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## In and 'out' on the radio

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WALNUT CREEK, Calif.—Greg "The Gay Sportscaster" Sherrell is demanding justice on the Energy 92.7 airwaves. Over the weekend, someone broke into his car in the Castro and snatched his valuables and laundry. Gone are his trendy undies, but the most devastating loss is his cherished "glittery shirt," the

Life" written on it.
"I want my glittery shirt back!" he bleats out on-air with a Texan twang.

one with "Music Saved My

Co-host Fernando Ventura seizes the opportunity to egg his friend on, asking if the culprit had nabbed that particular pair of designer jeans with the flowers on 'em as well.

Such is the lively early morning banter that pops up weekdays between the dance music on the independently owned station. But what makes this FM program an original—besides being the only San Francisco Bay Area station to exclusively spin dance music—is that it appears to mark the first time a Bay Area commercial morning radio team has been made up of two openly gay men.

Originally, the plan was to have Ventura paired up with a woman. But no Grace to his Will could be found.

When Ventura suggested that Sherrell, whose cheeky sports updates had already scored with listeners, be given the job, the idea met with resistance.

"The first thing that the program director told me was: 'No, it's not going to work, because it's going to be two gay guys, and you're going to be labeled "The Gay Show," and you'll never really appeal to much more than gay people," Ventura said.

But that all changed.

One day in 2005, Ventura invited Sherrell to host the entire show with him. Their onair chemistry clicked with listeners—the theatrics of Greg smoothly playing off Fernan-



Greg Sherrell is otherwise known as "The Gay Sportscaster" on Energy 92.7 FM's morning show in San Francisco, California, August 28, 2006. Sherrell chats with cohost Fernando Ventura on the air.

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do's low-key persona.

But why in the Bay Area hadn't this been heard of before?

"I don't have an answer for that," said John Peake, program manager, who joined 92.7 after the show was in place. "Certainly, gay marketing has come out of the closet in the last few years."

From a cultural perspective, what's most remarkable about the show is how the sexual orientation of 92.7's hosts is integrated into the proceedings but isn't the focal point, said Terence Kissack, executive director of the GLBT Historical Society in San Francisco.

"Here you have a general mass audience broadcaster who has as its general voice two openly identifiable gay men, and it's part of who they are but it's not the main focus," he said.

"The culture of the Bay Area is one where you have the acknowledgment of difference and a blurring of lines around identity."

Sherrell and Ventura say positive buzz from fans combined with radio execs who heeded listener input and the power of the mighty dollar made it a reality.

"I can guarantee that none of the other radio stations even if it worked—they would still not have done it. Here,

they took a chance," Sherrell said.

Ranked as the favored call letters for 25- to 54-year-old males in San Francisco County, the station is popular not just with gay men but straight women and men, the hosts say. The signal beams south to San Jose and north to Petaluma, but wavers in and out around Walnut reek. Other compet-

out around Walnut Creek. Other competitors—such as KFOG and Alice@97.3—reach larger audiences. Fans can also listen in on the station's Web site,

which attracts listeners nationwide, Peake said.

"The Fernando and Greg Show" is not the only program with gay appeal. The Bay Area happens to be well-dialed with gay-themed programming.

One of the most recent entries is the two-hour national "Radio With a Twist" program, created by the founder of the gay Logo cable channel. It debuted in January 2006 and airs on Alice@97.3

FM. Nationally, it reaches more than 50 million people and will spawn what founder Matt Farber calls a huge expansion plan, part of an upcoming partnership with a "major radio entity." Details won't be announced until late September, he said.

He calls Energy 92.7 a wonderful station, but rather onenote in style. "Radio With a Twist" does reach many more listeners, partially because of a stronger signal, and in Farber's estimation, it's a much more broad-based and all-inclusive program.

"It's become wildly successful wherever it airs," he said.

Sherrell believes the morning model he and Ventura have

teners demand it. One time, Sherrell and Ventura weighed in on the JonBenet Ramsey case, and the reaction was overwhelmingly negative.

"They come to this radio station to feel good," explains Ventura.

Some of the regular features 92.7 morning listeners like include "Homo vs. Hetero"—a call-in trivia contest that pits gays against straights; "Sassy Sports," with Greg dishing the dirt, the news and the commentary—including his views on the hunkiness of some players.

Sherrell enjoys playing the more bitchy "out there" role to Ventura's—for lack of a better term—straight man, the one who

talks about cozying up at home on weekends with his partner. But Sherrell doubts the raucous show wouldhavegotten out of the starting gates if advertisers weren't on board.

"Quite frankly, if it didn't resonate with some advertisers initially, there would have been no way they would have thrown me on the air. I believe they saw they could make money off of that personal-



DJs Greg Sherrell and Fernando Ventura are live on the air during the Energy 92.7 FM's morning broadcast in San Francisco, California, August 28, 2006. The radio station appeals to Bay Area gay listeners.

