

# Prospectus

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tell StuGo  
tuition must  
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## New enrollment record

# 9,474 students attend classes

BY DAVID F. JACKSON  
PROSPECTUS EDITOR

Enrollment at Parkland this semester has broken all previous records, according to Alice Pfeiffer, vice president, Student Administration.

According to figures released last week, headcount for the tenth day after the start of classes is at an all-time high, Pfeiffer said.

Enrollment this semester is 11.6 percent higher than last Spring, Pfeiffer said.

The enrollment figures do not include students who are attending classes at Chanute Air Force Base, Rantoul, or at Heartland Community College, Bloomington.

The number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students is 5,285, which translates into 79,275 credit hours. Last Spring, these figures showed there were 4,724 (FTE) students taking classes at Parkland. The FTE equates to an 11.8 percent increase over last year's FTE figures.

FTE means the number of students taking the equivalent of 15 credit hours. Although Parkland recognizes students being full-time when they are enrolled in 12 credit hours, the State recognizes

full-time students at 15 hours. The College must send copies of the FTE to the State for funding purposes.

Pfeiffer said she believes Parkland has almost reached the total number of students it can serve on campus.

"I thought we had reached it last year," said Pfeiffer. "I do believe we are almost at capacity now."

Fall enrollment at the College also broke enrollment records. Records show 9,368 students were enrolled in classes through the College; that figure did not, however, include students enrolled at the Urbana Community Correctional Center, Rantoul Adult Education Center, or classes being taught at Heartland.

Said Pfeiffer of the record breaking enrollment: "Our enrollment continues to climb because the staff is working hard to get the message to the district residents about the affordable, quality, and accessible education we have to offer."

Another reason, according to Pfeiffer, is the quality of education offered at the College. "We have earned our reputation that we care about students and their education and personal development."

## Student loan funding cuts help extend unemployment

BY JEFF REISING  
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

The federal Emergency Unemployment Bill, which extends the length of unemployment benefits, will be funded by indirect cuts in the student loan program.

Under the new bill, student loan money won't be reduced, but it will be more difficult to obtain a loan.

Students over 21 years old will be required to have a credit check before they can receive a loan.

The student being checked must pay for the cost of the credit check, which cannot exceed \$25, under current legislation.

Students with no credit history will be eligible, but students who have been delinquent on any payments and have been referred to a credit bureau will be considered as having an "adverse" credit history, and the lender may deny the loan, says John Lyons, director, Financial Aid and Veterans Affairs.

Students with an "adverse" credit history, Lyons said, will need a "viable" co-signer for their loan. Co-signers currently are not required for student loans.

Lyons said he does not agree with the new bill, which he says makes obtaining a loan more confusing.

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## Roses, undies most popular gifts this Valentine's Day

BY SUE PETTY  
FOR THE PROSPECTUS

How do I love thee, let me count the cost... ten, twenty, thirty... a hundred dollars?

A dozen roses, the traditional Valentine's Day gift, can be expensive. Prices can range from \$36 to \$65.

Roses are not just sent to women. Many women send red roses to the men in their lives too.

Rick Orr, downtown Champaign florist, said people who order flowers on a regular basis have already ordered their flowers for Valentine's Day. But most of the flower

business is done at the last minute because Valentine's Day is not as well publicized as Christmas and tends to "sneak up" on people.

If you prefer to give a gift that lasts longer than cut flower, there is always lingerie for women and underwear and socks and ties for men.

At Two Can, 41 E. University, Champaign, the romantic in you can run free. They have everything silk and lace G-strings and thong-back panties and gowns to black bustiers, which owner Gayle Steven says are "very popular" items.

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Gospel singing was one of the activities that helped Parkland kick off Black History Month. Parkland held Gospel Fest, which featured singing, thought-provoking comments, and a little preaching, to start the month-long list of activities that are planned by the College, as well as individual groups in the community. Members of the Freewill Baptist Church were among the several church choirs that were present at Gospel Fest. Dr. Zelema Harris, president, Parkland College, was honored by Sociology instructor Anna Wall Scott as "a shining black star in the community."

PROSPECTUS PHOTO BY DAVID F. JACKSON

## Financial Aid Awareness month

# Edgar dedicates month to student aid before cutting grant appropriations

BY JEFF REISING  
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Gov. Jim Edgar has proclaimed February as Financial Aid Awareness Month.

One thing students might want to be aware of is that under Edgar's Emergency Budget Act, appropriations for the state's Monetary Award Program (MAP) have been reduced.

The Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC), which administers the program, is reducing the total amount awarded by 12 percent.

John Lyons, director, Financial Aid and Veterans Affairs, says students receiving MAP grants should expect \$50 less for the spring semester.

He added that the average MAP cut for 4-year public schools will be \$116 and \$175 for 4-year private schools.

MAP awards can only be used to pay for the cost of tuition and course fees.

Of the roughly 1,600 Parkland students receiving MAP money, most also receive money from federal Pell grants, which can be used to cover any of a student's expenses, such as room, board, and transportation, Lyons said.

If students' MAP grants no longer pay the total cost of tuition and fees, Lyons said, they will have to use some of their Pell grant money to cover the balance.

Lyons says there is no talk of cuts in federal aid programs such as Pell grants or the student loan program. If students have any questions about financial aid, Lyons urges them to go to the financial aid office and speak directly with a counselor. He added that students should apply now for fall semester grants.

