

news in brief

City officials in East St. Louis are studying a possible ban on handguns which would probably be very similar to the highly controversial handgun law already in effect in Morton Grove, Ill.

That Morton Grove law forbids the possession or sale of handguns by anyone other than police officers or military personnel.

East St. Louis Mayor Carl Officer has said that he is concerned about the high crime rate and the frequency of handgun arrests. If a Morton Grove style ordinance is passed it would place the two cities under one of the strictest gun control laws in the country.

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The Illinois Gubernatorial race is beginning to heat up. Organizers of a \$50-a-plate fund raiser dinner claim they were not trying to snub candidate and former governor Dan Walker when they didn't invite him to the event. Todd Renfrew, chairman of the Democratic County Chairman Association, says no one who attended was issued an invitation . . . except county chairman; anyone could come.

Meanwhile, Gov. "Big Jim" Thompson said he expects no trouble beating candidate Adlai Stevenson in 1982. Thompson called the former senator "poorly informed" about issues facing the state.

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This year's Nobel Prize in economics has been awarded to Yale Professor James Tobin. Tobin won the prize for his "Portfolio Selection Theory," an analysis of market forces and their effect on investment. Tobin is the tenth American to win the economics prize since 1969.

Tobin's theories are based on the premise that investors do not like to place all their eggs in one basket. The 1976 Nobel Prize for economics went to Milton Friedman. Friedman and Tobin are opposed in their theories.

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Vice President George Bush is in Bogata, Columbia . . . the second stop of a Latin American tour that also took him to the Dominican Republic. Bush will visit Brazil either today or tomorrow. Security is tight for Bush on this expedition. When the last American, Nelson Rockefeller, visited Bogata in 1969, he was greeted by rioting.

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Things may be coming to a head in Poland. Moscow is charging that the Solidarity Union in cooperation with the Catholic Church is trying to seize control of the government and move Poland out of the Soviet Bloc.

Solidarity is finally openly admitting that unless the government takes immediate steps to alleviate the critical food shortage in that country, the union is planning to seize a measure of control with a "two stage" protest which could include a strike.

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Postal rates have increased to 20 cents for delivery of first-class mail. Old stamps will be good until November 1 when the new stamps—marked with a "C" will be used until the Post Office can get a supply of stamps printed with 20 cents.

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NC panel studies PC

by Eric Bohlen

An evaluation panel from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools visited Parkland Oct. 12-14, according to Dean of Instruction Donald Swank.

The panel, which is made up of five educators from around the country, is studying the facilities and faculty in order to determine if the college should be re-accredited.

Members of the panel are: Anita Smith, chairperson of Health Occupations at the Western Wisconsin Technical Institute in La Cross; Dr. Fred Sutton, head of English Technology at Cuyahoga Community College in Cleveland; Dr. Neva Bartel, dean of Arts and Sciences at Kellogg Community College in Battlecreek; Dr. Arthur DeCaboooter, president of the Scottsdale Community College, Scottsdale Ariz., and Dr. Theodore Borek, chairman of the Department of Business at Phoenix College in Arizona.

The panel also looked at a self-study done by the college during the past year.

Parkland will receive the results of the evaluation, and if approved, a re-accreditation of up to 10 years will be assigned.



Ms. Anita Smith, Chairperson of the Health Occupations Division at Western Wisconsin Technical Institute in LaCross, Wis., discusses use of the Learning Resource Center here at Parkland College with David Johnson. Ms. Smith is one member of the North Central Association accreditation team visiting the campus. Their meetings with students, staff, faculty, and Board of Trustees will conclude tonight.

MTD to raise rates

by Denise Suerth

The Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District is seeking a raise in bus fares to go into effect January 1. The MTD is seeking a 10-cent fare increase, which will bring the cost of a one-way trip to 50-cents. William Volk, MTD Managing Director, is expected to make a formal proposal to increase the fares at the MTD board meeting in October.

The fare was last raised in May of this year from 35-cents to 40-cents. According to Tom Costello, Assistant Managing Director, the MTD Board was told at that time that the 5-cent raise was only a temporary stopgap and that the staff would recommend another raise to 50-cents for January. This will also cause a raise in the price of MTD Passes. The fare raise has not yet been approved by the MTD Board of Directors, but no opposition to the raise is expected.

The MTD staff looks on the 50-cent fare as a plateau to

strengthen the local funding base in anticipation of proposed mass transit subsidy cuts by the federal government. The MTD has already made minor route changes on September 29 to save money and is constantly refining routes to save cash and run more efficiently. The only other way to raise needed revenues would be a tax increase.

Inflation and federal subsidy reductions are responsible mostly for the fare increase, the third in less than five years. Inflation is best reflected in the cost of diesel fuel for the busses, which makes up approximately 15 percent of the MTD's operating budget, and was almost solely responsible for the fare raises from 30 to 35-cents and from 35 to 40-cents.

