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## Parkland Theater Does It Again ■ To Kill A Mockingbird draws raves, diverse crowd

By KATHLEEN SERINO  
*Prospectus Staff Writer*

It was a full house at Parkland Theater's opening night of Harper Lee's *To Kill A Mockingbird*, directed by Randi Collins-Hard. In a matter of four short weeks, the cast, crew and staff have pulled off yet another theatrical delight. This production takes place in the small, fictitious town of Maycomb, Alabama in the 1930s.

Lee's novel holds a steady theme of loss of innocence. Siblings Scout and Jem Finch (played by youngsters Dominique Allen and Dante Caruso) grow up properly despite all of the racism and other hardships they are exposed to. Hard does an excellent job depicting this coming-of-age story. She also considered autumn an appropriate time to direct Christopher Sergel's stage adaptation.

"We always choose plays with a high degree of excellence. I wanted to direct it and it seemed like a good choice to balance our season," Hard said.

The seasoned director talked of many personal reasons why people

auditioned, which also inspired Hard to direct this American classic.

"There were people dedicating their performance to loved ones who died. One actor encouraged African American youngsters to see her perform," in hopes of inspiring them, she said. Hard recognized how special the cast truly was and said, "The high point for me was really getting to know everyone."

Hard was creative in her stage setting, utilizing simple details to remain throughout the acts. The first act takes place outside on the porches of the Finch's street, which turns it into an unadorned courthouse for the second and final act. Even the large oak tree with the knothole filled with treasures for the children from Boo Radley stands majestically in the background throughout. The dilapidated Radley house is obviously identifiable. Hard said that all of the designers did an excellent job realizing the set, lighting, and costumes.

An older crowd outnumbered the rest of the audience, but many students (college, high, and grade school alike) clustered throughout the assembly and expressed their excitement for the play.

"It's gonna be pretty awesome," said 14-year-old Brenna Pfeifer from St. Joseph's High School, who is excited to see her first Parkland Theater production.

Some of Pfeifer's friends, including

Dante Caruso (who plays Jem Finch) are performing.

"I have pretty high expectations," she said.

Donna and Chuck McLaughlin from Champaign have never read TKAM, but have been to several Parkland College Theater productions in the past.

"The theater itself is very nice. There's no such thing as a bad seat," Chuck explained.

Donna mentioned the 1962 film directed by Robert Mulligan. "I remember the old black and white one with Gregory Peck," she said with a smile.

The ladies of the Red Hat Society—"Hot Flash Mama" chapter—also recall the film starring Peck, and frequent the theater like the McLaughlins. Sheryle Carpenter, one of the Society members, said her chapter usually goes out to dinner before seeing a Parkland Theater production.

"It's one of our favorite things to do as a group," she said.

Nineteen-year-old Parkland student Gavin McNeely came to watch the performance of his business professor, Kelly Barbour-Conerty, who played narrator and neighbor Maudine Atkinson.

"The cast was mesmerizing with their energy. Especially Mrs. Barbour-Conerty with the way she captivated the audience with her narration," he

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# CHUCK SHEPHERD'S NEWS OF THE WEIRD

By CHUCK SHEPHERD

Lead Story

Ralph Whittington, 57, retired in 2000 as curator of the main reading room at the Library of Congress, but was better known as the "King of Porn" for his private collection that he recently sold (500 boxes' worth) to the Museum of Sex in New York City.

Whittington's home (which he shares with his mother, after his wife left him) was, before the sale, "packed to the rafters," said the museum's buyer to *The Washington Post* in August. "Downstairs, you had to walk sideways to get through the rooms." Said Mom, "It's something he loves. You see men his age going to bars or on dope. But he (was) home day and night (indexing and cross-referencing). That (gave) me peace of mind."

### Awesome!

Ferruccio Pilenga recently turned out another class of graduates at his Italian Dog Rescue School, which he says is the only one in the world that trains canines (mostly Newfoundlands, with some Labradors) to jump out of helicopters into rough waters for rescues at sea. Pilenga told London's *Independent* in August that it takes about three (human) years to teach them, and that they are of the most use in treacherous waters near rocks, where a rescue boat would be shredded, but his dogs, on long leashes, can fight through flailing arms and get the victim to hold on while the dog is dragged to the rescue vessel.

### Compelling Explanations

(1) Stephen Peterson, 42, went back to court in Sydney, Australia, in August to challenge the "not guilty/insanity" decision against him nearly 10 years ago, claiming that he should have been allowed to call as defense witnesses certain "higher beings" who had ordered him to bash the victim. Those entities included the "sun god," Space dust, and the "plasma being," Kadec. The court turned him down. (2) British physician Stuart Brown, 37, was sentenced in August only to a small fine after a conviction for brutally beating his wife. Brown had explained the fight by saying that a "red

mist" had descended on the room, causing him to lose control.

•Not Our Fault: Dennis and Betty Hager filed a lawsuit in Wilmington, N.C., in July against the school system for causing them emotional pain and suffering by not stopping the love affair between their 16-year-old daughter and the school's married, 40-year-old track coach. However, the Hagers have already signed a form (to satisfy state law) to allow the daughter to marry the coach.

•Helene de Gier filed a lawsuit earlier this year against the National Postcode Lottery of the Netherlands, claiming emotional distress from not winning, even though she never entered. That particular lottery picks a geographic postal code at random and awards prizes to all of its residents who have entered that lottery. Since so many of her neighbors were flaunting prizes, she felt particularly humiliated, she says. (Seven people on her street won the equivalent of about \$18 million each, according to a June Associated Press dispatch.)

### Latest Human Rights

•"Zero Tolerance" Is Just for the Kids: (1) One Alabama teacher, already fired but awaiting trial on a charge of raping a student, has not only received his regular paychecks for nearly two years, and will continue to until the trial is over, but has also been awarded two routine raises, based on a 2004 state law boosting teachers' rights (according to an August Associated Press review of records). (2) The largest school district in Montreal, Quebec, was ordered by an arbitrator to rehire a teacher whom it had fired in 2004 for illegally failing to disclose a conviction for killing his wife. The arbitrator ruled the firing improper, in that homicide is unrelated to the teacher's classroom work.

•It's Good to Be a British Prisoner (cont.): Britain's chief inspector of prisons, Anne Owers, included in a recent inspection report of facilities her advice that prison wardens try to improve respect for inmates by having guards address prisoners by their preferred names and knock on cell doors before entering. A guards' association spokesman said the suggestion lacked even a "mod-

icum" of sense.

### Fine Points of the Law

•Louisiana prosecutors want the death penalty in the first trial for accused serial killer Sean Gillis, but to get that for an individual murder, state law requires an "aggravating circumstance" beyond the murder, such as kidnapping or robbery. At an August hearing, a prosecutor said Gillis had actually "robbed" his first victim, in that he had absconded with one of her arms and part of a leg. Gillis' lawyer argued that that was not "robbery," in that those parts were merely "left over" from the homicide.

•In Abbotsford, Wis., in August, Harvey Miller, 43, and Edwin Marzinske, 55, were both ticketed for DUI while driving the same car. Miller has no legs but was steering; Marzinske was operating the foot pedals. Hence, both men argued to police that neither of them was, by himself, "operating" the car.

### Creme de la Weird

Fetishes on Parade: A 50-year-old man was detained by police in August after complaints at Disneyland near Paris. Witnesses said the man had sprinkled itching powder on young children so that he could video-record them scratching themselves. And in September, Norman Hutchins, 56, was again jailed after incidents at England's Bradford Royal Infirmary, where he faked an illness to gain entrance so that he could steal equipment for his sexual gratification. Police records showed Hutchins as obsessed, since 1970, with oxygen masks, gowns and syringes, among other items.

### Least Competent Criminals

According to the Internet security firm CardCops Inc., online credit-card hacking brokers appear to have stolen the identity of a "Herman Munster," whose "personal data" appeared in chat rooms frequented by such thieves. CardCops told reporters in June that in all likelihood, an international hacker, preparing a list of accounts to sell to identity thieves, and unfamiliar with the 1960s TV show "The Munsters," probably fell for a bogus MasterCard application under Herman's name

and TV address, 1313 Mocking Bird Lane.

