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By **MANDY ROBINSON AND
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You just finished your last class of the day and you're struggling to locate your keys; it happens to the best of us. You frantically search your pockets, book bag, anywhere they could conceivably be...only to discover they're locked inside your car! And what's worse, your precious dog, Mr. Snuggles, is locked inside with them! To whom can you turn in such a nightmarish predicament? Who will save Mr. Snuggles from impending doom? Public Safety! It's true, Parkland's Public Safety officers are always there to lend a helping hand in your time of need. In fact, Parkland officers are trained to perform a number of services on campus including vehicle assists, full EMT services, and other traditional police duties.

With campus safety recently becoming a hot-button issue, it's comforting to see how accessible these men and women in blue really are. With a post in the X wing, (at the bottom of the library stairs), a post in the M wing (right across from the bookstore), and a number of

patrol cars (including a stately Dodge Charger), the officers are able to watch over the campus while remaining completely approachable for students, faculty, and staff.

The officers focus mainly on potential areas of a higher rate of crime (namely parking lots and gathering places). According to crime statistics found on Public Safety's Web page, between the months of July 2005 and June 2006, there were a whopping 49 reported cases of stolen items, making theft Parkland's most prevalent crime.

"As in the case of many of our students, they are out on their own for the first time and as a result, they may unknowingly leave themselves vulnerable to thieves. Coming from small towns, students may be accustomed to leaving their possessions unattended. Unfortunately, if they do that here, it may be the last they see of them," said Officer Andrew Foster.

Students aren't the only ones susceptible to theft; Parkland itself has also suffered losses. I would say that anything that isn't bolted down has the potential to be stolen, but it seems that local thieves have been known to overcome that obstacle. Just this past year, a young man was caught trying to pry a projector off the ceiling of a classroom. Although our officers foiled his plans, others have successfully made off with plants they uprooted from Parkland's plethora of flowerbeds. "You'd be surprised what disappears from this place around Mothers' Day," said Foster.

With 13 dedicated police officers and 9 equally-dedicated civilian employees on the roster, the Public Safety Department performs like a well-oiled machine; allowing for plenty of time for student-officer interaction.

"We're here to provide safety and security for students, faculty, and staff, to patrol for crime violations, and to provide a service to the community, but we're also here to break down the stereotypes people have about police officers," said Police Chief Von Young.

As a boy, Chief Young befriended a police officer that became a very positive role model in his life and inspired him to go into the same line of duty. The effect was profound; it even carried on into the next generation, as both of Young's boys are currently officers for the Champaign Police Department. It is this communal style of policing that has become personal philosophy for Young, and fundamental in the way the department operates.

The Public Safety Department sets very high standards for their officers. To be considered for a position, applicants must become certified EMTs and pass arduous physical and mental tests, including a thorough psychological examination. Foster was hired on this past October, making him the newest officer and the latest to successfully meet the challenges.

"The most strenuous part of the process," Officer Foster confided, "was the

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CHUCK SHEPHERD'S NEWS OF THE WEIRD

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Lead Story

Brian Blair, now a county commissioner in Tampa, Fla., asserted in a 2002 lawsuit that he had been forced into retirement from his previous career as a professional wrestler after he tripped over a tray of dishes and hurt himself at a Carrabba's restaurant. Blair announced in August 2007 that a settlement had been reached with Carrabba's, and thus he would not explain (according to a deposition cited by Carrabba's attorneys) how the "career-ending" injury allowed him to keep lucrative wrestling dates in Japan months after he fell, or how he registered a .089 blood-alcohol reading that evening even though he admitted to only one sip of wine, or how a sober professional wrestler accustomed to being thrown across a ring could be hurt so badly by a simple fall, or how a politician who generally abides a pro-business, anti-lawsuit philosophy could have initiated such litigation.

Can't Possibly Be True

•(1) In July, the Houston School District, citing student privacy laws, declined to release last season's Bellaire High School baseball statistics (such as batting averages), even though requested by a player's parent. (2) The Perth, Australia, construction materials company GMA Garnet recently closed a deal to sell sand to Saudi Arabia, and shipments began in June. (Actually, it's a hard-grade sand better suited for sandblasting than that found in the Saudi desert.)

•Army officer Bryan Hilferty, a volunteer Little League umpire in Alexandria, Va., complained to The Washington Post in July that when he requested a copy of the League rulebook (to help him be a better umpire), he was turned down. Hilferty, who has access to classified information in his job at the Pentagon, was told that the Little League restricts its rulebooks, on a "need to know" basis, so as not to invite litigation, and that Hilferty did not qualify.

•Norwegian Correctional Services revealed in August that 20 percent of convicted criminals who are given reporting dates to begin their sentences (a total of 1,799 last year) simply do not show up. The problem is com-

pounded by the fact that Norway has no separate law requiring them to report. Said a regional prison director, "It's difficult to make plans for the prison terms when we have no idea who will show up and who won't."

Unclear on the Concept

•The Federal Communications Commission famously imposed heavy fines for "indecentcy" against CBS for the brief, inadvertent glimpse it offered of Janet Jackson's right breast during the 2004 Super Bowl. The same "indecentcy"-concerned agency, however, issued a routine official notice in July listing call letters of TV stations it had recently approved, including, for a proposed station in Honolulu, K*NT. (The applicant, headquartered in Skokie, Ill., withdrew the requested letters when the Star Bulletin of Honolulu publicized the FCC's notice.)

•Serena Yen, a member of the 24 Hour Fitness gym in Houston complained to KTRK-TV in July that she had been inadvertently shut inside recently at about midnight while using an upstairs exercise machine, when employees locked up for the night. A spokesman at the company's headquarters said that "24 Hour" does not refer to the hours of operation.

•The government of China, which claims control of Tibet despite the region's vigorous culture of independence, announced in August that it would henceforth require Tibet's "living Buddhas" (special clergy believed to be continuously reincarnated) to get permission from China's religious affairs officials before submitting their souls to be embodied in the future. The government acted, it said, because the reincarnation process needed to be managed better.

•As urban sprawl gobbles up land that previously surrounded farms and ranches, some new homeowners are getting feistier about rural noises and smells that disturb their enjoyment of country life. Kimber Johnson paid an extra \$80,000 to get the premium view for her land near Phoenix, but complained in July about a farm's routine summer buildup of manure 300 feet away, lasting until the corn crop is picked. The problem also exists in the French village of Cesny-aux-Vignes,

where in August the mayor simply banned all complaints from urban newcomers about braying donkeys and loud farm equipment. (Occasionally, the newcomers win, as in Washington County, Minn., in June when the sheriff cited farmer Karyl Hylie for having a cow guilty of "excessive mooing.")

The Continuing Crisis

Just before Patricia Nilsen committed suicide last year, she cashed out her estate and left the money (about \$300,000 in CDs) to famous 1960s singer Connie Francis, a move that was, said Nilsen's relatives, an abrupt departure from her previous plans. The relatives accuse Francis of manipulating Nilsen, but Francis said she hardly ever spoke to or wrote her. Francis described Nilsen as a huge fan who wrote to her frequently, perhaps giving Nilsen, said a relative, "the insane delusion" that Francis was her best friend (though there was no formal evidence of mental illness). Francis offered to split the proceeds with the family and to donate to Nilsen's favorite charity, but the family said no, and Francis recently filed a lawsuit in Palm Beach, Fla., to prevent the family from holding up her money.

Brand-New Fetishes

Verle Dills, 60, was arrested in Sioux Falls, S.D., in July after police found numerous homemade videos of Dills having sex in public with "traffic signs." And Jeff Doland of Uniontown, Ohio, was arrested in July, caught in an Internet sting after he flew to Miami thinking he had arranged to pay a "mother" to let him photograph her two adolescent daughters while she periodically pushed them underwater (because he "liked watching the bubbles").

Least Competent Criminals

Jazmine Roberts, 19, was apprehended by a Neiman Marcus security guard in White Plains, N.Y., in August and held for police after she allegedly walked out of the store with a \$250 pair of jeans and raged against the guard. According to a police report, Roberts was under the impression that once she walked out the door, she was immune from arrest, telling the

guard, "It's too late. I already left the store."

