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# PROSPECTUS

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## Grading System Has N's and I's

by Pat Warnock

In an interview Monday with counselor Stephen Fischer, a new grading system was explained. The major changes are an N and W grade.

An N signifies insufficient or non attendance. This is designed to help the student who for one reason or another does not attend class, or is not aware that to officially withdraw means to notify the Registrar.

The other major change is the W grade. With it a student may withdraw from a class up to the last day preceding finals. This letter is used also if a student wishes to audit a course. Mr. Fischer noted that at other schools "If you are doing well in an audited course you cannot usually change to take the course for credit. With this system, however, you need not take an audit grade right away but wait and see how you do and then decide."

An incomplete, I, has to be made up now in seven weeks instead of the entire quarter. This was done because students were running into final exams with other courses and finding it hard to make up an I. The I no longer counts against you when computing your GPA.

The idea of looking into grading procedures was first inaugurated about one year ago at the suggestion of the

administration. Under the direction of Mr. Fischer, ten faculty and two students studied the problem. The committee met about once per week at the outset and examined the grading system of Parkland and other schools around the state. Their recommendations were then sent to the faculty, administration, and then the board to be acted upon. The board approved the changes this past summer.

The Pass-Fail grading was not in the recommendations because of not knowing how other schools would count it. The Pass-Fail option is now being tried at the U. of I. It is also used at the University of Kentucky where this reporter went last year. It was also not accepted because of possible conflicts with scholarships, Social Security, G. I. Bill, etc.

This grading system according to Mr. Fischer, is better than last years. It is fairer to the student. He receives an N instead of an F, because he didn't know the procedure for dropping a course. The only problem with an N is that S.I.U. counts it as an F. "The system should be re-examined in about a year to see if it is working", Mr. Fischer stated.

Mr. Fischer also said that the student body president had a hard time finding interested students to sit on the committee.

## New Policies Started For Parkland College

Parkland's Dean of Student, Gary James, has been here since last December. In an interview with him last week, we talked about some of the changes that have been made already, and some things to come.

One of the changes concerns the Ethics Committee. Their job is to hear and act upon complaints of the students. James said, "The Ethics Committee provides an avenue for grievances of the students."

A major change is in the residency policies. Adult students (including the spouse of a college or university student) who are otherwise not entitled to classification as "residents" of the District, may establish a claim to "resident" by presenting evidence that he (or she) has resided continuously within the District for a period of

at least 12 months subsequent to marriage.

This change enables people who could not attend Parkland before now to get a college education. The entire residency policy form is available in the Dean of Student's office.

### Resident Classification

Changes in personnel have considerably helped several departments. Kenneth Gunji has been appointed as Coordinator of Financial Aids and Placement. Gunji's appointment has taken a burden off of the Office of Student Activities.

Three new counselors have been added, making a total of eight. The new counselors are Mrs. Virlyn Leitner, Dr. Rose Marie Gray, and James Lyles. Timothy Neher has also been hired as Assistant to the Dean of Students.

James said that several policy changes are in the making. "We are in the process of revising scheduling to enable students to select time blocks." This will help those students who work part time. Instead of having to wait until registration to know his schedule, he will know when he pre-registers.

Last year attendance at graduation exercises was mandatory. This year attendance at the Commencement program is voluntary, but all students in attendance will be required to wear academic costume.

Apathy has been and is a big problem at PC. James said that the reason students don't get involved is because "they are still tied to their home community."

James also said that if "we meet the needs of 125 people, the Student Activities program is a success."

## S. W. A. M. P. Fights Pollution, Apathy

by K. William Avery

Every living thing and the physical necessities required for life fit into a complex enclosed system. This system is referred to as an ecosystem. The study of the manner in which all these living things and their physical necessities interact is called ecology. Until quite recently man has thought of himself as being above and in domain over the system, but not as a part of it. The devastating results of this attitude are to be seen engulfing us more and more each day. Even the possibility of human extinction is now considered a serious problem. Some, who are in a position to know, feel it will soon be too late to correct the problem.

There are three factions in the

fight, the doers, the complacent, and the apathetic. Parkland has a share of doers and more than its share of apathetics. Students Working Against Mans Pollution (S.W.A.M.P.) is organized to fight both pollution and man's apathy towards environmental quality.

Generally its aims are two fold; education and action. The educational aims are in the manner of making people aware of the problem and understanding its significance. The action of S.W.A.M.P. is concerned with this area, the state, and the nation. This year's aim is more towards action and student involvement.