### No Longer Weird

•Adding to the list of stories that were formerly weird but which now occur with such frequency that they must be retired from circulation: (83) The frustrated taxpayer who thinks he's punishing the government if he makes his large payment in only small change, such as Cary Malchow, who paid off his property tax bill in Muncie, Ind., in August by making employees count \$12,656.07 in coins and \$1 bills. And (84) blood-alcohol testing machines that show, with alarming frequency, death-defying results of around .40 and higher, even though each instance is reported in the press (based on "medical texts") as nearly lethal, such as cases two months apart this year in Washington, in which Deana Jarrett, 54, scored .47, and Rebecca Lingbloom, 45, registered .50. (Neither died or even became seriously ill.)

•The category of stories of people keeping deceased relatives' bodies around, based either on fear of losing the relationships or a psychotic belief that the deceased will regenerate (or sometimes, to conceal the death so that government checks keep coming), has been retired. But that was before this: A funeral parlor in London told *The Times* in September that it was finally time to bury Annie Lamas, who died 10 years ago but whose body has been kept in the parlor's cold storage unit by her two adult daughters, who visit almost weekly to chat with her and touch her up. Elder daughter Josephine, 59, was said to make sure Mom's lipstick is fresh (on a body that has wasted to the point of leathery skin stretched over bones) and place fresh padding on her stomach cavity.

(Visit Chuck Shepherd daily at <http://NewsoftheWeird.blogspot.com> or [www.NewsoftheWeird.com](http://www.NewsoftheWeird.com). Send your Weird News to [WeirdNewsTips@yahoo.com](mailto:WeirdNewsTips@yahoo.com) or P.O. Box 18737, Tampa, FL 33679.)

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## Boil order crisis has left Parkland to simmer down

By **BRIANNA STODDEN**  
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Thursday, September 20 started out like any other day at Parkland College. The students waited in droves outside classrooms, listening to iPods, skimming textbooks with last minute studying, sipping coffee with red eyes from a late night of fraternizing with friends. Then at 11:42am Public Safety Chief Von Young received a phone call from the Department of Public Health informing him the college was under a boil order that took effect at 10:30am. Young was instructed to restrict access to all drinking water as well as hand-washing immediately.

"I was in the computer lab when it happened and when the cop came in I thought someone was killed—he said 'we need everyone to leave the building now' and I didn't know what was going on," said Parkland College student Jayme Deschaaf.

Omar Adwai—a teacher of math and physics, and the tutor coordinator for the Center for Academic Success—was in his office when students from other wings came in and informed them of the contaminated water situation.

"The intercoms don't work out here so we were actually informed by other students coming in from other wings," Adwai said.

After a confirmation from an officer on staff Adwai told the other students in the room that the college was going to be closed and the water was going to be shut off.

"Public safety, faculty, and staff all did a nice job because they were in the hallways directing students to the doors and I thought everything worked very smoothly. I did hear that the roads were congested because it's rare to have a time when all the students are leaving at the same time, but as far as I know there weren't any

accidents," he said.

An email from Tom Ramage, Interim President of Parkland College, stated, "We were told that the absolute earliest time that water service would be restored 10:30pm on Friday, September 21, 2007."

A decision was made to close the campus until Monday. The Crisis Management team as well as the public safety department began to seal restrooms and drinking fountains. Ramage then met with the Illinois American Water Company officials to determine the cause of the emergency. He found that the contamination only affected the S-Building of Parkland as well as several residences on Duncan and Bradley Avenues, but that fact was not included in the inter-agency communication.

"When we have children in our Child Development Center and the number of students, faculty, and staff on this campus as we do, this becomes a serious issue. Given the message

we received from the department of public health, we had no choice but to close the campus," wrote Ramage.

After being assured by the Illinois American Water Company that Parkland's water was safe, announcements were made that classes were to continue as previously scheduled, however not all students and faculty received the message beginning the next day, which added a source of confusion among students and faculty.

Some students admitted to ignoring the follow up announcements regarding Parkland being open on Friday instead of the previous announcement stating not to come back until Monday. That wasn't true for Lucas Lange who arrived at class the following day three minutes late and received a mark of absence even though several students weren't in attendance.

"I'll argue that in the future if I have to," said Lange.

One student considered it a

"snow day" and felt Parkland should mean what they say and keep their promises. Student Chris Fogerson commented, "Parkland needs to do a better job of keeping the students informed about what's going on in campus rather than keeping so much internal." Deschaaf feels that Parkland, "took the necessary steps but they could have been a little more calm about it."

Life at Parkland since the boil order evacuation has returned to normal. Ramage stated in a News Gazette article by Anne Cook that, "he regards Thursday's incident as good practice for a real emergency and was happy to see the evacuation plan work so well."

Students, although inconvenienced by traffic jams, were glad to have a day off and now that Parkland has simmered down from the boil order chaos it's back to exams, deadlines, essays, and basically life as member of Parkland.

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said. "Two thumbs up."

Eleven-year-old Dominique Allen received a standing ovation along with Caruso, Nicholas Jukes, who played their little friend, Dill, and David Morgan, who played Atticus Finch. Hard

was elated after the show.

"The kids were super from the beginning. They're like sponges. They take direction so well and take in everything around them," Hard said.

After the show, the McLaughlins remarked on how excellent the acting has been. "That little girl [Allen] was just amazing," Donna stated.

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## Student Life Presents: Parkland has a fraternity!

By **BETH VOIGT**  
*Prospectus Staff Writer*

Before you stop reading in disbelief, you should know that it's not your average fraternity. While you must pledge, there is never any hazing. It's called a fraternity, but women are welcome to join. They know how to have a good time, but there's no frat house. So...where's the fraternity?

"We've been on campus for about a year, but in terms of the longevity of chapters, we're still a very new group," said Justin Martin, alumni sponsor for Alpha Phi Omega at Parkland.

Membership in the Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity is open to any registered student at Parkland. Women have been welcomed into chapters since the seventies, but were getting involved (either by association with a chapter or by surreptitiously pledging under a masculine version of their own name) long before they were officially recognized as members.

Nada Youssef, still in her first semester here at Parkland, said she joined Alpha Phi Omega because "you get to volunteer and meet new people." But what convinced her to come to that first meeting?

"Actually, he did," she said, pointing to Martin. "He handed me a brochure and said, 'Come, it's really diverse,' and here I am."

Not yet an official chapter, the "interested group" at Park-

land will soon be petitioning to become a recognized chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. A very student-driven organization, the members are involved in every part of the business of the fraternity, from officer elections to the institution of bylaws and fraternity rituals.

As a petitioning chapter, today's members will have a unique opportunity to help found a chapter within a fraternity that has been around since 1925. Founded on the principles and ideals of the Scouting movement, the fraternity's focus is on Leadership, Friendship, and Service.

The fraternity's leadership development program, APO Leads, is a five-module course full of the kinds of things that real-world employers are looking for in new hires. The leadership training is free to Alpha Phi Omega members, and can be of great benefit to both transfer students and those in career programs looking to jump right into their field of choice.

"It's hard to really measure the benefits," said Martin. "You get to give back to the community with people like you. We believe that anyone can serve."

"I've gotten to meet people and do things that I would have never gotten the opportunity to do," Martin added. "And if you decide to transfer (to another chapter, such as at the University of Illinois), it's like having 40 friends you didn't know were there, ready to accept you based on your experience here."

"If you think about the kind of person who is willing to get up at seven on Saturday morning after partying all night for someone they don't know, you think about how far they would go for someone who is their friend," said Nell Keith, grad student and member of the University of Illinois chapter, Alpha Phi Omega. "Those are the kind of really caring people you meet in (Alpha Phi Omega)."

While the fraternity does select its members from a group of pledge candidates, there is a strict anti-hazing policy. The pledging process is about preparing candidates for active membership and give them a chance to "try out" Alpha Phi Omega.

The fraternity is more about volunteerism and service than your typical fraternity. Alpha Phi Omega also gives its members more of an opportunity to develop real friendships rather than simply shoving a forced camaraderie down its members' throats.

