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New editors named for '95-'96

by Tiffany Grunert
News Editor

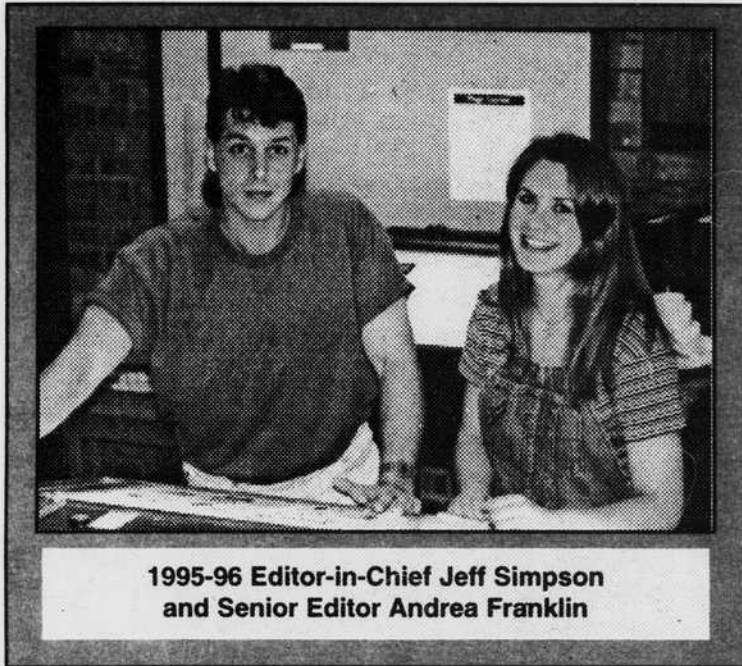
Jeff Simpson and Andrea Franklin have been named *Prospectus* Editor-in-Chief and Senior Editor, respectively, for the 1995-96 academic year.

The pair have already begun their new duties, however, as now-former Editor Tina Henderson resigned her post Apr. 12 after being elected Student Trustee.

Simpson, a sophomore Journalism major, began working at the *Prospectus* as a staff writer in the fall of 1993 and served as Assistant Editor from May, 1994 until his recently being named Editor.

Franklin, a freshman majoring in Business Administration, began as a *Prospectus* staff writer in August, 1994, and was named Features Editor just two months later.

"This newspaper has been as much a part of my education at Parkland as have my classes," Simpson said. "Andrea and I have



1995-96 Editor-in-Chief Jeff Simpson and Senior Editor Andrea Franklin

big shoes to fill and a lot of learning yet to do, but like anything else, with a lot of teamwork, we should be able to get the job done."

Franklin agrees:

"I'm looking forward to the challenges we'll face this year," she said. "as we try to keep the paper an important informative source for the students and the community."

Henderson began her

stint with the *Prospectus* in 1993, first as Photo Editor, then Assistant Editor before becoming Editor.

"I regret having to resign my post early, but after having worked with Jeff for the last year, I leave knowing the paper is in the best of hands," she said. "I'm sure he and Andrea will have no problem maintaining the integrity of the paper."

FAU student charged with theft of mercury from lab

Police have arrested a Florida 'atlantic University student for the theft of mercury from a school laboratory last fall. If the 18-year-old student is convicted, FAU administrators may seek more than \$300,000 in reimbursement costs for the cleanup effort that stemmed from the hazardous material's exposure to the Boca Raton campus.

Palm Beach County police say that Matt Kavanaugh stole nearly four pounds of mercury from Sanson Science Building last November.

After spreading the material throughout the portions of campus by attempting to store the mercury in Kristin Denny's room, Kavanaugh dumped the remaining material in the bottom of a campus pond.

More than 200 students were temporarily moved out of Seminole Hall dormitory after school officials found small mercury

spills in 15 separate rooms.

While waiting for clearance from the county health department, the displaced students stayed at the Boca Raton Sheraton for 45 days.

FAU spokeswoman Lynn Laurenti says the school is intent on recovering the costs from the incident, which include \$221,000 for cleanup, \$3,808 for medical procedures for people exposed to the mercury and \$27,000 for police costs. Ongoing cleanup procedures in the pond may cost another \$7,000.

