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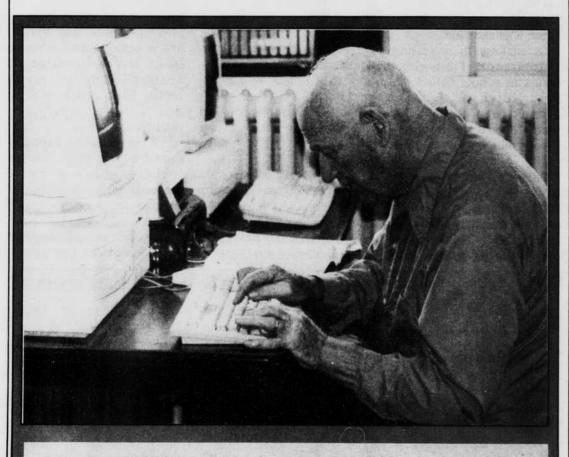


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Adult Learning Center

James Wiechman, student at the Rantoul Area Learning Center works on the computer before class.

by Jan Peterson **Prospectus Staff Writer**

Despite the devastating loss of 1,800 students when Chanute Air Force Base closed in the summer of 1993, the Rantoul Area **Learning Center continues** to offer Parkland students an alternative to on-campus studies.

Parkland Rantoul Representative Ellen Slaveley says the College reacted when the Base closed by devising programs to attract students to replace those who left.

"Chanute furnished the rooms, and all the supplies needed for classes," she

Enrollment for the Center is currently 200, and classes are conducted in Mvna Thompson School in Rantoul. RALC offers fully accredited

courses that enable Parkland students to obtain an Associate degree in the Rantoul area, according to Slaveley.

The Center has 100 students who are attending classes in cooperation with Caradco, a Rantoul window manufacturing firm where they are employed. The company offers its employees classes in computer, math, reading, management, and electrical wiring.

Slaveley said RALC offers 24 classes and will have 15 students enrolled in each. Instructors are selected from those currently teaching at Parkland or at Rantoul High School, she said.

Beginning in spring, RALC Parkland students will be able to take interactive teleclasses for the first time, and two-way communication between student and teacher will be possible during the entire class. The teleclasses, which are scheduled during day and evening hours, will be tested and scored equally in relation to all other classes offered at Parkland or RALC, said Slaveley, who assists students in selecting courses and arranging applications for grants.

She also said RALC is an "excellent tool" for students who work because "The instructors understand many students must come directly from work and have limited free time."

Registration for the spring semester started Nov. 28, and classes begin Jan. 17.

Finals not end of the world

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Just because finals are of different things in a se-

to fret and frown.

Good study habits are essential to acad e m i success, so here is a list (provided by Sociology, Anthropology and Psychology Program

Director Len Stelle) of some practical applications of contemporary research into learning and memory.

Try some of these suggestions, and see if they don't make learning easier:

Since motivation affects behavior, if you have some strong positive motivation to do well (such as the desire to make the Dean's List), you will perform better.

Overlearning studying the material even after you think you have mastered it-helps you recall more of the material later on. The better the material is learned, the more resistant it is to forgetfulness.

Repetition and rehearsal improve the ability to remember. Thus, if you have to learn a list of vocabulary words it is helpful after learning four or five words to repeat them aloud several times in order to increase the probability of recall.

In learning a number

approaching (quickly), it ries, the items near the doesn't mean a person has middle of the series are

> more likely to be forgotten than items near the beginning or end of the series. In serial learning, then, you should give an extra effort to learning the middle items. Short-term

memory can handle only a few items at a time, usually about seven, so you should try to organize the material into chunks for better re-

Space out your studying over a period of days or even weeks before the exams. Do not plan to learn a lot of new material the night before an exam by staying up and cramming all night. Your memory will retain only a fraction of what you learn under such circumstances.

There are several ways to improve your memory. First, if the material is meaningful to you, it is easier to remember. Take the time to understand them first, and you will remember them better.

Second, it is easier to memorize things that are held together by some type of theory or that are coherent in other ways. Try to organize bits of information you have to memorize into

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Post office wants mail early

by Erik Larson **Prospectus Staff Writer**

With Christmas upcoming, the Post Office would like to ask their customers to mail letters and packages early. The Post Office receives more mail than usual during the holidays, so the closer to Christmas people wait to send their mail, the longer it will take to get to its destination.

