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PC gets full 10-yr reaccreditation

by John Hoffmeister
Editor in Chief

Ten more years. That was the decision revealed to tense administrators, faculty and staff by North Central Association evaluators during a preliminary report released last Wednesday.

"It is the opinion of this committee that no further (review processes) be made until the year 2003," said James Drummond, accreditation team chair and English instructor at Charles Stewart Mott Community College in Flint, Mich.

Audience members, including Zelema Harris, College president; Kevin Northrup, vice president of Fiscal Administration; and several other staff and faculty, applauded the decision reached by North Central Committee members.

"This confirms the fact that we are a quality institution," Harris said.



Accreditation celebration

Consultant evaluators of the North Central Association evaluation team and Parkland staff after the announcement that the College will be accredited academically for the maximum 10 years (l to r) Dr. Marlene Hall, Dr. James Drummond, Dr. Till Peters, consultant evaluators, North Central Association; Pres. Zelema Harris, Don Nolen, faculty chairperson.

Photo by Susan Herrel

She added the accreditation approval will allow students credits to transfer and allow financial aid eligibility.

The Feb. 24 meeting was the conclusion to a three day comprehensive evaluation of the college, Feb. 22-24. The team interviewed

college employees, students, and board members and examined the physical plant.

"It brought the entire college together," Harris said.

Drummond pointed out several College strengths and weaknesses, including the strength of the College

faculty and the inadequacy of available parking.

Pending receipt of the recommendation report from North Central, Harris said Parkland will act swiftly to satisfactorily meet suggested reforms.

"The minute we get the report" we are going to act,

Harris said.

The North Central Accreditation Association employs 700 consultant evaluators to routinely evaluate state colleges.

Consultants include several college administrators and teaching staff from around the state. Harris has sat on the North Central Board for three years. She has been a consultant evaluator 13 years.

Parkland was first fully accredited in 1972. The college again underwent a comprehensive evaluation in 1981 and was granted ten years of continued accreditation.

An evaluation was scheduled for Feb. 1992, but the College was granted a one-year extension to allow the college to prepare for the Nov. 1990 tax-transfer referendum.

Board OKs Child Center

by Susan Herrel
Prospectus Staff Writer

Construction of Parkland's Child Development Center "may begin as soon as mid to late March," according to Alice Pfeffer, vice president, Student Services. "As soon as we get some good weather, we'll break ground."

Approval was granted at the Parkland Board of Trustees meeting on Feb. 22.

The temporary facility will have 4176 sq. ft. and have a capacity of 56 children. There will be two classrooms, one for 20 children and one for 16 children. In the center of these classroom wings will be the administrative office.

The design of the building was simplified by straightening walls, standardizing windows and ceilings, and "basically simplifying the entire outside of the building," said Pfeffer.

"However, it is still a lovely building.

"We were very happy that the program itself did not have to change to get this approval. We were worried that we would have to serve fewer children, but that is not the case," said Pfeffer.

The history of this Child Development Center goes back many years. In 1974, when Parkland moved to its present location, there was a recognized need for a child care facility. Committees have been working off and on ever since. The present committee has been actively campaigning for the facility since the summer of 1991.

The Child Development Center will serve the needs of students, faculty, staff and community members. Sixty per cent of the Center enrollment will be children of students, 20 per cent those of faculty and staff, and 20 per cent of residents of the community.

In addition, the facility will be used for educating Parkland students in child development, nursing physical education, and music. "Basically, wherever a Parkland student can get some practical experience with children, we'll try to use our own facility," said Pfeffer.

"If everything goes on schedule, the Center could be open as soon as August, 1993. When the building is ready, we'll open the doors," said Pfeffer.

A fee schedule has not yet been determined. Plans call for keeping the Center to be open when classes are in session, including evening hours. No time schedule has been announced, and registration dates have not been set.

Student Government donated \$40,000 for playground equipment. A spring toy fair also is being considered to raise money for toys and other equipment.

\$4 tuition increase = \$36 per credit hour

A tuition increase of \$4 from \$32 to \$36 per credit hour has been approved by the Board of Trustees, effective in the Summer session.

Most students pay an additional \$3 in fees. The majority of course fees remain unchanged.

Phil Carter, president of Student Government, said he discussed the increase in each of his classes and was "really surprised by the way each class approved of it. As long as students know why, they don't object."

Before the increase, Parkland was at the midpoint on the tuition list of Illinois community colleges. However, other colleges also may vote for tuition increases this year.

Kevin Northrup, vice president for Fiscal Services, announced that Parkland's Office of Financial Aid will handle \$9 million in grants, scholar-

ships, loans and part-time employment this year.

The fee schedule for most courses approved by the Board remains unchanged.

Also at their Feb. 17 meeting, the Board also awarded a \$24,935 contract with Phillips Brothers Printers of Springfield for 26,000 copies of the 1993-94 college Catalog using recycled paper.

Purchase of three copiers from Bundy Business Machines for \$7,473 each also was approved. The copiers will be placed in the C wing, Human Resources, and Business office. Existing equipment will be relocated.

A contract with Prairie International Trucks, Inc., IDEALEASE, of Champaign for tractor-trailer equipment totaling \$30,606 also was approved. Approval was contingent upon enrollment
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News Briefs

Farm Toy Show March 6

Parkland will host its ninth annual Farm Toy Show on March 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Parkland College Gymnasium.

The event, sponsored by Parkland's Agriculture Club, will feature the selling and trading of farm toys, miniature farm displays, a show contest, door prizes, and refreshments.

There is an admission charge; children six and under are free. For more information, call Bruce Henrikson, associate professor of Agriculture, at 217/351-2435.

Discovery Days for graders

New Discovery Days, a three-day class for fourth and fifth graders will be offered from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays during two sessions: March 20, 27, and April 3; the second session: April 17, 24, and May 1; or both.

Among the Discovery Days classes to be offered are art, drama, creative writing, thinking games, Spanish, French, agriculture, chemistry, mechanical engineering, biology, electricity, law, and broadcasting.

There is a fee for each of the programs. Applications will be accepted by mail only on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information: 217/351-2545.

Model rockets on display

Central Illinois Aerospace, a local group devoted to the pastime of model rocketry, will give a special presentation in Parkland's William M. Staerke Planetarium as part of the "World of Science" lecture series at 7 p.m. March 6.

Several large rockets, each built and launched by members of Central Illinois Aerospace, will be displayed.

Following the presentation, the Staerke Planetarium will present *The Mars Show*, narrated by *Star Trek's* Patrick Stewart. There will be a charge for tickets.

Workshop on Abuse

A workshop entitled Dealing with Abusive People will be offered from 7 to 9 p.m., Mar. 17 in room C118.

The program will focus on why people act abusively and what strategies are available for dealing with them, whether they are family members, co-workers, supervisors, patients, or doctors. Speaker Joanna Slan, who is accredited by the Public Relations Society of America, has designed training for numerous diverse groups.

There is a fee for the workshop. For more information: 217/351-2508.

Knauer named to honors list

Stephanie Knauer, of Fairbury, has been named to the Parkland honors list for the Fall, 1992, semester.

Knauer earned a grade point average of 3.5 or more (on a 4.0 scale) for 12 or more credit hours.

Free GED classes starting

Parkland is offering free GED test preparation classes at Arcola High School, Paxton High School, and Mahomet's Candlewood Estates Community Center.

The classes meet from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in Arcola and Paxton and on Tuesdays and Wednesdays in Mahomet through the first week in May.

Students can sign up by attending class before March 4. For more information: 217/351-2580.

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Retirement facing many faculty

by John Hoffmeister
Editor in Chief

By the turn of the century, one in 10 U.S. faculty members will be 70 years old or older, according to recent studies by the University of Chicago, Columbia, Michigan, Stanford and Purdue.

On Jan. 1, 1994, the federal government will prohibit colleges and universities from setting a mandatory retirement age.

But, according to Chuck Baldwin, vice-president of Student Administration, the new federal program will have no new effect on the College.

"At Parkland, we haven't had that many people retire," Baldwin said. "We're just starting to approach that area when we will have a lot of retirements."

He said the College has some professors who have been on staff 27 years.

"The people I know who are talking retirement are talking retirement around 55 or 60."

And as this decade moves into the second half, a pronounced retirement movement may take place.

According to Kevin Northrup, vice president of Fiscal Administration, "The same thing is going on all over the state. All the community colleges are about the same age which means the faculties are about the same age."

The second half of this decade," Northrup said, "there is going to be a big sucking sound in the faculty ranks of Illinois community colleges."

The problems of a mass exodus of professors across the state have sent fiscal administrators scrambling to find a means of replacement on an early retirement basis.

This has meant finding acceptable options to promote an early retirement plan.

According to Northrup, those faculty, "once eligible, have three years to participate in the plan."

Parkland's retirement package offers faculty of 55 years of age and 15 years of

experience, or those with 25 years of experience, an opportunity to have a one-time 10 percent stipend paid; thereafter, a monthly payment of 25 percent of their former salary will be paid over four years.

