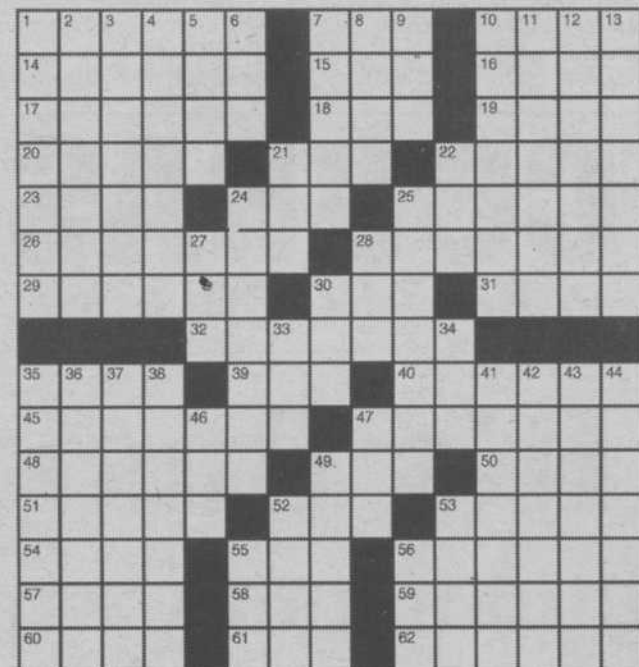


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  - Leftover ones
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  - Shade trees
  - Chicago tower
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  - Oxford needs
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  - Capital of the Comoros
  - Crumple and squeeze
  - Dudley Do-Right, e.g.
  - Oozed
  - Can. province
  - "A \_\_\_ Is Born"
  - Western Pacific hurricane
  - Nocturnal fliers
  - Sellout letters
  - Withstand
  - London so long
  - Type of diver
  - Agassi's game
  - Roulette bet
  - Fishing poles
  - Hunter of stars
  - Pres. Lincoln
  - Eliot's Marnet
  - Porter or stout
  - Yale man
  - Legislative house
  - Sicilian landmark
  - Out of the bus.
  - Hasbro competition
  - Goes bad
  - Serpentine curve
  - Al and Bobby of auto racing

- DOWN
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  - Free from strife
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  - Shreds
  - Ticks off
  - Puncture sound
  - Desert growth
  - Tel. \_\_\_-Jaffa
  - Headed up
  - Thomas \_\_\_ Eliot
  - Boxer Jersey Joe
  - Neighbor of Iran
  - More domineering
  - Speed stat
  - Rawls or Reed
  - Molting
  - Took the A-1 to London
  - Court divider
  - #6 on the dial
  - Expression of surprise
  - Paid athlete, for short
  - Born in Cannes
  - Supreme Court opening month
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## Women's Basketball loses home opener

■ Coach Partenheimer sees lack of leadership on team

By **ERIK PHEIFER**  
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There was excitement in the air at the Parkland College Women's Basketball home opener last Tuesday. Unfortunately, the excitement didn't last long because the Lady Cobras fell behind early and never really recovered in a 74-54 defeat to NJCAA Division I Lincoln Trail. The loss dropped the Lady Cobras record to 1-2 on the season.

Parkland came out with a

great deal of intensity in front of the home fans, but Lincoln Trail quickly took the crowd out of the game using spurts of eleven and eight points to build a 21-6 lead just eight minutes into the game.

Lincoln Trail was able to go on these extended runs because of Parkland's struggles to protect and shoot the ball. During their two runs, Lincoln Trail held Parkland without a field goal for nearly eight and a half minutes.

If Parkland did do one thing right in the first half, it was get

to the foul line. However, the Lady Cobras failed to capitalize from the foul line, missing many opportunities to cut into the lead. They shot below 50 percent on free throws for the game.

Parkland tried to get back into the game at the end of the first half with a 9-2 run. They almost got a much-needed momentum boost when sophomore guard Lindsey Trent threw up a running three pointer in desperation at the buzzer, but it bounced off the heel of the rim leaving the halftime score at 38-24.

After watching Lincoln Trail go on another run to start the half, Parkland clawed their way back to within 13 points at 49-36 with twelve minutes to play. This would be all the closer they would be able to get, as Lincoln Trail put the game out of reach with a 17-2 run where Parkland

again went without a field goal for almost seven minutes.