The MTD's current operating hours are 5:45 a.m. to 12:10 a.m. Monday through Friday, 5:45 a.m. to 7:20 p.m. Saturday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. There are no plans at present to change operating hours.

A recital of applied music students will begin tomorrow and continue every three weeks until the end of the semester. Practices are on Thursdays from 12 until 1 p.m. The program is open to everybody as well as applied music students.

Music groups to perform

by Joe Palmer

The Parkland Swing Choir will perform at Natures Table on Oct. 25 and at the Urbana Country Club Dinner on Nov. 14.

On Nov. 21, the choir will sing at the Artists Showcase in Monticello and conclude the semester with a Christmas program in December.

The Madrigal Singers, who have practiced for more than three weeks, will sing Nov. 1 at the Parkland Student Center.

The Madrigals will perform the Madrigal Dinner at the Champaign Country Club on Dec. 6, and on December 12, they will perform at the Champaign County Historical Museum.

The Parkland Choral Union, a group of more than 40 singers, will sing Nov. 22, at the Knights of

Columbus Hall. The Union will also sing at the First Methodist Church of Champaign where they will join in the "Messiah." On Dec. 10, the Union will conclude the semester by performing at Market Place Mall.

Tourneys continue

The Annual Parkland Game Tournaments are underway and the games have proven interesting at this early stage. In the men's 8-ball tourney, Andre Krabbe got off to a slow start but then put things together and defeated Don Lancaster four games to two. In other matches Tom Smith was upset by Craig Henry 4-1 while Tom Lane whitewashed Mike Madix 4-zip.

Table tennis competition found Joh Mortimer knocking off Dave Petry in the opening round 21-7, 21-7. In backgammon, Kevin O'Halloran started his repeat climb to the title with a victory over Warren Washington.

Women's 8-ball has not got started at this time but the participants have been practicing regularly and getting "tuned" for their opening matches this week.

Contests in foosball and chess have not started but signs indicate there will be many interesting battles in these tournaments.

Also, many of you bowlers must plan ahead for the bowling tournament which will take place during the second week of the spring semester. Start practicing NOW and get ready for this tourney.

Winners of all tournaments will represent Parkland College in the annual Illinois-Indiana regional tournament to be held in February at the University of Illinois. Winners last year in the regional tournament were from Purdue, Indiana University, Southern Illinois, Ball State, Western Illinois and Notre Dame. Maybe Parkland will appear in the winner's circle this year. Hope so.



It was a grueling battle on the first round of the backgammon game, as the annual Parkland game tournaments get underway.

Ship collection shown at Parkland

Model ships from all over the world will be on display at Parkland College October 12-November 13. The exhibit, from the collection of Charles Lozar and Ship Models International, a company founded by Lozar, will be in the College Center and in the Community Gallery. The public may view the show during the following hours: 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday; and 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday.

Some of the ships to be displayed were used in movies, including a seven foot copper model of a Roman galley used in the 1930 version of *Ben Hur*, and the tugboat from *Tugboat Annie*. A 90-year old man from Brownsville, Texas, built the six-foot, three-masted schooner which will be shown.

The exhibit will also feature many museum-quality models, including one of the "H.M.S. Bounty" and the Bounty lifeboat. An ornate 17th Century Dutch yacht used by royalty as a pleasure craft and a hand-carved pear wood junk from Red China are included in the show. A model of an 1870 whaler is only 32 inches long, and yet all the lifeboat oars and harpoons have been hand carved.

A seven-foot model of the "Robert E. Lee," which is

currently being restored, will be on display. The "Robert E. Lee" is also featured in a diorama which shows it and the "Natchez" river boats being loaded at the New Orleans dock before their great 1870 race up the Mississippi River to St. Louis.

Lozar has collected and restored the ship models for years. Ship Models International buys models from builders to sell to collectors and others, much like an art gallery handles the work of professional artists.

We hear from you . . .

Dear Prospectus staff,

We would like to inform you that the Parkland College Circle K have participated in the following student activities:

ACTIVITIES:

- Spring Elections
- Spring-Out
- Fall-In
- Fall Elections

Since you have forgotten to mention us in the paper, we thought we should draw your attention to this small oversight.

Thank you,
Melanie Evans
Circle K President

We, the Student Government, would like to say a hearty "Thank You" to the Circle K members for all the help they have given us in all the following events: Spring Elections, Spring-Out, Fall-In and Fall Elections.

Without their help things would not have gone as smoothly as they did.

The Circle K is strictly a service oriented organization and should be recognized. Again . . .

THANKS!!

Zack Trail, President
Jim Hillary, Vice President
Maty Rearden, Secretary
Carol Benz, Treasurer

Parkland offers two courses at Mahomet

Parkland College will offer two courses at Mahomet Area Learning Centers beginning October 26. Introduction to Gas and Arc Welding will meet on Mondays from 6-10 p.m. at Mahomet-Seymour High School. On Mondays and Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. an Archery class will meet at the PSE Pro Shop on Lake of the Woods Road.