But the biggest benefit, Northrup said, was the continued medical coverage for a four-year period.

"A very large percentage of the people who are eligible will elect the plan," Northrup said.

He added there are people who will elect not to accept the plan and live a life of academia.

The College, on the other hand, will benefit from the low costs associated with hiring new professors.

"The idea of the early retirement plan was to be cost effective," Northrup said. "We will retire people who were making \$60,000 and replace them with people who come in at \$30,000."

Northrup said the College will be able to "face those salaries until they finally do" retire.

Northrup: plan 'brought down'

by John Hoffmeister
Editor in Chief

For those seeking the path of early retirement, the road has not been a paved one.

An early January defeat of a proposed "10 and 30" plan left those seeking early retirement incentives scrambling for better coverage.

"It looked like we had a real good, permanent retirement enhancement program that was fully funded," said Kevin Northrup, Parkland vice president of Fiscal Administration.

"They pulled the rug out from under our feet at the eleventh hour."

A coalition led by the Illinois Educational Association (IEA) and AFSME made sure the proposal was killed, Northrup said.

Under the "10 and 30" plan, an early retirement penalty could be avoided for those of any age with 30 years of service. It also applied to all staff and faculty.

"It looked like it had a real

"They pulled the rug out from under our feet at the eleventh hour."

good chance to pass, right up to Jan. 12," Northrup said.

As a voluntary plan, it was fully funded. Employees could have made a one-time payment of 6 percent of the highest annual rate of earnings. Employers would have made a one-time payment of 20 percent of the highest annual rate of earnings in the four-year average.

The plan, Northrup said,

would have created an early retirement incentive by providing employers to pay for the existing early retirement option for one year.

The University of Illinois, Southern, the Board of Regents and the community colleges bought into it, said Northrup. "It would have had the impact of accelerating most peoples' retirement plans by about two and a half years."

But the IEA, Northrup said, "resisted this plan from the word go."

He added that on Jan. 11, AFSME reached tentative agreement with the U of I to accept the 5 + 5 plan. This move effectively killed an approval of the "10 and 30."

"They (AFSME) went to Springfield and added their weight to the IEA and brought this down."

McCullum: education is key

Parkland has trained and assisted more people in jobs locally than the U. of I., Mayor Dannel McCollum said in a class press conference in the City Council chambers last week.

"Parkland is much more flexible than the U. of I., and they try harder," McCollum said. The College "plays a key role in the community. It brings people into Champaign-Urbana and does the day-in-day-out job of making the community work."

However, McCollum said, without the U. of I., the Twin Cities would be "Effingham

"...exodus from the Midwest will reverse."

or less." Education is the key to the community, McCollum said, and if the education referendum issue for building funds passes, the city will spend \$80,000 for a pre-school in the Columbia

school. This project is "a front-ending investment instead of rear-ending with increasing police," McCollum said. "We have to begin investing at an earlier age. We can't have an underclass that replicates itself. We have to start with pre-school."

Champaign will "take a big hit" if the Air Force base in Rantoul is not occupied, McCollum said. Substantial losses in sales taxes may occur as well as a decrease

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Youths do well in Center classes

Juveniles who don't make good grades in school "usually do well in classes here," Connie Kaiser, assistant superintendent of the Youth Detention Center, recently told Community News Reporting students.

She attributes their achievement to the small classes conducted in the basement schoolroom of the center and the attention they are given in classes. Nancy Kidd is in charge of teaching the courses, and she is assisted by a detention officer in the classroom. Kidd works with their teachers to get assignments for students and supplements their texts with her own material.

Kidd has found that making speeches to the class gives students confidence and promotes learning about a variety of topics. The classroom is equipped with four computers, a TV set, and VCR.

Rules are strict: no talking without permission - and no excuses for not doing your homework.

"We really have few behavior problems here," Kaiser said. "We try to keep them occupied" with a schedule of school, chores, games, a well stocked library, and scheduled television hours, she said.

Residents are told, "No one's going to hit you or swear at you, but we demand that you be respectful," she said. When this policy doesn't work, youths are separated from the others and not allowed to return to the regular routine until they are ready to cooperate.

Population in the center is down now, and Kaiser does not attribute the decrease to winter weather. She says battery of other juveniles and drug-related offenses have increased recently.

Youths frequently are used to deliver drugs locally, she said, and some have come here from other areas, primarily Chicago and St. Louis. Juvenile auto theft also has increased, Kaiser said.

Most residents are 11-13

years of age. The recidivism rate is about 10 percent, Kaiser said. Approximately 30 Champaign County juveniles per year are sentenced to the correctional center in St. Charles, she said.

Residents are locked in their rooms at night and visually checked every 30 minutes. They have to have staff permission to talk with each other, and what they say must be audible to the staff.

"Our prime responsibility is to see that everyone here is safe and secure," Kaiser said.

Some juveniles are dirty when they arrive, and some have to be taught personal hygiene, she said.

What advice would she give to parents? Kaiser replied, "A lot to parents are too busy. Know what your kid is involved in. Be with them when they're young, and visit them if they are here. Kids are scared. They need everybody's help."

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Thursday, March 4

*WordPerfect: Merge (WKS 568-094) • 6-9 p.m. • Room B227 217/351-2599

Friday, March 5

Planetarium Shows • Prairie Skies, 7 p.m. • The Mars Show, 8 p.m. • Rainbow War, 9 p.m. • William M. Staerkel Planetarium 217/351-2446

Saturday, March 6

Farm Toy Show • 9 a.m.-4 p.m. • Parkland Gymnasium • 217/351-2435
Planetarium Shows • Space Bus, 11 a.m. • Rainbow War, 12 noon
The Mars Show, 1 and 8 p.m. • William M. Staerkel Planetarium 217/351-2446

World of Science Lecture: Model Rocketry • 7 p.m. • William M. Staerkel Planetarium • 217/351-2446

Monday, March 8

Spring Vacation • No Classes • Continues through March 14

Tuesday, March 9

Parkland Sampler • 10-11 a.m. • Meet at the Information and Welcome Center desk • 217/351-2561

Friday, March 12

Planetarium Shows • see March 5

Saturday, March 13

Planetarium Shows • Space Bus, 11 a.m. • Rainbow War, 12 noon and 7 p.m. • The Mars Show, 1 and 8 p.m. • William M. Staerkel Planetarium • 217/351-2446

Monday, March 15

*WordPerfect: Introduction (WKS 557-097) • 1-4 p.m. • Room B227 • Continues Wednesday • 217/351-2599

*Taking Care of Ourselves: Survival Skills for Women • 7-8:30 p.m. Continues Mondays through May 3 • 217/351-2508

Tuesday, March 16

*Career Planning Seminar • 6 p.m. • Meet at the Information and Welcome Center desk • 217/351-2536

Wednesday, March 17

Contemporary Illinois Metal Exhibit • Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Monday-Thursday, 6-8 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m.-noon • Parkland Art Gallery • Continues through April 13 • 217/351-2485

*Gentle Yoga (WKS 764-094) • 7-8:30 p.m. • Room X324 Continues Wednesdays through May 5 • 217/351-2508

*Dealing with Abusive People (WKS 968-094) • 7-9 p.m. • Room C118 • 217/351-2508

*"Russians in Space": Presentation by Russian cosmonaut Georgi Grechko • 7:15 p.m. • William M. Staerkel Planetarium • 217/351-2568

Thursday, March 18

Reading Women Aloud: Women's Histories Around the World 12 noon • Room C118 • 217/351-2541

*Home Buyer's Seminar (WKS 963-097) • 7-9:30 p.m. • Room X320 • Continues March 25 • 217/351-2508

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2nd annual talent show March 19

By Bill Flood
Prospectus Staff Writer

The Student Activities and Services Board will sponsor Parkland's second annual Talent Show on March 19.

Chairperson Tami Licquia said approximately 20 acts will be given 10 minutes to perform. The acts include singing, rapping, dramatic readings, flag or rifle spinning.

Prizes being awarded to the top three acts are: \$100 for first place, \$75 for second, and \$50 for the third place finisher.

Organizers for this year's show said anyone interested in being the M.C. should call 351-2627.

The Talent Show is a free event and everyone is invited to attend.

Scholarship cont. special education programs and who will be completing a baccalaureate degree in education.

Barnes is majoring in Spanish education at the University of Illinois and will complete her two-year degree at Parkland this year.

Applications for next year's awards will be available in November, 1993.

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One too many

DUI awareness week activities planned

By John Stoffel
Prospectus Staff Writer

Any time is a good time to think about drinking and driving, or think about not drinking and driving.

With snow coming to Central Illinois 6 to 12 inches at a time and roads snow packed and hazardous, drinking and driving is especially dangerous at this time of the year.

Feb. 28 through March 6 is Alcohol Awareness week.

Phil Carter, Student Government president, found this a good time to remind Parkland students of the dangers of this all too common pastime.

STARS, Students Taking Alcohol Responsibility Seriously, began on March 1 with a message from Pres. Zelema Harris in the Flag lounge.

Following the Harris message, DUI specialist and Champaign police officer, Mark Medlyn, gave an hour presentation.