"We are very concerned about getting money back to pay for this entire incident," said Laurenti. "This is the taxpayers' money we're talking about."

Kavanaugh has been charged with grand theft and endangerment of others. He has been released without bond.

College Press Service

PC, high schools work on testing

by Mindy Schlickman
Prospectus Staff Writer

Parkland has offered its student assessment program to be given to students while they are still in high school, Pres. Zelema Harris said last week.

The plan would allow students to take high school classes that would help them avoid taking remedial courses when they enter college.

Dr. Harris said 80 percent of students who are tested during Parkland's assessment process must take at a remedial class in math, English, or reading.

According to Dr. Harris, moving assessment tests into the high schools would reduce the number of remedial classes that must be offered here.

Dr. Harris has discussed the possible pro-

gram which several area high school principals, and she plans to talk with others in the near future.

She said all students, not just those planning to attend PC, would be able to be assessed.

"This program would make the high schools look good, make Parkland look good, and it would make the students feel better about themselves," said Dr. Harris.

Parkland is still working with Eastern Illinois University to bring a four-year degree to PC, Dr. Harris said.

If both colleges agree with the plan, students will be able to take junior and senior classes at Parkland, and obtain a four-year business degree from Eastern.

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Visual Arts students win awards

by Melissa Vaughn
Prospectus Staff Writer

The Parkland Visual Arts department has named the recipients of its annual awards for Visual Arts.

The President's Award of Excellence was earned by Aaron R. Yant, sophomore, for his *Body of Entries*, which includes a \$100 cash award.

The Fine and Applied Arts department award for Outstanding Achievement went to Laurie Muchow, for her *Billboard Design* work, and to Lisa Olivero, sophomore, for her work, *Boot Marker Comp*, which earned the pair a \$100 cash award.

The Fine and Applied Arts department Chair Award for Outstanding Photography, went to Brad Purcell for his photo, *Man/Woman* and earned him a \$50 cash award.

The Merit Award certificate went to Carol Rose

Bash, for her photo, *Lace Table*.

The Hobbico Award for Outstanding Computer Graphics, went to John Nine for his *Body of Work*, which earned him an \$85 cash award.

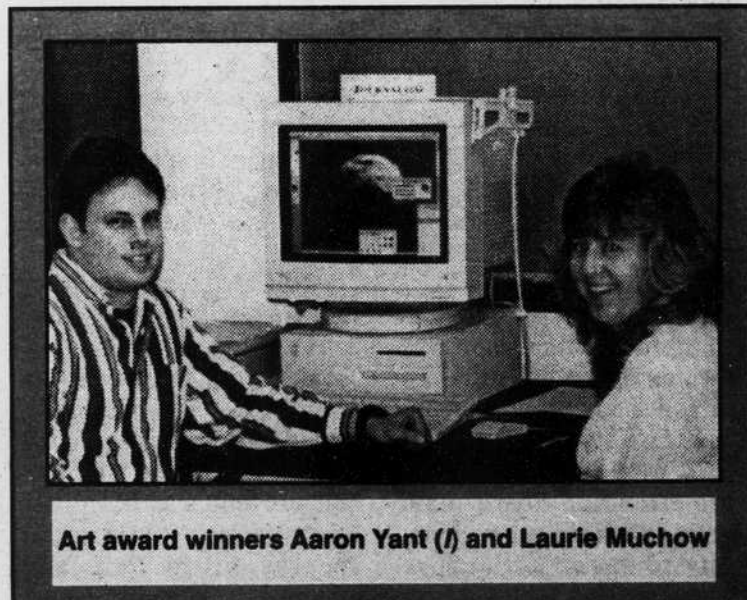
The Merit Award certificate went to Susan Skoog for her *Patton Woods* brochure.

The Hobbico Award for

Best First-Year work went to John Golden for his *Student Visual Arts* poster, which earned him an \$85 cash award.

The art work can be viewed at the Parkland Art Gallery until April 22.