The two-credit hour welding class is for beginners. Students will learn downhand oxy-acetylene arc and carbon arc cutting, brazing and welding. Participants will also receive an introduction to metal and

tungsten inert gas welding.

Students in Archery will receive instruction in the basic skills and elementary theory of archery. It is a one-credit hour course.

Students may register for either class at the first class meeting, or at the Parkland Office of Admissions and Records prior to October 26. Tuition for Archery is \$17, and the total cost for Gas and Arc Welding, including course fee, is \$44. Individuals who need additional information should contact Parkland's Office of Community Services, 351-2457.

Center offers support

Many women today are returning to Parkland after years of working, either as housewives or at jobs outside the home.

These women find themselves with problems and concerns unlike those of more recent high-school graduates.

The Parkland Counseling Center offers a Women's Support Group designed to fit the needs of these students.

By participating in the Support

Group, returning women students can learn how others in their situation have handled the added responsibilities and pressures of school, or they may share their own secrets of survival.

Whether attending school full or part-time, all returning women students are welcome to attend the informal discussion meetings held at noon Thursdays in Room C-227.

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Bell telephone celebrates 100th year

by Terri Mayer

Bell Telephone celebrated their 100th year in Champaign-Urbana last Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 7 and 8, with an open house and tour of the Bell headquarters on Clark Street in Champaign.

The tour involved almost every aspect of Bell service, including the operator room, two displays, the administration office, the assignment room, the repair department, the switching room, and the power room.

The first stop was the operators' room. Operators have come a long way from the days of switchboard with plug-in cords. Now they operate on a Traffic Service Position System, or TSPS for short. They handle all operator-assisted calls and any call that a person has trouble with. Instead of the old-time switchboards, they now have computers that provide the operator with all the information they need to know about a call, spread the calls evenly among the working operators, and are much easier to work with than the old switchboards.

However, this new development took place within the last five years. Larry Mansfield, office foreman, predicts that 75 percent of Bell has converted to the TSPS system now.

This central office has operators working day and night. The other central office on Fourth and John Streets does not.

New operators can train on the TSPS computers. The training computers have a box on top where a tape can be played that simulates typical calls an operator might receive.

This is much easier and more effective than training with another operator, Mansfield said.

The next stop on the tour was a laser display. A transmitter converts a voice and video signals into light pulses, a glass fiber cable carries it, and a receiver converts the light pulses back into voice and video signals. Mansfield said that fiber optics will probably be used in big cities in the near future. This is because the cable is smaller and costs less. In big cities, underground duct cables may soon be filled and a need for smaller cables will become evident. Mansfield said that about two years ago, the cables were tested in Chicago to see if they could be easily repaired if cut. They could, so Mansfield see their being used in the future.

In the administration offices, the employees maintain records assign and keep track of numbers, and switch long distance calls and prevent delays on them. A status board and a console control the phone traffic and reroute calls if one line is too busy to handle it. The office switches over 14,000 calls in a busy hour. The busiest hour for local calls is 3:30 to 4:30 and for toll calls 11 to midnight.

In the assignment room, cables are assigned to people calling and requesting a phone. Some cables are dedicated; that is, they are assigned to a certain place and never move. Dormitories usually have dedicated cables. If the cable is not already dedicated, the workers go to the assignment wheel, a moving round table that has a copy of all cables available. Then a cable is

assigned to the particular address. The assignment room receives about 300 orders a day, Mansfield said, and as many as 1,000 a day when college students return to the twin cities.

Bell Telephone has many specialized phones for people who have problems with seeing, hearing, and speaking. There is one with an enlarged dial face for the hard-of-seeing and a visual lamp indicator for the deaf. There is also a volume control phone and a bone conduction receiver for the hard-of-hearing. The signalman can be used for either the blind or the deaf—a fan blows when the phone "rings."

And for the voiceless, an electronic larynx substitutes electronic vibrations for the voice when the phone is held to the larynx. All of these products are sold with no profit for the company, Mansfield said.

When repairing one's phone, Mansfield said that usually a phone can be tested electronically from the office 90 percent of the time and repaired without going to the home.

In 1969, Champaign-Urbana saw the arrival of ESS (Electronic Switching System). The switch room consists of one giant computer which is really two identical units side by side. If one unit fails, the other one can take over and the computer can correct something in a millisecond. The computer knows when the phone in someone's home is lifted to make a call, and it computes the dialed number and establishes a path between the caller and receiver. The path is held magnetically closed while the parties are talking. The computer handles

only local calls; the long distance calls are switched, Mansfield said.