"Other organizations do service, and there are social fraternities, but no one and no organization does these things the way Alpha Phi Omega does," noted an Alpha Phi Omega brochure. "We use the concepts of fraternalism as a means of providing service to others while developing close bonds of friendship among ourselves."

The group has two campus advisors here at Parkland—Sue Schreiber and Derek Dallas—and two alumni sponsors.

Ben Johnson is a member of the Alpha Phi Omega chapter at the University of Illinois, and Martin is a Parkland student who has also been involved with Alpha Phi Omega chapters at the U of I and Eastern Illinois University.

Nationally, Alpha Phi Omega has an extensive history. The fraternity was founded in 1925 at Lafayette College in Pennsylvania, and over 350,000 have pledged membership in the decades since its founding. There are over 360 Alpha Phi Omega chapters throughout the United States, with over 14,000 active members. Illinois has 17 chapters and will be hosting a regional conference at Northern Illinois University in October with chapters from Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan in attendance.

Closer to home, the group at Parkland hopes to follow the fraternity's precepts of service to the nation, service to the community, service to the campus, and service to the fraternity. Most recently, members helped out with the Cub Scout Fun Day on September 23, and the Urbana Park District's cleanup of Busey Woods. On October 14, they will be helping out at the Chautauqua festival at Crystal Lake Park.

Martin mentioned that the group is hoping to volunteer at the Champaign County Humane Society and adopt a local park or highway for a cleanup program. Alpha Phi Omega also works with local Boy and Girl Scout troops, as well as projects



in cooperation with the chapter at the University of Illinois.

The Parkland group hopes to get involved with National Service Week, November 4-10. The Alpha Phi Omega focus this year is "Lending a Helping Hand: Serving Individuals with Disabilities." They are still looking for ideas and volunteers, so be sure to contact them soon!

Finding out more about Alpha Phi Omega at Parkland is incredibly easy. There are meetings every Wednesday at both 11am and 6pm in room B 129. The group will also have an information table in the Welcome Center October 9-11, and informational meetings on October 16 in C 123 at 11am and noon; October 17 in B 129 at 11am and noon; and on October 18 at an as-yet-undetermined time and location.

Now is your chance to get in on the beginnings of a new chapter of a distinguished service fraternity with over 80 years of history behind it. Feel free to visit the national website at [www.apo.org](http://www.apo.org), or email Justin at [APOatParkland@gmail.com](mailto:APOatParkland@gmail.com) for more information about helping Parkland charter its very own chapter of the national service fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega.

## CAS: What it is and why you should care

By **SHANE SWEARINGEN**  
*Prospectus Staff Writer*

Academic success: for years it eluded you. You knew it was out there, because your high school guidance counselor would sometimes mention it between shiny-object-induced reveries, and you'd occasionally see bumper-stickers on cars (where you'd often look for clues about motorists' recreational interests, religious beliefs and political affiliations) that said things like, "Proud Parent Of An Honor Student"; "My Non-Honor Student Could Severely Impair Your Honor Student, With His Superior Strength And Volatile Temperament"; and, "With Fantastic Prolificacy Do I Engage In The Reproductive Act Of Coital Copulation With Your Honor Student." All of these (or something like them—real bumper-

stickers aren't as verbose or awkward as the last two) suggested at least a few people were achieving academic success, because that's what the Honors Society was about. Of course, you also conjectured that the Honors Society, along with all meaningful academic success, was only available to Freemasons, as you were reasonably confident they controlled everything in America. Fortunately for you, this particular conspiracy theory is probably unwarranted: we haven't even had a Mason in the White House for almost two decades (a Skull and Bones or two, sure...). But that still leaves you with the matter of actually finding academic success.

"I'm sure it's out there," you might say to yourself, "but I bet it's also decentralized. I'm not willing to go to more than one place to get the help I need, and I'm

not willing to go to even one place when it doesn't have everything I need. You know, out of principle."

Well, two years ago, you'd have been out of luck...but not anymore!

That's because last year, academic success at Parkland received its long-overdue centralization, with the establishment of the Center for Academic Success (room D120). The Center for Academic Success (CAS for short) is a composite of classic Parkland services like Peer Tutoring, the Writing Lab, ALS lab courses and Academic Development, but it's also *so much more*. According to CAS director Pam Lau's mission statement, the goal is to "empower students to reach their academic goals. That is to provide outside-of-classroom assistance so that a student can study effectively, handle assignments, prepare for tests,

and complete their programs."

So, if your history professor has a way of choosing random, obscure or ambiguous questions among the five that comprise his quizzes, or your English professor is a stickler for the dreaded M.L.A., the CAS could be your equalizer. But CAS could help you with even more than that.

"We offer a wide range of services besides tutoring," said CAS advocate Jan Thom.

"We also have instructors who teach students how to study more effectively and efficiently. In addition, we offer alternative ways of delivering instruction in certain classes so students don't have to repeat an entire course, just the parts that she or he wasn't successful in.

## Veterans face tough transition to college

By **BOBBY CAINA CALVAN**  
McClatchy Newspapers (MCT)

Cody Conway, a combat Marine in Iraq, envisioned a lifelong career in the military. If not, perhaps a return to civilian life as a mechanic.

Four years ago, the Roseville, Calif., enlisted man returned from war unexpectedly, his life and future shattered by a non-combat accident outside Baghdad that tore the muscles and tendons from his right arm and shoulder.

As a mechanic, he took things apart and put them neatly back together.

Repairing a shattered future hasn't been as easy.

"I want to move on with my life," Conway said Thursday between classes at Sierra College in Rocklin, Calif. "But I'm disabled, and I can't work. I've been a mechanic all my life. When I got back, I couldn't do that anymore."

For Conway and thousands of other war veterans, life after Iraq and Afghanistan has meant looking for new vocations and learning new skills as they struggle to put their lives back in order.

By the thousands, they are filling college classrooms across the country, but few campuses, veterans and their advocates say, are adequately prepared to respond to the surge.

Colleges are bracing for a huge surge of military enrollees, reminiscent of post-World War

II. More than 1.5 million Americans have served in Afghanistan or Iraq.

The college campus has become a new front line as vet-

of serving in an increasingly unpopular war.

"Let's face it, the majority of college campuses don't support the war, they don't support

Sierra College counts more than 200 Iraq war veterans attending classes, and school officials say more are on the way.

program.

Last year, the Department of Veterans Affairs, which administers the GI Bill, provided \$2.76 billion in education aid to 498,123 people.

But critics want the government to make key changes that would encourage more veterans to enroll. They want the government to pay benefits up front instead of requiring veterans to seek reimbursement for tuition after paying out of their own pockets.

"They were told that if they served their country, their schooling would be paid for. Then they are hit with reality," said Patrick Campbell, legislative director for Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, who is taking part in today's symposium.

"I'm looking forward to hearing stories from all these vets," Campbell said. "I want to hear the good and the bad."

Some of the stories will be about discouragement, said Kyle Williams, who served with the Marines in Iraq and was injured during a mortar attack in the volatile Anbar province.

"There's been a lot of frustration," he said. "There are so many things people don't understand. You come across these 18- and 19-year-old (college) kids who haven't experienced life outside their parents' home. All they want to know is if I killed anybody in Iraq."

"Why do you want to know? Why does it matter?" Williams asked.

"Don't you realize the severity of the question that you're asking?"