Recurring Themes

Occasionally, motorists who are involved in collisions (especially inebriated ones) continue to drive on, claiming not to have realized for a while that their victim is dead and stuck in the car's windshield. In July in Green Bay, Wis., Steve Warrichaiet, 50, was arrested on several charges in the injuring of one pedestrian (found on the street) and the death of another (lodged in the windshield as Warrichaiet drove home). In August, Tony Martinez, 54, was arrested in Perris, Calif., on several charges in connection with the death of a motorcyclist, whose body was lodged in Martinez's rear window as he drove home.

The Classic Middle Name (All New!)

Arrested recently for murder and awaiting trial: Earl Wayne Reynolds (Spotsylvania County, Va., August); Donald Wayne Booth (Austin, Texas, August); Dustin Wayne Nall (Arlington, Texas, August); Christopher Wayne Hudson (Melbourne, Australia, June); Earl Wayne Flowers (Taylorsville, N.C., April); Randall Wayne Mays (Payne Springs, Texas, May). Suspected by police of murder but still on the loose at press time: David Wayne French (Portland, Ore., May). Convicted of murder: Randy Wayne Seal (Florahome, Fla., May). Sentenced for murder: Patrick Wayne Schroeder (Pawnee City, Neb., August).

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

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6 things you didn't know about your library

By **KATHLEEN SERINO**
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Do you know of everything Parkland's Library has to offer? Often, this building goes overlooked because it's much easier for students to spend more time on their own computers than spending time in the good ol' library like our parents did in yesteryear. Sure, surfing the Web is more convenient, but is it as gratifying? Here's an inside look at some of the cool things your Library has to offer.

The Art Annex at the Library

According to librarian Raeann Dosset, the Gallery was created a few years back when Parkland was asked to exhibit the art of a visiting Japanese artist. The show was a huge hit and the rest is history. After a formal arrangement between Library director, Anna Maria Watkin, and director of the Parkland Art Gallery, Lisa Costello, art is continually displayed at the Annex throughout year.

This venue provides a perfect viewing station for artists' pieces—a place with little bustle and lots of serenity. "I believe in placing art in spaces people use. Art doesn't have to be 'set apart' in a museum or a gallery—Parkland really exemplifies this ideal with the art that is

located all over campus," Dossett says, "Here in the library we can offer artists who have never exhibited, and who may not have a large body of work, the opportunity to show their work."

Students, staff, are you interested in submitting something to be displayed? Go to www.parkland.edu/gallery/annex.html and discover how.

Ask a Librarian

Ask a Librarian, a link on Parkland's Library website, is designed to help students with virtually all of their queries. Watkin believes this to be the most helpful and important tool that the Library has to offer. For instance, Parkland librarians offer students all-purpose assistance. Whether it be choosing a topic to write about for even the nastiest of English papers, or showing those who are technologically illiterate (like myself) how to properly use a flash drive.

There are four ways you can ask for help of any kind relating to your studies:

- In person, simply ask someone at the Information Services desk, located at the northeast corner of the first library level.
- Via email, you can contact someone at library@parkland.edu.
- Over the phone, you can ask

your questions by calling (217) 373-3839.

• Online, you can chat with a librarian by going to the following link: www.parkland.edu/library/pro.html.

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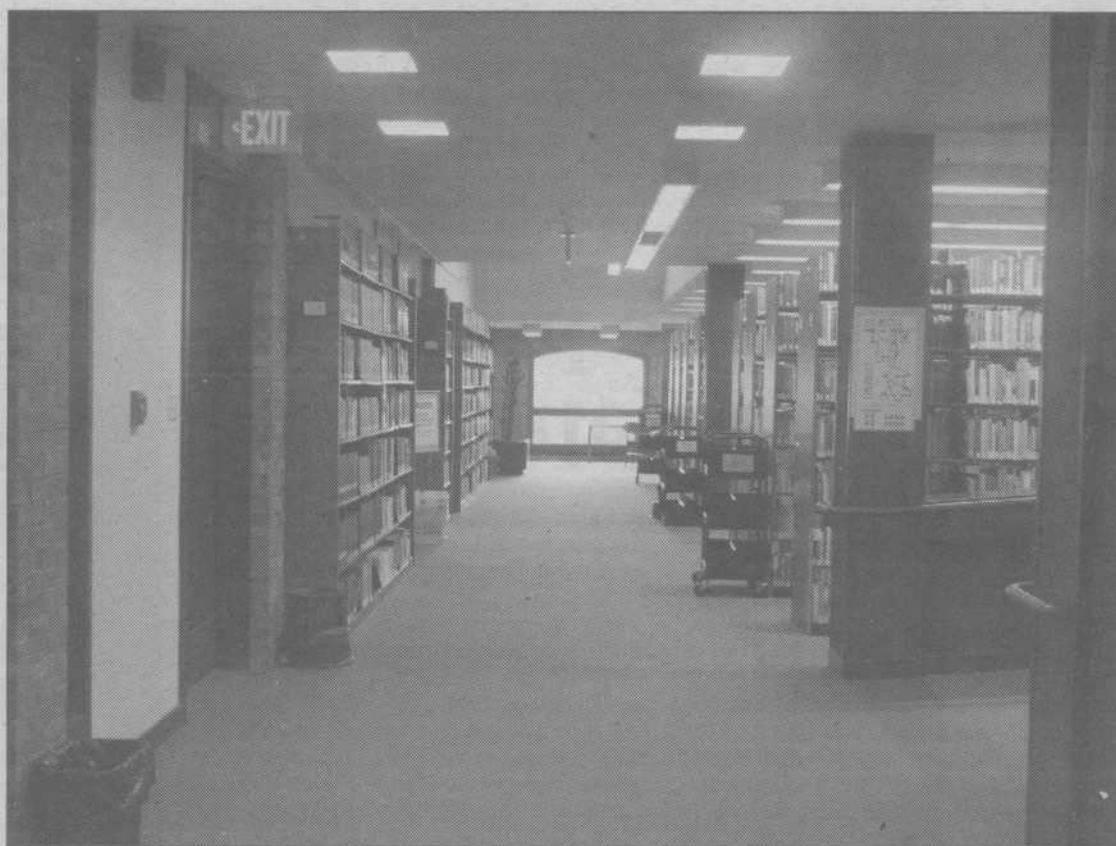
From Edge, to Massage and Bodywork, to People and Motor Trend, Parkland's Library has got it all. Even a lounge area is

Known to Library employees as the Quiet Zone, this upper-level section of the library is so silent you could hear a pin drop. An ideal place for intense studying, intense reading and often seen—but not condoned on school grounds—some intense sleeping. Monday, Wednesday and Friday are the busier days in the Quiet Zone and the hushed crowds tend to increase during the middle of the semester. Wat-

tion and viewing center are located near the Circulation Services desk at the Northwest corner of the Library.

Suggestion Box

Is there something in the library that simply isn't cutting it for you? Or perhaps you would like to read more work from a certain author or poet. Whatever your concern is, drop



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available to sit down, relax and flip through a periodical or two.

Can't find your favorite magazine? Submit a request! The Library understands that new magazines are launched as often as older ones phase out; they are known to continue subscriptions between three and five years and subscribe to new ones whenever possible. Magazines like Rolling Stone came to Parkland at a student's request. Are there any Oprah fans? Her magazine should be arriving soon. Requests can be submitted in the Suggestion Box, found near the restrooms, or online at: www.parkland.edu/library/onsugg.html

Second Floor Study Area

kin considers it the, "only quiet place on campus" because of its quiet policy, which is self-policed by the students themselves. Check it out if you need a place to cram!

Extensive Media Collection

The VHS and DVD assortment at the Library is currently growing quite impressive. Watkin claims that there are a variety of movies at the students' disposal; movies filmed in Farsi, Swedish, independent films, dramas, mockumentaries etc... Most media is purchased, but donations are always accepted.