Medlyn has the highest DUI arrest and conviction rate with the Champaign Police Department.

On March 2, the Nursing Association presented

CARE, a presentation of emergency room trauma techniques used on victims of accidents involving drunk drivers.

March 3 is the date set for a rape crisis seminar conducted by Mary Blackford, of the Raped Crisis Service in Urbana. Blackford will speak from 1 to 2 a.m. in the Flag lounge on the relationship between the use of alcohol and date rape.

During Alcohol Awareness Week, a wrecked car involved in an alcohol related accident will be on display in the court yard outside Gulliver's in the College center.

According to Blackford, 20,000 people are killed in traffic accidents each year by drunk drivers.

Five hundred and fifty-seven were killed in Illinois by drunk drivers in 1991.

A woman is raped every six minutes in the U.S. In 55 percent of the reported rapes, alcohol was used by the victim and/or the attacker. Fifteen percent of all college students report a rape sometime during the school year, Blackford said.

All the seminars are free and open to the public.

Celebration honors Dr. King

By Ira Liebowitz
Prospectus Staff Writer

Continued account of the recent Martin Luther King celebration in the Assembly Hall

Directed by Willie Summerville, the Community Choir, more than 100 minstrels from various religious affiliations, sang songs starting with "God Bless America" and ending with "We shall overcome." The audience joined hands during this anthem for civil rights.

The Chicago vocal group, Second Advent, harmonized to "It's So Hard to Say Goodbye," recently made popular by the soul group, Boyz II Men.

During the ceremony, Dr. Martin Luther King (also called Living the Dream) scholarship recipients were announced. They are: Charles Bridges, Theodore Carter, Jr., Nicole Pamela O'Brien, and Aaron Gordon, of Urbana High School, and Tu Diep, Carisma Simmons, and sisters Jennifer and Rachele Franco, of Centennial High School. Alternatives are Jamey Shannon Franklin, of Centennial, and Dionne Simmons and Monyatta Webb, of Urbana High School.

Criteria for awarding scholarships were based first on need and secondarily on academic excellence, according to scholarship committee co-chair Dorothy Vickers-Shelley. Things considered included "educa-

tional and career goals consistent with Dr. King's dream and demonstrated positive influence on others," she said. Recipients had been chosen from among 38 applicants from our high schools in Champaign-Urbana, she said.

These scholarships in 1993 provide eight students at least \$1,000 a year for four years to attend the UI, Tougaloo College, or \$6,000 to students attending Parkland College for two years and the UI for an additional two years, according to Reverend Shelby.

The UI plans to match funding for students attending that university. The \$32,000 so far donated this year by the cities of CU, business and religious organizations and private sources, therefore, could increase to up to \$64,000, according to Reverend Shelby.

Current donations overshadow funding during previous years begun in 1988, Vickers-Shelley said. Then only two recipients and one alternate had been selected, she said.

It was announced that the CU Jewish community pledged to match \$500 in donations and the CU Ministerial Alliance pledged \$250.

The philosophy of recipients jibes with King's humanitarian teachings. For example, on the events program the words of Pamela O'Brien state, "I have...been exposed to racial prejudices

and know that the ugly feelings radiated by it truly are of hatred and ignorance...."

Commented 1991 recipient Clyde Mize, Jr., now a UI sophomore with aspirations for law school, "Never forget where you came from and never forget those who helped you along the way."

Jesse McMillan, freshman in Accounting at Parkland, said, "It's important for the youth of today to know what Martin Luther King stood for. He was a man of people and had a dream for total unity." He also added about the significance of "participating in the commemoration of the first black man who received a national holiday."

Jerry Johnson, Champaign dentist, said, "I owe what I am to Dr. King," adding that he had attended colleges that formerly denied access to Afro-Americans.

Has Dr. King's dream been reached?

Rev. Ben Cox, Sr., developer, Parkland Cooperative Education Program, expressed regret that more people had not attended the ceremony. "I'm sorry this place wasn't full," he said.

Rev. Watkins said inclusion of a "rainbow coalition" in the Clinton cabinet pleases him. Conversely, he said that one has only to turn on television to see strife in Hati, clan warfare in Somalia, and the resurgence of neo Nazi groups to know that King's utopian dream has yet to pass.

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Grad is assistant chief

by Susan Herrel
Prospectus Staff Writer

Phillip Troehler, assistant chief of police in Fairbury, says his education at Parkland has been "invaluable." He received an A.A.S. degree in Journalism and one in Law Enforcement in 1982.

In his present job, he supervises six officers and is also the public relations officer. In this capacity, Troehler speaks to school and church groups and civic organizations on safety related topics.

The ability to perform this aspect of his job, said Troehler, stems directly from his training in journalism at Parkland.

"I learned how to organize my thoughts and how to communicate well, both verbally and on paper. It raised myself-esteem considerably," said Troehler.

"As a police officer, I have to turn in a lot of written reports," he said, "and I know that Springfield appreciates having well written documents."

Troehler, who worked as a Prospectus staff writer and photographer, said this training helped him with interrogations and with evidence collection.

"Interviewing and interrogating are closely related,"

said Troehler. "I'm really glad I got the training I did."

After Parkland, Troehler attended the Police Academy in Champaign for a 10-week training session.

"Parkland gives you theory and concept. The Academy gives you the nuts and bolts," said Troehler. At the

"One of my favorite things about this job is my work with children."

Academy, he was trained in police driving, fingerprinting, evidence collecting and even taking verbal abuse.

"That's one of the aspects of police work that people don't see," said Troehler.

Troehler estimates 75 per cent of his work in Fairbury is service policing — traffic control, crossing detail, traffic enforcement. The other 25 per cent is in criminal enforcement such as simple battery, occasional theft, and burglary.

"We haven't had a murder in Fairbury since sometime in the 1800's," said Troehler. And as far as juvenile problems are concerned: "In order to have kid problems, you have to have problem kids. In Fairbury, we have some of

the best kids in the world in my opinion."

He added, "We do get our share of excitement though." "We assist the county and other departments and have helped with manhunts, and firearms incidents."

One of the first things Troehler did as a police officer was to introduce himself to the business people and community members.

"People feel more at ease talking to you as a police officer if they know you personally," said Troehler. "I can't count the number of times people have helped me out on a case because they felt comfortable approaching me. I really want to make sure people can see the person behind the uniform."

"One of my favorite things about this job is my work with children," said Troehler. "From a kid's point of view, you're bigger than life. I like to explain everything to them, so I can take away some of the mystery behind the uniform."

Smiling, Troehler said, "I'll have to write down some of the things kids have said to me. They're priceless."

Diane Troehler, his wife, is a Computer Science student at Parkland. They live in Fairbury and have a son, Nick, who is 13 years old.

Unconscious states expressed in show

By Adrienne Emmering
Prospectus Staff Writer

"The Underground River," a show of new work in water based media by 12 nationally recognized painters, features works influenced by the artists' unconscious states.

The show continues at the Parkland Gallery through March 5.

In *Turquoise Morning for Emerald Tonecanet*, Robert Lostutter achieves a high degree of detail in his very graphic, surreal images. A fantasy image of a man's face evolving into a feathered, beaked multicolored, birdlike form almost has the texture of a detailed airbrush illustration. Flowers are painted with photographic accuracy, but a brilliant contrasting of cold and warm tones give the work a dreamlike, magical quality.

In *Ceaselessly into the Past*, Sylvia Greenfield pastes dozens of small squares onto a dark background. The colors describe abstract shapes, and certain tones dominate to set the work's mood.

An *Eskimo Garden*, another work by Greenfield, is set the same way as her other composition, but in this case, greens, browns and reds predominate,

earth tones which give the work an overall warm quality as compared to the cool blues and purples of the other painting.

Ken Holder creates a desert scene with vibrant colors in *Clouds Over Canyons*. Detailed renderings of cacti and other desert plant life establish the theme and subject of the work. Holder also achieves a three dimensional effect with cut out pieces of paper glued onto the composition but partially protruding from the canvas, creating the illusion of shadow and depth.

In *Madonna of the Smog*, Elizabeth Yarosz depicts a traditional Madonna figure with child and a frame decorated with gold leaf. Dreamy clouds float in the background, and a bandage appears at one side of the picture. What appears to be a folded American flag is suspended in midair in the foreground. The work seems dreamlike, the images mysterious. What does the bandage mean? What, for that matter, does the work's title suggest? The artist seems to be making some sort of statement, but her images are ambiguous.

On the panels of *Untitled*, see page 10

Mary Travers talks to us

by Ira Liebowitz
Prospectus Staff Writer

For more than 30 years the ever-popular folk music trio "Peter, Paul & Mary," has raised much consciousness about life and love. In a phone interview, Mary Travers expresses some thoughts about music, politics and what new projects presently move her.

Presently, Travers, a grandmother--"something special," she says--looks forward to the release of the first PPM (Peter, Paul and Mary) children's song collection in 25 years. Due out from Warner Bros. Records in March, *Peter, Paul and Mommy, Too*, was named after the earlier album, *Peter, Paul and Mommy*, which had been dubbed during the late sixties by Mary's eldest daughter, Erika, then a child.