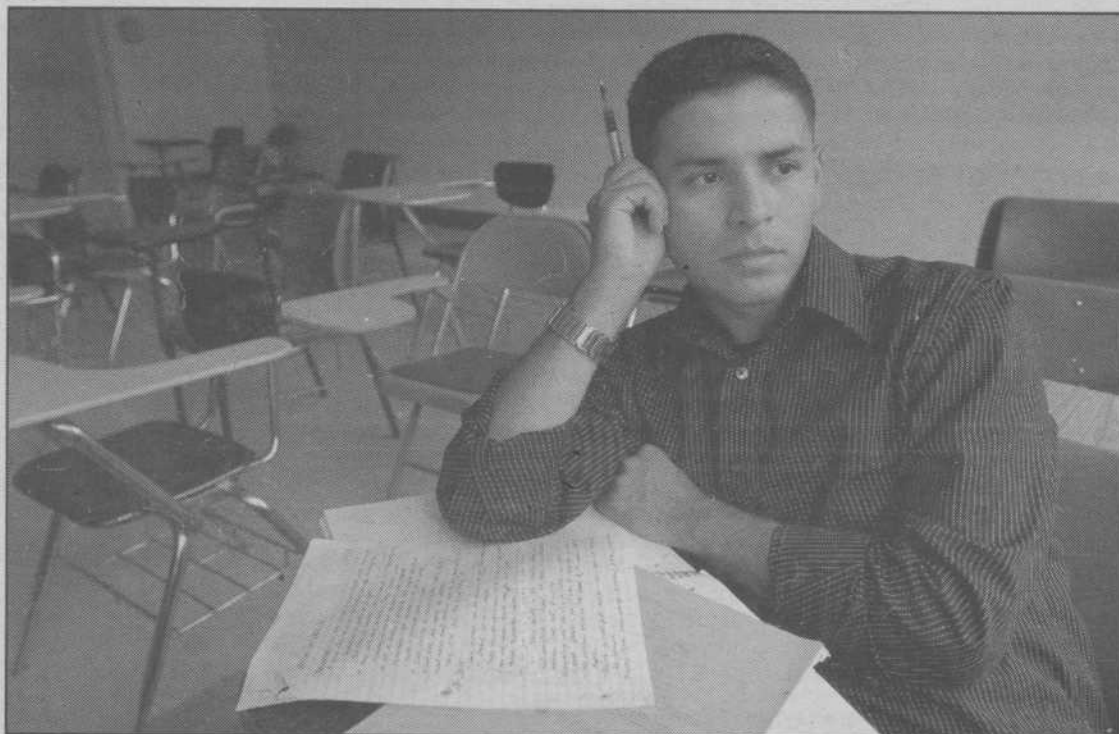
"They don't realize that we're trying to put all that behind us," said Williams, president of the Sierra College Veterans Club.

"I don't like to talk about it, and I don't want to talk about it."

Shad Meshad, the founder and president of the National Veterans Foundation, plans to tell veterans at the symposium to talk about their experiences.

"Don't hide, don't isolate yourselves," he said. "Go get counseling. Get involved."

"I don't want invisible soldiers," he said. "If they don't talk about their experiences, they become invisible."



Gabriel Medina, 23, currently a student of the University of California at Riverside, served two years on active duty as a Marine reservist which included a tour in Iraq.

Sang H. Park / KRT

erans of the country's latest wars battle the bureaucracy at home to get the educational benefits they were promised from the military and confront what some perceive as stigmas

what we're doing," said Conway, who wants to become a social worker. "It's a struggle," he said. "If I don't go to school, and learn something new, I won't have much else."

Many arrive on campus with the scars of war physical and psychological. While accustomed to the discipline of the military, they are unprepared for the rigors of academic life.

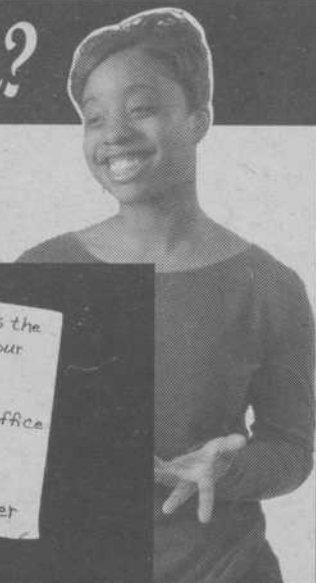
"We've heard some veterans tell us that they were more afraid to step onto a college campus than they were going to Iraq," said Bart Ruud, a Vietnam War veteran and a retired Sierra College counselor who volunteers at the campus.

"Regardless of how we feel about the war, our duty is to help every one of these students become successful," said Catherine Morris, a veteran of three branches of the military and a Sierra College counselor assigned specifically to assist the growing number of veterans on campus.

"They want to come back home and put the war behind them, but they find that it's not that simple" Morris said.

For veterans, few things are simple. Many have been surprised by the complexity of rules governing the GI Bill, the federal tuition reimbursement

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## Although they may not think so, students' insurance is vital

By **CLAUDIA BUCK**  
*McClatchy Newspapers (MCT)*

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—David Alvarez works 17 hours a week and pounds out plenty of essays for his full load of classes as an English major at California State University, Sacramento. But shopping for insurance hasn't been a big priority.

Car insurance? "Got it."

Health insurance? "I stay away from sharp objects."

Renter's insurance? "I thought about it, but I don't have enough stuff to make it worthwhile."

Judging from that checklist, the 26-year-old Alvarez manages risk much like other college students do—by playing the odds that disaster will strike someone else.

"An unforeseen illness could spell catastrophe for an uninsured college student and their family," said California Insurance Commissioner Steve Poizner, who recently urged college students and their parents to assess their insurance needs.

Because as everyone knows,

the craziest things happen in college. Just ask Yubrano "Yubi" Alvarez, spokesman at CSI Insurance Agency, Inc., a Georgia company that specializes in policies for college students.

"We've had claims for alcohol being spilled every which way, damaging property," said Alvarez (who's no relation to David). "We've had kids drop their cell phones in the toilet. We had a student who set his laptop down on the street and his roommate ran over it."

If you're looking for college-student coverage, here's a run-down of how to get started:

### Health insurance

Many family health care plans will cover a dependent child as long as they're enrolled in school or up to age 23. Check the details of your policy.

Of course, many college campuses have health clinics where students can drop in for routine care such as treating a sore throat or getting a tetanus shot.

Student fees typically cover this service.

But one late-night visit to an emergency room or a broken arm on the soccer field could land a student with a bill the size of next semester's tuition.

Students who aren't covered by a parent's plan can often purchase health insurance through their campus student services office.

### Auto insurance

First off, it's the law in many places. Uninsured motorists may face stiff financial penalties and, if involved in an accident, the risk of losing a license.

For parents with college student drivers, there are potential price breaks on auto insurance.

GEICO, for instance, will lower premiums if the student is attending school at least 100 miles from home and won't be driving a family vehicle. If the student comes home for less than 30 days—say, during winter holidays or summer break—he or she will still be covered.

Poizner also recommends that students ask about "good grades" discounts and "accident forgiveness" clauses that ensure premiums won't go up if a student gets into a minor accident.

### Protecting valuables

These days, it's not unusual to find dorm rooms stuffed with electronics, from the tiniest iPod to the biggest flat-screen TV.

Often, student belongings are covered under a parent's homeowner's or renter's policy, as long as the student lives on campus.

Allstate, for example, covers students living in campus housing—a dorm, sorority or fraternity house. When a student moves off campus, though, coverage drops to encompass just 10 percent of the policy's content coverage.

In recent years, a number of companies have begun offering low-cost "laptop" policies aimed at college students. They typically cover up to \$20,000 worth

of personal property—not only electronics, but bikes, sports gear, musical instruments and those pricey college textbooks.