Dan Hurd, supervisor of customer service at the Champaign Post Office, says it will take about three days to send some-

thing out first class. The average parcel takes about 10 days to arrive at its destination when it is sent parcel post. He recommends that you send a package at least a week before the day you want it to arrive at its destination.

The Post Office also suggests that you mail Christmas cards or packages early when mailing to anyone in the military. The Post Office displays international and military mailing dates to help their customers get their packages off in time for the holiday.

Open registration: Nov. 28—Jan. 13

Studying for finals

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wholes.

Third, even if you can't recall something, you may be able to recall parts of it (generic recall), and the more parts you can recall, the better your chances of remembering the whole

And finally, your memory is significantly improved if you strengthen the association between new and old, the new things you are trying to memorize and things that are already familiar to you.

Grouping items together is a great way to increase the number of items that memorized. be Mnemonic devices, such as "30 days has September," are very helpful in aiding recall.

Students often ask if they should underline (or highlight) when they are studying from a book. The answer is yes and no.

Underlining can be helpful if you underline discriminately; it never pays to underline too much because that will discourage you from remembering. Instead, underline a key term rather than its definition so that when you go back to review and see that word underlined you can try to recall its meaning.

If you can't recall it, you

can find the meaning right near it. If you underline the meaning then go back and read it, there is a tendency to have recognition memory rather than recall.

Since re-learning is considerably less of a task even if you've forgotten something, the period immediately before exams should be used for re-learning rather than for firsttime learning. Reviewing is one of the most important aids to learning.

You might wish to use self-reinforcement. Plan to reward yourself after you have mastered some specific learning task (such as understanding a chapter in a book). For example, you might study before dinner and decide not to eat until you have learned the material. Or, go to a movie and relax after you have achieved your study goal for the day.

Try to reduce your anxiety about taking exams. It has been found that people with high anxiety do not do as well on complex tasks as some people who are low in anxiety.

After you have finished studying, go to sleep early the night before the exam so you can be well rested before tackling the questions. If you are well prepared, your anxiety should be considerably lessened.

College grads? Dig this...

Eternal loyalty—coffins available in collegiate color schemes

Aerosmith frontman Steven Tyler once said, "It ain't the cough that carries you off — it's the coffin they carry you off in."

How true, for if you vow to be loyal toward your alma mater all the way to the grave, then eternal rest may be easier courtesy of Michigan businessman James Kieszkowski.

Kieszkowski is selling customized fiberglass coffins in school colors, allowing diehard fans to demonstrate their allegiance toward their university or college - even after death.

Parkland alums can be entombed in green and gold, Indiana University fans can meet their maker surrounded by Hoosier Red and Alabama grads can

face eternity engulfed in crimson.

"There are people who are true to their alma mater right to the end," said Kieszkowski, owner of Oak Grove International, "so what better way to honor their legacy?"

In addition to the colors, Oak Grove will also decorate the inside panel of the coffin with a tribute to the deceased.

"Say the guy was a big basketball fan, then we'll put a little backboard and net with a ball going it," through Kieszkowski.

Because of licensing expenses, Kieszkowski avoids using schools' trademarks. However, he said he is talking to various officials about licensing agreements

and already has a deal worked out with a Texas college.

"These aren't cheap paint jobs. These are fiberglass coffins that won't crumble or rust away within a few months," said Kieszkowski. "The shine is so beautiful, and they'll last more than 100 years."

While some may squirm at the notion of a University of North Carolina or Michigan State University coffin, Kieszkowski said he hasn't heard any complaints.

"Everyone has been receptive," he said. "We're just trying to customize our coffins to the needs of the people."

> by College Press Service and The Prospectus

UC-Berkeley takes a 'swat' outta crime

In response to two serious hostage incidents in the last four years, officials at the University of California at Berkeley have formed a special weapons and tactics police team that will help in dangerous criminal situations in the future.

The High-Risk Entry

Team, part of the campus police force, began training last December after Berkeley officials said they believed a new unit was necessary to combat any more potentially dangerous circumstances.

In 1990, a UC-Berkeley student was killed after a gunman held more than 30 students hostage at a bar off campus. In 1992, a woman armed with a machete broke into the home of the university's chancellor, Chang Lin-Tien. The woman was later killed by police after refusing to surrender.

College Press Service

UNA freshmen call wrong 800 number

North Alabama incoming freshmen dialed a tollfree number this summer for information about their new school, they were greeted by a soft, sultry voice that purred, "Hello, sexy."

