



Parkland announces schedule of "Passing the Torch" activities for Black History Month - News

Posted by **Admin** | Posted in **Black History Month** | Posted on 26-01-2011-05-2008

[Publish Your Afro-Am Book](#) www.Xlibris.com

Get A Book Publishing Guide Mailed To Your doorstep At No Cost.

[HeLa Cells Originator](#) www.RebeccaSkloot.com

Read The Incredible Story Of Henrietta by R. Skloot.

[Own Every Black US Stamp](#) www.BlackHistoryStamps.com

109 Mint USPS Stamps w/Biography Valuable, Historic, Affordable!

[The UPS Store® Franchise](#) TheUPSStore.com

Take Advantage of An Exciting Business Opportunity. Sign Up Now.

[Afro American Publishing](#) www.ChooseYourPublisher.com

Get matched with an Afro American Book Publisher. Get your Free Guide

[Top-Selling Rare New Book](#) www.AfricanBooks.com

"Hidden in the Shadow of Truth" Why Black Boys Choose Criminality

[African American Authors](#) www.iUniverse.com/Publishing

Self Publish Your Book With Ease. Get a Free Publishing Guide Today!

[African T-Shirts/Apparels](#) www.palava.com

Incredible deals on African Shirts! Save all purchases.



Ads by Google



Ad

[Black History Month](#) www.BlackChristianPeoplemeet.com

Free to Join. 1000's of Pictures of Beautiful Black Christian Singles

[Black History Month Theme](#) www.BlackHistoryMonth.com

Posters with 2011 theme, African Crafts Card Sets, Bookmarks

[African American Jobs](#) www.Monster.com

Find Employers Actively Seeking African American Candidates!

[Black History Skits](#) www.webcrawler.com

Search multiple engines for black history

[Black History Month](#) LessonPlanet.com

200,000 Teacher Reviewed Lessons Find Black History Month Lessons

[Black Expressions® Books](#) www.BlackExpressions.com

Get 4 Books For \$2 When You Join. Risk Free Offer. Try Us Now!

[Dating Site - Free Photos](#) Dating.Match.com

Online Dating at Match.com Browse Profiles and Pics for Free!

[African American Donors](#) EggDonor.com

Most Respected USA Donor Agency Highest Success Rates. Fast Matches



CHAMPAIGN — From historical displays to lectures and competitions to a popular wellness fair, Parkland College will host "Passing the Torch," a monthlong celebration of black achievement and culture in February.

The following events and exhibits are included among the Black History Month observances scheduled; they are open to the public unless otherwise noted.

For information on related events, call the Office of Student Life at 351-2492.

African-American Read-In, Feb. 3

Across the country, more than a million readers will take part in the 22nd National African-American Read-In, sponsored by the Black Caucus of National Council of Teachers of English and the NCTE and endorsed by the International Reading Association. Participate locally by reading from an available selection of literary works or bring a favorite author's work to share, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3, in the Parkland College Library.

National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, Feb. 7

The Parkland Black History Month Committee, in conjunction with Sister to Sister, will help raise awareness on campus about the impact of HIV/AIDS in the black community, promote HIV testing and encourage treatment for those with HIV/AIDS. See www.blackaids.org or www.blackaidsday.org for more information about the national day.

"This Life Ain't Pretty" film and discussion, Feb. 7 and Feb. 10

In conjunction with the Greater Community AIDS Project to promote the awareness of HIV/AIDS and the black community, the Black History Month Committee will sponsor a viewing and discussion of the film, "This Life Ain't Pretty," from 1-2 p.m. both Monday, Feb. 7, and Thursday, Feb. 10, in room D244.

Written, directed and produced by Kimberly D. Connor, the 30-minute film was a finalist in the Urban Media Makers Film Festival Screenwriting Competition and was voted one of the top five short films of 2009 by leading black cinema film critic, Kam Williams.

"Tracing Your Roots" Workshop, Feb. 9

If you've ever been curious about your roots, it's never too late to get started on tracing your genealogy. Learn techniques that will open up a world of information, and learn the best websites to help you in your quest. This interactive session, co-sponsored by the Parkland Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning and the Black History Month Committee, will be presented by Deanna Martin-Osuagu, a Parkland mass communication instructor.

It's scheduled from 1-2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 9, in Room D107.

Making Music: Museum of the Grand Prairie Exhibit, Feb. 14 through Feb. 25

For more than 100 years, black residents of Champaign County have been "Making Music," the title of a new exhibit at the college's center display cases from Feb. 14 through Feb. 25. The exhibit was developed by the Museum of the Grand Prairie in Mahomet (formerly the Early American Museum) using the resources of the Doris K. Hoskins Archive for Cultural Diversity housed there.

"In the early 1900s, Brewer's Juvenile Band, an all-black marching ensemble, played at parades and events throughout the twin cities," said museum's assistant director, Barbara Garvey. "By the 1920s, Mac Scott and his Footwarmers were playing nightclubs, with a mix of ragtime and early jazz. Big bands like the Rhythm Club played from the Robeson Rooftop to the Illini Union in midcentury, enjoying unprecedented popularity. The north First Street music scene dominated much of the mid-to-late 20th century, with performers like Count Demon. Some bright lights have shone beyond Champaign County into the broader national music scene. All of this and more will be featured in the display."

You and the Law, Feb. 16

This workshop for students, co-sponsored by Black Student SUCCESS Project and the Counseling and Advising Center, will take place from 1-2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, in Room D244.

"Bring Your A-Game" film and discussion, Feb. 21

Students are invited for the free viewing and discussion of this 22-minute film targeted to inspire urban youth from noon to 1:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 21, in Room D244. The event is co-sponsored by the Brother to Brother campus group and the Black Student SUCCESS Project.

African-American Wellness Fair, Feb. 23

Health screenings, demonstrations and information from wellness-related vendors will be available at this annual fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, in the Gallery Lounge.

Black History Live!, Feb. 25

This lively, interactive competition on black history is popular with students. It's scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25, in the Flag Lounge and includes prizes and refreshments.

The 2003 News-Gazette photo of Black History Live! was taken by N-G photographer Vanda Bidwell

Share and Enjoy:



[Read More](#)

Write a comment

You must be logged in to post a comment.



**GET YOUR ASS
INSURED.COM**

**WANTED
CHEAP INSURANCE!**

Your one stop shop for all your insurance needs!