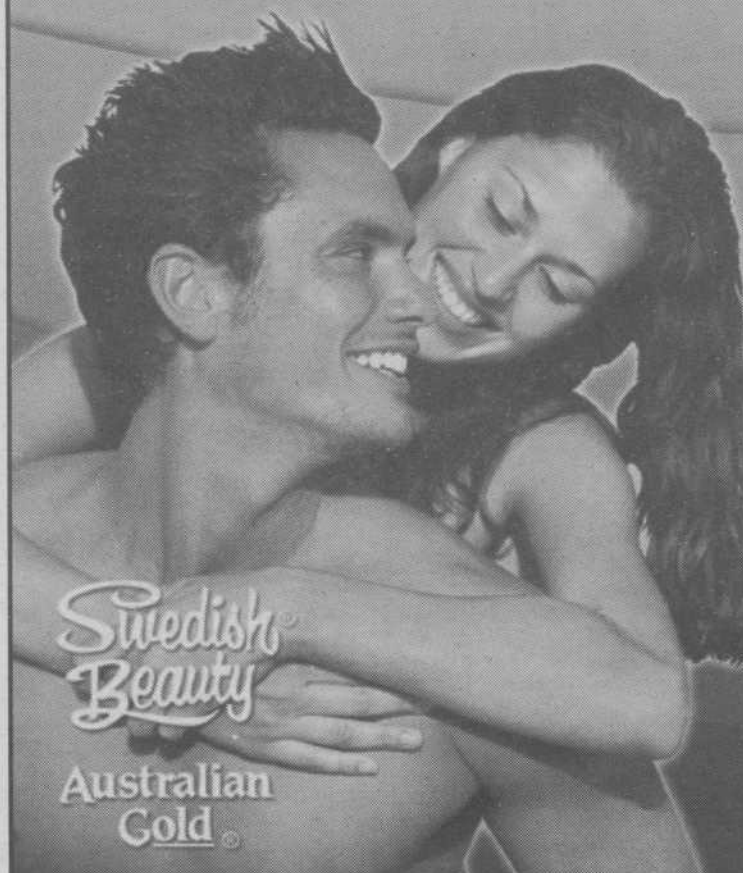
They also cover students studying abroad. Alvarez said his company recently paid out \$3,000 to a student in Paris who was mugged and had his backpack and suitcase stolen. Because the student had receipts for everything he'd purchased, Alvarez said he was fully reimbursed—even for bath soap.

College student policies also cover accidental damages, but all claims are limited to losses that have been reported to local police or campus security.

Unlike most homeowner policies, the premiums and deductibles are extremely low. At National Student Services Inc., for example, a 12-month policy providing \$6,000 of replacement cost coverage is \$147 a year, with a \$25 deductible.

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## Racism may contribute to black infant mortality rates

By **HALIMAH ABDULLAH**  
*McClatchy Newspapers (MCT)*

WASHINGTON—For decades, health experts have tried to determine why African-American babies are twice as likely to die as white infants.

A new series of studies from the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies' Health Policy Institute, along with a small but growing number of neonatologists nationwide, suggests that the stressful effects of racism play a role.

"That's the elephant in the room," said Michael Lu, an obstetrician-gynecologist and professor at the University of California at Los Angeles who studies disparities in infant health. "When we're study-

ing racial disparities, for decades people have looked at stress and infant mortality without looking at the reasons for the stress."

Black infant mortality is a complicated puzzle that includes poverty, poor nutrition, inadequate prenatal care, teen pregnancy, heredity, high blood pressure, stress, obesity, low birth weights and prematurity. However, some neonatologists and child health advocates have pushed for more research to get behind the social reasons why these factors seem to take a higher toll on African-American infants than they do on other babies.

For the 600 black women in Atlanta who participated in a related study on the effects of racial discrimination on

health, the reasons for their higher stress levels ranged from hearing white teachers comment on "those kids" to working extra long hours to win acceptance from white colleagues.

"The pregnancy scares the life out of me because I am pregnant with a baby boy, and I know how black boys are treated in this society," one study participant told researchers from Spelman College and Emory University in Atlanta.

In his research, Lu and his colleagues found that the disproportionately higher number of fast-food restaurants and liquor stores, lower number of grocery stores and the higher cost of fresh produce in many urban, predominately black communities caused poorer pregnant black women to make stressful choices about what to eat and where to live. So did the higher crime rates in these communities and worries about sending children to poorly equipped, understaffed schools.

Lu and other researchers see these factors as part of a trend of racial inequality that's stressful to some poorer black expectant mothers.

"We know that one of the leading causes of infant mortality among African-Americans is preterm birth," Lu said. "We know that stress is an important risk factor, and it initiates the release of stress hormones leading to preterm birth and increase susceptibility for infection. The question is, do we think racial discrimination and racism is stressful?"

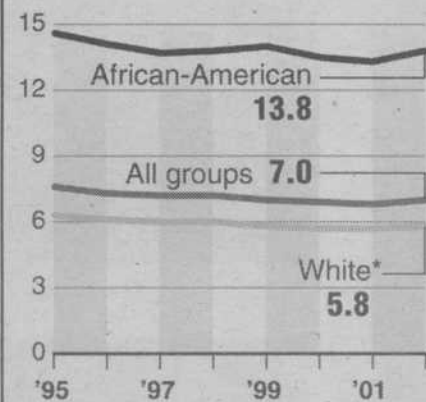
Over the past few years, several researchers have published studies in the *American Journal of Public Health* and the *New England Journal of Medicine* that examine this issue. The researchers found that whether rich or poor, well-educated or barely literate, African-American women were still more likely than white women, first-generation, poor Hispanic immigrant women and foreign-born black women to have premature and low birth-weight babies. In his research, Lu also found that when foreign-born black women had been in the United States for a generation they showed the same infant mortality rates as American-born black women.

"For many years, the operating theory in the health community has been that the high incidence of infant deaths among African-Americans is attributed to higher teen pregnancy rates, single motherhood, lower education levels, poverty and, most recently, genetic causes," said Ronald David, a physician, professor and co-author of the Joint Centers' recent research on infant mortality. "However, we found that infant mortality for blacks remained high even when all these factors were controlled."

Though the infant mortality rate for all races has decreased over the past two decades, the United States still has one of the highest rates among developed nations. In this country, the infant mortality rate for black babies is 13.5 per

### U.S. infant mortality

Rates for African-Americans are twice as high as those for all races and ethnic groups.



\*Non-Hispanic

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1,000 live births, compared with roughly 5.7 for whites and Hispanics, according to statistics from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The problem is especially acute in rural areas such as Mississippi's Delta region along U.S. 61, and urban centers such as Washington, D.C., and Memphis, Tenn.—which has a zip code where the infant mortality rate is higher than those of many Third World nations.

Organizations such as the Joint Center and the Black Women's Agenda, which focuses on issues of importance to African-American women, hope that additional research on the connection between racism and infant mortality might spark change. A PBS documentary, "Unnatural Causes: Is Inequality Making Us Sick," slated to air next year, explores the disparity in infant mortality and other ways in which racial and social inequality may affect health care.