Speaking of student involve-

ment; this is what S.W.A.M.P. needs more of. Last year I felt many times that there was entirely too much apathy on the part of Parkland students, not only toward pollution, but toward

everything. This year I am convinced. S.W.A.M.P. membership is open to all students interested in the betterment of our environment. As the saying goes, "If you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem." Apathy is a part of the problem, a big part, and what we need at Parkland is less problems and more solutions. Interested students should contact Steve Petry, chairman, through the Student Activities office, or Mr. Bozler, advisor, at the Science Center.

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EDITORIALS

# Comments Some Things To Come

Bruce Murray

Parkland College was established in 1968. Since then many improvements have been made, but not enough.

Don't get me wrong, Parkland, compared to most other junior colleges is an exceptional institution. Even though P.C. has made enormous strides in its short history, there are many areas where it can be improved.

For instance, how many students have seen Dr. Staerkel (pres. of the college?) If you have, did you recognize him? Probably not. This is my point. The relationship of Administration/Faculty to students leaves much to be desired. To

this I must make an exception. Dr. Gary James, Dean of Students, has done an outstanding job of meeting and knowing students since he came to Parkland last December.

How many of you can name even five members of the Board of Directors or administration besides Staerkel or James? Personally, I like to know who is running the school I attend, and I would like to think my fellow students do too.

As far as teacher/student relationships go, they go almost nowhere. How many times have you gone to your instructor for extra help and he/she wasn't

there?

If there were better student-teacher relations you could have asked another instructor in the same department for help.

For all biology students there is a video tape of all the instructors who will be in the lab. This is an excellent idea and should be adopted in all departments.

In Parkland's three years, there has never been a close student unity. An administration-Faculty/student relationship is a start.

This year, the PROSPECTUS hopes to serve all of you, not just a certain element as it has been

in the past. Please let us know if you have any complaints, praises, or criticisms about anything concerning Parkland College.

If your ideas are valid we'll try to get something done. The PROSPECTUS is a student newspaper, so let us serve you. If you help us, we can help you.

# Pollution-Sollution? A Personal Challenge

by K. William Avery

What is really involved in this thing called ecology? Is it air pollution, water pollution, land pollution, or over population? No, these are not the real issues at hand. Although they are indeed problems, the real crisis is that basic we all fail to perceive. The one issue we all run from when it is time for a showdown -- the moral issue! Our own personal attitudes, biases, and convictions are on trial here. Ecology is

something that everyone is involved in, like it or not, in one way or another. It is something in which there can be no fence sitting; either you are doing something about the situation or you are part of the dilemma. My guess is that about 90% of us at Parkland are part of the problem, regardless of what we say. Take a good critical look at yourself. If you have that ability, and ask yourself what you are doing about the environment. Take a look at Parkland too, a lot of people are doing a lot of doing, but little else is being done.

A critical evaluation necessarily brings us back to the moral problem. This has always been an elusive subject. People do not wish to judge their own morals, but they have quite a time with the morals of others. Before we can evaluate these morals we must first know what they are. Morals are far more than spiritual guidelines, they are the basic values by which we live. On the whole our society must have rather barbaric and perverse morals. I say this because of the results obvious to us all. Would reasonable and intelligent moral beings have created air pollution, water pollution, or over population? I rather think not.

What about the people at Parkland College? Are you helping to curb pollution? With very few exceptions, and they know who they are, everyone who answered yes to that question is either a fool or a liar. By what right, you ask, do I say that? By a standard of values that holds one to judge and be

prepared to be judged. I make this judgment considering three basic areas of the individual; his person, his home, and his automobile. Consider your own person, home, and car; then tell me that I am wrong. Granted there are exceptions to this, but precious few of them.

How often do you think or say that they (industry) should be made to do this or that about the situation? If you do then you are the fool I am referring to. Has it ever occurred to your narrow mind that without us they could not operate? No, it is not they that must change it is all the I's that go together to make the big we. The first step is to change the attitude of all the I's. The biggest part of this attitude change is the apathy involved, and it abounds here at Parkland.

What it comes down to is this, do we here at Parkland have what it takes to do something about the world we live in and are destroying? I seriously doubt it; most of us could care less, or we would in fact be doing something now.