Back in 1969, that album had been certified gold by the R.I.A.A., "the equivalent of the Oscar people in the record business," Mary said.

Both old and new recordings plus a video and PBS television special due to air this Spring seems to bridge the generations. "Our audiences across the country are composed of three and

four generations of fans," says Mary, "from two-year-olds to grandparents."

Does a PPM audience relish a single favorite tune?

People enjoy the standards, "Blowin' in the Wind," "Leaving on a Jet Plane," "If I Had a Hammer" and "Puff," according to the Greenwich Village born vocalist who once performed with the folk group, Song Swappers, who had recorded with music legend Pete Seeger. "Often people have a certain passion for a particular song because that song means something particular to them," Mary said.

PPM historically has championed "human" causes," according to Mary. "Folk music has always been a musical form that concerns itself with the plight of the human condition," she said.

Causes the trio have voiced include ending racism, including apartheid in South Africa, homelessness, the war in Vietnam and aggression in Latin America.

Mary claims the group has taken "several human-rights trips" to El Salvador and Nicaragua during which they observed "tremendous social prob-

lems." She criticizes U.S. intervention there. "I think that our support of the Salvadorian military for all those years while they were busy killing off their citizenry was a serious mistake and anti-democratic."

Acknowledging the U.S. policy to fight communism and that "communism doesn't work," Mary adds, "Sometime s the cure is worse than the disease."

About war Mary says, "One has to be very careful when one uses military intervention. War is a terrible failure of diplomacy."

Not surprisingly, then, when pressed to select her favorite PPM song, Mary chose the Bob Dylan standard, "Blowin' in the Wind." The song asks the question, "How many times must the cannonballs fly before they're forever banned?"

Have PPM songs which chastise war and trumpet a call to brotherhood (as in "If I Had a Hammer") expedited social change? "I don't think it's healthy to grade your effectiveness in life," says Mary. "I think what is important is to try to give personal meaning to your life, to enjoy it, and to feel good about the way you conduct yourself."

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Deficit reduction: what to expect

by John Hoffmeister
Editor in Chief

President Clinton's proposed deficit reduction plan has come under recent fire. But does his plan justify this criticism?

While his plan proclaimed a reduction of the federal deficit of \$493 billion over the next four years, documents released last week show he will come up short by almost \$170 billion.

Gasp!!!!

How could he (sob sob sob)? No really, it's o.k. Talk amongst yourselves. Tito, hand me a tissue.

The Reagan/Bush years saw little, if any, attempt to reduce our federal deficit. The last eight years saw the rich get richer and the poor remain poor as

games were the solitaire of the White House.

So, 1992 saw the election of Bill Clinton, a straight talking man whose ideas spurred on his victory last November.

Clinton's first month in office has produced some truly amazing results. Not only did he pass legislation allowing homosexuals in the military, but he has even gone as far as presenting a clear-cut, budget-balancing program.

Oh, of course his plan is not going to make everyone happy, but does it really have to?

Nevermind that the plan will fall short by almost \$170 billion; any significant reduction should leave constituents in awe. Reagan and

Bush never got this far.

There is plenty of criticism regarding the Clinton plan. Here is some of it:

Senate Republican leader Bob Dole, said recently, "In its present form it is very heavy on the tax side and very weak," on spending cuts.

In other words, the Republicans do not want to have to spend any of their "hard earned" greenbacks to assist in bailing out the staggering federal deficit.

They put us in this position.

The only real criticism that has any real sincerity was that of Champaign business leader Ed Scharlau, chairman of Busey Bank in

Urbana.

"No really, it's o.k. Talk amongst yourselves. Tito, hand me a tissue."

Scharlau told News Gazette staff writers that he

would prefer to see more incentives for businesses. This move would help plants modernize, improve efficiency and expand production, he said.

"Businesses are the ones that are going to create the jobs," Scharlau told the News Gazette.

Increasing business output would be a good start. The American economy will stir to the sounds of output, consumer spending and greater trade balances as a result of superior products.

But where will the debate end over what is good for the country?

The answer to this question will come when special interest can come to grips with the majority interest.

Phi Theta Kappa may come here

By Julie McDuffee
Prospectus Staff Writer

Parkland College is in the process of getting accreditation for Phi Theta Kappa Society, an international honor society for two-year colleges offering associate degree programs. Parkland hopes to have the process completed by this fall.

The Phi Theta Kappa Society is an honor society which bases all its programs on four hallmarks: scholarship, leadership, service and fellowship.

Membership to Phi Theta Kappa is conferred by invitation only. To be considered, a student must (1) be enrolled in a regionally accredited institution offering an associate degree program; (2) have accumulated the number of hours used by the college to designate full-time status; (3) have completed at least twelve hours of course work leading to an associate degree; (4) generally, have

established a grade point average of 3.5; (5) have established a record of academic excellence as judged by the faculty; and (6) be of good moral character and possess recognized qualities of citizenship.

Members of Phi Theta Kappa will automatically be listed in the National Dean's List, will have an opportunity to apply for scholarships, will have the Society seal affixed to their diplomas, and will have their transcripts stamped "Member of Phi Theta Kappa," based on policies set by individual colleges.

Each Phi Theta Kappa member pays a one-time fee of \$30 in addition to a regional and chapter fee (usually an additional \$10).

Currently, Parkland honors students with a 3.6 grade point average and 40 credit hours with membership in Alpha Omega, a society that requires no dues and is not currently acknowledged on

diploma or transcripts.

By bringing Phi Theta Kappa to Parkland, students that have achieved excellence but have fewer than 40 credit hours will enjoy the benefits of belonging to a nationally recognized organization.

Carol Steinman, Dean of Students, will be the director for the Parkland Phi Theta Kappa Chapter. She stresses the need for students to be active within the College because future employers are looking for people with many interests and skills as well as college degrees.

Bruce Suttle, director of Alpha Omega, will be assisting Steinman and says membership in Phi Theta Kappa is "a golden opportunity."

Students who would like more information on requirements for membership may contact Steinman at her office: A 178/351-2505. Suttle can be reached at his office, C 233/373-3770.

Relax, evaluation team gone

It took a little discipline. If you noticed many Parkland professors wore a suit and tie...three days toll. Do they own that many suits? Wait, better call Guinness Book

If the above strikes you as unusual, it's because it is. Parkland finally received its 10 year accreditation.

What does that mean? It means students at Parkland are a lot better off than many colleges without it.

Specifically, it means students can come to a quality educational institution, receive credit for those

courses taken, and be assured those credits will transfer to a college of their choice, if their path takes them that way.

It also means that their stay at Parkland can also be funded through financial aid. That is, tuition and books in some cases.

But it really means professors were forced to wear a suit and tie, yuck

Results of the evaluation included many pluses and minuses. But kudos goes out to the College faculty for the recognition of their

strength as described by the evaluation team.

By now the evaluation team is far away from the College and not worrying about the parking problem.

Maybe by next year the College will recognize the need for a sports line of golf carts, four by four maybe for deep snow, so students can transport themselves from the outback to the campus.

Maybe the shop classes could install 360 small blocks too. Let's see, what other modifications.....

Freedom essay contest

by Susan Herrel
Prospectus Staff Writer

Parkland students are invited to enter an essay contest concerning Intellectual Freedom. A \$200 cash award will be given to the winner, and the award-winning essay will be printed in the commencement edition of the Prospectus.

Bruce B. Suttle, Philosophy instructor, has been involved with the contest since its inception 15 years ago.

The contest was originally conceived by a Parkland graduate who found the education she received at Parkland was "an open door to intellectual freedom," said Suttle. She wanted to share the inspiration she found at Parkland and began the contest on her

own initiative.

Several years later, Parkland assumed the sponsorship of the contest.

Suttle has been one of the judges in the contest for the past 15 years. He is joined by Jim McGowan, English instructor, and Ann Neely, reference librarian, Parkland library.

There have been 13 female and two male contest winners. All winners have been older students returning to the education field. Women students in the health field have been well represented.

Many contest winners have gone on to higher education. One received a Ph.D. in Administrative Education; another received a Masters in International Relations, and several others are now in the teaching profession.

The subject matter has been as varied as the number of entrants. Some writers use a personal perspective, Suttle said, but others write from a more scholarly point of view. "Intellectual Freedom changes constantly and is used and misused under different conditions," Suttle said.

The overall topic of intellectual freedom should be narrowed, and the student should concentrate on various aspects of this subject, he said.

The contest is open to full and part time Parkland students. Entries must be received on or before April 1. The top five authors will be interviewed by the committee to determine the contest winner.

For further information contact the Student Support Services office X-159.