A media-viewing center is even available for students to watch films. The media collec-

tion and viewing center are located near the Circulation Services desk at the Northwest corner of the Library.

off a comment in the suggestion box or at the online suggestion box and your comment will be addressed immediately. "I don't know anywhere else on campus that does what we do," Watkin said of the suggestion box. If you suggest an interesting proposal, it may be posted on the suggestion board. Take a look and read what's been posted.

Do not be afraid to ask for help! Watkin agrees that the professional staff at the library is very concerned with the progress of students and ready to lend a hand whenever possible.

Please direct further investigation of the Library at their website, www.parkland.edu/library/

Patch Adams clowns around at the Orpheum

By **ERIK PHEIFER**
Contributing Writer

The people in attendance at the Orpheum Children's Science Museum received a special treat when Dr. Patch Adams entertained adults and children of all ages last Saturday afternoon.

Adams, who is a well-known social activist, doctor and performer, is most notably identified as the inspiration for the 1998 film "Patch Adams" in which actor Robin Williams portrayed the doctor and his unusual antics.

He arrived at the Orpheum dressed as a clown to a crowd of around 150. After clowning around for some time, which included fitting over a dozen spectators into a very large pair of underwear, Adams took time to talk about science and health care.

Adams talked to the children about the five senses by relating them to farts. He

did so in a very tasteful way that made everyone laugh.

Adams also had strong words about the current health care system and government. He said that if we would use our resources wisely that the U.S. has the ability to provide affordable health care not only to all of its citizens but to everyone in the world.

His hopes for the future are that violence throughout the world will be halted while everyone will be cared for.

"If you have food and a friend, you have nothing to worry about," he said.

Adams thinks his goals are achievable and that if people were more friendly and caring the world could be a much better place.

He added, "You can never ever imagine the effect of being nice."

Adams was in town to prepare for a four-day conference that he and his colleagues are putting on next month about

changing the health care system. The conference is scheduled for October 11-14 at the Urbana Independent Media Center with people from all over the world expected to attend.

Sherilyn Johns came to the event with her grandchildren because she was fascinated and intrigued with Adams as an entertainer and a humanitarian. She said she liked his ideas about health care and that the issue is something that needs to be talked about more.

The host of the event, the Orpheum Children's Science Museum, is a not for profit facility located in downtown Champaign.

Meadow Jones, the Orpheum's Vol-

unteer Coordinator, said the Orpheum "is committed to scientific literacy and development for children of all ages."

Jones was responsible for bringing Adams to the Orpheum. She had met Adams 10 years ago on a project in the area where they became friends.

The Orpheum's Executive Director Carol Knepp said that having Adams visit was a spontaneous experience. She was happy with the turnout and hopes that the positive experience will bring more families to the Orpheum. She also expressed the idea of bringing further celebrity entertainment to the museum but doesn't have anything scheduled yet.

Student Life presents: Phi Theta Kappa

By **BETH VOIGT**
Prospectus Staff Writer

There is no hazing. No rushing. No embarrassing pledge activities. So why the Greek letters?

Phi, theta, and kappa are the first letters of three Greek words meaning "wisdom," "aspiration" and "purity." Phi Theta Kappa, the International Honor Society of the Two Year College, was founded in 1918 by college presidents in Missouri who wanted to recognize the scholastic achievement of their students. Basing their new society on the Phi Beta Kappa honor society of senior colleges, the founders wanted to set a new, unified standard for the honors organizations on their different campuses.

"Today Phi Theta Kappa is the largest honor society in American higher education with more than 2 million members and 1,200 chapters located in all 50 of the United States, U.S. territories, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Germany, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, United Arab Emirates and Palau," notes the Phi Theta Kappa International website, at www.ptk.org. Members range in age from 18 to 80, from all backgrounds and programs of study. Neither a fraternity nor a sorority, qualifying for membership involves no strange rituals or matching t-shirts. In fact, you may be eligible for membership without even realizing it.

If you have completed 12 credit hours and have a 3.5 GPA or above, you have already done everything you need to become a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

Keep an eye on your mailbox this week for a letter of invitation to join, or stop by the Phi Theta Kappa office in C 241 to pick up an application.

But if you've already done all that work, why would you want to join?

"Phi Theta Kappa is a reward for all the hard work you've done in college, but also a challenge for you to become better citizens, students, and members of the college community," said Thom Schnarre, one of the advisors for Phi Theta Kappa.

"It gives students a chance to become involved with other students that have similar academic interests. It offers students the opportunity to be acknowledged by their institution for all the hard work they've done, and it may open doors for future assistance through scholarships and awards both here at Parkland and at other transfer institutions," he said.

There are more than 600 colleges and universities in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Canada and Great Britain that offer transfer scholarships available only to Phi Theta Kappa members.

Some of the other benefits of membership include a variety of other scholarship opportunities available exclusively to members, letters of recommendation from your advisor or college president, community involvement, leadership and networking opportunities, and much more than can be listed here. Many of these benefits are available even without any participation in the Parkland chap-

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2007 Student Government candidates

Mark Shirley
Running for President



Since coming to Parkland College last fall, I have become involved in many things. I work

in the Office of Student Life, participating in many things throughout the year around the college. I am also the art director for IMAGES, the student art and literary magazine here at Parkland College, for the second year. I have experience with many different cultures while in the Marines and have experience with many customs as well. I am the type of person who listens to what is being said and can come up with an inventive solution. I like a challenge, and I feel that this position can be and will give me that challenge. I am ready to take on that challenge head on, if only given the chance. I will make myself available to anyone, at anytime, to discuss anything. I believe that I would make an excellent student government president for a number of reasons. Being

an older than average student who would be running, is a plus for the student body, as well as the college itself. I would bring a different, more experienced point of view, as well as fresh ideas to the mix. My experiences being in the Marine Corps will also allow me to bring qualities desperately needed to the student government. I believe that I would bring a greater maturity and a greater sense of purpose to the student government. Most students have never had any experiences with politics when they join student government. I have had a great deal of experience with politics and how they affect me and the rest of the country, just by being in the military. Honor, courage, and commitment, these are the core values of the Marine Corps. These are things that I

live by still, even after being out of the Marines for more than five years. I have the commitment to follow through with any project or plan that is brought to me. I have the courage to make a stand for the students of this college for any issue that is brought that needs attention. I have the sense of honor to do the right thing, for the right reason, even when no one is looking. These are all things that are lacking from most young adults these days. I have been in the "real world", and I know what is truly expected of someone. I didn't go to college straight out of high school, so I am not blind to what the "real world" holds or what is going on in it. I know what is expected of me, I know what will happen if I fail, and I am the only one responsible for my actions. College is the first

taste most young adults get of life after high school, yet they don't truly understand what is expected of them. Overall, I want to make the quality of life better for the students here at Parkland College. I want to see about implementing a new textbook system where students don't have to shell out mass amounts of money, sometimes equal to a week's paycheck, for just a couple of books. I don't know if this has been looked at before, but I want to explore the

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psychological exam. They ask you strange questions like, 'Do you like the color yellow?' and you have to wonder what your response reveals to psychologists about your mental state."

Officer A. Foster is a recent ISU grad with a degree in Criminal Justice Science. He will be taking over the College Relations Officer position from Yvonne Meyer, who was recently promoted to Sergeant. The position will allow Officer Foster to speak publicly to classes about safety issues and interact one-on-one with students. "I'm very excited to get started—I entered this line of work to help others and I'm happy I have the opportunity to do so on such a personal level," said Foster.

Of course, the job isn't all glitter and doughnuts. As Sergeant Meyer iterated, and most officers would agree, "The most difficult part of the job is having to arrest people, especially younger people. It's hard to see them choose that path, but you just have to tell yourself that it was by their own actions that they ended up in the situation they find themselves in."

Meyer has been a Parkland Public Safety Officer for almost five years now and has become a familiar face in our halls. Although growing up she never pictured herself a police officer, fate brought her to Parkland and her hard work and dedication has brought her to the rank of Sergeant.