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created could work in big cities such as Dallas and Los Angeles.

"It's just not gay people who love this morning show," he said. "Tons of straight men and women love it, and it's because it's just about two people's lives."

Unlike much of the public radio content for gays and lesbians, the dial at 92.7 stays fixed on the light and carefree, rarely the serious. That's because lis-

ity'

For 36-year-old Ventura, a 17year radio veteran, being able to talk about his partner, Tom, and his three dogs is a welcome change from what he's encountered in his career.

"I've had a morning show experience where my program director expected me to make up a wife and kids just so I could quote/unquote relate to the audience."

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# Student's sex story on Web backfires

By ADAM JADHAV AND SHANE GRABER

St.Louis Post-Dispatch(MCT)

EDWARDSVILLE, Ill.—This used to be the domain of locker rooms and bar

The details of private escapadesbragging, lying, or just joking about sexual success-were generally not for public consumption.

But those who belong to the Internet generation are comfortable saving almost anything online, including things that would make their parents blush. Many young people are perfectly at home with Web sites like Facebook and MySpace, electronic networks of millions of people who can talk to each other, share photos and gossip—all under a thin and others like it around the country cover of web-onymity.

It's such freedom of information that is now stirring controversies like the one at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. There, sophomore Mike Turk could be booted from school for a Facebook page he created earlier this month that was dedicated to claims about intimate relations with a woman.

A number of other men added themselves to the list, all claiming affiliations of the intimate sort. And when the woman found out, she went to authorities. The page was taken down permanently.

Now, after a disciplinary hearing Tuesday, Turk faces possible expulsion. Experts and officials say the incident-

represent some of the early skirmishes in an ongoing struggle involving free speech and privacy rights, the Internet and naive users.

'We are bound to see years of litigation and discussion and attempts at legislation around the use of these thingspersonal Web sites or social networking sites," said Ed Yohnka, spokesman for the American Civil Liberties Union in Chicago. "It's new technology. This will continue to come up again and again."

Predictions like that evoke an incredulous response from Turk. He insists the initial Facebook page was intended as an inside joke. He claims he thought he and the woman were friends at the time and

believed she would understand.

"I never thought something on Facebook would get me into trouble out in the real world. I wouldn't see why it would,' Turk said in an interview this week.

The woman, who wished to remain anonymous, said she hadn't spoken to Turk in more than a month and hadn't been involved with him since February. After seeing the Facebook page, she said she only thought, "This is my name being slandered and something must be

If it was a joke, she never got it.

"People were commenting on the page that I didn't even know, calling me

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#### Dollars and Sense from FinAid

#### ■ Hunting for Scholarships

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Prospectus Guest Writer

Do you need to find more ways to fund your education? Scholarships are one more option to help pay for your college expenses.

Thousands of scholarships are offered nationwide every year, and many don't get applied for because people don't know how to find them. Following are some possible sources of scholarships.

#### COLLEGE-BASED SCHOLAR-SHIPS

#### Merit Scholarships

- · awarded for various achievements, including high school performance, leadership ability, or artistic accomplishment
- · financial need may or may not be taken into consideration

Departmental Scholarships · awarded to students who show promise and achievement in their major

At Parkland: Check with your particular program department's secretary to see if that department offers any scholarships.

#### Athletic Scholarships

- · offered by the Athletic Depart-
- · can cover anything from outof-district tuition amounts, to entire tuition and fees cost
- · usually in place school begins

College/University Foundation Scholarships

- · set up by companies, organizations, and private individuals
- · intended only for students who are attending that particular college/university

At Parkland: most Foundation scholarships have deadlines of April 15 and October 15. Applications are available approximately one month before the deadline date.



#### Fellowships

- · for graduate students at uni-
- · generally cover all expenses, including tuition and money for living expenses
- · usually awarded after acceptance to a graduate program and before school begins

At Parkland: To see what applications are currently available through Parkland, check out our website at http://www.parkland.edu/ss/financial/scholarship.htm or the bulletin board around the corner from the Financial Aid Office. Unless otherwise noted, applications can be obrtained at the Financial Aid Office front counter.

#### PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIPS

**Businesses and Corporations** · award many scholarships to provide financial help and contacts to students

· use scholarships to advertise their company name and recruit future employees

**Professional Associations** 

such as the American Dental Hygienists' Association Institute for Oral Health, Central Illinois Womens' Bar Association, and The National Society of Public Accountants offer scholarships to encourage students in their field

#### Clubs and Groups in Your Community

· like the Champaign-Urbana Junior Women's Club and the Eastern Star offer scholarships throughout the year

#### Religious Community

- scholarships awarded through churches and other places of
- · membership in their particular group isn't always a requirement, some use other criteria like financial need to select their scholarship recipients

#### **Minority Organizations**

· offer scholarships to encour-

age minority involvement and increase diversity

· race, ethnicity, religion, gender, or sexual orientation used as eligibility requirements

Parents' Employers or Clubs and Organizations

· some offer awards to children of their employees or members · be sure to include veterans groups, professional organizations and patriotic, civil and fraternal associations

#### OTHER SOURCES

- · Online free scholarship searches like Fast Web http:// www.fastweb.com/ will search scholarships nationwide after you submit information online
- · Organizations and institutions in your community
- · Web site of any college/university you want to attend

#### **QUICK TIPS:**

- Plan ahead! Start early. There's no limit on the number you can apply for, and the more scholarships you apply for, the higher your chances of winning a scholarship.
- · Make a list, with the deadlines in chronological order, and get the applications as soon as pos-

Don't be shy about looking for scholarships! Receiving one or more can be a big help toward your expenses while going to college.

#### **Hispanic Heritage Month Trivia Contest!**

Hispanic Heritage Month began on September 15, and continues through mid-October. In tribute the Hispanic women and men who have elevated our country in the arts, politics, sports, and sciences, a trivia list has been made. Can you answer all of the questions? Send your answers to prospectus.contest@ gmail.com. Three winners will be selected at random, and will win a \$10 gift certificate courtesy of Applebees. Oh yeah, and these trivia questions are meant to be a little challenging. Good luck!

The Arts

1. He and Al Diaz sprayed graffiti in lower Manhattan slums, utilizing the signature SAMO, which means "Same Old S\*\*t". He is identified with the Neo-Expressionist movement, dated Madonna, and collaborated with Andy Warhol in the early '80s.

2. She was one of the eight flag bearers in the 2006 Winter Olympics, but is known for her skills as a writer, humanitarian, editor, and emotive storyteller. Her letters to her comatose daughter (who died of porphyria in 1992) were turned into a book. Her uncle was over-thrown in a coup, and she was forced to live in exile in Venezuela before moving to the United States.

3. You wouldn't know it, but this famous musician joined the army in April 1960. By December 1960 he had two courts martial and eight AWOLs under his belt. He picked up a guitar and joined forces with a poet who would later be a front-man lyricist for a band that toured for decades. This guitarist died somewhat recently.

4. He wanted to be a baseball player, then tried his hand out at rock-n-roll. He ended up in the television and film industry, winning a Golden Globe and Emmy for his role in *Miami Vice*. He is most famously known for his portrayal of Jaime Escalante, the high school teacher that turned disadvantaged Chicano kids into math powerhouses.

5. His mother was a dancer from Puerto Rico, and his father was an African-American entertainer. He encountered racism after joining the Army during WWII. He converted to Judaism after recovering from a severe accident in 1954. His performance in Golden Boy in 1964 happened at a time when interracial marriages were banned in 31 states. He is infamously known for his vaudeville history and dancing moves. He died the same day as Jim Henson, creator of the Muppets.

Politics

1. She was the first woman and Hispanic to hold the office of Surgeon General. She concentrated her efforts on women, children, and minorities, and tackled the tobacco industry for their advertisements that targeted youth. She also has served as Coordinator for AIDS research, and Special Representative for Health and Nutrition for UNICEF. She was awarded the distinguished Legion of Merit medal by Colin Powellan award almost never given to civilians. Until recently, she was in contention for the democratic Presidential race, but conceded to Sen. Hilary Rodham Clinton (D-NY).

2. "Damn the torpedoes, full steam ahead!" is the famous quote by this civil war naval Captain, born to a Spanish-Catalan merchant. He was responsible for the victory in Mobile Bay, Alabama. He also took the port of New Orleans and Port Hudson. He earned the rank of Admiral, and is widely considered one of the Navy's crucial leaders in the Civil War.

3. Since it's inception into the United States of America, California has had only one Hispanic governor, despite having strong Hispanic voter power. This man also lassoed a grizzly bear, and is the first governor of California to have been born there. Who is he?

4. She held the prestigious position of Treasurer of the United States. Her son has Down Syndrome, and she is committed to serving the public's disabled. She was only the second person to receive the highly distinguished Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Prize in 1995 for her service. She has been named one of the "100 Most Influential Hispanics" by Hispanic Busi-

ness magazine.

5. In 2003, he was the only Hispanic governor in the United States. His name doesn't suggest it, but this man was born to a Mexican mother and Nicaraguan father. He was raised in Mexico City, but moved to Boston at 13. Just recently he flew to Sudan to meet with Omar Al-Bashir to negotiate the release of journalist Paul Salopek, who was recently charged with espionage while working for National Geographic.

Sport

1. In his induction into the Hall of Fame, this man called for the recognition of the Negro League players Satchel Paige and Josh Gibson. His speech was instrumental in the beginning of Negro League players being inducted into the Hall of Fame. Besides his hitting power and consistency, he hosted his own fishing show. He might very well be the greatest player in baseball, since five of his youthful years were spent as a pilot in the Marines in WWII.