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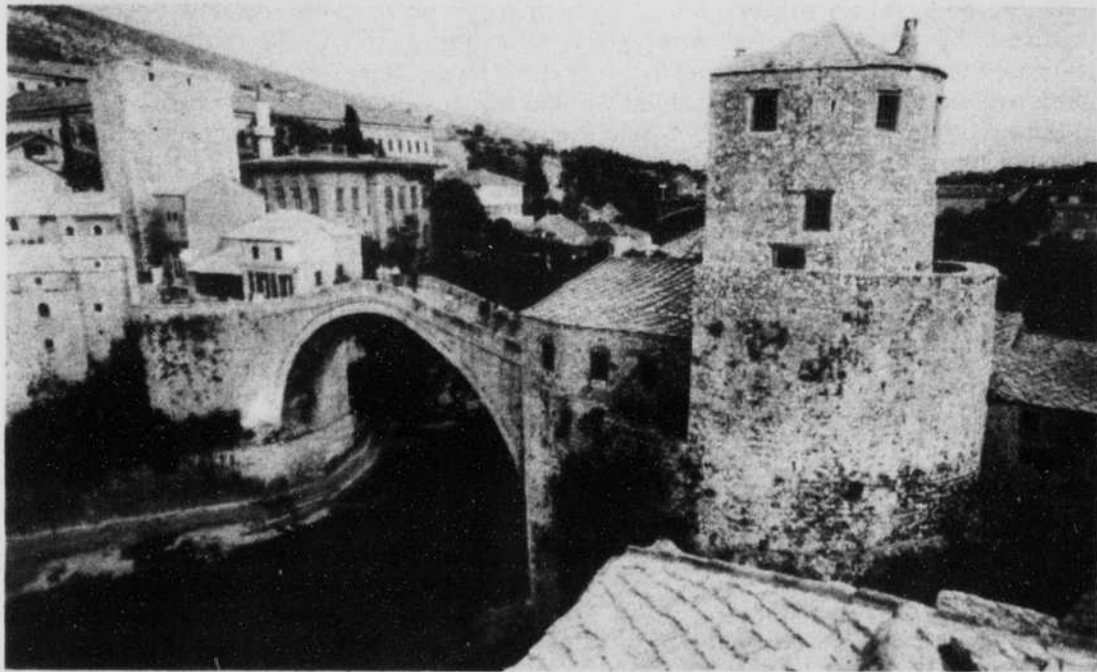


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A crescent in stone, the 16th-century bridge at Mostar, Bosnia-Herzegovina

Ethnic clash could turn ugly

by National Geographic News Service

Already the site of the worst European blood bath since World War II, the Balkan Peninsula is in danger of igniting into an all-encompassing conflict.

A widened war would be the destructive legacy of the Balkan heritage of ethnic and religious hatred that was unchained with the collapse of communism.

More than 22,000 United Nations peacekeepers, military observers and civilian police have been deployed in Croatia, Serbia and Bosnia-Herzegovina.

An additional 800 have recently been positioned inside the still-unrecognized independent Republic of Macedonia, along its borders with Albania and the Kosovo region of Serbia.

This symbolic show of force underscores U.N. fears that the war in Bosnia and the nationalistic goal of a

"Greater Serbia" could spread into Kosovo and Macedonia—pulling Albania, Bulgaria, Greece and Turkey into the struggle. The Clinton administration has made the Balkan crisis a top foreign-policy priority.

The once largely autonomous province of Kosovo, 90 percent ethnic Albanian and mostly Moslem, is a powder keg. Serbian nationalists view Kosovo, the heartland of medieval Serbia, as a kind of Serbian Palestine.

"The Macedonian people are prepared psychologically for war. Everyone has two suitcases packed," says Ljubica Z. Acevska, Macedonia's U.S. representative, who recently returned to Washington from a visit to the poorest and most overlooked of the former Yugoslav republics.

"It is a precarious and dangerous situation. There is a buildup of Serbian troops in Kosovo. It's really a very,

very gloomy picture," she says. "The Balkans could explode."

It already happened at the beginning of this century. After the Balkan Wars (1912-13), Acevska notes, the large geographic region of Macedonia was divided among Serbia, Bulgaria and Greece. Greece got more than half.

"There are the types of skirmishes that happened in Croatia and Bosnia. The Serbs are following a north-south scenario. When they finish with Bosnia, they will focus on Kosovo and Macedonia." The Serbs, Acevska tells National Geographic, still regard Macedonia as part of southern Serbia.

Currently the Balkans are split into 10 independent states: Albania, Bulgaria, Greece, Romania, the European part of Turkey, Yugoslavia (the two former republics of Serbia and

Marumo: segregation continues

by Adrienne Emmering Prospectus Staff Writer

Although there are no longer laws requiring non-whites to carry passes or ID cards, segregation still exists in South Africa, says Thato Marumo.

A senior lecturer in guidance at Strydom College of Education in South Africa, she is beginning a one-semester program of professional development and interaction with Parkland College and community.

Although she hopes the system will change, apartheid still exists in South Africa, Marumo says. The basic structure remains intact even though there has been liberalization, she said.

"We still have white schools and black schools. That is the bottom line," she said. "Change takes time. Blacks are the poorest people in South Africa. I want

to go back to motivate the children. They have no money for higher education. Poverty there creates violence, crime. I want to be involved with positive change. This affects what I do very much."

South African leader Nelson Mandela, who was jailed for 27 years, "is a very inspiring leader," Marumo said.

Although many people have negative impressions of South Africa, things are changing, Marumo hopes. But change will come, she said.

She holds a teaching degree from the University of Fort Hare in South Africa, has a background in counseling, and is involved with the College of Education.

Marumo also is concerned with psychometric assessment, testing students for career aptitude and placement. This is her first trip to the

U.S., and it is "pretty much" what she expected.

Most South Africans think this country is very advanced in regard to race relations.

Marumo says she is looking forward to returning to South Africa where she plans to use her experiences here to help students.

She is a recipient of a fellowship provided by the Institute of International Education through grants from USAID and the Ford and Carnegie Foundations.

The fellowships provide training for black South Africans at midpoint in their careers. The program's goal is to increase the pool of educated black leaders to guide post-apartheid South Africa. More than 100 fellows have been placed on U.S. college campuses since the program's inception in 1987.

Homelessness in C-U 'definitely increasing'

Homelessness in Champaign-Urbana is "definitely an increasing problem," Tom Ochs, director of the Salvation Army's Stepping Stone shelter, told Community News Reporting students recently.

The shelter at 119 E. University Ave. houses an average of 38 persons this year, Ochs said, compared to 32 last year. Other shelters in the area are also experiencing increases, he said.

Although there is no accurate local census of homeless,

Ochs said it probably ranges from 2,000 to 2,500 men, women, and children in Champaign-Urbana. Never obvious, many take refuge in abandoned buildings, he said.

The shelter's capacity is for 20 people, but it often makes room for 45. The limit is 30 nights for each six-month period. Approximately one third of the occupants are transient.

Residents range in age from 20 years to those in their 60's.

Three homeless persons died here last year. One was on his way to the winter shelter on campus when he drowned in the Boneyard. Another was found dead of exposure, and a third died of heart failure in the shelter. A significant number of those in the shelter have high blood pressure, Ochs said.

"...probably 2,000 to 2,500 homeless in C.U."

Everything two or three months, a person who is HIV positive will identify himself,

Ochs said. The shelter has an infirmary and regular medical care. It also offers programs for alcohol and drug abuse. When liquor bottles are found, residents who wish to enter are searched, Ochs said.

Elderly people are "literally dropped on our doorstep by police," Ochs said. Salvation Army workers try to put them in touch with social service agencies.

Education Scholarship Winners



Sandy McCray



Photos by Don Manning
Ronda Barnes

McCray, Barnes win DKG scholarship

By Bill Flood Prospectus Staff Writer

Sandy McCray, of Claytonville, is the recipient of the Delta Kappa Gamma Scholarship sponsored by Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, a women's honorary society for those who have demonstrated professional commitment and expertise and have completed five years of service in public or private institutions of learning.

McCray, who is in her last semester at Parkland, plans to study elementary education at Illinois State University in the fall. She

will now be eligible for a state award from Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

Ronda Barnes, of Champaign, a native of Indianapolis, is the recipient of the first annual Brotherson Education Award.

The award has been donated by the family of Dr. Mary Lou Brotherson, a 23-year Parkland education and psychology professor and director of teacher education programs, to assist a Parkland student who is enrolled in elementary, early childhood, secondary, or

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Parrots redefining birdbrain

by Clara Germani
National Geographic News Service

Thousands of parrots flock together in the Amazon like a yelling, squawking jungle stock exchange. The messages in their noisy chatter, a trademark sound of rain forests the world over, have remained a mystery.

But in a University of Arizona laboratory in the Sonoran Desert, a talkative African Gray parrot named Alex may be spilling the secrets of his wild cousins in Africa, Asia and South America.

The surprise is the apparent intelligence behind Alex's speech, how he processes general information, say scientists and conservationists familiar with the growing data from ethologist Irene Pepperberg's 15 years of research.

"What shape?" she asks, holding up a square piece of yellow paper.

Reaching for it with one greedy talon while clamped with the other to his perch on the back of a folding metal chair, Alex answers: "Four-corner."

From a tray of several toys, he succeeds in picking out the red one.

