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"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth."

—Muhammad Ali

Online Resources

[S-L Clearinghouse](#)

[CU Volunteer Database](#)

[Parkland College Service-Learning Website](#)

Share Your S-L Stories

If you are involved in service-learning with Parkland students, please share your stories with the Parkland community by contacting Marsha Reardon

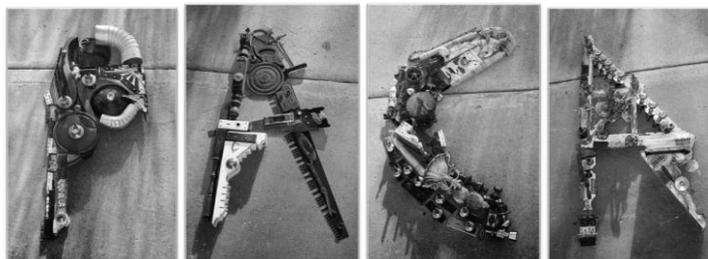
MLK Day of Service at Salt & Light

Monday, January 18 is not only Martin Luther King Jr. Day, but also a day of national community service. For what the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) had dubbed, "a day on, not off," a group of 20 Parkland volunteers helped out at Salt & Light Ministries in Champaign. On Mondays, Salt & Light holds a free weekly distribution of food and clothing/household items for families in need. The setup each week is an extensive process, and the Parkland volunteers definitely had their work cut out for them. In the end, they managed to bag over 300 bags of groceries and sorted through numerous bins of clothing. Many thanks to those who came out to help, and a job well done! To read more about Salt & Light Ministries and their work, or to find out how to volunteer, go to their website:

<http://www.saltandlightministry.org/>

Advanced Photography Develops Good Work for a Good Cause

This is the second year that Peggy Shaw has had her Advanced Photography students take professional photos for local non-profit organizations, and the program has been very well received. The Champaign Park District's portraits, taken by student Aekkapong Manamraytavee, are now hanging all around their main office; the portraits that were taken by Eun Hee Lim for the Church of St. Mary were transformed into a calendar that will be sold for charity; and the portraits that were made for the Garden Hills Homework Club by Cindy Smith are used in promotional materials for the Club. Shaw, who promotes creativity and giving back for a good cause, lets her students run wild with their projects. Says Shaw on the portrait below, completed for the Preservation and Conservation Association (PACA), "Benji was taking pictures of their front window, and hated how it looked. He transformed it to spell out 'PACA' using recycled materials (as seen below), and they loved it!" Kudos to Peggy and her class, who have created such a wildly successful program whose work we hope to see again and again.



Preservation and Conservation Association (PACA)
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For more service-learning and volunteerism photos, see our Flickr site at:
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/parklandservicelearning/>

Upcoming Events!

Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl for Kids' Sake: Sunday, March 7 at 2 PM, at GT Western Bowl—*Parkland College will participate in this event, which is a popular fundraiser for Big Brothers Big Sisters. BBBS is a highly successful program that creates a unique one-to-one bond between a mentor and an at-risk youth. For the event, team members will raise money for the cause, and enjoy a day of fun. To join our Parkland Team, or make a contribution, see our website at: <http://bbbs.kintera.org/2010/parkland>*

Service-Learning Panel: Tuesday, April 13 at 3 PM, in the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning –*Join us as we celebrate and discuss the benefits of service-learning with an interactive panel presentation. The panel will include faculty, students, and community partners who have been involved in service-learning projects. More details to come.*

Check Out the Service-Learning Website and Flickr Page!

Once again, we encourage you to take a look at the Service-Learning Website. On it, you will see upcoming events, read news about service-learning on campus, and find current opportunities to work with community partners. A new portion of the site, "Current Opportunities," makes it even simpler to search for current opportunities in the Parkland area. You can [view the Service Learning Website here!](#) Also, to see photos of service-learning and volunteerism here at the college, [click here](#). More photos yet to come (including photos from Peggy Shaw's course)!