The remainder I offer as a challenge. I challenge everyone at Parkland, from the President on down, to prove me wrong in the following seven items:

1) We do not have the rationality to recognize the truth when we see it, nor to recognize a good or bad set of values.

2) We do not have the independence to act for and by ourselves, without concern for what others think. To act with independence would be to become unpopular in other's

eyes.

3) We do not have the integrity to stick to our convictions without bending in the slightest wind. We cannot fake it, but we will try. We do not possess the courage nor the confidence to be true to our own consciousness.

4) We do not have the honesty to recognize the problems that exist, nor the potential disaster that is apparent in them. We are fools.

5) We do not have the justice to judge in a conscientious manner. We judge in group lots, black is black and white is white, and not on an individual and honest basis. This is caused by bias, prejudice, bigotry, and ignorance.

6) We do not possess the productiveness to make the change required. When we realize exactly what it will mean in terms of personal sacrifice, we will be too morally weak to produce. We are all words and no guts.

7) Finally, we do not have enough pride in ourselves to prove that I am wrong, nor enough pride to make the changes needed.

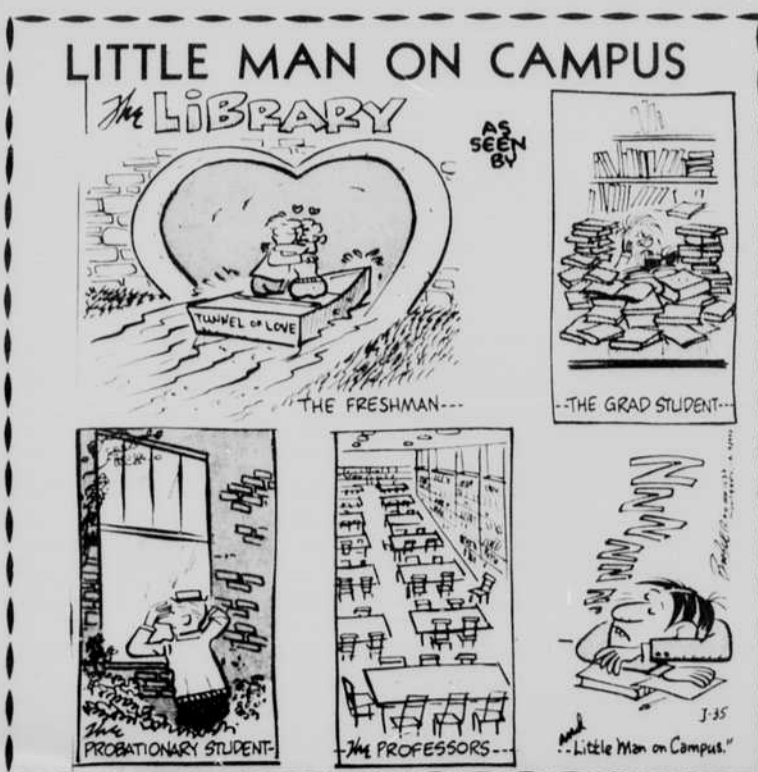
Now, I imagine many of you already have pen in hand to answer my accusations. Good, prove me right immediately by jumping on the defensive and admitting your moral weakness. Only action, honest action, can prove me wrong, not words. I sincerely hope each of you can prove me wrong, but I seriously doubt it.

## Student Conduct Rules

The following actions or activities will result in immediate expulsion from Parkland College or other disciplinary action:

1. Unethical conduct during examinations in preparation of assignments designated by the instructor.
2. Falsification of any official records required of the student by the College.
3. Possession or use of alcoholic beverages of College property, at any College-sponsored event, or appearance on campus while under the influence of alcohol.
4. Reckless driving and unauthorized parking of student cars on College property.
5. Engaging, while on College property, in initiation practices or organizations not officially recognized by the college and which obviously call attention to the initiates or members of the organization.
6. Participation in the name of the College in non-sanctioned activities off campus.
7. Violating while on College facilities, municipal, county, state, or federal laws, statutes, or ordinances. Such violations are also subject to referral to civil authorities for investigation and action.
8. Threatening, attempting, or committing physical violence against any person.
9. Preventing or attempting to prevent any student from attending class or any other College activities.
10. Preventing or attempting to prevent any person or any visitor to or guest of the College, on or off College facilities, from lawfully entering, leaving, or using any College facility.
11. Preventing or attempting to prevent any members of the College community from carrying on any lawful business or purpose he may have while on College facilities.
12. Blocking pedestrian or vehicular traffic.