In addition to talking with the financial aid department, students may call ISAC's Financial Aid Hotline for answers to questions or just general information.

The hotline will be operating from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. between Feb. 10 through Feb. 14. The number is 1-800-628-7939.

## Summer brings new admission policy

BY JOHN HOFFMEISTER  
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Next semester's incoming freshman class will find admission standards upgraded at Parkland College.

Parkland will now place more emphasis on strong basics education for its future classes.

Under the new requirements approved by the Illinois State Legislature, freshman will be required to meet and pass minimum course accumulations in English, math, science, social science, and foreign language.

"Fewer students are coming out of high school with a vocational background," said Chuck Baldwin, associate vice-president for Academic Administration.

These will require freshman to have passed four years of English, three years of science, three years of social science and two years of foreign language.

"To be admitted to a four-year institution through our bachelor oriented program," said Baldwin, "they (students) would have to meet these requirements."

Students not meeting the new admissions policy would be required to take those courses upon enrollment.

They would be admitted, but not as a "degree seeking candidate" until the requirements were met, Baldwin said.

He says that many high school graduates are not taking hard enough classes.

In the future, more emphasis will be placed on the basics, Baldwin said.

For example, the new math requirements demand a minimum of three years of math courses at the high school level.

Although a student may pass the classes, once enrolled at Parkland a math assessment test will be required.

"If students don't score high enough on the assessment, they may have to take preparatory classes to meet the requirement," Baldwin said.

The emphasis to strengthen prospective college students' vocational skills means Parkland will be taking more time assessing students' records.

"More screening of applicants will be needed," Baldwin said.

The new law will not affect those students who enroll in the occupational (certificate) programs.

# Financial aid money funds unemployment program

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"The system is already incredibly complex and way out of control," Lyons said. "Some students stay away from loans because they are intimidated by the complexity of the process."

Under the current system, Lyons explained, when a student applies for a loan the first time, Parkland determines the student's need, then mails the student's application to a guarantee agency, which acts as the student's co-signer and will pay the loan if the student defaults.

When a loan is currently approved, the guarantee agency notifies the bank of the lending agreement, and the student goes to the bank to sign a promissory note.

The bank sends the loan check to Parkland, and if the student is still enrolled after 30 days, the student receives the money.

When the new bill goes into effect, students with bad credit will need a the guarantee agency as well as an additional co-signer.

Sen. Paul Simon (D-Ill) has introduced a bill which would revoke the portion of the Emergency Unemployment Act which requires credit checks for student loans.

In addition, two bills have been introduced in Congress which would completely reform the student loan program.

The bill in the House of Representatives would eliminate the role of the banks.

The federal government would loan money directly to schools, who would distribute it. Then, students would pay back the loans to a credit agency working for the government.

The Senate bill, which is co-sponsored by Simon, is, Lyons thinks, "much bolder."

Like the House bill, it would directly loan money to

schools. But, students would pay back the loans according to their income after graduating.

The Internal Revenue Service would deduct loan payments from a student's paycheck along with income tax. As a student's income increases, so does the loan payment.

Lyons says the Senate bill would allow many students more flexibility in choosing careers.

Students who receive loans will be able to choose lower-paying fields such as teaching, instead of being forced into high-paying careers such as business and engineering in order to pay back loans.

Also, Lyons says the Senate bill will make receiving a loan much simpler.

"The simpler we can make it for students," Lyons said, "the happier we are."

Also, by deducting payments directly out of a student's paycheck, the federal government does not have to worry about losing money because of students defaulting on loans.

While students and the government may benefit from the Senate bill, banks, which collect interest on the more than \$12.5 billion in student loans each year, would be hurt.

Lyons said that about 12 large international banks lend roughly 60 percent of the student loans in the United States.

They would be affected heavily, Lyons said, but small community banks which provide student loans for their residents would not be hurt as badly.

Lyons added that the federal student loan program, the nation's largest source of student aid, has taken a lot of "bumps and bruises" recently because of the high number of students who default on loans.

# Roses, undies most popular gifts this Valentine's Day

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For men who need help in deciding what to buy, Two Can will have a "Men's Night" on Feb. 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. For women who are looking for gifts for men, the shop offers a variety of silk and cotton boxers and briefs.

A J.C. Penney's sales clerk says the store "sells tons" of special Valentine's lingerie. Prices for red or black teddies are around \$20. For those on a limited budget, there is a red and white garter for \$2.50.

Bergner's has a red and white teddy with heart designs for around \$25 and a musical garter for about \$7. Peignoir sets range from approximately \$50 to \$70.

For those who are a bit more daring, Bergner's has a heart-shaped G-string that plays the theme to the movie, *Love Story*.

For women who would like to buy their men something fun, Bergner's offers Rocky and Bullwinkle boxer shorts, glow-in-the-dark shorts, and a variety of other designs.

If roses and sexy underwear are not your style, there are always jewelry and perfume, or you can go out to dinner.

Can't afford a fancy restaurant? How about a heart-shaped pizza, long-stemmed red rose included, from Garcia's? If you order before Feb. 13, you get \$1 off.

# Adult literacy this month's Lifelong Learners topic

"The Scope of Adult Literacy" will be the topic this month's Lifelong Learners Club.

The program, on Feb. 18, at 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Grace Lutheran Church, 313 S. Prospect Ave., Champaign, will be offered by Gwen Koehler, director, Project Read.