"When everything else quits, the phone still works," Mansfield pointed out, "and the reason for this lies in the emergency power room. Large batteries which are constantly charged are theoretically good for eight hours after the electricity is off, he said. There are also diesel generators that

provide 500 kilowatts of power to service the entire building. The emergency system theoretically can provide power for as long as it has to, but the longest demand has been 28 hours, he said.

As Bell moves into its second century of service, one can see that many changes and much progress has been made, and one wonders what the future may hold for the local telephone.



Enjoy a ride on the Generic bus! Sponsored by Eisner stores and the C-U MTD, the fare on this special bus is only 25 cents.

Ultimate generic product is here

by Mark Hieftje-Conley

Several months ago the Mass Transit District and the Eisner's food stores of Champaign-Urbana introduced their version of the ultimate generic product, a passenger bus.

The bus exterior bears a resemblance to the generic products sold at Eisner's stores and runs on a different MTD route each day. The promotion was aimed at giving greater exposure to Eisner's generic products and also to promote MTD ridership with its 25 cent boarding fee. The regular fee is 40 cents, and the difference is picked up by Eisner's.

Tom Costello, spokesperson for the MTD, said that it has been giving members of Champaign-Urbana a sense of community pride in the special bus. He also added that there would be generic product giveaways starting this week to passengers on the bus.

The bus is receiving national attention through several avenues. A national news service has released a related article, other transit associations are considering the same idea, and Eisner's parent company, Jewel Inc., is looking at the chance of similar promotions in other cities.

The bus will run through December and will run on every route including those that service Parkland. This should guarantee that everyone who wants to ride the bus should be able to. If you don't care to save 15 cents and have the satisfaction of saying "I've ridden in the generic bus," at least you'll get a chance to see it. Take it from me, you really should ride it, all the "in-crowd" are riding it and I've even heard of one anonymous local celeb who will throw a generic bus party complete with generic hors d'oeuvres. Don't miss out.

English 100 enrollment sets record

by John Dudley

A record number of students were enrolled in English 100 this semester, according to Joe Harris, director of English department, who said that 1,400 students were tested in English 100, a rise from 1980 when approximately 1300 students took the two week test course.

Of those students tested, about 69 percent went into the 101 option, while 31 percent went to 090 or 109. 48 students tried to make the 109 option, an advance composition course, but only one succeeded.

There are 22 sections of 090 with an average class size of 17, and 49 sections of 101, each having an enrollment of 21 on the average.

Fifty-two percent of the students chose the A option or career option of English 101. The other 48 percent chose the B or essay option.

Harris is proud of the system by which students are placed. The testing process takes two weeks, but Harris feels that it may be possible to do the work in a week.

Parkland began the placement exams in 1975, one of the first schools in Illinois to do so. Since that time, many schools, both large and small, have contacted Parkland to ask for information on its placement method. Many schools have borrowed the method Parkland uses, and have reported that they are pleased with the system.

"Parkland's testing program is designed to deal with each student's individual needs," Harris adds. "It's a good system, but it could use some improvements."



Burt Reynolds cautiously assists Beverly D'Angelo, who has become the surrogate mother for his much-desired child, as she participates in a softball game in Paramount Pictures' timely new romantic comedy, "Paternity."

Burt wants a child

by Albert Sapp

Burt Reynolds is at it again and Beverly D'Angelo is the object of his attentions. Reynolds plays Buddy Evans, the very successful operator of Madison Square Garden. Convinced by his friends, he decides that he needs something to show his existence - in other words, a baby to carry on his name. Ergo, the need for a woman to have the baby.

Only thing is he doesn't want the complication of marriage and the emotions that go with it. In Maggie (Beverly D'Angelo), he seems to find the one he wants and the contract is made. Now,

the question becomes; "Will they come through it the way they started?" There are tender moments and funny ones through the end.

All in all, it's a fairly good movie. The comedy is there and along with it there's little tenderness. The only problem with the tenderness is that it comes off a little too dry and clinical. The honesty of the feelings is not there to convince the viewer. He's had it in other movies and it was a little surprising not to see it here. Still, it's a decent movie and worth seeing.