So if you ever find yourself in need of assistance, don't hesitate to ask. Parkland's dedicated team of Public Safety Officers is there to serve you and is always happy to help.

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ter's activities, but they have even more to offer to any student who is interested in getting involved.

Following the four Phi Theta Kappa Hallmarks of Leadership, Scholarship, Service, and Fellowship, the chapter's calendar of events grows almost daily.

"I'm really looking forward to attending the Leadership Conference with our students this October to help facilitate student leadership," said Amber Landis, the newest advisor for Phi Theta Kappa.

Students often travel to Chicago and other parts of Illinois for conferences and other events, and to the International Convention held each year in different locations throughout the country.

"The convention in Nashville this spring was a lot of fun. There were about 4,000 people there, and the convention site was like Disneyland with a roof," said Jeff Arnold, president of Phi Theta Kappa.

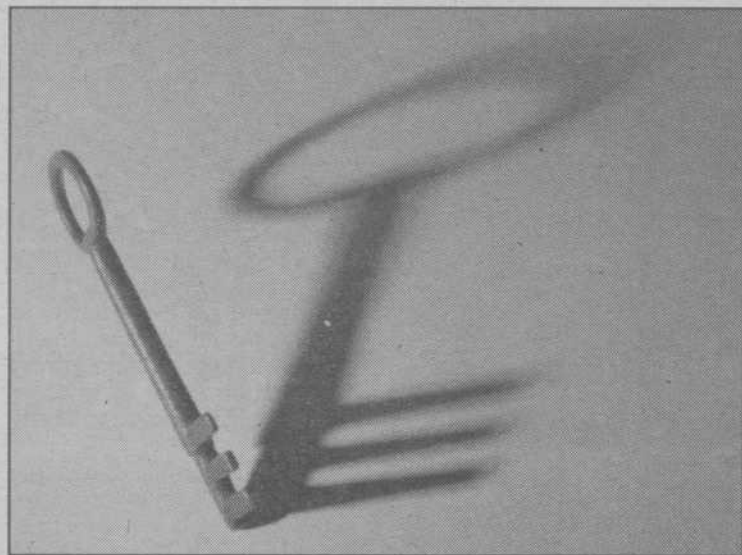
Plans are already in the works to attend next year's convention in Philadelphia, and the chapter has been holding fundraisers to help pay for the trip as well as to raise money for a variety of charitable causes.

The chapter will be participating in a number of service projects over the coming year.

They have organized teams for both the Champaign County Heart Walk in October and the American Cancer Society Relay for Life next spring, and members will be participating in the Y Splash this December. They hope to hold a food drive in November, and have just begun working on a Saturday morning tutoring program for K-12 students who are non-native English speakers.

series open to anyone at Parkland. The theme of this series is "Gold, Gods, and Glory: the Global Dynamics of Power," which is the Phi Theta Kappa Honors Study Topic for 2006-08. This topic is the focus of Phi Theta Kappa chapters around the world.

On Wednesday afternoons at 3pm beginning September 26th, Parkland faculty will be presenting the A with Honors Dis-



Phi Theta Kappa promotes on-campus events as well. On Friday, September 21, the chapter will be holding a Faculty Appreciation Reception from 11am to 1pm in the Gallery Lounge.

On Tuesday evenings beginning in October, the chapter will host a Satellite Seminar

cussion series with the same theme, which will give students the opportunity to earn credit toward graduating with honors from Parkland.

But don't get the impression that this organization is only interested in academic pursuits. The chapter makes sure to plan

activities that have nothing to do with schoolwork and that give students a chance to relax and unwind.

Past events have included pizza nights, an Easter egg hunt, bowling, going to Parkland sporting events, and a Halloween horror movie night in cooperation with Student Government and TRIO.

"We want to promote inter-organizational cooperation by planning projects and events with other groups," said Landis, who is also an advisor for Club Latino.

Phi Theta Kappa will be holding an Orientation Session for anyone interested in becoming a member on Thursday, September 13 at 12pm in room D 244. Chapter officers will be on hand to answer questions and provide more information about what Phi Theta Kappa has to offer and the chapter's plans for the rest of the year.

The officers can also be found during regular office hours in the Phi Theta Kappa office in C 241, and at chapter meetings on the first and third Mondays of the month at 8pm and on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 3pm in X 150.

"Phi Theta Kappa has opportunities for all people in all stages of their academic progress," said Arnold, emphasizing that students do not need to be members to attend meetings or participate in events hosted by Phi Theta Kappa. "And, we have free cookies."

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idea. I also want to see about getting benefits for veterans increased. Many veteran students use what money they get from the G.I. Bill to live on. This doesn't cut, not even close. The benefits veterans receive aren't keeping up with inflation, which makes it hard to pay for the rising costs of rent, electricity, gas, and food. Why should veterans have to worry about these things, even better, why should any college student have to make the choice between paying rent and eating? If you have ever asked yourself any of these questions, I believe I can help. I will work with you, for you to rectify them. A vote for me is a vote for experience, a vote for commitment to cause, and a vote for you, the student.

Miranda Wilson
Running for secretary



During my high school years I was one of the many student council representatives. I loved being involved with my school, but I also met some great people along the way. Even though we met about three times a week it seemed all we did was talk about upcoming dances. I knew that these events were big but I had been looking forward to talking about some of the more complex issues in our school. When the issues weren't even glanced at it bothered me.

Walking into parkland on the first day really was an eye opener. The school was filled to the brim with bustling crowds of students, and faculty members that were probably going to go deaf from all of the noise around them. After a couple days of being on campus I started noticing table tents on

some of the tables. I picked one up and read it. It had been about joining the student government. Well being the seeker of a political science degree this table tent intrigued me. So I went into room X153 and grabbed an application. This was what I had been looking for.

To be blunt, I chose Secretary as the position I would run for because I wanted to get my feet wet and the thought of being treasure really didn't excite me. I believe that I can get down to the real issues that the students of parkland want to speak up about. Another reason for my cannonball into this election is the fact that I want to help make a difference in my school. The difference between talking and taking action is enormous, but I want to close the gap. I know I would be a wonderful choice as your Secretary because I believe I can help you address the issues that you bring forward to better and unite you and your school.

Jacqueline Nathalie Loma
Running for senator



My name is Jacqueline Nathalie Loma, and I want to be your Student Senator for Parkland College. I am from Cameroon in central Africa. My major is mass communication.

Since being at parkland, I have been a member of International Student Association (ISA). I am a hard working, focused, and determined person and I believe I can get students more involved in their school and their academic success. There are many students at Parkland who do not know about the different organizations at parkland. I hope that being elected senator in student government I will be able to get students involved in Parkland, and in their academic success.

Thank you for your time, I hope that I can get your vote.

Heidi Abbot
Running for senator



My intent in serving the student body is aimed at achieving realistic goals that promote student involvement on issues affecting the campus, decreasing student apathy and promoting cohesion among the student body. From my work as an assistant manager and tutoring students, I have the necessary experience to work towards these goals. Thank you for your consideration.

Jeremy Dobkins
Running for senator



I chose to run for senator with Parkland's Student Government for several reasons. Mostly the pressing issue of modern politics, change—I believe that every opinion counts and should have equal right to be expressed. With my position as a senator I will make the common students opinion heard. Together we can help the system manifest into a common agreement rather than a partial consensus. I have had

extensive criminal justice background and I feel confident in my ability to problem solve and enforce ideas when needed. So in essence please consider me for the senator position at Parkland College. Thank you.

Jayner Bryant Williams
Running for senator



My name is Jayner Bryant Williams and I'm coming before the student Government to ask to be a candidate for one of the seats for senator. I bring with me 30-plus years of life experience. I am a wife, mother, grandmother, and student; I raised my children and instilled in them that education is knowledge and knowledge is power, and it's the only way that a person can grow to be productively, socially and financially stable. I told them if you don't apply yourself and ask questions, you won't get any answers. As my children grew older and went off to college and had children of their own, they looked at me and said, "Mom you need to go back to school and get your degree." I thought about continuing my education, and I registered into the Mattoon Area Adult Education Center where I got a certificate as a C.N.A. As an African American in Mattoon I found it very hard getting a job so my husband decided to move to Champaign.