The Lifelong Learners Club is dedicated to education during retire-

ment, providing a variety of classes, lectures, workshops, and special programs for men and women over age 55.

Meetings are on the third Tuesday of each month and feature guest speakers.

Individuals may join at anytime, and guests are always welcome. For more information, call 217/351-2544.

# Career planning seminar slated

An "Introductory Career Planning Seminar" will be offered at the College on Feb. 18.

The seminar is designed to assist prospective and current students as

well as other community residents in developing a career plan.

Participants will explore the career development process as well as their interests, abilities, values, and goals. Available career development resources will also be discussed.

Although there is no charge for the two-hour program, reservations are requested.

Participants are asked to meet at the Information Desk in the College Center. For more information, call 217/351-2536.

# Euchre sign-up continues

BY JOE DOAKS  
FOR THE PROSPECTUS

Euchre partners can sign up for tournament play and a chance to win a \$50 gift certificate and other prizes.

The sign-up box is located across from P110. Players must sign up as a team. Matches will be arranged according to players' schedules. Championship T-shirts, euchre playing cards, and a \$30 gift certificate also will be prizes.

Registration will close after 32 teams have signed up.

# Continuing education seminar for realtors offered at College

A continuing education seminar for real estate brokers and salespersons will be held at the College on Tuesday, Feb. 18.

The seminar, "License Law and Escrow," will include a review of license law and the most recent revisions, as well as examples of manual and electronic reconciliation of the trust account.

Part-time faculty member Eric

Worner and Urbana attorney George Bryan will conduct the seminar.

Future seminars are planned on topics which include anti-trust and the agency, property management, and financing.

All topics covered meet the requirements mandated by the state for continuing education licensure.

There is a fee for the seminar. For more information, call 217/351-2508.

# Women's Office sponsors performance

An evening of dinner and theater at the Wesley Foundation Great Hall, 1203 W. Green St., Urbana, to raise funds for a women's scholarship fund at Parkland.

The evening will begin at 6 p.m. with a full-course dinner and lecture and discussion by one of the directors of *Top Girls*, a play that takes a look at women who achieved success. Following din-

ner, participants will be invited to go to the Krannert Center at 8 p.m. to see the play.

The scholarship fundraiser is co-sponsored by Parkland's Office of Women's Programs and Services and the Office of Development.

There is a fee for the evening. For more information, call Bev Kieffer at 217/351-2508.

# Nursing home administrators, social workers can earn credit for continuing workshop

Nursing home administrators, staff, social service designees, and activity directors are the targeted audience for a Parkland workshop on "How to Achieve On-Going Excellence." The workshop, the first of two "Meeting the Creative Challenge Within the IOCs (Inspection of Care)" workshops.

Activity programs for transportation and community involvement, recycling projects, advance directives, and the marketing of nursing homes

are among the topics to be covered during the workshops.

The workshops, which are approved for six hours of continuing education credit by the NCCAP, will be conducted by Carol W. Acord and Kathryn S. Rhoads.

There is a fee to attend the workshop, to be held in Room C-118 on Thursday, Feb. 20, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For more information, call 217/351-2237.

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## 15 students travel to England for 'fantasy tour' this summer

BY MARSHA WOODS  
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

Fifteen students have signed up to take a 17-day "fantasy" tour of England, and Helen Kaufmann, director, Study Abroad, says there is room for five additional students.

The students will leave Chicago's O'Hare Airport on May 23 and arrive at London's Heathrow Airport the following day.

After checking into a hostel, the students will take a coach tour of the East End of London, including a visit to the Tower of London.

The following day, the students will have a guided tour of Westminster Abbey. They will leave London for White Horse Vale where they will see prehistoric cave drawings, and walk down Ridgeway, an ancient footpath, to see a prehistoric burial ground.

The students will travel to Oxford and visit various J.R.R. Tolkien, C.S. Lewis, and Lewis Carroll sites. There they may visit Lewis' home, the Kilns, and meet with Walter Hooper, who was a personal friend of Lewis and Tolkien.

Kaufmann said "This would be one of the highlights of the tour."

There will be a morning tour of Shakespearean sites such as Anne Hathaway's cottage and Shakespeare's birthplace. Students will top that evening off with a performance at the Royal Shakespeare theater. Students will visit Warwick Castle the following morning.

A tour of York Minster and exploring the town are in store for the students. From there, they will transfer to Whitby and have the opportunity to tour Whitby Abbey, which legend says has Dracula connections.

Kaufmann said Dracula, as legend has it, "First landed in the small town of Whitby and climbed 199 steps to Whitby Abbey." Students will have a chance to retrace Dracula's steps.

During the tour, the students will have the opportunity to visit Croft, which was home to Lewis Carroll for 25 years. The morning of the 31st, students will visit Wordsworth's grave, Dove Cottage, and the Wordsworth Museum.

The students will cruise on Lake Windmere, followed by a visit to Beatrix Potter's House and the Hawkeshead Art Gallery.

That afternoon's travel will be via Dartmoor, which some may know as the home of the Hound of the Baskervilles.

The students will pay a visit to Stonehenge.

Near Whitchurch, students will climb Watership Down and have a picnic on top with Richard Adams, author of *Watership Down*.

Students are scheduled to visit to Winchester Castle, the location where the legendary King Arthur's Round Table is kept.