2. Standing 6 feet, 4 inches, she led the University of Connecticut Huskies to the 1995 National Championship. The same year she won the Naismith and College Player of the Year awards. She later joined the WNBA. She is also known as a spokesperson for breast cancer research, and wrote a book with her mother on the subject.

3. He was the first Latino NHL player, drafted in 1998 by the New Jersey Devils. He was awarded the Calder Trophy as the league's top rookie with 51 assists and 70 points, and played in the All-Star game. He also scored 10 points in the 2000 NHL Playoffs as the Devils won the Stanley Cup. He played for the US in the XX Winter Olympics.

4. In the world of golf, there are very few who can match this athlete's ability. As a testament to her skill, she was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame in 1989 at the young age of 30. She won nine tournaments on the LPGA tour, was Player of the Year, and Rookie of the Year her very first tour—a feat that

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Parkland Planetarium
Friday, October 6:
7:00 p.m.—World of Science
Lecture
8:00 p.m.—Stellar Fytremes

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September 28-October 26: Touch and Circumstance: Recent Ceramic Work by Mobutu Smith

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Wonder of the World
October 5, 6, 7—8:00 p.m.
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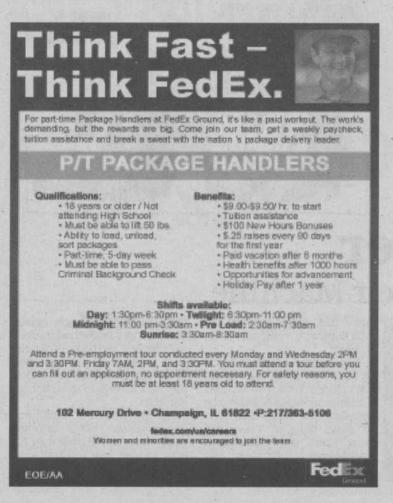
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Friday, October 6: 3:00 p.m.—Men's Baseball vs. Lakeland 6:00 p.m.—Women's Volleyball vs. Lewis & Clark

Sunday, October 8: 12:00 p.m.—Men's Baseball vs. Kankakee

Monday, October 9: 4:00 p.m.—Women's Soccer vs. Springfield College

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# **Opinion**

### Who possesses the WCSs?

By JUDY SEYB
Prospectus Staff Writer

There was a time, approximately three years ago, when I believed-albeit only brieflythat I was one of the smartest people on this planet. Yes, that would be me, a resident of good ol' C-U. America's heartland, possessing World Class Smarts (WCS). This memory was brought back vividly when our government recently released parts of a classified 30 page NIE (National Intelligence Estimate) report completed in April 2006. In spite of its title, this is NOT a list of the smartest people in America. I will tell you what was in that report in a minute.

But first, you're probably wondering how, after a lifetime of fairly average achievements, someone could find themselves in such a rarified atmosphere among the smartest people in the world. Let me explain:

The neo-cons in the Bush administration began to beat the Iraqi war drums. They were insisting that Iraq possessed weapons of mass destruction (WMD's) and what better reason than that for a "preemptive" war. In fact, the neo-cons assured us they knew what these weapons were and where to find them.

No, I thought, that is not the case, since years of inspections for such weapons had turned up nothing and a decade of isolation had left Iraq unable to produce or purchase just about anything. In fact, I believed that an invasion of Iraq would only create a huge number of new terrorists and increase hatred of America throughout the world. We might even accomplish the unbeliev-

able—uniting the Arab world. But now I'm getting ahead of my story, so back to three years

After we invaded Iraq, 150,000 of our soldiers began, among other things, sifting through the sands, looking for those elusive WMD's. It soon became apparent that there were none.

One would like to believe that the leaders of the world's most powerful nation would, at the very least, possess above-average intelligence (with perhaps an exception here or there). In fact, one would hope that such a group of highly educated, experienced, dedicated, and motivated individuals would collectively possess WCS's.

I mean, it's not as if they rode on their Daddy's shoulders to get to the highest and most important positions on earth. But when it became apparent that there were no WMD's, I started to believe that indeed I was smarter than the entire bunch of people now in power. If so, would that not make me one of the smartest people on earth? I couldn't help but imagine the pride that my parents would feel when I called them with the news that they had spawned a genius.

"But wait," an annoying voice in the back of my brain was nagging at me. "Hold on a minute, think this through, because even though you may be fairly smart, you're not a genius, or even WCS."