Here is where I found the Urbana Adult Education Center. I enrolled in the APL program Nov. 7 2005 and worked on getting a high school diploma instead of a G.E.D. I finished this program in April 2006 and graduated May 28th 2006. When I graduated with my diploma, I was interviewed by channel 17 news, and the News Gazette wrote an article on me titled "A Second Chance at Life." After graduation I came to Parkland

College to continue my journey to get a degree as a psychology major. I want to be a substance abuse counselor, to render services to a people who suffer with addiction.

I enrolled in the re-entry program Aug. 21st 2006 with the help of the P.E.O. I received a scholarship and was the first African American recipient to receive this scholarship from this chapter of Champaign Urbana. I accepted it with honor, respect, and appreciation. I am also a member of Club ACCESS at Parkland College which promotes awareness and understanding of disability issues on campus and in the community. We just had a fund raiser selling raffle tickets to donate money to Jerry's kids. I was also chosen with Arland Stratton and my husband Joseph Williams to present the check to MDA at the Harley Davison store on Lincoln Avenue in Urbana, which was broadcast live on the channel 3 News. I am also in the Business club at Parkland College. I am running as a candidate for senator because I want to be a voice for the students; I feel that I would be an asset; my word is my bond. It's my earnest desire to help other like other have helped me. As your student senator I will listen to your issues and respond with a kind heart and keen mind, knowing that a student Government should reflect the group it represents.

Katy Morris
Running for president



As your president I will see if we can get most of the elevators in this school to move a little faster. We have stuffed animals in the bookstore like: puppies, sheep, and cows. I am thinking since our mascot is a cobra, we could get stuffed cobras for the bookstore too.

Democrats hope Univision debate will appeal to Latino community

By **MADELINE BARO DIAZ**
South Florida Sun-Sentinel (MCT)

MIAMI—The presidential election is more than a year away, but Democratic candidates are already trying to breach the Republicans' stronghold in

the Cuban-American community, hoping that a strong enough showing among Cuban voters will help them win Florida's electoral votes in 2008.

They might have an opportunity Sunday when the Democratic contenders participate in the first Spanish-language

presidential debate. The 7 p.m. forum at the University of Miami, moderated by Univision anchors Jorge Ramos and Maria Elena Salinas, will be broadcast by the network on television, radio and the Internet.

Although it targets a diverse Hispanic audience, the forum takes place in the heart of the Cuban-American community, making it likely that the candidates will discuss Cuba.

Cuban-American voters traditionally have largely voted for Republicans. Their votes are coveted because Florida is considered a swing state and Cuban-Americans are among the groups that could decide the outcome.

"(Florida) is the largest of the states that is up for grabs," said Dario Moreno, director of the Metropolitan Center and associate professor of political science at Florida International University.

Moreno said former New York City mayor Rudy Giuliani has the strongest support among Cuban-Americans in Florida, with polls putting him well ahead of other Republican contenders.

"A lot of that has to do with his hard-line stance on terrorism and foreign policy, which always plays well with Cuban-Americans," Moreno said.

Among the Democrats, Sen. Hillary Clinton of New York has made the most positive impression with Cuban-Americans, Moreno said. While Illinois Sen. Barack Obama made headlines recently when he called for lifting the Bush Administration's 2004 decision to limit Cuban-Americans' ability to travel to Cuban and send remittances there, Clinton has said she supports the policy.

By disagreeing with Obama on Cuba policy and his willingness to meet with "rogue regimes" such as Cuba, North Korea and Syria, Clinton has "kind of made herself a real alternative for Cuban-Americans who are thinking of voting Democrat for other reasons," Moreno said.

Clinton, however, has to contend with her husband's legacy. Bill Clinton signed the Helms-Burton law, which tightened the U.S. embargo on Cuba, and he won more than 30 percent of the Cuban-American vote in 1996. But many Cuban exiles also saw his administration as too willing to consider re-establishing diplomatic relations with Cuba. The Clinton Administration also removed 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez from the home of his Miami relatives in 2000 and reunited the boy with his father, who took him back to Cuba. That was a bitter episode for many exiles.

"She and her husband have a credibility issue to deal with, with regard to

the Cuban-American community," said Al Cardenas, former chairman of the Republican Party of Florida.

Cuban-Americans make up about 6 percent of Florida's voters and about half of the state's Hispanic voters, Moreno said. In past elections, Republican presidential and gubernatorial candidates have typically received 70 to 80 percent of the Cuban-American vote, he said.

Democrats hope to chip away at that. "The Republicans can't win Florida without Cuban-Americans," said Joe Garcia, chairman of the Democratic Party of Miami-Dade County. "If a Democrat can get 32 or 33 percent (of the vote), it makes it almost impossible for a Republican to win statewide. That number is going to be reached. I think it's going to be surpassed."

Garcia sees reasons to be optimistic: many Cuban-Americans are registered as Democrats or Independents. Also, in the 2006 congressional elections South Florida's Republican Cuban-American U.S. representatives faced strong challenges from candidates who were not well known and who were outspent by the incumbents. When Obama held an August fundraiser at the Dade County Auditorium in Little Havana, only a handful of Cuban exile protesters showed up outside.

Garcia said Obama's position on restrictions and remittances is in line with that of most Cuban-Americans.

Al Cardenas, former chairman of the Republican Party of Florida, disagrees. Cardenas said reading Obama's op-ed piece outlining his stance on Cuba policy made it clear he was not a threat.

"I said to myself 'Thank goodness.' That did more to help us than anything any of our candidates could have said," said Cardenas, who is a chairman of Mitt Romney's Florida campaign and is leading Romney's national Hispanic outreach efforts. "I do not see any of the top-tier Democratic candidates being a major threat to the support that the Republican presidential candidate has been used to in the past."

Political observers say a candidate's position on Cuba is the "litmus test" for anyone trying to get the Cuban-American vote, but candidates also have to address issues that Cuban-Americans, like the rest of the country, are concerned about such as health care, Social Security and the economy.

"You can't just say 'Death to Castro' and expect to get the Cuban-American vote," Moreno said.

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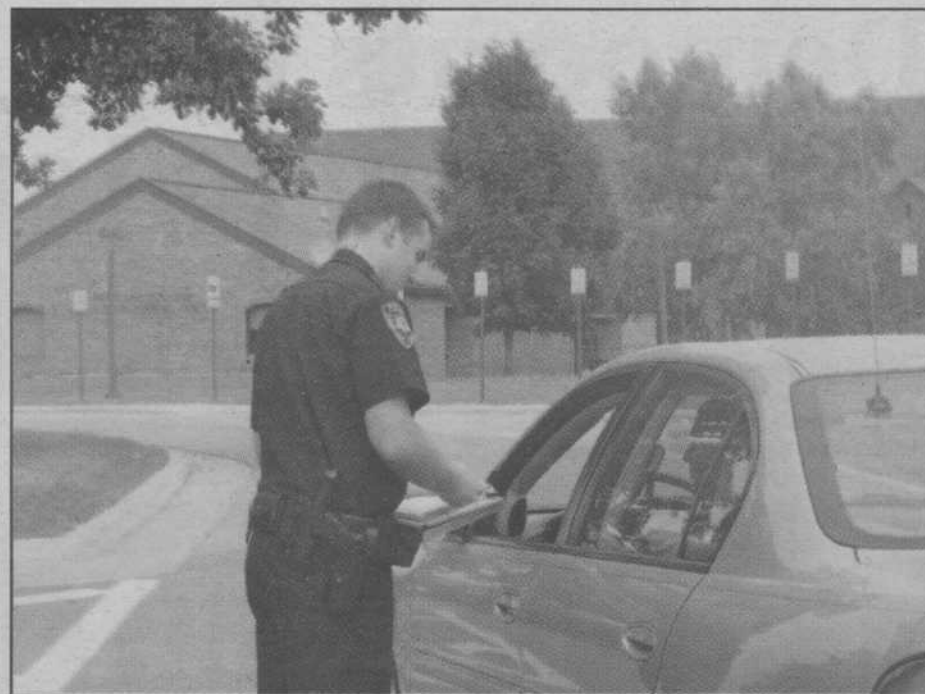
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16 Mexico: Independence Day; United States: Citizenship Day	17 1394: King Charles IV expels all Jews from France	18 Career Planning Seminar, 6-7:30pm, Rm A175	19 Illinois College Expo, Parkland Gym 6-8pm	20 High Noon with the Artist: Kelly White, painting, Art Gallery	21 Cobra Volleyball host Parkland Round Robin	22 Cobra Volleyball hosts Parkland Round Robin
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7 Day 2 of Golf DACC Invite at Danville	8 The Great Chicago Fire was started by a caow on this day in 1871	9 Women's soccer vs SWIC at 4pm	10 Visit the Art Gallery, featuring "Trappings" 10/1-10/27	11 Health Professions Application Overview free info session, 5-6:30pm, L244	12 Staerkel Planetarium, shows at 7, 8, and 9:30pm	13 Staerkel Planetarium, shows at 7, 8, and 9:30pm