It seems a typo on a brochure distributed at freshman orientation in-

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When University of structed incoming students to call 1-800-UNA-TALK, the One-on-One Live Sex Line, instead of 1-800-TALK-UNA, the university's information line.

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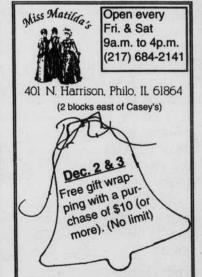
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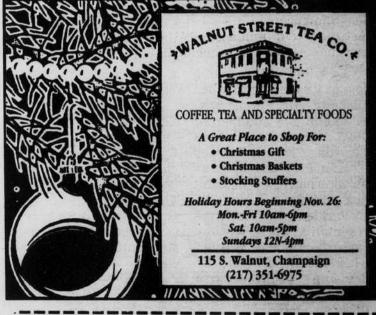
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Parkland Profiles

Sargent's concerned with women's issues

by Tammy K. Mahaffey **Prospectus Staff Writer**

Mary Lee Sargent, professor of History and Women's Studies, says she loves the environment of Parkland since it allows her to help people learn and educate them to make the best choices for themselves.

Sargent said, "I like to preach and to perform, and since I am not talented enough of a performer to go into the theater, teaching is the natural choice for

Sargent teaches United States History and Women's History.

She is also listed as the advisor for two clubs which are currently inactive, T.R.U.S.T (Terminating Rape & Unequal Sexual Treatment) and Parkland Lesbian and Gay Organization.

'Currently neither club is active because it takes a couple of very vocal and active students to keep these clubs active, and no one has approached me lately with an interest in resurrecting either club" she said.

Sargent is originally from Dallas. She received a Bachelors of Arts degree in English and History from Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

She did her graduate work at University of Texas at Austin.

Sargent came to Champaign-Urbana in 1968 when her now-exhusband (she prefers to tell people she is single since it identifies her by her own status instead of in relation to a man.) came to the

University of Illinois to accept a position as a professor.

Sargent stated that she has al-

career-oriented and that she chose not to have any children. Sargent said, "I have always wanted to teach. My role models were teachers. and I have always respected admired and teachers. I also received support when I was growing up for being academically bright."

ways been very

In 1972, Sargent taught the first Women's History class here, and from that the Women's Studies department has evolved.

Sargent said her goals for the Women's Studies curriculum are: "to help women build self-esteem, help women to have a deeper understanding of how they fit into the male-dominated society that we live in, to inspire women to produce creative work in addition to their traditional roles, to inspire women to gain the skills to be a whole person, and to educate women to know they have choic-

Sargent spends much of her spare time working on different political issues including civil rights, pacifism, feminist issues, and environmental issues such as prairie preservation and restoration projects.

Her two pet projects within feminism are pro-choice movements and ending violence

Blazier knows biology, wishes all understood it

Rich Blazier

by Tammy K. Mahaffey Prospectus Staff Writer

"There is no one area more important for people to have an understanding of than biology," according to Natural Sciences Department Chair Rich Blazier.

He continued, "I am afraid that in the future we will have people making decisions about medicine and science from a position of weakness, from a posi-

tion of not understanding the is-

"For instance there is nothing inherently evil in genetic engineering, but it does pose rather powerful ethical and moral dilemmas."

Soon, Blazier says, we will be able to determine from an individual's genetic makeup whether he/she is predisposed toward some health problems.

"Who owns that information? Do insurance companies or prospective employers have a right to that information?" he asked.

These types of questions and dilemmas are part of the reason Blazier is fascinated by science, and specifically biology.

Blazier says the community college setting is the "ideal atmosphere" for him, and since Parkland is one of the best community colleges in the state, it attracts a quality staff, "which

makes this an interesting and challenging place to teach. Originally from Walnut, Ill., a

small town 60 miles east of the Quad Cities. Blazier came to Champaign-Urbana to attend the University of Illinois, where he took both his bachelor's and master's in Biolo-

In 1968, he ioined Parkland as an instructor in the natural sciences. He has taught many courses over the

years, and he was appointed department chair a year and a half ago. Currently, he devotes most of his teaching time to Biology

Blazier and his wife, Connie, share a very large garden and an orchard that keep them busy in the summer.

During the winter, the Blaziers enjoy travelling to warmer climates such as Hawaii, southwest Phoenix, the Carribean and Tahiti.

Blazier says he also enjoys reading, especially history.