On the last day of the trip, the students will be allowed to roam London and spend an evening on London's Ghost Walk. Students will return on June 8.

"American students who go to England, usually find they love it," said Kaufmann.

Kaufmann said she felt these kinds of trips gave the students an opportunity to meet young people from all over.

Anyone interested in this tour should contact Kaufmann before Friday, in Room C-124. She can be reached at 217/351-2393.



Liz Campbell, sophomore, Desktop Publishing major, Rantoul, has been appointed as the Prospectus' new Production Manager. Campbell, originally from Pittsburgh, said she is planning to work on the design and production of educational health care materials. Campbell also works in the Pediatrics department at Christie Clinic, Champaign. She is a full-time student, and has been listed on the College's Honor Roll twice since being at Parkland. Campbell will graduate from Parkland this May, when she plans to move to Biloxi, Mississippi.

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## Administrators tell Student Government tuition costs must be raised to meet rising costs of running College; also address daycare, crime

BY MARSHA WOODS  
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

Two Parkland administrators agreed at a Student Government (StuGo) workshop last Thursday that a tuition increase is very likely in the immediate future.

According to Dr. Zelema Harris, Parkland president, and Kevin Northrup, vice president, Fiscal Administration, discussions about a possible tuition increase are already on the agenda for the regular Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for Feb. 19.

The possible tuition increases are due to a decrease in state funds. Northrup said Parkland's share of state funding had been cut by 10.7 percent, almost \$400,000 less than the College received in fiscal year 1991.

StuGo Sen. Dana Garlick wanted the administrators to describe the

how the 1990 tax transfer is benefitting the College. Northrup responded that if the transfer had not been successful, tuition increases as large as 15 percent as well as program cuts.

Another issue discussed at the workshop was the amount of space at Parkland. Dennis Jones, a nationally recognized specialist on space accommodation, according to Harris, was hired to survey Parkland's use of available space.

One of Jones's first comments, according to Harris, was there was not enough room for the students.

So far, nothing has been determined, but some of the areas in need of change are the number of parking spaces, student study areas, recreation space, lounges, as well as the number of classrooms.

Garlick asked the administrators about Parkland's consideration of moving several administrative offices to a downtown facility.

President Harris said definitive planning concerning any offices or classrooms being moved to a downtown location would be done after the final report has been received from Jones.

Discussion concerning a daycare facility at the College centered on the possibility of ground breaking this summer.

Harris commented that if all goes well, ground breaking ceremonies for the daycare facility will be held this summer. She said the current expected date of completion is Jan. 11, 1993.

Pfeffer added that when the daycare facility is opened, it will be able to serve up to 105 children.

StuGo Sen. Trina Smith asked why it was taking so long to get the plans for a daycare facility into action. Pfeffer said discussion originally began in 1970.

Pfeffer added that it was not until "Dr. Harris's arrival at the College that we had the drive to start."

Pfeffer discussed drug and alcohol problems on campus. She said there are problems concerning substance abuse and that the administration is discussion the situation with the Financial Aid office.

Under federal law, students receiving financial aid from the government must sign a statement declaring they are not users of any illegal drugs.

Fighting on campus is not a

major problem, according to Pfeffer, but it does exist at Parkland.

President Harris said the Parkland College Association (PCA) and StuGo will be seeking the opinions of students and faculty members this week concerning the issue of smoking on campus.

According to Madonna Kirk, president, StuGo, a survey prepared by PCA will be circulated to faculty members, and an identical form, changed to gather information about the student population, will be used for the survey.

The results will be presented to the administration, according to Kirk. They will be used to help administrators determine if the campus should be smoke-free.

## Two new presentations blast audience out of planetarium

BY DAVID F. JACKSON  
PROSPECTUS EDITOR

Two new presentations at the Staerkel Planetarium are bound to give audiences a blast.

The main attraction at the planetarium is *Hubble: Report from Orbit*. The presentation traces the history of astronomy from prehistoric times through the Middle Ages, the Age of Enlightenment, to modern day space travel.

Although the Hubble telescope may be the center of much controversy, this presentation shows the impact it is having on scientists.

Some of the special effects, such as making the planets look as if they are suspended in mid-air, were produced by the planetarium staff.

Said David Leake, planetarium specialist, "We're really understaffed right now, and we have one student, Neil Thackery, who shot all the slides and blocked out areas of certain slides to create special effects for this film."

Delays that were not anticipated, a mirror that was not ground to specification, as well as other delays in getting the telescope launched are greatly detailed in this presentation, which was partially produced by the Staerkel Planetarium staff.

Although Americans have been watching launches of space shuttles for over a decade, the launch scene of the space shuttle Discovery is one of the more powerful scenes in the movie.

According to Charles Greenwood, planetarium production designer, the presentation segment of the launch was received without any sound. It was up to Greenwood to create realistic launch sounds for the shuttle.

Greenwood created the sound of the launch using cellophane, crumpled paper, the sound of an exploding bomb, and a blow torch being ignited.

The launch sounds through the planetarium speakers seem to vibrate the building, seats, as well as the people in attendance.

Pictures sent back to earth by the Hubble are shown in comparison to other pictures that were taken through ground-based telescopes. Despite the flaws of the Hubble, the results are, well, astronomical.

The planetarium's second new presentation, *Mt. St. Helen's*, takes a dramatic look at the actual explosion, as well as the subsequent eruptions of the country's most active volcano, on the "large screen."