Organic farming is gaining traction

■ New trend in marketplace emerging

By **LINDSAY KISHTER**
Chicago Tribune (MCT)

CHICAGO—A little luck and a bit of trickery got farmer Harold Wilken through his first years growing organic feed without pesticides.

By luck, he planted the red clover next to the corn; Japanese beetles that typically feed on corn silks were more attracted to the clover blossom. A careful rotation—wheat, alfalfa, corn, soybeans, repeat—helped too.

“Root-worm beetles learned to lay their eggs in soybean stubble so they would be there for the corn the next year,” he said. “We confuse them.”

These are the kinds of blessings that farmers rely on during what can be a tumultuous process: a transition to organic farming. Three years ago, Wilken began converting 94 acres of farmland in Danforth, Ill., but this harvest is the first time he will see the premium prices that organic feed and vegetables can pull in.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture requires three years without pesticides, herbicides or synthetic fertilizers before it will grant the coveted organic seal. It's a period of trial and error, and the workload can double long before the profits do.

Wilken farmed conventionally for 20 years before his landlord proposed going organic to keep pesticides from where the landlord's grandchildren played. Wilken now has 800 acres in transition.

Wilken, cheeks flushed from hard work and sunshine, said he feels like he finally found his calling in organic farming.

“My soil fertility is going up. The soil is more mellow,” or tillable, he said. “The ground is just so much more alive.”

But his calling requires him to spend more time in the fields than ever before.

“You can't do two weeks of your field in spring and two weeks of your field in fall and have an outside job like a lot of farmers,” said Terra Brockman, director of The Land Connection, a resource for organic farmers. “It's a sunup-to-sundown kind of job, so you can't count your hours. You do it because that's what you love to do.”

Illinois' conventional corn and soybean producers, who work the majority of the state's farmland, typically alternate crops, killing off weeds and pests chemically and restoring fertility to the soil with synthetic fertilizers.

For organic farmers, “it's a whole different toolbox,” said Dan Anderson, organic research and outreach special-

A careful rotation, though, is the main ingredient for good farming. Wheat breaks up the soil and makes the transition easier because it has few pest issues, Wilken said. Alfalfa hay has far-reaching roots that sink nitrogen into the soil, usually the job of the fertilizer sprays. Plus, it disrupts pest cycles.

“It's the same rotation that my grandfather used years

before selling the organic milk, for what could be double the profit. He said his transition is easy because the farm already did not use antibiotics or hormones.

Stan Schutte, who farms just south of Champaign, Ill., saw organic premiums as a way out of a nearly 24-hour workday. For 20 years he had been conventionally farming his pro-

ducing organic milk at Chicago's Green City Market every week but can't market it as certified organic. That would require him to use the distant Eureka Locker.

With the new plant nearby, he could be certified and part of the demand for organic feed when he adds chickens, ducks and pigs to his farm.

Pete Wettstein, 25, a farmer and bricklayer, said he hopes to farm full time and sees organic as a way for younger farmers to make more money with less land. He began converting parts of his 200 acres five years ago in Eureka, Ill.

“The main thing is you don't need a lot of acres to turn a profit. With conventional, it's all about the numbers,” he said. “With organic, it's a lot more work and a lot more time. You can't physically farm more acres. But your profit margin can be similar to someone with three times the acres.”

Wilken also sees organic as key to the future for younger farmers, whose numbers are dwindling. His son, Ross, the fifth in a line of farmers, decided to partner with his father and their landlord after seeing the potential in organic feed production.

In addition to premiums, Wilken said, it costs about \$100 less per acre of corn to plant without chemicals. These benefits offset the expense of extra machinery and workers, and the cost, up to \$1,000 a year, for an inspector to certify the land.

But traditions run as deep as alfalfa roots, and some farmers scoff at the idea of changing. Schutte said peer pressure might be the No. 1 factor preventing many farmers from converting. Right now, it's just too far from the norm.

Wilken says the most rewarding part of his transition was being successful at something his neighbors found wacky.

To be successful, farmers say, price can't be the only driving factor. You have to want to work, Wilken said, and you have to be willing to take the risk and still learn the tricks of farming the old-fashioned way.



Harold Wilken cultivates an organic bean field outside of Danforth, Illinois, Monday, July 23, 2007. More farmers are changing over to organic farming, a trend in the marketplace.

Alex Garcia / *Chicago Tribune (MCT)*

ist for the University of Illinois Extension.

“You have to think about farming in a totally different way and relearn how to farm,” Anderson said. “Because of that learning curve, the yield usually goes down.”

To control weeds, Wilken will till between the rows up to four times during the summer. He chops his 300 acres of hay three times a season, which cuts out weeds too.

Farmers also use cover crops, plants they don't harvest but that deprive weeds of sunshine and increase soil fertility, Anderson said. For pests and rodents, natural predators are invited to the farmland, he said. Farmers will sometimes buy ladybugs to feast on the aphids, or wasps to pick out beetles.

ago,” he said. “The difference is in the organic market there's a premium.”

The premium for organic food has farmers' heads turning across the nation as demand increases.

Some corn and soybean growers are converting to meet a growing demand for organic feed as more meat and milk producers certify their herds.

The Organic Trade Association notes that organic meat and poultry production increased 55 percent in 2005, but it's still a small percentage of overall meat sales.

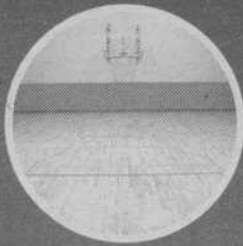
Wilken already has a buyer down the road for his organic feed. Ryan Wolfe has certified his grazing land and has to feed his 110 dairy cows organic grain and hay for another year

duce, corn and soybeans, and much of that time he worked the third shift at a factory to make ends meet instead of hitting the hay at night.

Now organic, Schutte is farming about a third of the land he did conventionally. He is starting work to build an organic-meat processing facility, Family Farmers Meat, in Mattoon, Ill., for his pork and beef. His plant has several investors from Chicago, where he hopes to sell much of the meat.

The only organic meat plant in Illinois now is the Eureka Locker, preventing many livestock producers in Illinois from becoming fully certified.

Joining that effort is Harry Carr, who in 2004 certified his land and 350 ewes in Stelle. He sells his grass-fed meat at Chi-



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The top 20 things students learned freshman year

Compiled by MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS (MCT)

Students share the most important things they learned during their freshman year of college. Hint: Sometimes the best lessons have nothing to do with class.

1. Partying. "I pulled a 4.0 GPA during my first semester at Howard University and a 3.7 during my second semester. With that being said, the first thing I learned freshman year was ... partying is not a precursor for failing. I partied ... hard ... all year long, and I still made the dean's list. Life is all about balance. If you know how much you can handle, you'll be fine."
—Amber Mobley, graduate, Howard University

2. Grades. "Freshman year definitely counts. My less-than-stellar first and second semesters basically sealed my profes-

sional fate. I don't know if that's good or bad, but it does show what a difference a couple of grades can make."