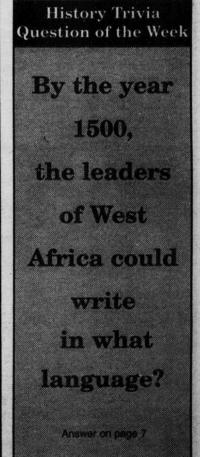
Blazier said, "If you talk to most teachers, they will tell you that there were one or two teachers that influenced them to become teachers. For me, there were three, and I hope someday I inspire others."

Blazier's office is in L118. and his office phone number is 351-2280.









Do you think the welfare system should be reformed and what changes should be made?



Michael Jackson "Yes, I do. I feel that after an arranged amount of time people on welfare should be required to find a job (with government help) or loose their benefits."



Adrianna M. Lopez "Yes, I feel that there are too many people on the welfare system that simply do not need to be on it. These people on the system lie to get benefits that could be received by the ones who really need it. The welfare system perhaps need to scrutinize the applicant's profiles."



Andy Smith "I'm not sure what the answer is to the welfare system, but I do think they need to make changes for the future.



Loretta Cox "Yes. I think they need to provide a job system for those who need the money. A lot of people don't need welfare and are on it because they don't want work. If they would install a work program for these people the "welfare population" would go down immensely."



Gayne Barnhart "I believed that if any change are made, and they need to be they should put more money into welfare especially for the disabled elderly and families for education, funds for rent,, food, etc. Our country has its moral values backwards and we need to wake up."



Tearinee Upshaw "Yes I think the welfare system should be reformed. Backgrounds of the appli-cants should be looked into more thoroughly to avoid the applicants of receiving more money than what they really need."



Paul Kauffman "I think the welfare system should be reformed indefinitely due to the fact that we have too many people that take advantage of ine system. I think that there should be more effort to place the poverty victims in to the government work situation in order to increase the self esteem as as their living environment."



James Myers
"Yes, I think Illinois and the U.S. in general should have a proposition like 187. It would save the government a lot of money.'

Students inducted in honor society

teen Parkland College students were inducted into Alpha Psi Eta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa international honorary society for two-year colleges during a ceremony October 26.

Phi Theta Kappa recognizes academic excellence, provides scholar-

One hundred and fif- ships to four-year colleges, and provides opportunities for leadership development. To qualify for induction, students must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, be enrolled in an associate degree program, and have completed at least 12 hours of cours-

In addition to the students who were inducted into the society, Dr. Zelema Harris, president of Parkland College, and Dale Ewen, vice president for academic and student services, were inducted as honorary members.

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First phone registration

Photo by Ivan Indrautama

Heather Hopson receives a gift from Michael Henry, director of Admissions and Records, and Sheri Kallembach, assistant to the director of Admissions, for being the first Parkland student to register with the new phone registration system at Parkland.

Bial photographs new cookbook

by Andrea Franklin Prospectus Staff Writer

Director of the Library Rayond Bial is the photographer for Heirloom Recipes, a new cookbook by Marsha Adams.

Adams and Bial began to correspond after she had seen a display of some of his photographs. She thenrecommended to her publisher that Bial be the photographer for her book. They met when on location for the book's photographs in Fort Wayne, Ind.

All the photographs

LOOK!

were made during the last week of Bial's vacation before he returned to Parkland for the Fall, 1993, semester.

The book contains oldfashioned recipes. Bial photographed Adams preparing and cooking the food; several heirlooms also are pictured with the food.

The book is one of three for which Bial has provided phtographs this past year. The others are Shaker Home, which he wrote and photographed, and Urbana: Pictorial History, a companion volume for his book on Champaign history.

Bial has been photographing for 20 years and has made photographs for 20 books.

He says he taught himself photography by reading books from the library.

Photography is now more than a hobby, he says; it's an avocation.

He says he enjoys his job and Parkland, and "It's nice to get outside sometimes and be creative."