Because most of the footage for *Mt. St. Helen's* was shot from helicopters, this is one presentation that anyone who is apt to get air sick is not encouraged to watch.

According to Leake, the package the planetarium received for *Mt. St. Helen's* was not as complete as they would have liked.

"It left us with questions," said Leake. "When we watched it the first time, it left us with basic questions about what volcanos are, why they happen, and where they are most active."

To have people take the time and come up to tell

Leake said the segments at the beginning and end of the presentation are additions to the show that the planetarium staff produced.

After the conclusion of Friday night's premiere for the two presentations, Greenwood said, "To have people take the time to come up and tell you it was good is simply amazing. They could get up and leave without saying anything, like at a presentation theatre."

*Hubble: Report from Orbit* and *Mt. St. Helen's* will be shown on Fridays and Saturdays, in conjunction with the other presentations at the planetarium.

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## Money is greatness to American youth

Recent studies have given the American public something else to complain and moan about, even though we all realized what the results of the report were going to show before it was released.

The United States ranks second in the amount of money spent on education. However, it appears this has no determining factor on either the quality of education our children are receiving or on how intelligent our children are after they finish high school.

A recent study by the Educational Testing Service, as reported by the Associated Press, shows that the U.S. is third from the bottom in science scores and second from the bottom in math.

How can this be so? Does this new information shock you? Or does it make you wonder what has gone afoul in the basic education system?

No matter how this information hits you, there is nothing that moaning can do to change things.

Here are some possible reasons why American students score lower on standardized tests which were given in several countries:

- American youth are just more stupid and just cannot learn the material they are presented with, unlike students in other countries. No matter how much fancy equipment or how many tutorial services are available, American students are hopeless.

- American teachers are not as skilled as those in other countries. They are only interested in their own research and higher salaries. American teachers, I am certain you are aware, love to walk picket lines, chanting slogans about less work and more money. This is what they are concerned about. Education ranks second with teachers, as it in the education spending for the U.S.

- American parents do not know anything about these subjects themselves. They do not place enough emphasis on their children's education. Most parents do not encourage or emphasize to their children that a sound education is essential these days, but I do not know why.

- American politicians play games with educational funds and siphon off the money for their own purposes, like trips to Columbia and Argentina. Why should they be concerned about the educational system in America? They have their own interests to watch out for. This is what America is all about, isn't it?

- Life is so easy in the U.S. Children come to understand at an early age that education is not important. They learn they can make more money selling drugs than anything they could do that is legitimate.

These answers are not much better than those offered by students on the tests. The correct answer, however, is money is the most respected thing in American society, and it does not matter how much you have, as long as it's yours.

Today's great successes are measured in millions, not scientific or literary accomplishments.

If you are smart, you are rich. If you are very rich, you are a genius and revered by all, even though your methods of accumulation are a little questionable.

— David F. Jackson, editor-in-chief

## MOTHER NATURE'S EVICTION



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INDUSTRIALIZATION'S OCCUPANCY

## Bush could capitalize on Japan vomit scene

### MIKE ROYKO How I see the world

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The general who said that war is hell wasn't entirely correct. We're in a war right now, and it isn't all that terrible. At times, it's even fun.

That's because we're fighting it with bumper stickers instead of bullets, bombast instead of bombs.

I'm talking, of course, about the great war of words with Japan and the growing "Buy American" crusade.

The fighting really broke out in earnest some crotchety old Japanese politician made sneering remarks about much of our work force not knowing how to read or write and being lazy and greedy.

In other words, he said exactly what Americans have been saying about each other for years.

The war escalated when the people who own Nintendo said they want to buy the Seattle baseball franchise to keep it in that city.

Baseball fans were horrified as they heard this news on their Japanese-built TV sets, to which their Nintendo machines are attached.

With Japan-bashing at its highest level since World War II, we have American companies offering bonuses to workers who buy American cars, gas stations offering American car owners a discount, municipalities rejecting Japanese products, and shoppers peeking at the back of products to see where they're made.

So how will this war end? My guess is that it will just fade away as soon as something livelier comes along. In fact, Gov. Bill Clinton's love life may have already pushed it aside on the nightly news.

The problem with fighting this war is that there's little opportunity for action except for loud talk, sputtering, and table-pounding.

It's easy enough to "buy American," as the slogan urges, if you're going to down to the corner store for a quart of milk or a box of Twinkies. I'm not sure about the Twinkies. I know they're made here, but I don't know where the additives come from.

But if you're buying anything that you have to plug into a socket, turn an ignition key, or install batteries, how do you know?

I own two American cars. But are they really American products? I have no idea who made the engine parts, the tape players, the speakers, or any of the many things that rattle and squeak.

A friend has a Japanese car. Hiss, hiss! But it was put together in this country by American workers with American-made parts. For all I know, his Japanese car is more American than my American car.

Maybe you are a golfer planning on buying a new set of clubs this

spring. But only a couple of American-owned golf companies remain. That wedge might have "Ben Hogan" stamped on it, but the company is owned by some sushi-eater.

So if you seek out those American-owned companies and buy their clubs, you will be able to say with pride that you are buying American, right? Not really, because all they do here is assemble shafts and clubs heads they buy overseas.

The last night of my vacation, I dashed to a hardware store to buy a wind-up alarm clock so I could be sure to arise early and return to compose drivel.

