

# PARKSIDE STUDENT ACTIVITIES

## STUDENT LEADER OF THE MONTH

WHAT DO YOU WANT YOUR LEGACY AT UWP TO BE?

I WOULD LIKE MY LEGACY TO BE THAT I'VE **NEVER GIVEN UP** MY BELIEFS TO FIT IN WITH OTHERS. I'VE LEARNED THAT PEOPLE RESPECT YOU MORE IF YOU ARE AN INDIVIDUAL AND NOT SO WORRIED ABOUT THE IN CROWD.

WHY DID YOU GET INVOLVED IN IMPACT, RES. LIFE, AND THE WOMEN'S CENTER?

I GOT INVOLVED WITH **IMPACT** BECAUSE THERE WERE STUDENTS WHO FELT THAT THEY DIDN'T FEEL COMFORTABLE AT OTHER CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATIONS ON CAMPUS. I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO START A CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATION HERE AT PARKSIDE, BUT THE STUDENTS MADE ME MORE **DETERMINED** TO GET **IMPACT** STARTED. BECOMING A RESIDENT ADVISOR WAS ACTUALLY ONE OF THE **GOALS** THAT I **SET FOR MYSELF** TO COMPLETE BEFORE I GRADUATED. I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO MAKE STUDENTS FEEL COMFORTABLE IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE THEY LIVE. I KNOW THAT STUDENTS GO THROUGH MANY THINGS WHILE THEY ARE TRYING TO TRANSITION FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO COLLEGE AND IT'S GREAT TO HAVE ANOTHER PERSON THERE WHO CAN **HELP** THEM MAKE THAT TRANSITION. THE **WOMEN'S CENTER** IS A GREAT PLACE FOR ME TO BE A RESOURCE PERSON FOR WOMEN.

HAVE YOU RECEIVED ANY AWARDS/ACCOLADES/SCHOLARSHIPS THAT YOU ARE PROUD OF?

I RECENTLY RECEIVED A CERTIFICATE FOR COMPLETING THE **DIVERSITY CIRCLES** FACILITATION TRAINING.

WHAT IS THE BEST THING ABOUT WORKING WITH **IMPACT**, **WOMEN'S CENTER**, AND **RES. LIFE**?

THE BEST THING ABOUT BEING INVOLVED WITH THESE ORGANIZATIONS IS SEEING HOW MUCH OF AN **IMPACT** YOU CAN HAVE ON PEOPLE'S LIVES. I TAKE MY LEADERSHIP POSITIONS VERY SERIOUSLY BECAUSE STUDENTS REALLY DO **LOOK UP TO ME**. I HAVE TO **SET AN EXAMPLE** FOR FUTURE LEADERS HERE AT PARKSIDE.

CAN YOU RECOMMEND A GOOD BOOK TO READ?

DREAMS FROM MY FATHER, BY BARACK OBAMA

IMPACT MEETS WED. AT 845PM  
MOLN DR8

# ALESHA GOSS

IMPACT PRESIDENT, RESIDENT ADVISOR *and*  
WOMEN'S CENTER, ASST COORDINATOR

"OUR DEEPEST FEAR IS NOT THAT WE ARE INADEQUATE. OUR DEEPEST FEAR IS THAT WE ARE POWERFUL BEYOND MEASURE. IT IS OUR LIGHT, NOT OUR DARKNESS THAT MOST FRIGHTENS US. WE ASK OURSELVES, WHO AM I TO BE BRILLIANT, GORGEOUS, TALENTED, AND FABULOUS? WHO ARE YOU NOT TO BE? YOU ARE A CHILD OF GOD. YOUR PLAYING SMALL DOESN'T SERVE THE WORLD. THERE'S NOTHING ENLIGHTENED ABOUT SHRINKING SO THAT OTHER PEOPLE WON'T FEEL INSECURE AROUND YOU. WE ARE ALL MEANT TO SHINE, AS CHILDREN DO. WE ARE BORN TO MAKE MANIFEST THE GLORY OF GOD THAT IS WITHIN US. IT'S NOT JUST IN SOME OF US, IT'S IN EVERYONE. AND AS WE LET OUR LIGHT SHINE, WE UNCONSCIOUSLY GIVE OTHER PEOPLE PERMISSION TO DO THE SAME. AS WE ARE LIBERATED FROM OUR OWN FEARS, OUR PRESENCE AUTOMATICALLY LIBERATES OTHERS." Nelson Mandela