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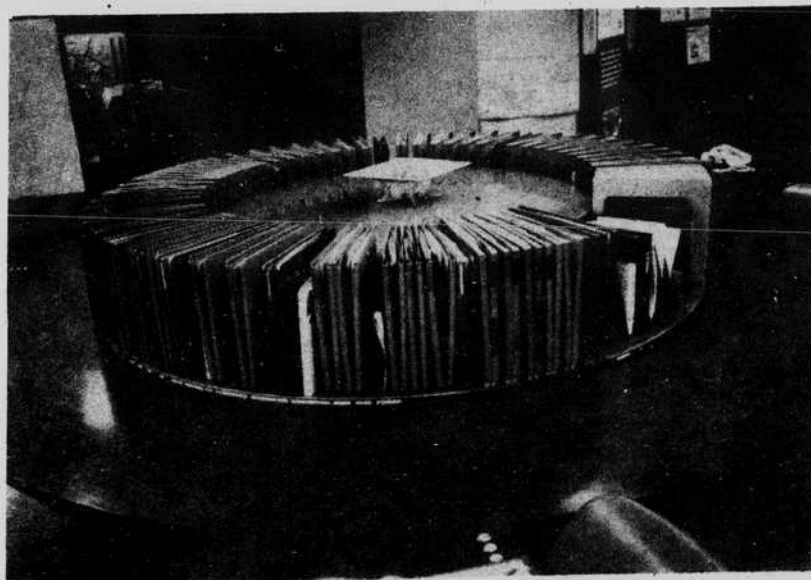
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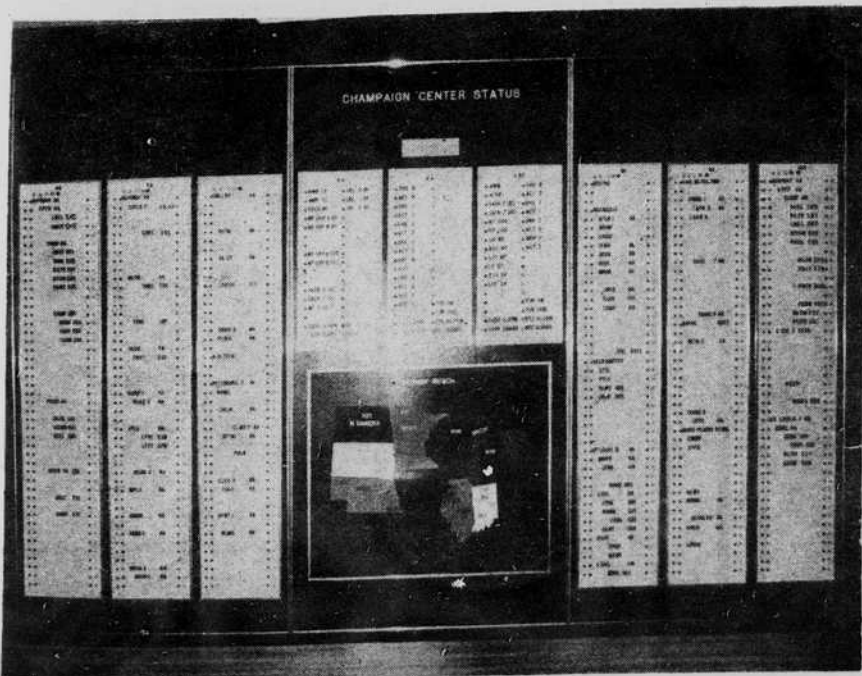
A—Here an Illinois Bell employee shows how cables are spliced.

B—About 5 years ago Illinois Bell operators worked on switchboards with plug-in cords; now the operators use the TSPS computer system shown here.

C—The Illinois Bell repair trucks carry all the equipment needed for in-home service.

D—The assignment wheel has all the Illinois Bell cable hook-ups in the Champaign-Urbana exchanges.

E—The status board shows what lines to different areas are busy and need to be re-routed.



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Meet: Louise!

by Sally Bateman

Louise Parker, who has been at Parkland for five years, is the person at the hub of Parkland College. She is located right at the center of the college campus, and receives about 500 phone calls during the day. To some she is a substitute mother because she gives advice to those who cannot always depend on a parent, relative or good friend. When Louise isn't giving advice to students, she is answering the phone, giving out information and giving callers a good image of Parkland.

Louise is a general source of information to students, faculty, and visitors. She gets her information from various sources such as newspapers like the Parkland Prospectus, the Daily Illini and the News Gazette. She also gets information from the departments on campus such as the Community Information Office.

Louise also answers any and all trivia questions about almost anything. Questions about Parkland, how to cook a certain item, or where one can find something in town are frequently asked. Although there is a list of all the extensions of all the offices and other places on campus, she doesn't use it very often because she has them all memorized.

Her office is open Monday through Friday 7:45 am to 10:00 pm; there is always someone behind the desk.



Louise Parker (just "Louise" to her many PC friends) is a very efficient receptionist. She is a very knowledgeable person and has a dynamic personality to match.

Chris Slack, 1980-81 editor of the Prospectus, is working on the staff of the Rantoul Press, Rantoul. He took the job after graduation last spring.

Chris is Sports Editor for the weekly publication. He reports that he also writes news stories and takes pictures for the paper.

"I've always wanted to do this, and I hope to continue here for a

long time," Chris said. "I certainly have my Parkland instructors in the Communications Department to thank for the skills they taught me." Chris added that his editorship of the Prospectus taught him responsibility, an asset in his work in Rantoul.

Good luck, Chris!