When I set the clock, I spotted the words stamped on the back: "Made in China." I stared at it. A com-mie clock. And for all I knew, the words had been put there by someone who once sat in a foxhole in Korea, hoping for a chance to shoot me dead. As it turned out, the clock didn't work. But a fine American bird squawked with the dawn and woke me up. Or maybe it wasn't an American bird. Could it have flown here from Cuba? You just can't tell.

I suspect that much of the current Japan-bashing is a reaction to President Bush and those overpaid car salesmen going to Japan to ask them to take pity on us. Some Americans found it embarrassing.

On the other hand, when was the last time anyone barfed on Japan's prime minister?

In the Japanese culture, I'm told, it is considered extremely insulting to barf on someone. Especially a prime minister. Of course, it isn't considered proper behavior here, either, unless you are a hockey fan.

So what Bush did may have been a cunning and calculated political move. When the presidential race heats up in the fall, it wouldn't be at all surprising to see a commercial showing the barfing scene, but with Bush's voice saying:

"You won't open your markets to more American products? OK, this is what I think of you. Take this! Barf, barf."

And on the next trip, if there is one, they ought to bring Dan Quayle along. He could drool on the shoes.

Not the most sociable lunch companion

# Technology, eating habits limit developing of vending machines

TUIJA AALTO  
PROSPECTUS FEATURES EDITOR

Vending machines are an increasing part of people's eating experience, Susan Brewer, UI assistant professor, Food and Nutrition, said. Vending machines have been a rising technology since the 70's. What started with soda and coffee now provides the customer with instant fries or a tuna casserole, she said. Convenience is the main advantage of the machines, she said. The main disadvantage is the input

price. The start-up costs of installing vending machines is high. "The cost of a brand new machine is \$3,500-\$6,000," Mike Carter, route supervisor, Cater-Vend, said. The actual foods served in vending machines have to be specially manufactured for that kind of use, according to Brewer. A check with local caterers suggests that snacks, such as chips, sandwiches, and microwaveable meals are the main items. Carter said he has heard of some of the new developments such as the machine that makes fresh fries

on site, but has not seen any in Champaign-Urbana. "We serve soups and sandwiches in addition to traditional snacks, such as ice-creams and sodas. Hot lunch pockets are pretty much taking over soups at our machines," Carter said. Freshness is something the caterers have to battle for, Carter said. The average time a sandwich sits in a machine is three days, but it can stretch as long as six days, according to him. The customer can check the age of his/her snack from the label on the product. "Sometimes the quality of the food is not great," Brewer said. "The vending machines are not a problem from a safety point of view, although there have been incidents that the food hasn't been properly cooked because of the machine breakdown," she said. Foods that are not suitable for vending machines include starch-based gravies, she said. "They won't work in machines because

once they've cooled and are reheated they don't have the same characteristics. Different kinds of gums and stabilizers have to be used to achieve some kind of consistency," Brewer said. Although vending machines provide employees who have no other lunch facilities with a chance to get a warm meal, they cannot create the social experience that eating is for many, according to Brewer. "Some of the things people associate with eating are not just food. It's getting out of the work environment."

With vending machines, a person does not have any social contact, which is going to limit how far the vending machines are developed, she said. The food service industry is setting pace for other industries such as fast food, Brewer said. The fast food industry does a lot of its own research to come up with foods that satisfy changing consumer needs. Hospitals and nursing homes

need food products that contain the same amounts of nutrients in all pieces. "It is not easy to keep track of ribs and pork chops because they have different amounts of fat and bone," she said. Salt is currently needed in producing almost all meat products, such as in the roast beef used for sandwiches, she said. "Because of the interest in low sodium and low fat foods, the industry has to come up with alternative products." By mixing pieces of meat with salt, water, and some other ingredients, it is possible to form a chunk of meat that is easy to cut in even slices. "Salt causes the proteins inside the meat to emigrate to the surface. The mix is put in a form and cooked, and the proteins cause the meat to stick together and look a lot like a real piece of meat," she said. Sodium lactaid is among the alternatives for salt that the food industry is now researching, Brewer said.



## Parkland This Week February 9-15, 1992

### Monday, February 10

\*Introduction to Microsoft Word for Macintosh (WKS 407-094) 6:30-9:10 p.m. • Rooms C137-138 • Continues Mondays and Wednesdays through March 4 • 217/351-2208

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### Tuesday, February 11

Parkland Sampler • 10-11 a.m. or 6-7 p.m. • Meet at the Information and Welcome Center Desk • 217/351-2561

Real Estate Seminar: Fair Housing (WKS 941-094) • 1-4 p.m. Room B223 • 217/351-2508

Sign-up for Free GED Classes • 2:30-4:30 p.m. • Room X213 217/351-2580

### Wednesday, February 12

Lys Martin, Lillian Heard, and John Pakosta • Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Thursday 6-8 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m.-noon • Art Gallery • Continues through March 7 • 217/351-2485

Blood Drive • 9 a.m.-3 p.m. • Gallery Lounge • 217/351-2214

Brown Bag Lunch Forum: African-American Women in the Civil Rights Movement • 12 noon-1 p.m. • Room L244 • 217/351-2541

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### Thursday, February 13

Office of Women's Programs and Services Open House • 2-4 p.m. Room X212 • 217/351-2541

Men's Basketball vs. Lincoln College • 7:30 p.m. • Parkland Gymnasium • 217/351-2226