"Wool," he squawks, indicating the fuzzy red wool ball. Alex can correctly identify the color, shape and material of hundreds of small toys.

"Saying something is red or yellow is an absolute judgment, but to say something is bigger or smaller, that's relative," Pepperberg explains. "And for a long time, people thought animals other than chimpanzees couldn't do that type of task. Well, we've been able to show a bird can."

With his nearly 100-word vocabulary, Alex has a wide repertoire of tasks. By answering categorical questions, he tends to prove he is not just mimicking—or parroting—words.

Pepperberg's research is the first to show that parrot vocalizations can actually be meaningful instead of just mimicry, Donald R. Griffin, an animal-behavior authority and professor emeritus at Rockefeller University in New York City, tells National Geographic.

Such a discovery could do for threatened wild birds what it has done for chimpanzees, dolphins and whales, suggests Charles Munn, a research zoologist with Wildlife Conservation International, a division of the New York Zoological Society.

The intelligence of those species has helped make them profitable fund-raising mascots for the environmental movement. It has won them legal protection from overhunting, habitat de-

struction and the pet trade.

Pepperberg says a prime motive in her research "is to educate the public that these birds are sentient beings."

But are animals with intelligence more important than those without it?

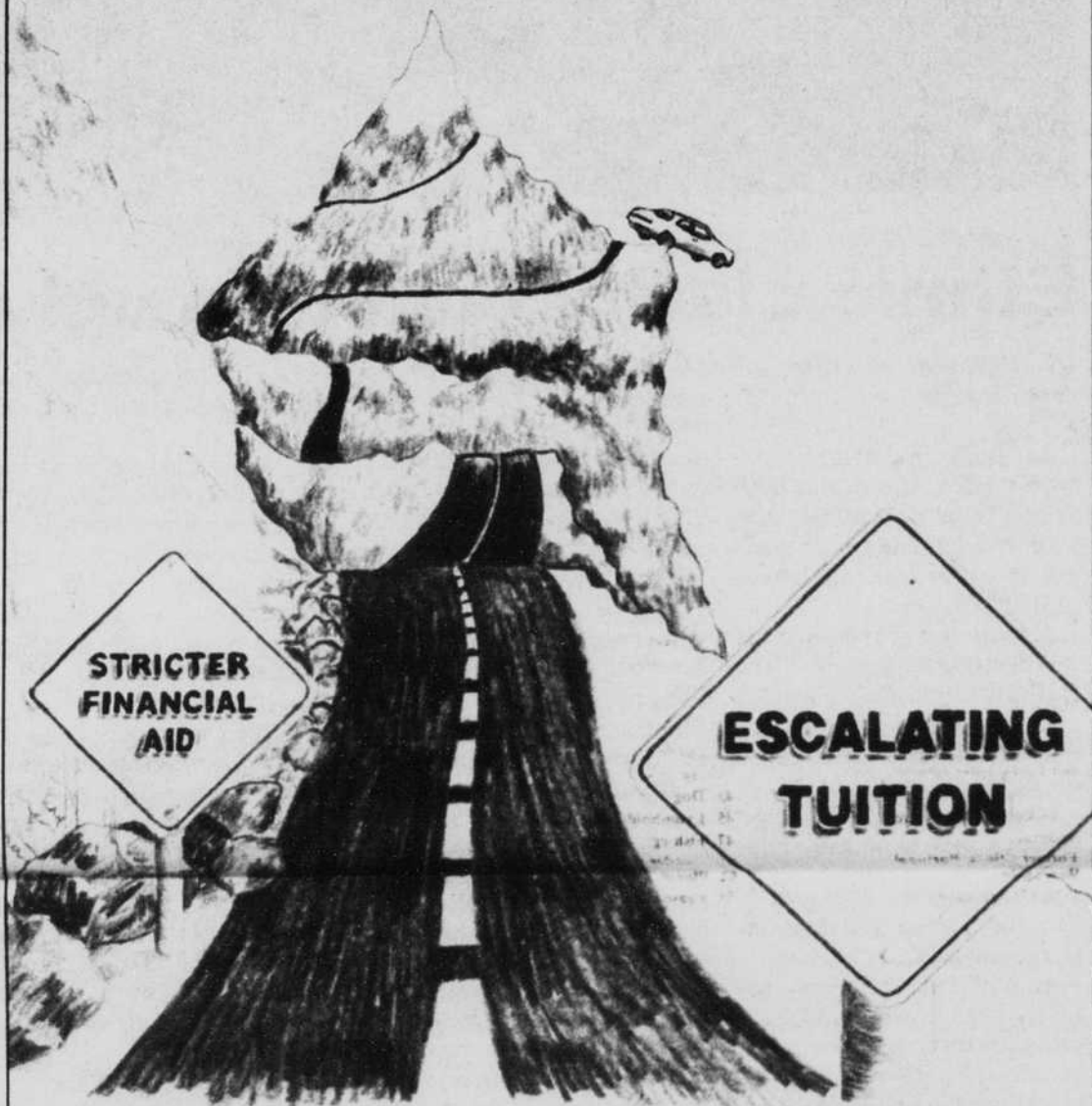
"No," she says. "But once

you interest people in an animal to which they can relate, they will begin to realize that destroying their habitat will kill them off. It's not just the parrot that will be saved when the rain forests are saved or when the clear-cutting ends in

Africa. All the species involved will be saved, and that's really what's important."

But more knowledge about parrot intelligence can also make the birds more desirable as pets.

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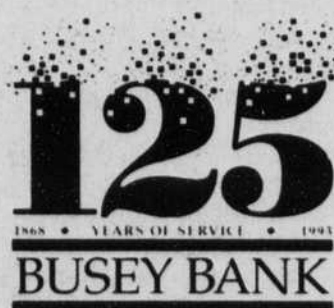
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Kassie Nudo



I recently cruised the Western Caribbean on Norwegian Cruise Lines' newest ship, the Dreamward. Our first port of call, Grand Cayman was beautiful, clean and easy to get around. Seven Mile Beach is magnificent! Next was Cozumel. Here I would recommend hardy travelers to join in the "Ruins" tours and skip city tours and shopping. The Dreamward is lovely and its size is very manageable...no waiting in lines and plenty of good seating available. The Sun Terrace was my favorite dining room and my favorite spot on the ship itself is just outside of the Sports Bar & Grill (casual atmosphere, easy cafeteria service) where you can settle at an outdoor table, munch on fresh fruit or buttered bread with the sun and the ocean for company. I enjoyed the lovely decorating scheme throughout the ship...soft lighting, pastel colors and original artwork in all public places and snowy white railing surrounding light colored wood decks. The Dreamward gives you a very luxurious, tropical feeling.

Kassie who has 6 years of experience with Busey Carter Travel wrote this report following her trip this past December. Busey Carter Travel provides familiarization trips for its agents so that they may best serve our clients.

Look for Marilyn Branson's report on Great Britain in the Sunday, March 14th New Gazette.

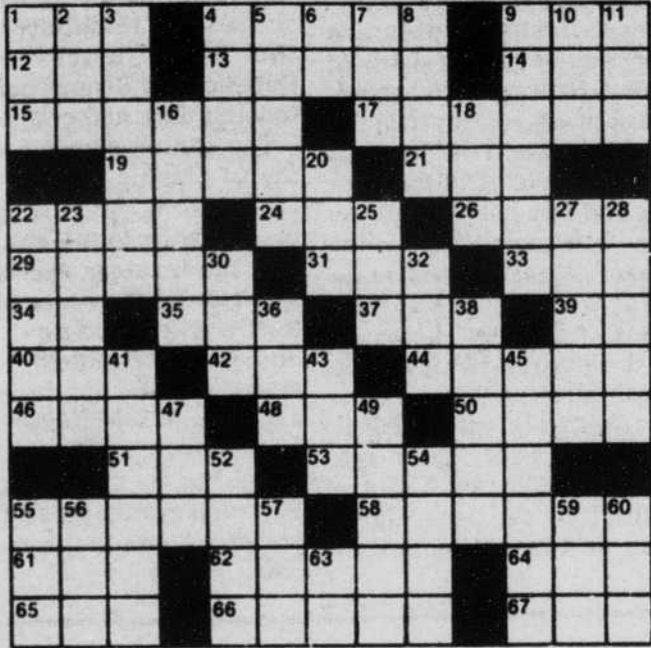
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Crossword Companion



ACROSS

- 1. Recheued food
4. Brown tint
9. Received
12. Mimic
13. Startle
14. Direction (abbr.)
15. Illusion
17. Cereal grass seed
19. Sculptured likeness
21. Butterfly catcher
22. Bee's home
24. At this time
26. Smack
29. Regarding (Scot., Archaic)
31. Insect egg
33. 7th Greek letter
34. Rhenium symbol
35. Water barrier
37. Roman household god
39. Transitive (abbr.)
40. Mistake
42. Tactical Air Command (abbr.)
44. 2nd Greek letter (plural)
46. Disarrange
48. Tape lightly on shoulder
50. Tedious
51. Former title in Portugal
53. Run again
55. Painful experience
58. Instructional period
61. Presidential nickname
62. Used for sliding friction
64. Anger
65. Family
66. Sugary taste
67. Light-Horse Harry

DOWN

- 1. Wheel on rotating shaft
2. News service (abbr.)
3. Deduce
4. Story
5. Mournful poem
6. Mid-Atlantic state (abbr.)
7. Irritate
8. Prayer ending
9. Calm
10. Unit
11. Telegram (abbr.)
16. Change
18. Reserve (abbr.)
20. Evening (poetic)
22. Rabbits
23. Unable to move
25. Sesame plant
27. Flowers fragrant perfume
28. Break down
30. Make tatting
32. Can lid
36. Angry
38. Puzzle
41. Has taken a bus
43. Dog
45. Lymphoid tissue
47. Fish egg
49. Slander (archaic)
52. Planet
54. Lense
55. Tree
56. Baseball statistic (abbr.)
57. Under
59. Mined mineral
60. Born
63. Direction (abbr.)