Parkland did make things a little closer in the last few minutes, but it would not be enough to avoid the defeat. In the end turnovers and poor shooting doomed the Lady Cobras. Every time it appeared Parkland was poised to make a run, a costly turnover or some other mistake seemed to plague them all night long.

Parkland freshman, Eunice Gill, had a good second half scoring 13 of her team high 15 points in her home debut. She was the only Lady Cobra to reach double figures on the evening.

Other than Gill, ten other Lady Cobras contributed points. They include Jazmine Warren with 9; Trent with 7; Amber Hendricks, Pernisha Jackson, and Ashley Sieberns with 4 each; Megan Crane with 3 and

Kelly Garriott, Brittany Parson, Jessie Thinnies, and Tara VanFleet with 2 apiece. Obviously, Head Coach Alex Partenheimer wasn't pleased with his team's performance. He commented that his players need to learn to play as a team and with more desire. He added that the Lady Cobras need to play with a "positive mental attitude and confidence." He also sees a lack of leadership on the team.

Some of the leadership that is lacking may be due in part to the loss of top scorer and rebounder from last season, Ashley Lillard. She will redshirt this season due to injury.

It will be awhile before the Lady Cobras are in action again at home. They have to wait until the 21<sup>st</sup> when they host Olney. They also play at Millikin on the 27<sup>th</sup> and at home against Joliet on the 30<sup>th</sup>.

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# It's Basketball Season...

## Illini handily wins opener...

■ ...but will their season slip away?

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Three-point-wonder Jamar Smith was having a stellar night against Austin Peay on Monday night. He shot five from behind the arc, and ended his tally at 19, ahead of the very unselfish Illini team. Unfortunately, just a few minutes into the second half, Smith suffered a high ankle sprain.

He will be sidelined 3-4 weeks.

The anguish is being felt by fans all over the state, as they called in one-by-one to News Radio 1400AM. "I'm a veterinarian, and I treat horses... race horses. When they experience sprains and strains, we use acupuncture on them to speed recovery. I thought I'd call [the Fighting Illini athletic trainer] and recommend a Korean doctor in town," said one caller.

Brian Randle, another starter,

is week-to-week with a groin injury, apparently aggravated by all of his slam-dunks. Rich McBride still has a few games left on his DUI suspension. Yesm, there are only two starters available on a team that has been carefully crafted by Weber and his assistants. Improvisational skills are in Weber's grasp, but will he and his lads adapt?

There is hope. Freshman Brian Carlwell charged onto the court and dunked to a standing ovation. It was widely thought that Carlwell would redshirt this season. The Illini, although playing with a much different style than the three-guard system, was able to outmuscle, out rebound, and out shoot Austin Peay with ease.

The schedule for the upcoming season, although not easy, is certainly a little less constricting than previous years. The next four games are at home in

Assembly Hall against Jackson State, Georgia Southern, Famu, and Savannah State. The volatile nature of basketball was best observed last night, however, with the Hoosiers being upset by Butler. Who knows what will happen when a slightly dinged-up team faces Illinois-Chicago, a comparison brought out in reflection of the Butler upset.

The Fighting Illini still have their usual lineup against timeless rivals—Wisconsin, Michigan State, Iowa, Missouri, Purdue, and Indiana. In addition, we'll be facing Arizona and Xavier on the road, a task that can make or break a team.

Starting Wednesday night, the tentative lineup includes the very tall combination of forward-Warren Carter (6'9"), and center Shaun Pruitt (6'10"). On the outside will be a very young sophomore guard trio—Calvin Brock, Trent Meacham, and Chester Frazier.

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### Volleyball

Brooklyn Robbins was named Region 24 Player of the Year. Her teammates Sadie Disney and Aubrey Dondlinger were named to the All-Region 1st team while Lauren West received Honorable Mention.

### Men's Basketball

Record: 3-2  
The Parkland College Men's Basketball Team is ranked 15th in the NJCAA Division II preseason poll.

They came away with a pair of victories last weekend. They defeated South Suburban Community College 82-60 and Black Hawk College 102-85.

### Women's Basketball

Record: 2-2  
The Lady Cobras dropped their home opener to Lincoln Trail 74-54 (article inside). They bounced back with a win against Black Hawk 60-55 last Friday.