13. Preventing, impeding or disrupting or attempting to impede, disrupt or prevent any College activity.
14. Endangering the personal health, safety and welfare of himself or any other person.
15. Damaging or destroying College facilities.
16. Using language that is degrading or abusive to any person.
17. Preventing or attempting to prevent any guest speaker from being heard or causing such speaker to suspend or interrupt his presentation.
18. Entering upon College facilities other than for purposes of carrying on in good faith what College authorities deem to be proper functions.
19. Violating special regulations which are necessary to govern various facilities and activities of the College.
20. Any other action which is considered to be serious and detrimental to the welfare of Parkland.



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## News

## Shorts

### FALL MIXER

It is not too late to pick up tickets to the Fall Mixer-Bowling Party on Saturday evening, October 3. The fun will begin at 7:30 p.m. It is necessary to preregister in the Office of Student Activities. There will be no charge to students.

### HEALTH INSURANCE

Information for student health insurance is available in the Office of Student Activities. Full coverage for one year is \$22.50.

### WITHDRAWAL DAY

Final day for withdrawal from a course without a record is October 2.

### CONVENTIAMUS

The yearbook staff is looking for students who are interested in spending some of their time taking pictures, designing layouts, typing, or etc. If you are interested and would like to find out more about it, please come to the first organizational meeting to be held on Thursday, October 1 during the college hour (1:00-2:00) in M-13.

### 69-70 yearbook

The 69-70 Conventiamus is here! Don't miss the chance of owning Parkland's first yearbook. It is on sale now for \$3.00 in the Student Activities Office.

### CALENDAR

A weekly calendar of events is available in the Office of Student Activities Office.

### SPRINKLER

Articles for the Sprinkler may be submitted to the Office of Student Activities.

### WOMEN'S LIBERATION

If you are interested in being a part of Women's Liberation, sign up on the sheet outside the Office of Student Activities. If you would like more information on this organization, call Virginia Wiley at 356-7705 before 10:00 p.m.

## Community Theatre 1970-71 Season

The Champaign-Urbana Community Theatre recently announced its selections of plays and directors for the 1970-71 season.

Tom Farrington, completing his Master's Degree in English, opens CUCT's season in mid-November with his production of THE RAINMAKER by Richard Nash.

Mr. Farrington's experiences in acting and directing include productions given at the Armory and by the Roving Theatre.

In January, Neil Simon's THE ODD COUPLE will be directed by Steve Davis, Instructor of Speech and English and Director of Drama, Debate and Forensic Programs at Central High School.

Mr. Davis' experience includes directing for the Kansas City Park Recreation Department.

Jack Bibee, Ph. D. candidate in Theatre, will direct Arthur Miller's THE CRUCIBLE to be given in March at the Urbana Civic Center.

Mr. Bibee is well remembered for his recent direction of THE DEATH AND LIFE OF SNEAKY FITCH at the Studio Theatre.

The CUCT's season closes in May with William Inge's PICNIC to be directed by Mr. Paul Brady, Instructor of Theatre and Director of Lighting for the University Theatre.

Mr. Brady has recently appeared in PHILADELPHIA, HERE I COME and OUR TOWN.

Anyone wishing to participate in Community Theatre activities or to receive CUCT's Newsletter should call Carol Unzicker - 365-1001.

## New Teachers

The staff of the Prospectus and the student body of Parkland College wish to extend a welcome to this year's new instructors. New in the Biology department are S. Anderson, T. Hughes, and M. Pfeffer. The English and Speech departments have six new instructors. They are: R. Aull, M. Dooling, K. Keener, E. Kelly, B. Klamecke, and D. Valley.

The Nursing Staff hosts four additions: B. Colwell, C. Harman, J. Helper, and C. Waggoner. Geography's new advocate, R. Black, has been joined by four in the Math Department. They are: L. Akers, W. Applebaugh, G. Neul, and M. Topper.


These are only half of the new teachers at PC this year. In the next few issues we hope to acquaint you with these new people.

## Upcoming Movies

Bonnie & Clyde: 10/12  
Five Branded Women: 10/21  
Bridge Over the River Kwai: 11/5  
Cat Ballou: 11/17  
Sand Pebbles: 12/2  
All movies shown in student center. Time: 7:00 p.m.