—Terah Davis, graduate, University of Missouri-Kansas City

3. Food. "Do not eat late at night. This equals Freshman 15 and then some."







—Jenny Stalder, junior, Trinity University

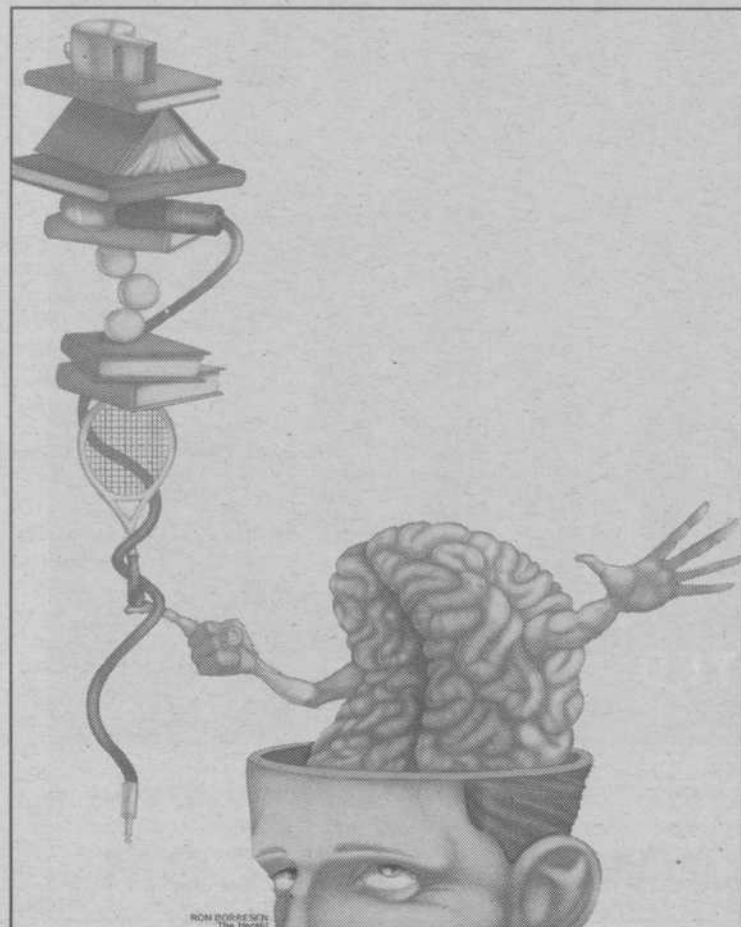
4. Alcohol. "Don't start drinking freshman year. It leads to more drinking later and lapses in judgment and a lot of lapses in memory. Plus, you're underage anyhow and should not be breaking the law."

—Amber Mobley

5. Books. "It is entirely possible not to pay for a single book and still have them all for class. It's called inter-library loan and

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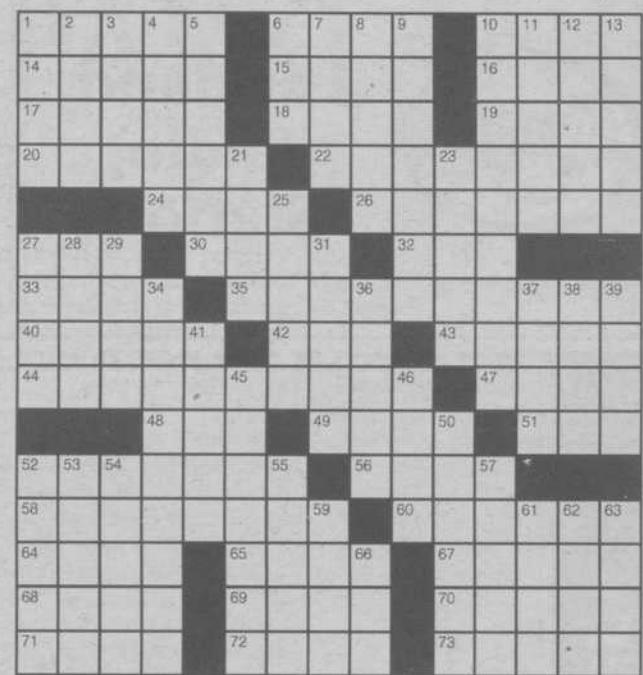
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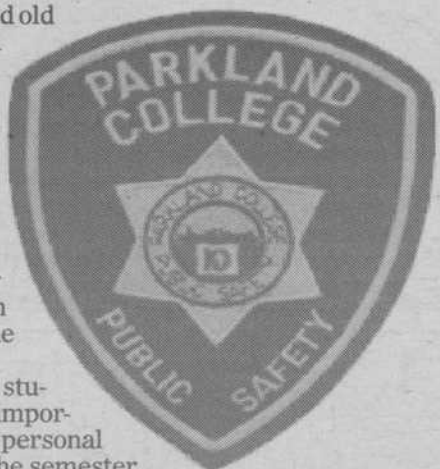


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Again, I would like to remind all students that your well being is very important to us. Please be vigilant of your personal safety and limits. It is still early in the semester and good decisions are made by all. —Ofc. Foster

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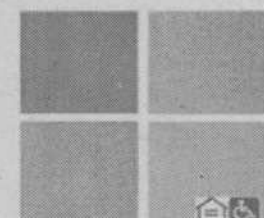
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Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 55.

Friday: A chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 72.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 45.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 67.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 45.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 70.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 48.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 76.

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the local public library."

—Natali Lovell, graduate, Antioch College

6. Exploring. "I would encourage all incoming freshmen to scour their new city for local hot spots, like independent theaters, unique restaurants, the awesome organic ice cream shop, the local art gallery and so on—with or without the car. Walking can be half the fun."

—Heather Bashaw, senior, University of Missouri-Columbia

7. Staying put. "My biggest complaint freshman year? 'I have no friends here.' However, I never afforded myself the opportunity to make friends by going home every weekend that

year, I wiped out a number of chances to explore the city and the campus and possibly meet new people."

—Heather Bashaw

8. Studying. "Study in the library after class before you go back to your room, because once you're there, you won't do work."

—Jenny Stalder

9. Friends. "The people you first made friends with in college will not remain your friends forever. In fact, it's very likely you only became friends with these people because you were in a new place where you knew no one and were desperate not to be friendless."

—Natali Lovell

10. Drama. "The kind of drama from high school will happen

in college if I let it, or I can be flexible, understand that people aren't always how they seem, and deal with being wrong. Grudges and gossip mean fewer friends, not more."

—Joy Mason, sophomore, William Jewell

11. Budgeting. "Budget and make lists. Don't go to Wal-Mart or Target and just wander or you will spend so much more money than if you stuck to a list."

—Emily Aldredge, junior, Kansas State University

12. Freebies. "Make use of every free amenity the college has."

—Natali Lovell

13. Staying healthy. "Take care of yourself physically. I had so many friends who didn't take the time to eat healthy, exer-

cise, go to the doctor or just buy Band-Aids when they needed it. When someone is not there to tell them everything, college students tend to slack on this."

—Emily Aldredge

14. Reinventing yourself. "Freshman year is your newfound opportunity to shed (or maintain) your high school persona. After four years where everyone knew your name, you are once again in control of your image. Keep that in mind when you've had a few too many rounds of Flippy-Cup and your new BFF takes some less-than-flattering Facebook-ready pics of you."

—Robyn Busch, graduate, University of Evansville

15. Class. "Go to class. Just because you can skip doesn't mean you should."

—Emily Aldredge

16. Roommates. "Learn to compromise and communicate with a roommate. This will make it much more pleasant to live with someone—whether a friend or stranger."