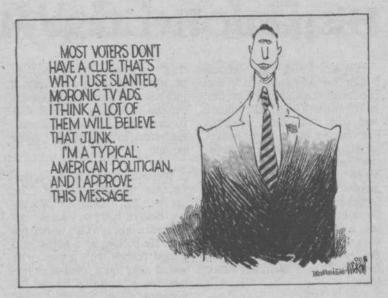
And this is where I return to the present and that pesky NIE report, which I can now tell you, says that we have inspired and created a whole new generation of terrorists by our presence the last three years in

Iraq. Should it come as any kind of revelation that people would fight to protect their homes and family, their culture and way of life? We would certainly do the same if a foreign army invaded our country.

A royal mess has been created in Iraq, and the Pottery Barn rule invoked by Colin Powell is now in effect: you break it, you buy it. The NIE has shown that we have created more new terrorists than ever. At last I have figured out who the real smarties are. Unfortunately, I'm not one.

I believe the neo-cons have known all along exactly what they were doing. They never expected to find WMD's, nor did they ever care about that. They've managed to come up with an ever-changing string of excuses for invading Iraq. Nor do they care if it's going to be Iraq's destiny to be caught up in endless war. In fact, that may well help to keep the spotlight off the real reason for this mess. It is a very simple and straight forward one and does not take a genius to figure it out. OIL. About 2.5 million barrels a day to be precise. These are greedy people doing what they do best, and now they have the world's largest and most advanced military to back them up, and it is absolutely brilliant. It is also downright scary.

When I step onto an airplane, I hope my pilot is smarter than I am. If I need an operation, I pray that my surgeon is the best one around. I guess I should sleep better tonight now that I know our leaders in this increasingly dangerous world truly possess WCS...I think...I hope...I pray...





## Christmas in November

#### ■ Politicians make fake snow with their Machine

By AARON GEIGER
Prospectus Editor

Working in the sales industry, it's easy to see patterns develop in people. Human regularities, eccentricities, and mannerisms help point fingers at the economy. Through the book-buying habits of patrons, it's easy to realize the weird effects that elections have on every American citizen.

"Oh, with gas so low, I can get my next Robin Cook novel. God Bless George Dubyah," chirped an elderly regular a few days ago. She winked and practically skipped on out the door. Ironically, the next patron had "Lies, and the Lying Liars that Tell Them," by Al Franken.

"God, I love election time," said a man at the gas station, feeding his mega-Dodge X28000BPOS Diesel with pre-



cious fuel, while wiping his mud flaps with a chamois cloth.

Do politics really have a pull on the economy in such rapid-fire efforts? With the elections so close and Republicans on the hot plate, the suggestion merits close thought. There are many states with endangered Republicans, and their colleagues know it. The Washington Post reported on the bills

that are flying through legislation with key embattled individual's names on them. While the Post recognizes that the tactic is nothing new, they are tailoring their efforts to specific constituents.

All of a sudden, it seems, politicians on one side of the fence really care, and in a big way. All of a sudden, my gas bill went

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Contest!

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I'm glad that class IS OVER!



Wait a second. I've got to call Amber before we leave



B-2 North West in 3 minutes.



What was



impossible it is to find a parking space out here. Amber waits for me to Leave so she can have mine.

@g. Seyb

#### X-MAS

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from \$44 to \$32. All of a sudden, Wall Street is grinning ear to ear with a second-best showing.

The stock market is doing miraculously well, given the fact that big business ventures are threatened in the upcoming election. Poverty is up, unemployment is up, the United States has a trade deficit of record proportions, and our war chest and coffers are close to empty.

Our oil ventures are suffering: Venezuela and Hugo Chavez were not only snubbed by our democratic Bush-bashers-they were dropped by 7-11. Instability rocks African pipelines, Iran is still hard-line Iran, and even if drilling were to begin in Alaska the venture would take. a decade.

Supposed seventh term shoo-in representative Mark Foley, aside from checking into rehab for alcohol abuse, is facing charges for sending naughty little emails to boys that work as pages for other Republicans. Bob Woodward released his new book, suggesting that Laura Bush urged the notion that Donald Rumsfeld should be fired. Bill Clinton mentioned that he did more to eliminate Osama bin Laden than the Bush Cabinet. The New York Times displayed a nice front-page assessment of slandering ads reminiscent of a 1970's Don King title match.

So what happens when/if the GOP retains control of the senate and house? Will we set up a potential Democrat to serve in a stagnant political arena? Will our gas prices go back up, while progressive 'green' research is sidelined? Will progressive independent businesses be choked by conglomerates that run rampant through the working-class strata? Will our stocks jump back into the downward slopes?

Perhaps we'll never know, but at least for now it is a strange, contented feeling to sigh, and say, "Wow, I'm so glad gas is only \$2.19." Somewhere in the back of the mind is the lost thought of ten years ago when today we were supposed to all have hybrids, and back then gas was 88¢ in a small town in Texas.

#### SEX

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a "slut," said the woman, less than month from turning 20. "It was humiliating and hurtful. ... I want people to learn to think, for once, about other people's feelings and to think before they act."