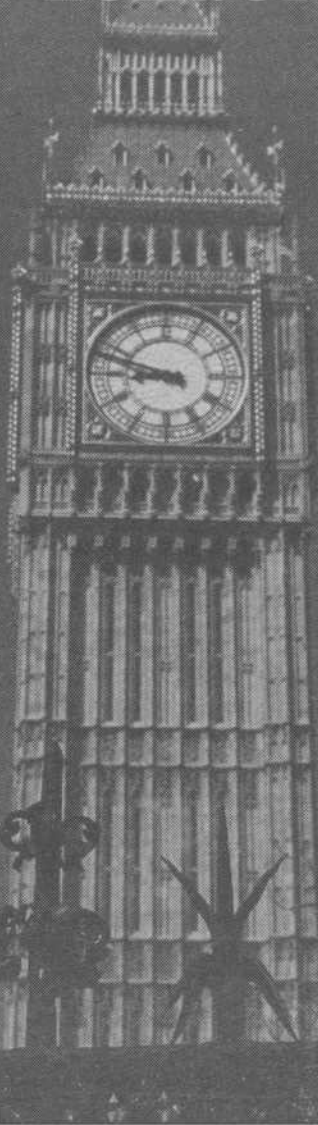
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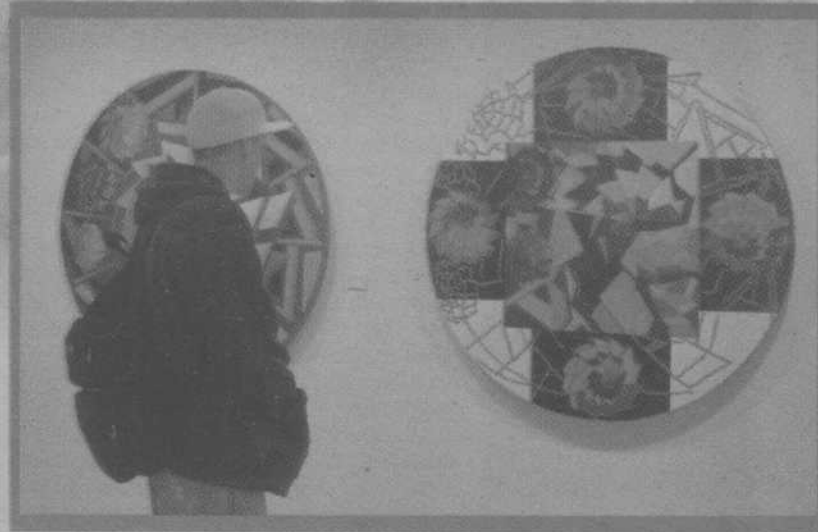
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<b>7</b> Day 2 of Golf DACC Invite at Danville	<b>8</b> The Great Chicago Fire was started by a caow on this day in 1871	<b>9</b> Women's soccer vs SWIC at 4pm	<b>10</b> Visit the Art Gallery, featuring "Trappings" 10/1-10/27	<b>11</b> Health Professions Application Overview free info session, 5-6:30pm, L244	<b>12</b> Staerkel Planetarium, shows at 7, 8, and 9:30pm	<b>13</b> Staerkel Planetarium, shows at 7, 8, and 9:30pm
<b>14</b> 1651: Laws are passed in Mass. forbidding poor people from adopting excessive styles of dress.	<b>15</b> The end of Hispanic Heritage Month	<b>16</b> Career Planning Seminar here at Parkland.	<b>17</b> Women's Volleyball team travels to the Wisconsin Dells Tournament	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Two Premiers, University @ 8:00 pm and A Night of Horror @ 8:30 pm	<b>20</b> Another Premier called "The Legacy of Sputnik" by Dr. Barbara Hug
<b>21</b> Business Etiquette Lunch Wednesday, October 10 11:00 AM Room X-115	<b>22</b> The Wellness Center will be in the college center from 11-1pm	<b>23</b> Kanye West car accident.	<b>24</b> Wellness Center and Human Resources will host a "Plant a Promise" event at 10 am	<b>25</b> Girls VB Nonconference Match Vincennes, IN 6pm	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Mars 3:00 PM (Dr. Lynn Carter)
<b>28</b> Bill Gates, American software executive	<b>29</b> Black Tuesday, Stock Market crashes triggers Great Depression	<b>30</b> 1970 Nia Long American actress	<b>31</b> Laughing Stock at 8pm, Halloween	<b>1</b> 1973 Aishwarya Rai Indian actress	<b>2</b> Girls Volleyball Regional Final 4 Danville, IL	<b>3</b> Girls Volleyball Regional Final 4 Danville, IL

## 'Into the Wild,' with Sean Penn's 'sad reflection'

### ■ Adaptation on Jon Krakauer novel widely anticipated

By STEVEN REA

The Philadelphia Inquirer (MCT)

TORONTO—It's not difficult to see why Sean Penn was drawn to the story of Chris McCandless. An idealistic college kid who embraced political and social causes with a passion—he'd buy cheeseburgers for the homeless and talked of joining the anti-apartheid movement in South Africa—McCandless embarked on an epic road trip.

After graduating with honors from Emory University in 1990, he walked away from his parents, his sister and his friends, donated his life savings to charity, and thumbed his way across America, ending up, in the summer of 1992, deep in the Alaskan interior. His was an odyssey of self-discovery, of Kerouacian encounters, of highs and lows, hardships and friendships.

And heartbreaking finality.

When Penn—an actor and director unafraid to put his views out there, whether about Katrina or Iraq—got hold of Jon Krakauer's book "Into the Wild," he was rocked to his core.

"From the time I read the book, shortly after it came out in '96, I knew I wanted to make this movie," he says, dressed in natty black and camped in a hotel room on the afternoon that "Into the Wild"—which stars Emile Hirsch as McCandless—premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival.

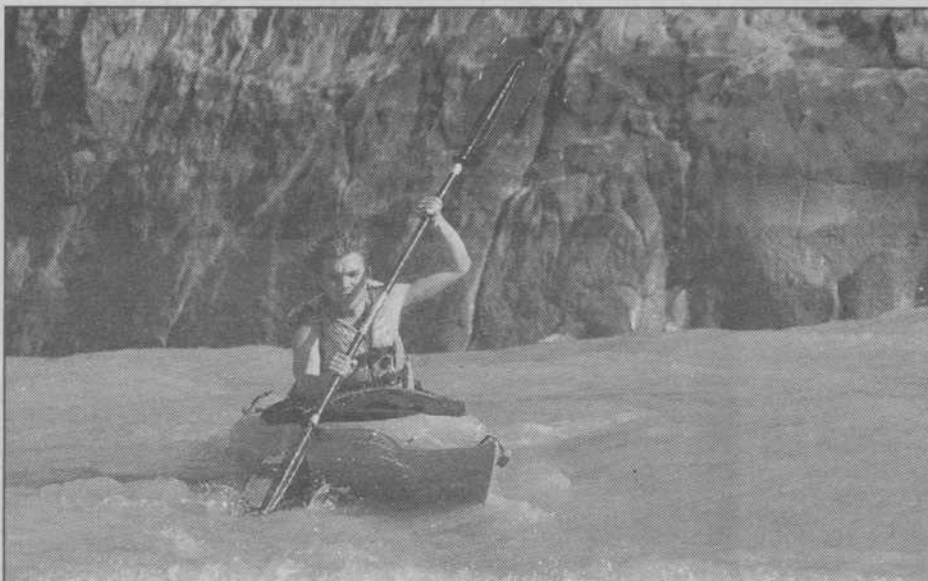
"I tried for a long time. It took a long time for the parents to feel comfortable with the idea of a movie being made," Penn says.

But over meetings with Krakauer, and Walter and Billie McCandless, Penn made his case, gaining the father and

mother's trust. Once he had their blessing, he set to work writing the screenplay—he didn't need to reread the book, he knew it that well. And then he set out on his own cross-country journey ("due diligence" he calls it), retracing McCandless' route—stopping at the same South

made into his home.

"There were moments of sad reflection along the way," Penn says. "I wanted him to be there so I could ask him something. But I've lived with this story and (with) my response to Jon Krakauer's book 10 years before I started this project, and I



Emile Hirsch stars as "Chris McCandless" in Paramount Vantage's adventure, "Into the Wild."

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Dakota farm, the same Oregon beach, talking with some of the same folks McCandless spent time with.

In the end, Penn found himself in the remotest precincts of the 49th state, having crossed three rivers, the Savage, the Sushana and the Teklanika, to arrive at the rusted bus that McCandless had

came to realize that I'd been writing it in my head the whole time. ...

"And the movie is the book to me. When you see the movie, that's what I read. In that sense, I was just a faithful adapter."

Faithful, and awe-inspiringly adept. "Into the Wild" is Penn's fourth feature as a director. From his 1991 debut, "The Indian Runner," to his most recent, 2001's "The Pledge" (with a spooky Jack Nicholson), Penn's movies are devastating little dramas with strong performances, dark emotions.

"Into the Wild" is something else: The canvas is bigger, the landscapes majestic, the cinematography by Eric Gautier extraordinary. Eddie Vedder provides a haunting song cycle. The supporting players—especially Hal Holbrook as a lonely old gent befriended by McCandless, and Catherine Keener as a flower child grown up and grown sad—are terrific.

And in Hirsch, a young Californian with tousled dark hair and a big smile, Penn found someone not unlike the cocky kid who played Jeff Spicoli in that early '80s teen classic, "Fast Times at Ridgemont High."

Namely, himself. "Yeah," Penn says. "If a director offered 'Into the Wild' to me and I was in my 20s, I would have certainly jumped at the chance."

Instead, Penn began a long "sizing up"

period with Hirsch, whom he had seen in the L.A. skateboarding movie "Lords of Dogtown." "I called him and said I'd like to start having some meetings with you. And I met him—I kept it very vague over about a four-month period—while I was assessing whether this 21-year-old was going to devote himself on the level that he had to ... coming to the conclusion that he had the talent as an actor.

"But did he have the will and the fortitude as a man? Of a boy-becoming-a-man? And I came to the conclusion that he did, a lucky conclusion at that."