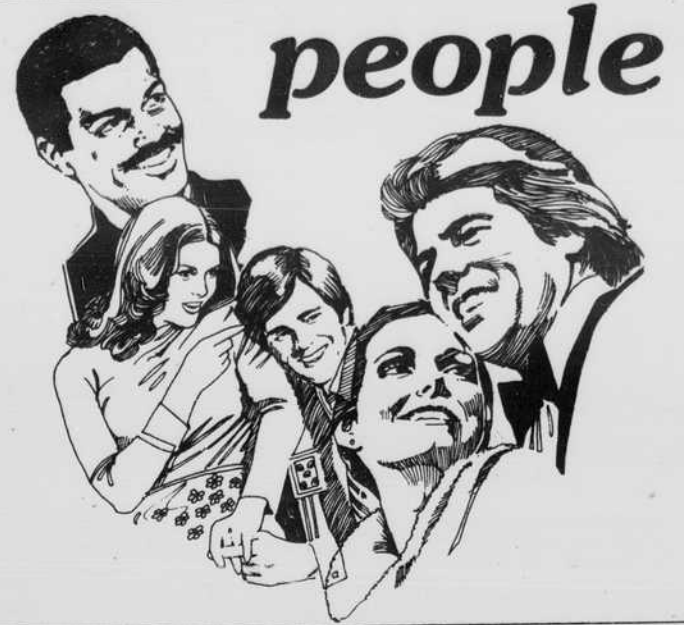
Another success story comes from Phoenix, Arizona.

In a telephone interview Monday night, the Prospectus learned that Gary Dirks (1981 Parkland graduate in Visual Arts) has been named Art Director of Advantage Graphix, a division of Comstar Communications Corporation in Phoenix.

Gary's works mainly in advertising promotion, consultation, and some sales work.

He has rented a home in Glendale, a suburb of Phoenix, where he enjoys the 85-degree weather and a swimming pool. When we talked with Gary the temperature was a warm 85 degrees, with "blue skies and a few white clouds here and there." In September the temperature was about 110 degrees, with a comfortable 70 degrees at night.

Gary would like to hear from his friends here at Parkland. His address is 5012 N. 56th Lane, Glendale, AZ 85302.



To his friends he is known as Zack, to his teachers as Bryan, and to most anyone else as the Student Government President.

He is Zack Trail, and he got involved with Stugo because he wanted to make some changes and help the student body. "But changes are hard to make," he commented in an interview last Monday night.

Besides working with Stugo about 15 hours a week, Zack takes eight hours of class and works 50 to 60 hours a week to put himself through school. He is in LAS and is transferring to the U. of I, where he will major in law.

Zack is a 1980 graduate of Champaign Central High School and started school at Parkland the following fall. This is the first year he got involved with Stugo.

Zack's job as president involves hearing students' ideas and complaints, discussing whether the idea is valid, and

then working on it. He is the liason between the students and the faculty. He works closely with Dr. Staerkel and deans of the college.

Stugo is currently studying the parking problem (students need to be more considerate of others, Zack said), trying to get the change machine back in the Communications section, and wanting to install six more (one in each wing) display boards such as the one by Hardees. They already have bought a van for the use of the college, made more typewriters available for student use, and donated \$150 to the United Way fund.

Zack lives at home with his four brothers and one sister and enjoys getting lost in the woods whenever he has some spare time. When he was asked if there was anything special he wanted to say in this article, he said he wanted to thank Circle K for all the help they have given to Stugo.

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Hearts went out to Dan Fogelberg Saturday night at the Assembly Hall, despite his sometimes losing battle with a case of laryngitis. His voice was clearly under strain and actually failed him a few times. No one seemed really to mind. In fact, the atmosphere was most supportive, with people cheering him on. And on he went, taking us through his impressive collection of works, some old favorites as well as songs from his latest "Innocent Age" album.

A moving moment came during his solo performance of a song called "Leader of the Band," which he dedicated to his father. When he sang the line, "And, papa, I don't think I said 'I love you' near enough," he hit a

universal chord within us all and the crowd broke into applause.

There were two encores topped off with a unifying rendition of "There's a Place in the World for a Gambler." The audience sang the chorus with him at first, then he let us sing our little hearts out to him. "Let it shine" was the last repetitious phrase and individuals throughout the Hall flicked their bics and did just that in tribute to an outstanding artist!

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Fast Freddy fumbles

I was preparing to drink a glass of Drano after last weekend's games; then I realized that someone had actually done worse than my dismal two and seven start. Over half of the contestants were under .500, in fact, so I cleaned my drain instead. At least I accomplished something.

Last week's winner in a tiebreaker was Chuck Foran, of Champaign.

Confidence that I can't get any worse, I'm ready to give the forecast for next week. Illinois will face an angry

Buckeye team without any help from the Chief. They may get a few breaks this week but not enough as Ohio State takes this one by a couple touchdowns. Iowa has beaten some tough teams, but Michigan's Wolverines want back in the Big 10 race, so Michigan by nine. Oklahoma returns home to lick its wounds and will walk on Kansas.