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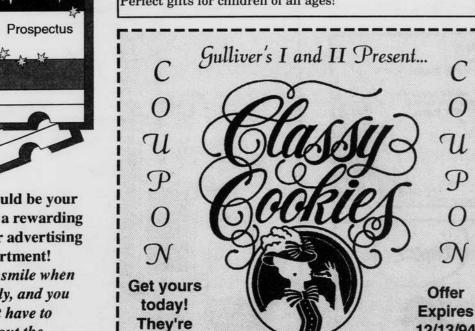
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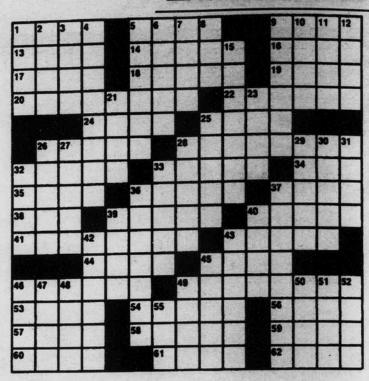
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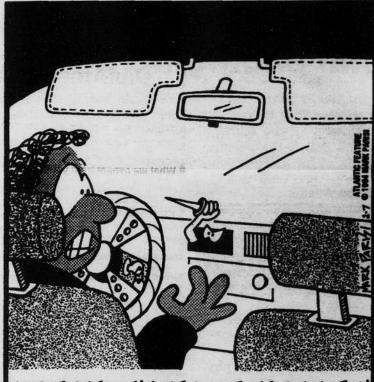






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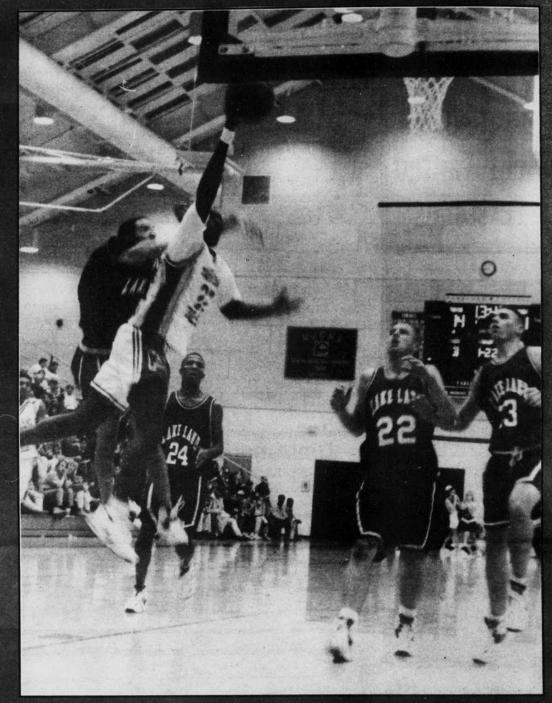




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Cobra basketball

Cobra Dewayne Jones goes to the basket against Lakeland in a game last week. The Cobras were defeated by Lakeland 121-103.

Up for the shot

Parkland Cobra Robbyn Preacely goes up for a shot during the Parkland-Lakeland game last week. The Lady Cobras won the game 93-65.

Lady Cobras sting Lakeland

The Lady Cobras bounced back from last week's loss to John Logan College, soundly defeating Lakeland College 93-65.

Head Coach Argie Johnson was pleased with the performance. "This was a game where everyone got to play, and everyone learned a lot," said Johnson.

Parkland came out hot, scoring 15 points before allowing Lakeland a basket. Parkland ran up the score 24-3 before Johnson made his first substitution, with 13 minutes left in the half.

At the half, the Lady Cobras led 49-26.

Robbyn Preacely, 5-ft. 5 in. starting guard for the Cobras, didn't miss a shot the first half, scoring 24 of her 33 points. Preacely leads the team in scoring, free throw percentage, and three-point percentage with 50 percent.

Photo by Cary Frye

Jami Lavicka, the other starting guard for the Cobras, helped balance the scoring with 14 points.

"We keep playing until the game is over," said Johnson of his team's merciless win. He added, "We are going to shoot the ball when we're open, regardless of the score."

The Lady Cobras came back to practice Saturday to get ready for this week's games. Parkland stays at home against Wabash College on Dec. 1. The action continues at Parkland this weekend with the Christie Clinic Shootout opening on Dec. 3.

Cobra men fall to Lakers

byCary Frye Sports Editor

With pre-season All-American guard Waymon Upshaw on the bench for the final 6:32 of the first half due to foul trouble, the Lake Land Lakers jumped out to a 68-55 lead at the

In the seconed half, Parkland couldn't catch the Lakers, never getting any closer than 9 points, with

the Lakers winning 121-103.

Cold shooting doomed the Cobras throughout the game as they shot 45 percent from the field while only connecting on five free throw attempts.

The 4-2 Cobras were led by guard Demetrius Liberty's 20 points, followed by Will Bailey's 18, Dewayne Jones 14, and Kahisha Brewer, 12.

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