## Charley Chan


Charley Chan has been with us since his creation by Earl Biggers in 1925, and despite profound changes in the genre of detective fiction and detective movies, the clever Oriental continues to work his mysterious enchantments upon succeeding generations of film fans. Chan has wandered through 46 films, casually collecting clues, voicing aphorisms and keeping everyone thoroughly baffled until the very last moment when he exposes the culprit-- invariably the last person anyone would suspect.



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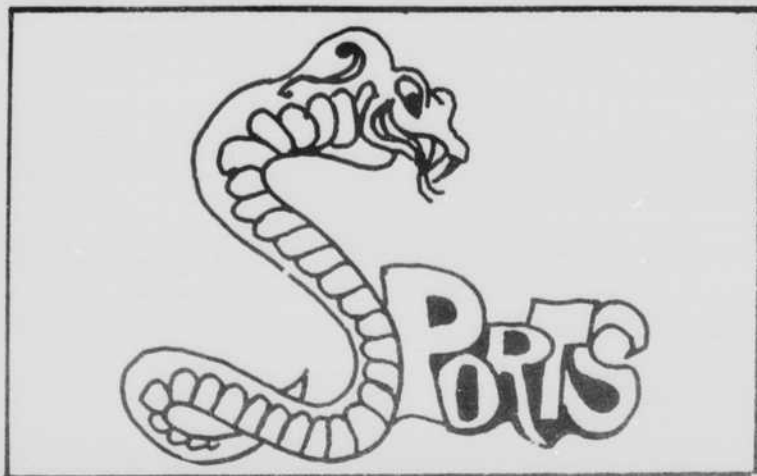
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## Cheerleading Tryouts

All girls interested in trying out for the cheerleading squad should meet in the Champaign armory on Sept. 29 at 1:00. There the girls will be briefed and given a copy of the cheerleading constitution. There will be three weeks of practice in the tryout clinics on Tues. and Thurs. at college hour. Some past cheerleaders will work with the new girls at this time. To be eligible to tryout all girls must attend four out of six practices.

All girls must have had a "C" average the previous quarter and

must maintain a "C" average while cheering. If a girl's grades fall below the "C" mark the first alternate will take her place.

Five cheerleaders and two alternates will be chosen by a board of six faculty members and six students. All cheerleaders will attend all home games plus five away games. No one may sign up for cheerleading later than October 7. Anyone signing up at that time must attend all remaining practices to be eligible for tryouts.

# Parkland College Golf Schedule 1970-71

Friday	Sept. 25	Lake Land	Mattoon	1:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Sept. 30	Kankakee	Kankakee	1:00 p.m.
Thursday	Oct. 1	Danville	Danville	1:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Oct. 6	Lincoln Land	Springfield	1:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Oct. 8	Lincoln Land	Savoy	1:00 p.m.
		Vincennes		
		Wabash Valley		
Monday	Oct. 12	Conference Tournament	Savoy	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Oct. 14	Danville Invitational	Danville	1:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Oct. 20	Sectional Meet	Springfield	10:00 p.m.
Friday	Oct. 23	Vincennes	Vincennes	1:00 p.m.
Saturday	Oct. 24	Wabash Valley	Wabash Valley	1:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Oct. 28	Lake Land	Savoy	1:00 p.m.
		Danville		
Saturday	Oct. 31	Region IV Meet	Savoy	10:00 a.m.



What's this? Is she the Yankee's new star, Minnie Mantle. No. She is PROSPECTUS Sports Editor Ginny Patton. Watch for some interesting developments on this page.

## Linksmen Open Fall Season

Peculiar right? Wrong. As crazy as it sounds there is a practical reason behind it. The availability of courses in our area in the spring is almost null-viola a fall schedule.

Parkland golfers participate in nine matches, a conference tournament, sectional meet as well as the Region 4 meet which ends Parklands season. Coach Norris explained the Regional 4 meet as very important to the golf team. This meet which will be played at the home course in Savoy. It will consist of 26 teams from Junior colleges around Illinois and southern Wisconsin.

## Intramurals Start

Intramurals for the fall quarter includes flag football, tennis and bowling.

The flag football teams will meet Wednesday at 4:00 at Centennial Park. Tennis teams will also start Wednesday at 4:00 in Hessel Park. Anyone interested in bowling, there will be a meeting October 13 at 11:00 (college hour) at Old Orchard Lanes. Persons interested in these activities may sign up at the Armory. Intramural organizer is Coach Grothe.

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