Experts say some young adults, raised with the Internet, simply don't see the potential hazards of uncensored information on the Web. As a result, Facebook controversies are popping up on more and more campuses.

Louisiana State University booted two male swimmers from the team last year after they posted negative comments about their coach. And coaches at University of California, threatened their Berkeley, track athletes with suspension after finding Facebook photos in which some team members violated team alcohol policies. Loyola University in Chicago has responded by banning its athletes from using Facebook and a similar site, MySpace, altogether.

"Tm not sure students understand the vulnerability they put themselves in by putting such private information in the public arena," said Vicki Rosser, an associate professor and higher

education expert at the University of Missouri at Columbia.

To counter, some institutions include warnings about Facebook, MySpace and blogs with their freshman orientation, Rosser said. But their audience is vast. Facebook, for example, has almost 9.5 million users, mostly at colleges.

University of Missouri officials warn they won't troll the Web looking for student misdeeds, but what goes on Facebook is fair game as evidence if a complaint arises. At Southern Illinois University Edwardsville-where Facebook claims thousands of adherents-Greg Conroy, a spokesman for the school, declined to comment on Turk's situation. Instead, he noted the student conduct code, which says misconduct includes harassment and behavior "which poses a threat to the mental, emotional, or physical well-being of self or others." The code, however, says students can express "political or social views" within the law and school policy.

Politicians have weighed in on social networking sites, something that causes consternation for First Amendment and Internet freedom advocates.

In Illinois, bills are pending to tackle online sexual predators and stalkers, but right now there seems to be little interest in cracking down on social networks as a whole.

"It's different from high school or college kids who were bragging about it 20 years ago in the locker room or joy riding in a car. You want your kids to know that anything and everything ends up on the Internet," said Illinois House Minority Leader Rep.

Tom Cross, an Oswego Republican who has backed other measures to protect children on the Web. "That said, there's not a lot we can do if it's adults posting things."

Yohnka, the ACLU spokesman, said issues remain when universities begin to punish speech online. Although Turk's page might be questionable, any wide-ranging prohibition—which Yohnka suspects might be a gut reaction—could tread on the First Amendment, he said.

Turk, a 19-year-old physics major with a 3.3 GPA, says his move was "just a dumb stupid thing online." He expects to hear from administrators on his fate in two to three weeks.

The incident has generated buzz on campus. A story in the student newspaper detailed the saga and—in the tradition of Facebook—one of Turk's friends created a new page about the controversy. It has attracted more than 1,100 subscribers.

#### A Message from Chief of Police Von D. Young, Jr.

First and foremost, please remember that you should be very cautious when driving in any parking lot. Reducing speed and being a defensive driver are teh best ways to avoid a traffic crash. If you are involved in a traffic crash while here at Parkland College, officers will be dispatched to write the report. Please remember that it is mandatory to have valid vehicle insurance with your vehicle at all times.

If you have a medical condition that may render you unconscious or in a state where you may be unable to speak, please speak with a police officer so they may put your confidential information on file. This may be helpful in the future in case you have a medical emergency. This way, we can assist you better and let paramedics know about your condition without delay.

While on campus in any of our buildings, you may use any house phone to reach the Department of Public Safety. We are a police department

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Please do not hesitate to ask any officer questions. Directions are one of the most frequent requests that we receive however; we can assist you in many other ways. We provide jump starts and vehicle unlocks free upon request, as well as escorting you to your vehicle if you feel the need. Once again, welcome back and have a safe year.

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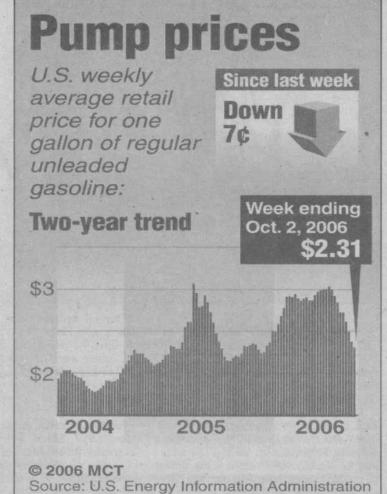
5. He and his Canadian partner have competed in figure skating, winning 20 medals in seven tournaments from 2000-2006. After his partner was naturalized as an American citizen they went on to win the Silver medal at the 2006 Winter Olympics in figure skating. He was born in our own backyard—Chicago.