—Emily Aldredge

17. Overcoming fear. "I was terrified to leave home, terrified my family would forget me, terrified people would hate me, terrified my classes would be too difficult. Realizing that it's OK to be scared meant I wasn't controlled by my fear. Instead, I called home to remind my family I was still alive (and not to make my bedroom into a home office), introduced myself

to people instead of hanging back and worked harder in my classes."

—Joy Mason

18. Going abroad. "If you want to go abroad, start saving money now. If you don't have a passport, get one now."

—Jenny Stalder

19. Time outs. "It's OK to just hang out by yourself every once in awhile."

—Natali Lovell

20. Change. "Don't try to make my new life into my old life. My relationship with my family will constantly change. My new friends are different from my old friends. I'll have to sleep in a new bed and eat new food and walk more. College life is so big: there's no way I can fit it into the space left by high school life."

—Joy Mason

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CrimeStoppers seeks assistance

This week, CrimeStoppers and Champaign Police investigators, in a joint investigation with the Champaign County Sheriff's Office, are seeking information regarding a forgery case involving stolen checks. The victim reported a book of checks stolen, and the checks were later written at various locations in Champaign

and Urbana.

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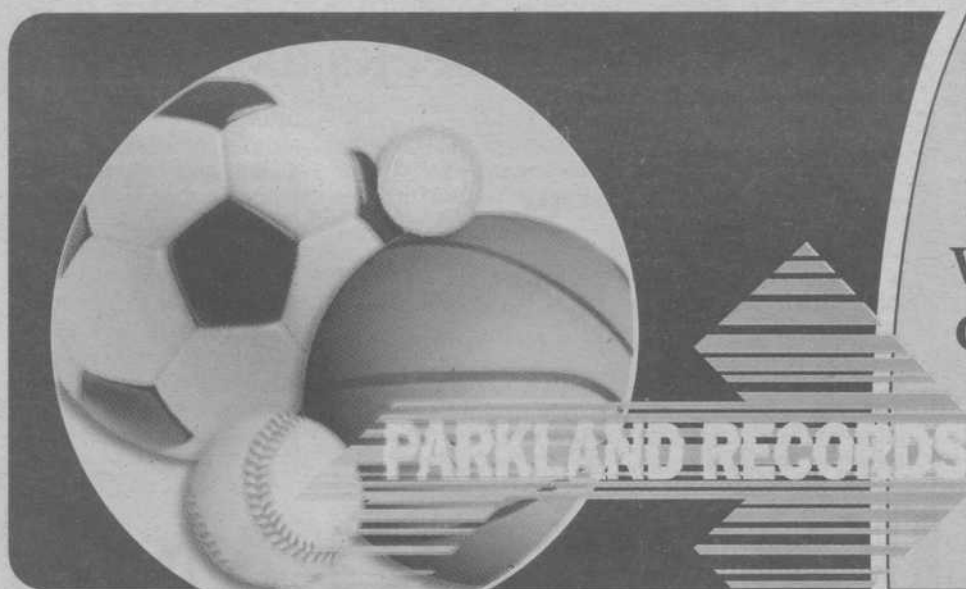
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Determination the standard for PC athletes

By **MICHAEL LAIRD**
Prospectus Staff Writer

Parkland athletics has had their fair share of wins and losses throughout all fall sports this week. The baseball team finished with two wins from two games, the volleyball team went on to win the Owens Tournament in Toledo, Ohio, and the golf team had an extremely impressive start coming up with a second place finish at the Rend Lake Fall preview golf tournament.

On the other side of the results page the women's soccer team suffered three losses. Two of them were surrendered to hands of rival MWAC conference teams ICC and Lewis and Clark. They also suffered an unfortunate loss on Sunday in rough conditions to Meramac. Where as the men's soccer team continued to slide struggling to get a win on the board, losing all three games at the Chesterfield Valley, Missouri Junior College Invitational.

Traveling the country, PC volleyball shines.

Coach Mike Trame and his group of volleyball superstars have recently returned home from their win at the Owens Tournament held in Toledo, Ohio.

The girls went through the tournament undefeated (6-0) stating to the country that they will be the team to beat this year.

Their performances were outstanding with huge wins over

Owens, Vincennes, and Kellogg. They managed to only drop one set throughout the tournament crushing Clark State (30-19, 30-18); Lansing (30-19, 30-27); and Schoolcraft (30-20, 30-25). The girls finished it off on the last day pummeling Owens in their own tournament (30-26, 27-30, 15-12); Vincennes (31-29, 30-25); and finally bringing home the tournament victory against Kellogg with a 31-29, 30-28 win.

With the tournament win the Parkland volleyball team extends their winning record to 10-2, showing everyone that they are here to win.

After a long few weeks traveling the country the volleyball team will enjoy a couple weeks at home with a couple of MWAC conference games followed by a trip to Kalamazoo, Michigan for a two day tournament on October 5 and 6.

PC soccer shows fighting spirit.

After a rough week for both the men and women's soccer teams, they both look to get back on track and show what they are really made of and that the recent losses are just start of season jitters.

After an amazing start to their season going 2-0, the women's soccer team has suffered three losses from their last three outings, losing to ICC (0-5), Lewis and Clark (0-6) and Meramac (2-4).

This is nothing to fret about as the season has just begun. And although the women's team

fell to 2-3 overall, there seems to be some outstanding performances all over the park. Up forward sophomore Michelle Looker keeps things in check scoring goals left, right and center, including one on Sunday against Meramac from a curling free kick just outside the goal box in wet and muddy conditions. Other standout performances included Linda Hernandez (Proviso East HS) and Megan White (Warrensburg-Latham HS). Although her score sheet didn't show much, freshman goalkeeper Ashley White (Poplar Bluff HS) showed some promising stints in goal.

Coach Jenkins and his promising soccer team look to bounce back and show their fighting spirit against conference rival Lincoln at home at 4pm on Wednesday, September 12.

Things don't seem to be going according to plan on the men's soccer team. The boys of the PC soccer team have quickly slid to one of their worst starts in the programs history starting 0-4.

They return home after three heartbreaking losses at the Missouri JC Invitational losing 0-3 against Laramie CC, Wyoming, 0-3 against Allen CC and 1-2 against St Louis Forest Park.

As sophomore sensation Patrick Brewer looks to guide his fellow teammates in the right direction, he still provides outstanding performances on and off the field showing exactly what he is capable of.

Hopefully the next couple weeks on the road, playing their

next five games away, will come along with some success for our men's soccer program as they show everyone that a 0-4 start isn't enough to keep them out of anything.

Freshmen lead the way to outstanding first place.

Parkland College hasn't always had a standout performer, that is, until freshman and Parkland's version of Tiger Woods—Michael Davan—hit the scene. The freshman from Bismark-Henning HS shot an amazing two under par 70 in his first round at the Rend Lake golf preview and followed it up in round two nailing down a one stroke victory shooting an even par round of 72.

Overall Parkland finished second at the invitational just behind John A Logan. This win has certainly given Coach Hoss and his golf team confidence as they head into the rest of their fall season with several outings all throughout Illinois.

As all fall seasons quickly find their way getting older every day, Parkland athletes have shown their determination having both success and heartache. But one thing that has been a trademark of Parkland athletics is that no matter the result, determination and a never-say-die attitude is the number one quality that all PC athletes possess.

Parkland Athletics Press Release

The Parkland Softball and Baseball teams both continued their fall scrimmage seasons traveling to Indiana. The Baseball nine knocked off Vincennes 8-3 and defeated St. Joseph College 8-2 on Sunday while the Softball team defeated D-1 power Wabash Valley 4-3 and were tied with NCAA Evansville University 4-4 in the top of the seventh and had the bases loaded before the rains came. The Baseball team is off until the weekend when they travel to the Austin Peay Invitational in Tennessee while softball will host the UI Club team at 3:00 on Thursday before participating at Southern Indiana.

The Cobra Golf team stands in third place out of 18 teams after the first day of the Illinois State Invitational. Round two announcements will be posted next week, as they are currently playing at press time.

To watch the Cobra Charmers' 2007 National's performance, check out YouTube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=Osna9gAOoHc

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