In the pro ranks, the Rams travel to Dallas where the Cowboys will end their two game skid by 10 points. Going out on a limb (what have I to lose?), I'm

taking the Minnesota Vikings to do it again with mirrors and upset the unbeaten Eagles. Oakland is going to break out against the unfortunate Buccaneers and win by 17. The tiebreaker this week is Kansas City at Denver. There are two strikes against the Chiefs already. Teams who play at Mile High stadium have problems and teams that play against Craig Morton have problems. This may be only one strike, but I will go with the Broncos anyway.

Other picks: Wake Forest over Maryland and Clemson over Duke.



The agony is obvious as the men's cross country team makes the half-way point.

Runners place fourth

by B.P.

With two of their top runners sidelined due to injuries, the Parkland Cross Country team turned in a solid performance to place fourth in the Parkland Invitational last Saturday, while in the women's race Parkland's Cheryl Krutsinger took first by over half a minute.

Gary Chappel and Kevin Elam were held out of the race with what are hoped to be slight injuries. Their status for next week's conference meet is still uncertain. Chappel has consistently been Parkland's top finisher, while Elam has been strong in the Cobras' scoring this season.

All but a pair of Cobras put in their best times of the year as the Cobras stayed ahead of Danville, but dropped back of Spoon River.

After the meet, Coach Lee LaBadie explained how things were shaping up.

"Lincoln Land is the best J.C. team in the state, while four of us

are battling for second: Parkland, Spoon River, Danville, and Lake County. Lincoln Land and Spoon River are running at or near their peak. They could run into problems and fall off some, but we don't expect that to happen.

"On the other hand, we have not hit our peak yet. We are steadily getting better times every week. Mike Williams is returning to form off an injury and I expect both Gary and Kevin to come back. We have three weeks to prepare for the regionals and our prospects are looking good at this time."

The individual winner was Rich Smith of Spoon River, whose time of 25:18.1 was less than a full second off the course record of 25:17.6 set by ISU's Mark Reid in 1979.

Scoring—Teams: 1. Western Illinois 50; 2. Lincoln Land 66; 3. Spoon River 82; 4. Parkland 104; 5. Danville 162; 6. Western Illinois (B) 180; 7. Florissant Valley 237 and 8. Black Hawk East 250.

For Parkland: 9. Greg Square 26:09, 22. Timo Mostert 27:15, 23. Mike Williams 27:32, 24. Odell Warren 27:33, 26., Robert Sundeen 27:57, 40. Jason Means 29:05, 41. Mike Peterson 29:06 and 54. Dale Taeger 32:47.

V-ballers net victories

by B.P.

Parkland's volleyball squad won four of five games last week to pull well over the .500 mark for the year.

Tuesday (Oct. 6) the Cobras were at home for two matches. The first match against Lincoln resulted in the only loss of the week as Parkland fell, 5-15 and 13-15. In their second match the Cobras came back to win 15-1, 7-15, and 15-10.

"Lincoln's six foot two

sophomore really had us psyched out. They didn't win (the game); we lost," commented Coach Henkels. "We came back with and beat a tough Richland team with solid team play."

In other action the Cobras beat Thornton 15-7, 15-17, 15-9, and 15-10 at Thornton. Later that evening, they beat a weak Oakton squad 15-0 and 15-0 in a laugh.

Parkland returned home Friday and kept their string going with a 16-14, 15-5 and 15-7 win over Spoon River.

Sports

Notes

Wisconsin is 3-0, alone atop the Big 10. Wisconsin soundly beat Ohio State Saturday with a ball-hungry defense and a run-oriented offense.

I make a point of this because I refused to take the Badgers seriously. Now, only four weeks into the college season, I am shellshocked.

Are the Badgers now the Big 10 favorite? Are the Iowa Hawkeyes or do we stick with pre-season favorite Michigan?

I am going to admit that I don't know. There have been so many upsets this year that I am sure I am not the only writer who can't figure out what is going on.

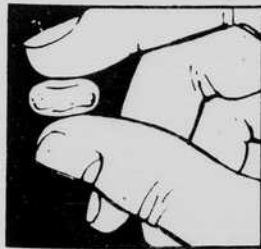
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4. No individual can win the contest prize more than twice during the season.
5. All entry blanks are due in the PROSPECTUS office by 12 noon on the Friday before the games. No entries will be accepted after this time under any circumstances.
6. The winner will be announced in the following Wednesday's PROSPECTUS and will receive a cash prize of \$5.
7. Circle the team you think will win in each game. Circle both teams for a tie. The tie-breaker game will be used only in case of ties and will not count in the total of nine games to be predicted. Pick a score for the tie-breaker game.