Hirsch lost 41 pounds off his 156-pound frame in the production, notching his belt ever tighter as he portrayed McCandless in the snowbound taiga, hunting for food, eating roots and berries. The actor had to kayak down raging rapids and trek up desert hills loaded down with camping gear. There were no stunt doubles.

"Yeah, it was one of those experiences where the kid walks up to the edge of the diving board and peers over and it looks really high," says Hirsch, in a separate interview. "It's one of those things where you just have to jump, and hope that you aim your head into the water right."

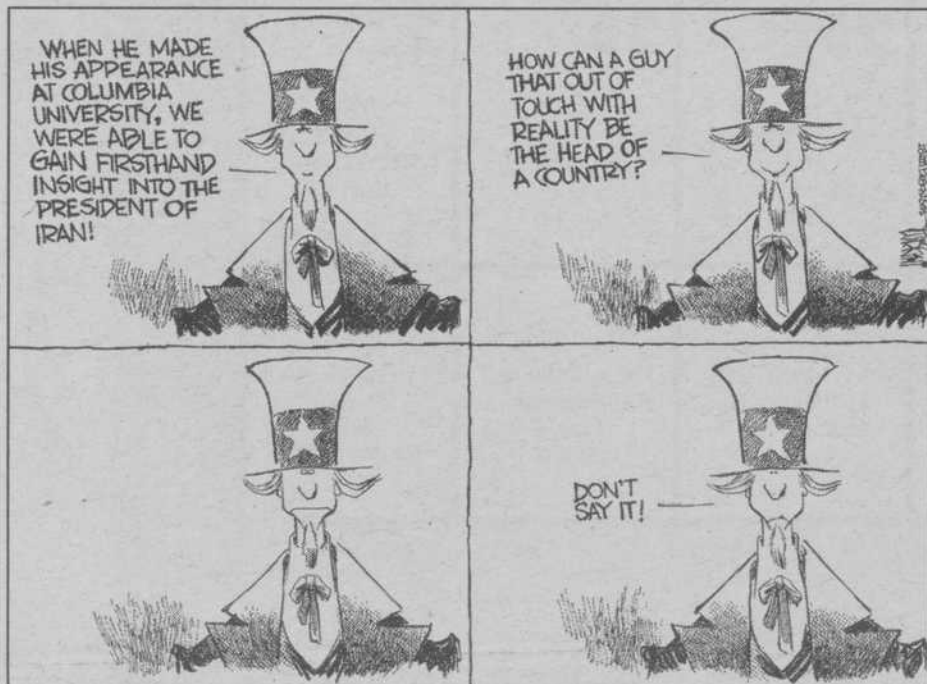
After Penn gave him the job, Hirsch started a training regimen: running, climbing, weights. He thought he was ready. And then, in May 2006, they started shooting.

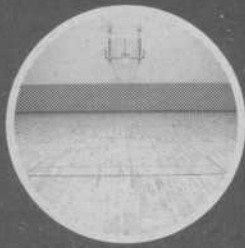
"One of the first days, Sean was absolutely relentless, having me climb up this hill," Hirsch recalls. "A crew guy tried to throw me some rope, and Sean was like, 'Don't throw him rope, you're trying to help him? Don't do that, no way!'"

"And the rope disappeared. I went, 'Ohhh, man.' That's when it dawned on me just how incredibly hard this was going to be.

"I had a conversation with a guy who had been in the Army," Hirsch continues. "I asked him about his experiences in boot camp, on the first couple of days, and he goes, 'Just look at it this way. You pushed it really far today and you're still here. Which means you can go even farther tomorrow. ... And as all the chaos is going on, keep your eye on one little thing, one little detail that you think is beautiful. ... And every so often you pick out that little thing, and that will be your peace.'"

"Into the Wild," destined for Oscar, is about a lot of things. It's about looking deep inside oneself, finding the quiet and the core. It's about rediscovering America, the roads far off the interstates. It's about making movies the way Terrence Malick and Francis Ford Coppola made them back in the 1970s. It's about fathers and sons, or surrogate fathers and sons. And it's about what defines a life, and defines a death.





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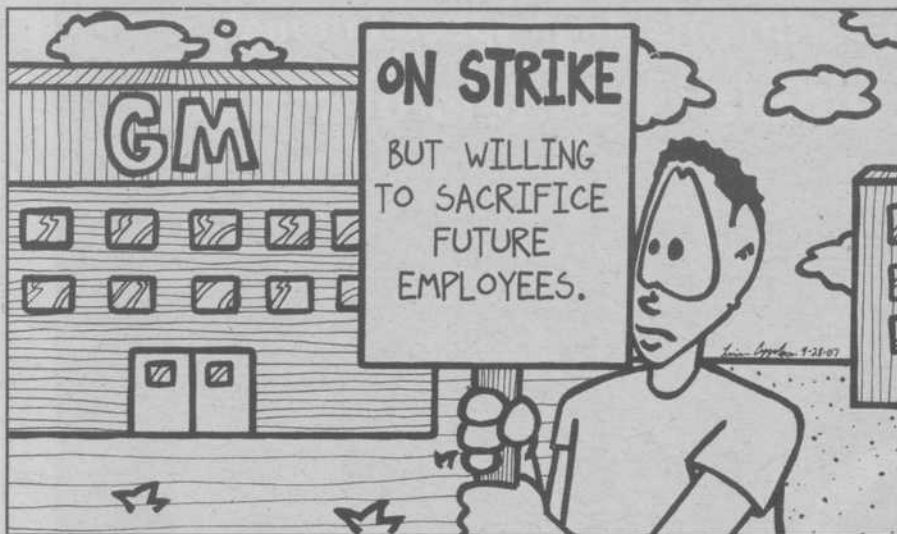
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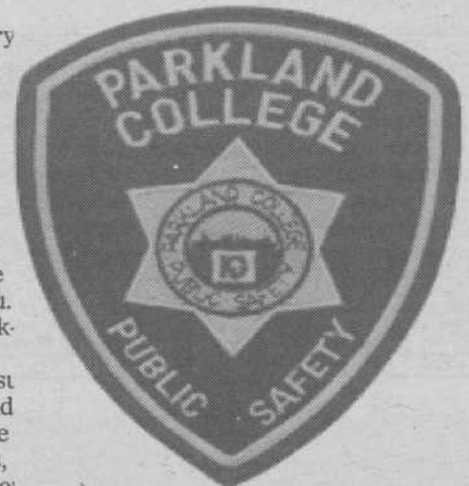
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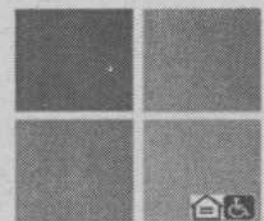
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- Tuesday:** Mostly cloudy, with a high near 65. With a chance of showers.
- Wednesday:** Partly cloudy, with a high near 70.

## CAS

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We're always looking for innovative ways to help students to be successful and to learn," Thom said.

And the CAS appears to be a smashing success: its inaugural year saw an estimated seventy-one percent increase in campus-wide academic assistance, an increase of around seven thousand tutoring/assisted learning sessions. What accounts for the

massive spike?

"I think it is largely due to the services all being offered in the same location," Thom said, supporting my theory about you.

This year, CAS is expected to eclipse last year's lofty total as more and more students get wind of its services, thanks to the good will it fostered last year, and tireless promotion, such as this snappy write-up in the Prospectus.

"I see many students working here almost daily," said Thom, "because they've seen that

the services we offer can help them to be successful in their classes."

So, if you haven't yet taken advantage of the many services CAS provides (listed below...or, depending on how this newspaper is edited, above and to the right)...what are you waiting for? Even if you're an A-student, there's a good chance you're not learning/ studying/working as effectively or efficiently as you could be. You could save yourself time—time you could use to watch "House."

## CrimeStoppers seeks assistance

This week, CrimeStoppers and the Urbana Police Department are seeking your assistance with solving a series of attempted vending machine burglaries that have occurred in Urbana.