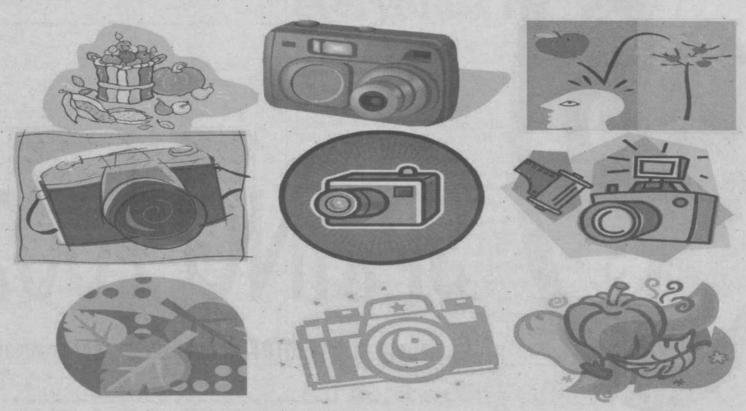
Science and Civil Rights

- 1. Not only does she have her doctorate, three patents, two graduations as valedictorian, and a job as Chief of Intelligent Systems Technology, she happens to be the first Hispanic woman to become an astronaut. She has logged 978 hours in space on four different flights. There is a Learning Center named after this distinguished scientist.
- 2. This man is known for a wide variety of scientific work, particularly for his Nobel Prize in Physics on research that led to the creation of particle accelerators. He was a participant in the Manhattan Project—he and a student designed detonators for the Trinity and Nagasaki bombs. He worked with radar and aviation, and even contributed a jet-recoil theory that explained why JFK's head snapped back even though he was shot from

behind, which pointed the finger at Lee Harvey Oswald.

- 3. A chemistry professor at our very own University of Illinois, he was recently named a 2005 MacArthur fellow, otherwise known as the "genius grant". He works with electrons and quantum chemistry, and his research interests are in theoretical chemistry, emphasizing electronic structure and molecular dynamics.
- 4. She is a civil rights activist that has been arrested 22 times for civil disobedience and the organization of strikes in her support for interests that range from farmer's rights to feminist causes. She is considered to be the female counterpart to Cesar Chavez. A mother of 11, she has opened up the California driver's examination to Spanish-speaking people, she has increased aid to children of farming families, and received an honorary doctorate from Princeton.
- 5. Featured in the book and movie Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas, this man's real life was centered in the "Brown Power Movement" in the 60's and 70's. He met Hunter S. Thompson and helped to bring attention to the murder of journalist Ruben Salazar. He ran for sheriff of Los Angeles and garnered 100,000 votes, although he lost. As an attorney, he defended Chicano activists, and faced opposition from the US government, who considered some of his clients to be more militant than the Black Panthers. He disappeared mysteriously in 1974.





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Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 51. North northeast wind between 9 and 15 mph.

Thursday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 70. North northeast wind around 9 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 50.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 73.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 53.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 78.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 57.

Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 77.

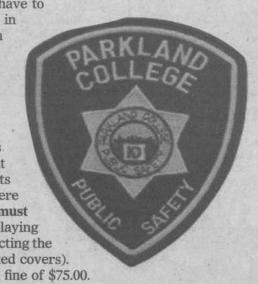
**Sunday Night:** A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 53.

Columbus Day: Partly cloudy, with a high near 70.

# Did you know that safety is everyone's business?

Recently I was asked if both license plates have to be displayed on cars and trucks registered in the state of Illinois. The answer is yes. Often I will see vanity plates or no plate at all displayed on the front of the vehicle; however, this is a violation of the Illinois Vehicle Code (or vehicle and traffic laws). The law clearly states that plates will be attached to the vehicle "one in the front and one in the rear". Additionally, the Illinois Vehicle Code states that no one shall operate a motor vehicle that is improperly registered or not displaying its registration plates. This means that if you were issued two plates for your vehicle then you must display both of them. Part of properly displaying you plate's means that there is nothing obstructing the view of the plates (i.e. personal stickers, tinted covers). Any violation of these laws could result in a fine of \$75.00.

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A College Girl Named Joe



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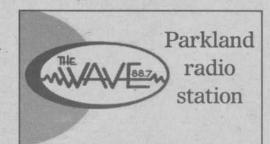
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week-During the end of September 23 through September 25, the "I" Building at 1816 South Oak Street, Champaign, was burglarized. In this building, a safe was broken into, along with a cash drawer.

Over the past several

locations have had safes broken into and money stolen. These locations include 1700 South Fourth Street, Champaign, Inter-

CRIME STOP PERS

national Studies at 910 South Fifth Street, Champaign, and the Ceramics Building at 105 South Goodwin, Urbana.

University of Illinois Police investigators are

requesting any information you may have about these crimes. If you have any informajon, please call CrimeStoppers at 373-TIPS. The information you

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#### Chili and Beer and Fire Starter IV

#### Our Sports Guy goes hunting for real sport in Urbana

By ERIK PHEIFER Prospectus Staff Writer

Fourteen different kinds of chili and nearly 200 different kinds of beer from all over the world—a combination that sounds like indigestion to many— were involved in contributing to a funfilled afternoon for the hundreds of people in attendance at the 5th annual International Beer Tasting and Chili Cook-Off in Urbana last Saturday September 30th

The event, which is cosponsored by the Urbana Business Association and Jay Goldberg Events and Entertainment, was again a hit with the number of participants and attendees increasing over last year's event. The masses that showed up were encouraged to sample many different types of chili and beer. Area restaurants and individuals cooked up their own specialty chili in the hope of being judged the Chili Cook-Off Champion.