### Friday, February 14

Prairie Skies • 7 p.m. • William M. Staerckel Planetarium 217/351-2446

Hubble Report • 8 p.m. • William M. Staerckel Planetarium 217/351-2446

Mt. St. Helens • 9 p.m. • William M. Staerckel Planetarium 217/351-2446

### Saturday, February 15

Teddy's Quest • 11 a.m. • William M. Staerckel Planetarium 217/351-2446

Hubble Report • 12 noon • William M. Staerckel Planetarium 217/351-2446

Space Bus • 1 and 7 p.m. • William M. Staerckel Planetarium 217/351-2446

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## Women share views on mirror terror

BY TUIJA AALTO  
PROSPECTUS FEATURES EDITOR

"I just wish I was different than I am," was the key statement at the Brown Bag Lunch Forum "Mirror Mirror" at Parkland. Jan Thom, health educator, said many women want to lose weight because they think wonderful things happen automatically when you're thin.

"You make things happen, whether you are thin or not," she said. Thom, who moderated the discussion on body image and its relation to eating disorders, said her office has a lot of reading material on both men's and women's health and eating. "I have students come and say 'I wish I had known about you when I came in two years ago,'" she said.

The group of women first saw a videotape made for the Public Broadcasting System by Jan Krawitz. The film, a collage of women talking about their bodies, was cut in a way that the differently shaped women's statements reversed each other.

A viewer realized that none of them, even the "good looking" ones, were satisfied with themselves.

Thom opened the discussion with a mental rehearsal. Participants had to list three parts of their bodies that they actually liked. Forty foreheads wrinkled. Three disliked parts seemed to be easier to find.

A woman wanted to know if there were any ways to deal with the society's pressure toward women. Soap operas and beer commercials give women hard-to-fill ideals, according to her.

"This is a society of eyes," another woman pointed out. "I don't think it's just the media. We need to redefine what we describe as nice," she said.

A suggestion was made that women start lobbying the clothing manufacturers.

Standard sized clothes depress those who do not fit the form, the speaker said. "I want an equal chance to buy customized sizes of clothes like men," she demanded.

The one-hour discussion also touched on anorexia, bulimia, and dieting. Some women came to find out and were given information of support groups in the area.

The lunch forum was sponsored by Women's Programs and Services.

## Parkland Gallery opens new show of sculptures, photos, and portraits

An exhibition of new work created by Chicago artists Lillian Heard, Lys Martin, and John Pakosta, entitled *Trine*, will be displayed in the Parkland Art Gallery beginning Wednesday.

The exhibition of paintings, photographs, and sculptures will close with a reception for the artists on March 7.

Heard will present a group of small, richly painted portraits. She describes her two styles of portraiture as being realistic representations and subjective portrayals that are filled with psychological and metaphorical images.

Martin will exhibit *Vanitas* and *Nocturne*, two series of photographs.

Her photographs are re-presentations of still lifes by the late photographer Robert Mapplethorpe, she said.

Pakosta said he uses flowers in his work to establish a contrast between the changes and decay in nature and the permanent structured order of his sculptures.

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# Aerosmith's 'Pandora's Box' has unreleased songs on it

BY LOU BABIARZ  
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

The problem with most box sets is that they rarely are worth the exorbitant prices devout fans, who probably own most of the material included, are forced to pay for them.

Unless you're an audiophile willing to pay through the nose for improved sound quality, they amount to little more than overblown, and overpriced, greatest hits collections.

On *Pandora's Box*, Aerosmith makes an ambitious effort to avoid this pitfall.

Half of the 52 tracks, 53 with the unnamed bonus track, previously unreleased. In contrast, Led Zeppelin's box set included just two "new" songs.

In this type of project, song selection is always an issue, and Aerosmith does a fairly good job.

All the obvious choices, "Dream On," "Walk This Way," "Sweet Emotion," "Back in the Saddle Again," are here though unfortunately all are in their original studio form.

Also, *Night in the Ruts* is over-represented with four songs.

*Night* is easily Aerosmith's weakest effort that original members Joe Perry and Brad Whitford, who were replaced for one album, then returned for good on *Done With Mirrors*, played on, and one or two songs from it would have sufficed.

Otherwise the pickings are good, with "No More, No More," "Nobody's Fault," and "Rats in the Cellar" from the dual mid-70's classics, *Toys in the Attic* and *Rocks*.

Also included are the less often heard "Movin' Out," "One Way Street," "Seasons of Wither," and "No Surprize."

Perhaps the most interesting of the "new" cuts is "When I Needed You," a song by one of Steven Tyler's pre-Aerosmith bands, Chain Reaction.

While the song is, in Tyler's words, "pretty lame," it shows how far he has progressed as a singer, and that he did learn the importance of "groove and attitude" from Perry.

The best of the previously unreleased songs are live versions of "Lord of the Thighs," recorded at the Texxas Jam in 1978, and "Kings and Queens," taped earlier that year in Boston.

What's surprising about that is, at the time, Aerosmith was at its drug-addled worst and had a well-earned reputation as erratic performers.

The sequencing of "Soul Saver" and "Let it Slide," studio out-takes which precede the songs they evolved into, "Nobody's Fault" and "Cheese Cake" respectively, provide a glimpse at Aerosmith's creative processes.