Game 1..... Illinois at Ohio State
Game 2..... Iowa at Michigan
Game 3..... Kansas at Oklahoma
Game 4..... Maryland at Wake Forest
Game 5..... Clemson at Duke
Game 6..... L.A. Rams at Dallas
Game 7..... Philadelphia at Minnesota
Game 8..... Tampa Bay at Oakland
Game 9..... Tiebreaker
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Refund forms hard to find in C-U area

by Denise Suerth

Have you spent the last week cutting down your grocery bill with cents-off coupons and sending out refund forms? I hope so. But you are probably running into: Where are all these refund forms?

That's a good question and I wish I knew an answer. They are just not available in some stores. Why? Because not all store managers want your business. And I do my best to take my business elsewhere whenever possible.

For example, I have never yet found a refund form in an Eisner store. Either they hide them or they throw them away. My guess is that they throw them away, because I have often asked their customer service personnel if they had any refund forms or where they keep them. Not one of them has ever had the faintest idea what I was talking about. I was told by a Valu-Chek employee while searching their coupon bin for refund forms that "oh, we throw those things out; they're not worth anything." I have had some success in finding forms there that the manufacturers' representatives had put directly in the coupon bin, before the Valu Chek employees found them and threw them away. And a cashier at an IGA store told me that they regularly throw "those things" out, too. So, what do you do?

My personal decision is to shop at these stores only when an onsale item is such a good buy I can't resist it. Luckily they all still take cents-off coupons. They're not always happy about it, but they do take them.

Another policy that turns me off is that of some stores (Zayre, Osco, K-Mart) who hold the refund forms at the checkout counter or the service desk and give them to you only when you've bought the items required for proofs of purchase from them. You can see the ridiculousness of this policy when you examine refund offers like the Coffee-Mate \$1 refund offer, which requires the label from three 16-ounce jars of Coffee-Mate. I use it only for guests, so buying three jars at one time, especially when the "sale price" is no bargain is a pain. (Carnation Creamer once had a refund offer that required the wax-paper innerseals of three jars. That's a lot of creamer going stale to send in your refund form before the expiration date.)

So how do I get my form? I find them in newspaper food ads, magazines, Kroger's sometimes Valu-Chek, Ayrway, in the aisles at Osco, in grocery stores in surrounding small towns where store managers care about their customers, and I trade for them. I have a list of people with steadily and there are always more available to me from the refunding magazine I get. You can trade forms for forms, qualifiers for forms, or (a practice I really hate) you can buy forms.

Some current forms that are really worthwhile to look for are: Condition Bearty Pack Free Offer; DX Toothbrush \$2 Refund Offer; Gala Super Savings (up to \$5); La Sauce Free Offer; Lux Liquid Free Bottle Offer; Pepsodent Toothpaste 1 cent Sale; Chef Boy-ar-dee Free Spaghetti Sauce; General Mills Free Flour; Mattel Baby Toy



Rebates (up to \$5); Morton Free Shaker Coupon; Northern Bathroom Tissue Cash Refund (up to \$5); Reach Free Toothbrush Offer; Shick "Jerry's Kids" Free Product Offer; and Sylvavia Five Bucks Back Offer.

As you can see, if you can find these forms, you can do pretty well for yourself at the grocery store and at the bank.

Refund Etiquette

The most important part of refund etiquette is: when you find refund forms, don't take any more of them than you can use. Most refunders stick by the practice of taking two of each form (one to use and one to trade).

If you've mailed a refund form and not heard anything for 12 weeks, write a polite letter to the customer service representative of the company sponsoring the refund. This will not be the same

as the address you sent the form to because most companies have clearing houses to handle their refunds. Once the offer has expired, the clearing house "closes" the box number.

Current No-form-needed Offers

COLGATE SHAVING CREAM OFFER, P.O. Box 4036, Young America, MN 55399. Send the cash register tape from your purchase of two cans of Colgate Instant Shave with the price of each can circled on the tape. Also write the Universal Product Code number from the cans on the tape. You get \$1 in coupons good on Colgate Instant Shave. Expires 12/81.

MAXWELL HOUSE MORE GREAT WAYS TO SAVE OFFER, P.O. Box 9209, Kankakee, IL 60901. Send the Maxwell House "cup and drop" symbol from the plastic cap of

eight cans of Maxwell House Maste Blend Coffee to receive a coupon good for a free can of Maxwell House Master Blend Coffee (13 ounce size). Or send four and receive a coupon for \$1 off on the purchase price of any MH Master Blend Coffee. NED (NED means no end date. This does not mean the offer will run forever. Maxwell Hous has set aside a number of coupons and will fill refund requests until they run out. Don't wait too long, but expect this offer to last at least 6 months.)

VASELINE CONSTANT CARE LIP BALM OFFER, P.O. Box 5055, Westbury, NY 11591. Send two complete Dove Soap Wrappers and a 3 inch by 5 inch piece of paper with the words "Dove" and "Vaseline Constant Care Lip Balm" on it. You get a free package of Vaseline Constant Care Lip Balm. Expires 1/82.

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