In order to determine the Chili Cook-Off Champion, a handful of judges were assembled.



Chili and Beer festivities.

Leah Zimmerman/Prospectus

These judges were given the different chili in seclusion without knowing which team's chili they were trying in order to prevent bias. Team Frerichs was awarded first place. Ingredients that were used to make

the winning chili included the following: beef chuck, beef broth, tomatoes, tomato juice, onions, green peppers, garlic, cocoa, lemon juice, sugar, salt, beans, cumin, allspice, oregano, cinnamon, red peppers, chili powder, cilantro, water, and olive oil. Matt & Todd's Chili was awarded second place while Fire Starter IV was awarded third place.

In addition to the main attraction of chili and beer tasting, some brave souls participated a chili eating contest and a red hot chili pepper eating contest. Musical entertainment for the event was provided by WGKC in the form of classic rock. There was even a people's choice award where everyone could vote for their favorite chili.

My favorite chili was Fire Starter IV. It was extremely flavorful and was by far the spiciest one I sampled. This is probably the reason it didn't do better with the judges because the spiciness may have turned them off. When talking to the cook of Fire Starter IV, he said he used all home grown vegetables along with habanera peppers, which are the hottest kind of chili peppers. His chili recipe is original, and he only makes it for his own consumption and for



The Frerichs family are the 1st place winners of the Chili Cook-Off.

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the chili cook-off.

The idea for the chili cookoff and beer tasting event came from a similar event that has been successful in Peoria over the years. It has also gained continuing support here in the Champaign-Urbana area as it has grown every year since its inception. Its popularity was evident this year as people that tried to get into the event when it started had to wait in line for

a half hour. Further, over 200 volunteers were used in order to help the event run

smoothly.

Overall I have to say the event was a very well organized, and it was definitely a good time. Anyone who likes chili, beer, or both should attend this event next year. My only gripe for the evening was that the chili started running out after a couple of hours. I know it's hard to make enough chili, but you had to be there early to try all the different kinds of chili.

Other than that, I couldn't ask for anything more and can't wait to

go back next year.

## Illini Hockey season opens

#### ■ Oakland swept, jeered at, sent home

By AARON GEIGER
Prospectus Editor

It's not easy being anybody wearing a color other than orange, especially if you're on the ice rink. Subjected to jeers,

razzes, and the 'Harassing Illini', Oakland University demonstrated frustration with the crowd. Actually, they looked frustrated in general. Blame falls quickly upon the opposing goaltender (chants and finger-pointing of, "It's all your fault") when he lets in a shot. "Hey, you suck!" is quickly sung right after the blaming. Don't fall down, lest the

Harassing Illini scream into megaphones, "Hey, we play on ice out here!" More colorful 'cheers' can be heard, but not repeated in a public newspaper. It's the nature of Illini hockey. And it's cheap fun.

In front of a sizeable Friday crowd, the Illini men's hockey team treated fans to a comfortable win 7–2. By the end of the



The Illini hockey team celebrates their win.

Aaron Geiger/Prospectus

first period alone, U of I had charged a 3-0 lead and never looked back. At 10:41, Texan Jason Nemeth scored on a power play. Jordan Pringle followed suit at 17:31 with a great sweeping pass by freshman Matt Jen-

nings. Johnny Liang would take advantage of another power play with two seconds left in the period.

> In the ond period, Oakland attempted to take advantage of a power play, and overextended deep in Illini territory. Wadsworth, IL, junior Drew Heredia took a Ricky Gomez pass and chopped a shorthanded goal into the net at 6:09. Just four minutes later, Jason Nemeth blasted a zinger from the top of the slot. Oak-

land pulled their goalie, Colin Chase, to a house full of goodbye waves and jeers, and replaced him with Jim Sardelli. A pair of Oakland Grizzly power plays in the first half of the third period brought them



Mike Lyon updates the scorecard while the Zamboni tidies up. The Illini won 7–2 in their season opener against Oakland University.

Aaron Geiger/Prospectus

to 5-2, but freshman Matt Jennings sealed the victory with a pair of goals with the grace of great team passing.

The Illini won on Saturday, 6– 3, completing their warm-up. The hockey team begins their

regular CSCHL séason against the Billikens of St. Louis University October 6-They return home for two weeks of home games ber 13-14, 20-21 against the University of Central Oklahoma and Liberty University, respectively. The hockey season runs both semesters, culminating in the ACHA Nationals in March. The game roster, in league play, fea-

tures some tougher opponents from Eastern and Western Michigan, Kent State, and Iowa State University.