The major flaw with the compilation is that it only chronicles 1972-82, the years the band was on the Columbia label, and ignores Aerosmith's comeback albums, which were released on under Geffen label.

In a particularly cynical move, the alleged "discography" in the back of the liner notes does not include the three Geffen albums.

It does, however, list *Classics Live I & 2*, which were released without the band's permission after the success of 1987's *Permanent Vacation*.



# Six great walls draw thousands of tourists throughout world

BY JOY ASCHENBACH  
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC  
NEWS SERVICE

Most of the world's most famous walls have outlived their original purposes of keeping people in or out.

Now they've found new life as tourist attractions, archaeological sites, and challenges to adventurers to "walk a wall."

A pilgrim to the Old City of Jerusalem tries to wedge her written prayer into a crack between the ancient stones of the Western, or Wailing Wall, perhaps the most actively used wall today.

Even though she has folded the paper so many times, it is as small as her fingernail, she can't find a crack along the women's section of the wall that isn't already stuck with petitions.

"People come from all over to put their papers and their personal requests in the cracks in the wall," says Aharon Kellerman, of the University of Haifa, about the Wailing Wall in the Old City of Jerusalem. Jews believe that prayers placed in the walls ascend directly to God.

A continent away, Hadrian's Wall was built to separate the Romans from the barbarians in A.D. 122. It stretched more than 75 miles from sea to sea across northern England. In the centuries after the wall was abandoned, the stones were reused to buildings and a road.

The world's longest and most visited wall curls like a huge stone dragon across northern China for nearly 2,000 miles.

Its elaborate reconstruction by the Ming Dynasty, 1,600 years later

is essentially the wall millions of tourists flock to today.

The Kremlin Wall, a 7,300 ft. long brick structure, was built as thick as 20 ft. with 20 fortified towers, as part of Ivan the Great's grand plan in the 15th century to put Moscow in the top league of the world's capitol.

After 25 divisive years, the infamous concrete Berlin Wall is being sold for souvenirs, auctioned for charity, and ground into small

pieces that will become the raw material for new roads.

Two, 330-ft. sections are being preserved as monuments.

The newest wall, the 1,500-mile-long Sahara Wall, constructed of sand and stone was regarded as a military feat when it was erected in stages by Morocco in the 1980s.

Still used as a "security wall" against guerrillas who have fought for an independent Western Sahara, it is the Great Wall of the desert.



Beverly Kieffer, program manager, Special Events, Mary Lou Brotherson, Psychology instructor, and Cindy Jean, program assistant, Women's Services, take time to promote the Top Girls dinner and theatre production. T-shirts will be sold this week in Room X-212. The proceeds will benefit women's scholarship at the College.

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# Remembering your little redhead

BY JEFF REISING  
FOR THE PROSPECTUS

Buying valentines may be a hangover from grade school — remember that cute little red headed boy/girl that sat next to you in third grade? — but there's still a little thrill on V-Day.

The cards this year begin at about \$3 and range to \$8 for cards decorated with doilies and other extras. Giant 20 x 30 in. cards with cartoon characters cost about \$8, or you could buy your honey an inflatable heart-shaped card for around \$5.

Card shoppers also may be tempted to buy an assortment of cheap novelty trinkets. For under \$5, there are heart-shaped erasers, heart-shaped lapel pins (some use batteries and have flashing lights), or plastic wind-up walking hearts with "Hot Stuff" printed on them. Heart-shaped balloons cost about \$3, and a small balloon attached to a glass container full of chocolates costs under \$8.

Fannie May is offering a wide selection of candies in decorative Valentine's Day boxes. Chocolates cost about \$10 per pound, depending on whether you choose a plan paper heart-shaped box or the

more expensive satin boxes. Bows are included for all heart-shaped packages.

Holiday Inn is offering a package of dinner and champagne for two under \$25. For about \$70, the Holiday Inn's deluxe package includes the dinner and champagne and a room by the pool plus breakfast the next morning. Jumer's Valentine special consists of dinner for two, champagne, a rose, a room for two, and two souvenir glasses. The cost is about \$130.

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5. California fog
9. Tart
12. Rant
13. Volcanic ash
14. Enlarge (abbr.)
15. Fat
17. Porch
19. Go back
21. Gr. nymph
22. Strike repeatedly
24. Negative answer
25. That (in gangster jargon)
26. Old cloth
27. Finish
29. Right (abbr.)
31. Is (plural)
32. Near
33. Impersonal pronoun
34. Female deer
35. Nova Scotia (abbr.)
36. To an excessive degree
38. Direction (abbr.)
39. Female appellation
40. Capone
41. Prayer ending
42. Serious
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51. 2,000 pounds
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2. Top of pop can
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4. Attack from all sides
5. Slang (abbr.)
6. Unmarried lady
7. Kiln
8. Fish
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10. One-twelfth of a foot
11. Pertaining to oil
16. Time zone (abbr.)
18. Sow
20. Bring together
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23. Hearing organs
25. Responsibility
27. Having curves
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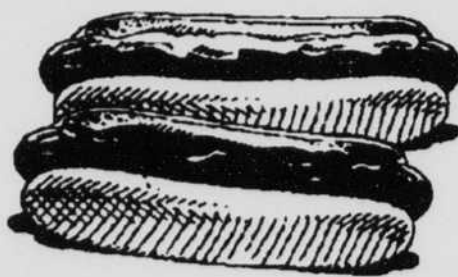
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