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Peter, Paul & Mary return

By Ira Liebowitz
Prospectus Staff Writer

"It's like being in a time warp," said Mrs. Love, of Charleston, Ill., said about the Peter, Paul and Mary show she and her family had just witnessed Saturday at the Assembly Hall.

It was, perhaps, a 25 or 30-year time warp because the last times the legendary folk trio performed at the Hall occurred in 1963 and 1967. It was a time when the amphitheater, as singer Noel Paul Stookey put it, "was an architectural wonder."

The trio performed standards first popularized during the 1960's: "If I Had a Hammer," "Puff the Magic Dragon," and "Leaving on a Jet Plane," as well as the perennially patriotic Woody Guthrie fare, "This Land is Your Land."

The anti-war/pro-life songs "Blowin' in the Wind" and "Where Have All the

Flowers Gone," written by Bob Dylan and Pete Seeger, respectively, drew ovations. The latter song, which details a cycle of flowers passed along from young girls to soldiers to graveyards asks the soul-searching question, "when will they ever learn?"

Notably, Peter Yarrow said that the group, once admonished for their liberal views--against racism, war, etc.--now have gained "grass roots" appeal. They now enjoy being on "the friends' list rather than on the enemies' list," he said.

Songs of folk singers often express a deep message. "Stewball," superficially a song about a person's bet on a race horse, more importantly embraces an optimism in human potential, according to Peter. One key line expresses, "If only I had believed in myself, I'd be free," he said.

The song, "Day is Done,"

yields a double-edged razor in both the faults and promise of humankind. If first goes, "Do you know why I'm sighing, my son; you shall inherit what mankind has done." It ends, however, on the joyful consolation, "If you take my hand, my son, all will be well when the day is done."

A high point occurred as Mary Travers, donning glasses, read the entire poem "On the Pulse of Morning," written by Maya Angelou which the poet rendered at this year's presidential inauguration. Reflecting a term in vogue during the 60's, Travers commented, "She is, I dare say, a 'role model.'"

Of the audience, U of I law student Bill Passalacqua said, "It's valuable to see older people, those stoned people in the 1970's, now excited about social issues."

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Black Crowes bring rock remedy

By Dennis Wismer
Prospectus Staff Writer

The Assembly Hall crowd was left eating crow Sunday night. Well it was more like eating out of the Crowes hand as the southern rock band the Black Crowes brought the rock and roll remedy this town has been sorely missing.

The Minneapolis based Jayhawks opened the show most likely to be named show of the year by any self-respecting ornithologist society.

The Jayhawks opened promptly with a crisp professional set highlighted by warm vocal harmonies and soaring clean guitar solos. The music alternately reminded of Neil Young style ballads and softer country rock tunes reminiscent of Joe Ely or the Little River Band.

The Jayhawks were reservedly well-received by the early crowd and boisterously enjoyed by small

pockets of fans throughout the assemblage. But it was obvious the majority were waiting for the harder edged rock of the Black Crowes.

After a short intermission the rock starved Champaign crowd jumped to their feet as the Black Crowes tore into a fervent and energetic opening set. The impression the Crowes left with me is that their 3 minute AOR type songs like Hard to Handle and Remedy are a vehicle to fund the Allman Brothers like journeys into half hour jams like State of the Notion.

The stage presentation was in harmony with the performance as simple fish net was strewn with christmas light s on steroids and hovered over the stage. The stage paralleled the simple yet fervent drive of the Black Crowes sound as it ranged from straight southern rock to mesmerizing forays into cosmic opiated trips of the mind.



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Agnes of God reveals tragedy in play

by Laura Miller
Prospectus Staff Writer

Although her comments and those of the two other characters kept the audience chuckling – sometimes howling – the veil of comedy was gradually withdrawn to reveal *Agnes of God* as a tragic character.

Rachel Middleton, Parkland scholarship student, convinced the audience that she was, indeed, the nun whose background of child abuse led her to murder her own child.

The play presented in the Parkland Theater last week drew sell-out audiences.

Agnes claimed to have conceived her child by God. After the child's birth, it was found dead in a wastebasket in Agnes's room, and she was accused of the murder.

Dr. Livingstone, the psychiatrist, portrayed by Faye Hess, struggled to overcome her addiction to cigarettes, with often humorous results.

Mother Miriam, played by Anne Shapland, revealed to Dr. Livingstone that she was Agnes aunt and that Agnes was molested as a child by her mother.

Mother Miriam asked Dr. Livingstone if she believed in miracles and if she believed that Agnes might be a saint. Dr. Livingstone could not answer these questions.

Dr. Livingstone struggled with the idea that Agnes conceived the child through God, and she had many questions as to who killed the baby.

No one knows for sure who fathered the child or who killed the child. Agnes

did tell Dr. Livingstone that she killed the baby, yet no one is quite sure of that. Since Agnes confessed to murdering the child, she was placed into an institution where she later died.

Dr. Livingstone, the rational and agnostic woman, forced all three women to confront the harsh realities in each of their lives.

Agnes of God was a refreshing production with well rehearsed cast members.

Scene Designer, Martin Bluestein, designed the set to give you a feeling of reaching to the heavens. The netting had strings attached to the top which led you towards the heavens, and yet with it flowing on to the ground, it tied you to the earth.

Unconscious *cont.*

large, fleshy figures are engulfed by violent swirls of color. Strange, distorted, mask-like faces hover in the background. The pictures project a feeling of foreboding and sensuality. What do the monster-like faces mean? What are the nude figures doing? Why the mood of violence expressed in the enormous powerful brush strokes? Victor Lara handles watercolor as if it were oil; the colors are opaque and cloudy. There is nothing of the usual lightness and translucency of

watercolor here. The female shapes are reminiscent of the flesh figures of a Rubens or a Renoir, but his mood is dark and ominous.

The exhibit shows a variety of artistic themes and styles from the surreal to the symbolic to the abstract and moderately realistic. Some artists' themes seem baffling, others obvious. Some, like Greenfield, seem moved only by the desire to experiment with color and brush technique. All are distinguished by a high quality of craftsmanship and an obvious love for the medium.

Ethnic *continued*

Montenegro), Croatia, Slovenia, Bosnia-Herzegovina and Macedonia.

Geographically, they occupy a mountainous peninsula between the Adriatic and Ionian seas on the west, and the Black and Aegean seas on the east.

The term "Balkan" first emerged in the 19th century and generally referred to territory under direct or indirect control of the Ottoman (Turkish) Empire. The Turks swept into the Byzantine-controlled peninsula in the 14th century and dominated it until the early 20th century.

Balkan is derived from the Turkish word for "mountain." It gave rise to the derogatory term "balkanize" – to break up into small, mutually hostile, ineffectual political units, as the Balkans did after World War I. That war started in the Bosnian city of Sarajevo.

The Ottoman Empire itself was a war machine geared to expansion with a dream of a single world united under the green banner of Islam. One reason the Ottomans pressed into Christian Europe rather than eastward was that Islamic sacred law frowned on Moslems warring on one another.

At Kosovo Field in 1389, the Serbian Empire fought to keep Islam out of Europe. Defeated then, the Serbs are still battling to halt Islam's spread into the heart of Europe.

Under Ottoman rule, the people of Bosnia and Herzegovina provided the largest number of Slavic converts to Islam. Moslems, recognized as an ethnic nationality in 1969, are now about 45 percent of the country's population.

Another legacy of Ottoman influence is that Albania, although officially atheistic, is today Europe's only predominantly Moslem country.

"The Albanians in 1912 didn't get Kosovo, western

Macedonia and parts of southern Serbia. There is a sense of grievance that they did not get their full territory after the Ottomans," says Janusz Bugajski, an expert on Eastern Europe at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington.

"In the worst-case scenario," he says, "the provocation would likely be in Macedonia. There are a lot of nationalistic Serbs who refuse to accept the independence of Macedonia."

A serb proposal calls for partitioning Macedonia among Serbia, Albania and Greece. Some Serbs see an Islamic threat in Bosnia, Albania and among the regressed Turks in Bulgaria. Any aggression, Bugajski says, would drag in Greece and Turkey and start a full-blown Balkan war.