During the time period of September 10-19, several attempts were made to break into Pepsi and Coca-Cola machines in Urbana. The locations include Auto Bath on East University, Ron's Truck and Auto and Meineke Muffler on

North Cunningham, and Blockbuster Video on East University. On each occasion, attempts were made to pry open the door locks. As a result

of these attempted burglaries, the machines were significantly damaged.

Urbana Police investigators are requesting any information you

may have about these crimes. If you have any information at all, please call CrimeStoppers at (217) 373-TIPS or (217) 373-8477. The information you provide is confidential. You do not have to give your name or appear in court. CrimeStoppers will pay a reward if the information you provide leads to an arrest for these crimes.

Cash rewards are also paid for information on other felony crimes or fugitives in the Champaign County area.



## Parkland's The Wave 88.7 Presents the Top 30 countdown

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|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 1 WEAKERTHANS<br><i>Reunion Tour</i>            | 16 PHOTON ATLAS<br><i>No, Not Me, Never</i>      |
| 2 MINUS THE BEAR<br><i>Planet Of Ice</i>        | 17 ORANGE<br><i>Escape From LA</i>               |
| 3 LIARS<br><i>Liars</i>                         | 18 BLACK FRANCIS<br><i>Bluefinger</i>            |
| 4 CHIODOS<br><i>Bone Palace Ballet</i>          | 19 FEIST<br><i>The Reminder</i>                  |
| 5 EISLEY<br><i>Combinations</i>                 | 20 VHS OR BETA<br><i>Bring On The Comets</i>     |
| 6 RILO KILEY<br><i>Under The Blacklight</i>     | 21 MANNEQUIN MEN<br><i>Fresh Rot</i>             |
| 7 SILVERSTEIN<br><i>Arrivals And Departures</i> | 22 GO! TEAM<br><i>Thunder, Lightning, Strike</i> |
| 8 MAE<br><i>Singularity</i>                     | 23 IRON AND WINE<br><i>The Shepherd's Dog</i>    |
| 9 JOSE GONZALEZ<br><i>In Our Nature</i>         | 24 METRO STATION<br><i>Metro Station</i>         |
| 10 MANCHESTER<br><i>ORCHESTRA</i>               | 25 PLASTISCINES<br><i>LP1</i>                    |
| <i>I'm Like A Virgin Losing A Child</i>         | 26 WE ARE THE FURY<br><i>Venus</i>               |
| 11 JUSTICE<br><i>Cross</i>                      | 27 WORLD/INFERNO<br><i>FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY</i>    |
| 12 BRIGHT EYES<br><i>Cassadaga</i>              | <i>Addicted To Bad Ideas</i>                     |
| 13 BEN HARPER AND<br><i>THE INNOCENT</i>        | 28 PATRICK WATSON<br><i>Close To Paradise</i>    |
| <i>CRIMINALS</i>                                | 29 TRAVIS MORRISON<br><i>AND THE</i>             |
| <i>Lifeline</i>                                 | <i>HELLFIGHTERS</i>                              |
| 14 VIA AUDIO<br><i>Say Something Say</i>        | <i>All Y'All</i>                                 |
| <i>Something Say Something</i>                  | 30 FAREWELL<br><i>Isn't This Supposed To</i>     |
| 15 HONORARY TITLE<br><i>Scream And Light Up</i> | <i>Be Fun</i>                                    |

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W. Soccer	4 - 5 - 1
Volleyball	21 - 8 - 2 (#9)

## Parkland Soccer: 'It's not a sprint, it's a marathon.'

- The men are rallying back
- And the women lose a few

By Michael Laird  
Prospectus Staff Writer

### Men's Soccer

The Parkland College men's soccer team has shown the country what they can really do after their impressive week on the field.

After a horrific 0-4 start to the season, the Cobras, behind head coach Mark Sikora, have piled on six wins from their last seven games, outscoring opponents 32-5.

Although their streak was snapped on Saturday losing to Triton College 2-1, the Cobras bounced back to stomp all over Forest Park beating them 3-1. This was only a time to payback Forest Park who beat the Cobras earlier in the season 2-1.

The win streak has taken Parkland from a 0-4 start to a 6-5-1 record overall this year.

This winning streak however, has been a team effort. Several student-athletes have stood tall carrying Parkland to their success, including sophomore Patrick Brewer (Mahomet-Seymour High School) and freshman goalkeeper Tyler Kutz (Parkview HS, Springfield, Missouri). Kutz only allowed one goal in ninety minutes of keeping on Sunday.

"Ten minutes into the game

on Sunday, Forest Park scored first on a header off a corner kick. Since then, our defense refused to allow another shot on goal the rest of the game as out offense caused plenty of problems constantly resulting in goals by Eddie Sayon, Patrick Brewer and Michael Arrocha," said assistant coach Hsiung Marler.

This just goes to show that no matter how bad things may be going, all it takes is a bit of teamwork and success to turn a season around. Still sitting at 1-2 in the MWAC (Midwest Athletic Conference) Parkland takes on rival Illinois Community College on the October 6, ready to take that conference record to 2-2 with three games remaining.

### Women's Soccer

As the women's soccer team wraps up their season as well, the opposite seems to be occurring. Starting off on fire, winning four games at the start of the year, things seem to have slowed down. They've lost two of their last three and have fallen to an overall record of 4-5-1 while still holding their mediocre position in the MWAC conference with a record of 2-3.

With six games to go, the women's soccer team hopes to

go 6-0 and show everyone that they are capable of extreme success.

Along with Michelle Looker, Linda Hernandez (Proviso East HS) and local freshman midfielder Brianna Bugbee (Champaign Central HS) seem to have success within their sights and are ready to bust open a huge winning streak.

Parkland takes on rival MWAC conference team Springfield College on Monday as they turn to goalkeepers Ashley Burke (Poplar Bluff HS, Missouri) and Meghan White (Monticello HS) to keep things tight between the posts as they try to improve to an even 3-3 record in conference play.

As Parkland's two soccer teams look to finish off their respective seasons highly successful, will the key be to keep in mind that a long season is a marathon not a sprint to the finish? Whatever the key may be, make sure you get out to the soccer fields this week as Parkland look to improve all facets of their game and come away with wins all across the board.

*[Editor's Note: Michael Laird, our sports writer, welcomes any suggestions for sports coverage. If you have a story, email the editor at editor.prospectus@gmail.com. Provide your full name, phone number, and story idea!]*

October 2	Volleyball team hosts MWAC Conference Match vs Lincoln	6 p.m.
October 3	Womens Soccer @ Lincoln College	TBA
October 4	Baseball @ Springfield College	TBA
October 5	Volleyball team travels to Kalamazoo, MI	TBA
October 6	Mens Soccer @ home vs Illinois Central	TBA
October 6 and 7	Golf team plays at the DACC Invite	TBA
October 7	Womens Soccer @ Lewis and Clark	TBA

### Parkland Athletics Press Release

By THE PARKLAND ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT  
Contributing Writer

All of the Parkland Athletic teams who are in season this fall split their contests over the weekend while the Softball team continued their impressive play during their fall scrimmage season.

The men's soccer team saw their five game winning streak come to an end on Saturday as they fell to Triton (6-2-2) by the score of 2-1. PC trailed 1-0 at half but tied the game on a Corey Kallembach goal on an assist from Trevor Kohlrus. Triton scored the game-winning goal on a controversial penalty kick with just under three minutes remaining in the contest.

On Sunday, PC (7-6-1) avenged an early season defeat and knocked off St. Louis For-

est Park (6-7-2) 3-1. Forest Park scored early on a header off of a corner kick but the Cobras answered back with a goal by Eddie Sayon on a pass from Michael Arrocha. Tied at 1-1, Patrick Brewer put PC ahead with a goal on an assist from Sebastian Boguille and Arrocha sealed the win with a goal on an assist from Devin Munch with just ten minutes remaining.

PC is off until Saturday when they will host M-WAC leading Illinois Central College at 4:00. The women's soccer team also split this weekend, defeating Forest Park (3-6-1) 2-1 and falling to SWIC (10-1) by the score of 6-0. On Saturday the Cobras rallied from a 1-0 deficit to edge Forest Park.