"Macedonia is the key in all this. If you stabilize the Balkans," he says, "I would tell President Clinton to come to grips with Macedonia as soon as possible before he has another war on his hands. It is simmering now."

Macedonia "can act as a buffer for peace in the Balkans," says Andreas Andrianopoulos, minister of state of Greece, which opposes recognition of the country until it stops using the ancient Greek name. Greece refers to its neighbor as the Republic of Skopje, after the Macedonian capital, or as the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

The Turkish factor is being overlooked by the West, warns Bulent Aliriza, senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington. In the absence of Western Military aid, Bosnian Moslems may appeal to the Islamic world, where the Bosnian crisis is a headline issue.

"The Turks today identify with Moslems as very like them, both Moslem and European," says Aliriza. "Turkey is poised to act in the Balkans."

McCullum *continued*

in property taxes because some residents might move. However, McCullum predicted that the "exodus from the Midwest will reverse." The economic situation "has beaten the West Coast flat," he said, and some businesses and residents are getting tired of the Sunbelt "where air conditioning costs are beginning to equal heating costs."

Education is always the first thing that people investigating the area ask about, McCullum said. "They ask about class size right away."

McCullum, who heads the Twin City committee to study and improve the Boneyard, says it would be a big, expensive mistake to enclose it. Instead, detention areas need to be expanded, he said, to allow the water places to go

when the level is high.

Being liquor commissioner is one of the hardest responsibilities of his job, the mayor said. Now, 15 bars are allowed in the area bounded by Springfield on the north, the railroad on the west, and city limits on the south and east, and McCullum says he would like to see the number cut to 10.

His goal, he said, is "to have safe inspected places (bars) and some control over the drinking environment." Bars could be closed, he said, "But what would happen? (Drinking) would fan out to student housing and cars." He added, "All we need is another bad incident or two to get a public outcry."

McCullum said he is "disappointed" in the whole solid waste situation. "Champaign pulled the lever on the dump

truck in the middle of Springfield Avenue, he said, "and now we have 18 providers continuing to pick it up."

The mayor said he respects Urbana for trying to solve its garbage problems, but its approach is "probably unrealistic." The two cities should have gotten together to solve the problem, he said. He added that there are always threats of lawsuits, but "You can't tailor public policy by fearing lawsuits."

He repeated his opinion that Champaign and Urbana should merge. They are like Siamese twins, he said, and Urbana's tax base is slipping, which affects both cities.

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P.P.&M. *continued*
Another student, Gulya Altinbajeva, from Russia, said that the trio sound is "much like bard music" but that it more forcefully

expresses "human concern from an empathetic point of view."
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Cobras focus on tourney

by Dennis Wismer
Prospectus Staff Writer

The Parkland men's basketball team goes into the region 24 tourney with one certainty. Nothing about them is certain.



Photo by Don Manning
Antiwan Easley

On second thought, one thing is for sure. The season will soon be over. How the season will be remembered is still open.

There are obvious disappointments that can never be forgotten like the passing of a young coach who was just getting started on a promising career and the disappointing road trip that followed.

But on the upside, there have been successive victories over two highly rated opponents and outstanding individual performances by many players.

Now it's tournament time and the records are thrown out the window. If the Cobras make a run like their seven straight wins in December, they could attain the NJCAA Division II

national title. If they falter and lose a single game the season is over and the team will have to retool for next year.

If the Cobras are to finish in a positive light, Parkland athlete of the month for January, Antiwan Easley, will have to lead, along with fellow sophomore Carl Henry.

Easley presently leads the Cobras with 13.8 points per game and Henry is second in scoring at 13.2.

The other Cobras scoring at a double-digit pace entering into the tournament are freshman Tommie Beals, and sophomore Byron Mannon at 12.9 and 10.1ppg, respectively.

The key to the Cobras offense in the tournament is to improve on their 45.7 season shooting percentage. If the Cobras can shoot consistently better from the field they can compete with anyone as their victories over Kankakee Community College and Vincennes University proved.

If they shoot inconsistently, however, they will have trouble with any opponent patient enough to work for a good shot against the Cobras tough man-to-man defense.

Another area the Cobras need to improve on to make a run at the title is turnovers.

The Cobras are averaging 18.9 turnovers a game. Limiting turnovers and improving field goal shooting can carry a squad far into a tournament, because when the offense is functioning as a unit, with good shot selection and few turnovers

slowing down point production, wins can happen.

String together several wins and momentum is attained, and in the words of the big air bag in the booth "You gotta have Big Mo baby."



Photo by Don Manning
Carl Henry

Cobras win opener

The Cobras opened play in the region 24 tournament with a 77-63 conquest of Spoon River, March 2 at Parkland.

The Cobras were led by 6ft, 9in. center Byron Mannon who scored 20 points on 9-11 shooting.

Chris Warren, a Mahomet-Seymour grad, added 17, providing outside scoring punch by hitting three of his six shots from the 3-point arc and 6-6 from the free throw line.

Parkland's next game is Saturday, March 6 at Danville Area Community College at 8 p.m.

There they will face the host school, who defeated Richland Community College 61-41.

HOOK, LINE, and SINKER



by TONY HOOKER

Are athletes subject to higher standards of conduct?

Young people and the consumption of alcohol seem to have become inseparable in today's society, and athletes are no exception.

Unfortunately, due to the extensive training which collegiate athletes undergo in order to excel, they often develop an even more exaggerated sense of their own invincibility than their less gifted peers.

Why this topic and on the sports page? The reasons are many, but suffice it to say that there have been several incidents recently which have led me to write this article.

I'm not going to insult your intelligence by pretending that I'm without fault concerning this issue. On the contrary, I've seen the business end of more than my fair share of longnecks. What I'm saying is, I managed to live through my "invincible" youth, not through any particular skill which I possessed, but because I was, in a word, lucky.

I can't foresee the end of these incidents, not when commercials for alcoholic beverages pervade television programming. The companies themselves have gone to great lengths to educate the public about the evils of overindulgence, and their sponsorship has largely been responsible for the largesse which professional athletes now enjoy.

Locally, it would be very easy to point the finger at those bar owners that continue to wink at laws concerning underage drinking and over serving. However, the problem runs much deeper than that. Common sense says that if young people couldn't get their booze in the clubs, they would find ways to get it elsewhere.

My intention is not to single out athletes. I know that this problem permeates all segments of society. I do feel, however, that because of their high profiles, athletes possess a great influence, particularly among younger people as well as among their peers, and therefore, they must be held particularly accountable for their actions.



INTRAMURAL NEWS

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

Sign-ups for the Euchre Tournament are now over. The teams who did sign-up will be contacted and they will receive a copy of the brackets in the mail.

8 BALL AND TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENTS

The 8 ball and Table Tennis tournaments have started. If you signed up for one or both of these tournaments, please look on the game room bulletin board at the brackets. The brackets will tell you who you play and when you play.

PARKLAND TROTTERS



The four people with the most mileage so far are J.D. Norcross with 668 miles; Tom Parlin, 557 miles; Carol Gilbert, 488 miles; and Linda Lippi with 481 miles. Great Job!!

VOLLEYBALL

A party for the volleyball tournament winners was held Sunday, February 28th at Bubs. First place received championship t-shirts and \$10 in gift certificates. Second place received t-shirts. Way to go!

BOWLING AND BASKETBALL

Last Thursday's Bowling Tournament at Arrowhead Lanes is rescheduled for Thursday, March 4th at 3:00 p.m. The Slam-Dunk and 3 Point Shooting Contest is rescheduled for Thursday, March 4th at 12:00 Noon.

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PC men win Region 24

Robb Mathias
Prospectus Staff Writer

The Parkland College Men's track team showed why they have been the most dominant Region 24 team at the regional indoor meet.

On Feb. 20 at Danville High School, the Cobras won the three-team meet with a score of 74 points. Finishing second in the region was Danville Area Community College with 46 team points, and Spoon River Community College followed, scoring 24 points.

In the eight years Ron Buss has been the head coach for the Cobras, his teams have never lost a

regional meet. Buss was pleased with the team's performance, especially considering the facility on which the meet was run. The track was 160 meters rather than the standard 200 meters.

The athletes were also not allowed to wear spikes.

Buss still has not made a decision on whom he will take to the NJCAA Indoor National meet, March 4-6 in Manhattan, Kan. His decision will be made after the team's final indoor meet on Feb. 26 at Purdue University.

The Cobras had eight Region 24 champions.

• In the 55m dash, Charles Hopkins won with a time of 6.55 seconds.

• Bart Brewer won the 200m with a time of 24.56 seconds.

• Tommy Whitney won the 400m with a time of 54.63 seconds.

• Tyrone Williams won the 500m, • Byron Robinson won the 800m,

• David Hasset won the 55m high hurdles.

In the field events, Leslie Crump won the long jump, and Tim McGee won the high jump.

Parkland also swept the relays, with the 4x400m team posting a time of three minutes, 39.51 seconds. The 4x800m and Distance Medley teams were also victorious.