Gallery hours are from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to noon on Saturdays.



Art award winners Aaron Yant (l) and Laurie Muchow

News Briefs

Open phone registration Apr. 24

Open registration for the fall 1995 semester at Parkland begins Apr. 24. Students who have been admitted to the College can register from any touch-tone phone by calling (217)373-3700.

The last day to register without a late fee is Aug. 25, and classes begin Aug. 28. For more information, contact the Office of Admissions, Records, and Recruitment at (217)351-2482, or consult the Fall 1995 Class Schedule.

Gallery features student works

The Parkland Art Gallery will display work by the College's fine art students during a juried exhibit Apr. 27-May 17. The artists will be honored at a reception on Thurs., Apr. 27, from 6-8 p.m. in the Gallery Lounge.

Approximately 125 student works are selected by a jury comprised of members of the Art Department faculty, and works of outstanding quality will be distinguished by merit awards.

For more information, call Denise Seif, Art Gallery director, at (217)351-2485.

Planetarium to carry space talk

The William M. Staerkel Planetarium at Parkland College has made arrangements to carry a videoconference entitled "Space Station: It's About Life on Earth," on Thurs., May 4, from noon to 2 p.m.

This free event is sponsored by the Public Broadcasting System and NASA. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, call the Planetarium at (217)351-2568. Information on regular public presentations and light shows can be obtained by calling the "Showline" at (217)351-2446.

Workshop: increase A.C.T. score

High school students want to prepare for the Enhanced A.C.T. may attend a two-part workshop, MAY 6 and 13 from 9 a.m. to noon at Parkland.

Participants will learn test-taking strategies, the A.C.T. format, and techniques to increase their scores. There is a fee for the workshop.

For more information: 217/351-2545.

Moving? homeowners workshop

Parkland College, along with eight area banks, will sponsor a two-part informational seminar for potential homeowners on May 4 and 11, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in room X220.

The seminar will offer guidance on budgeting, home inspection, prequalification for loans, closings, and other steps involved in purchasing a home.

Fee. For more informain: 217/351-2508.

StuGo Stuff

by Melissa Vaughn
Prospectus Staff Writer

StuGo members will be attending Lobby Day on April 18, Tony Tangora, parliamentarian, announced at the April 13 Student Government meeting.

Lobby Day is designed to allow student representatives to see how bills are introduced and voted on at the state level.

While in Springfield, the attending board members will have an opportunity to speak with representatives.

According to Tangora, House Bill 660 will be discussed on the House of Representatives floor:

House Bill 660 is a mandate for representation for community colleges on the I.B.H.E. board.

Currently, community colleges have no representatives on the board.

In other business, Lo-vanese Malone, president, accepted the resignation of Senator Tina Henderson so Henderson can take her position as student trustee on the Parkland Board of Trustees.

Harris

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Talks concerning this program began last year, and Dr. Harris said she hopes they will continue.

Parkland began its Dis-

tance Education program this spring.

"Distance Education is a program that I am very happy with," Harris said.

This program serves rural Parkland students by setting up interactive television locations that serve

as classrooms.

Students are able to get the same lecture as the students on campus receive.

These television set-ups are currently in Rantoul, Monticello, Gibson City, and Tuscola.



Students talk with president

Community News Reporting students talked with Pres. Zelema Harris last week about Parkland plans for the future. (l to r) Tricia Murphy, Tammy Ford, Mindy Schlickman, Randy Seggebruch and Christopher Martin.



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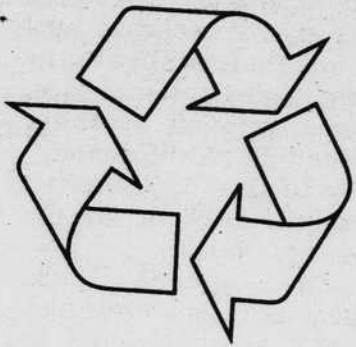
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"Students help one another"

"Everyone seems to know each other, and there's a big support system among the students. If someone's struggling or having difficulty in a certain area, there's always a student or a faculty member or someone there to help.

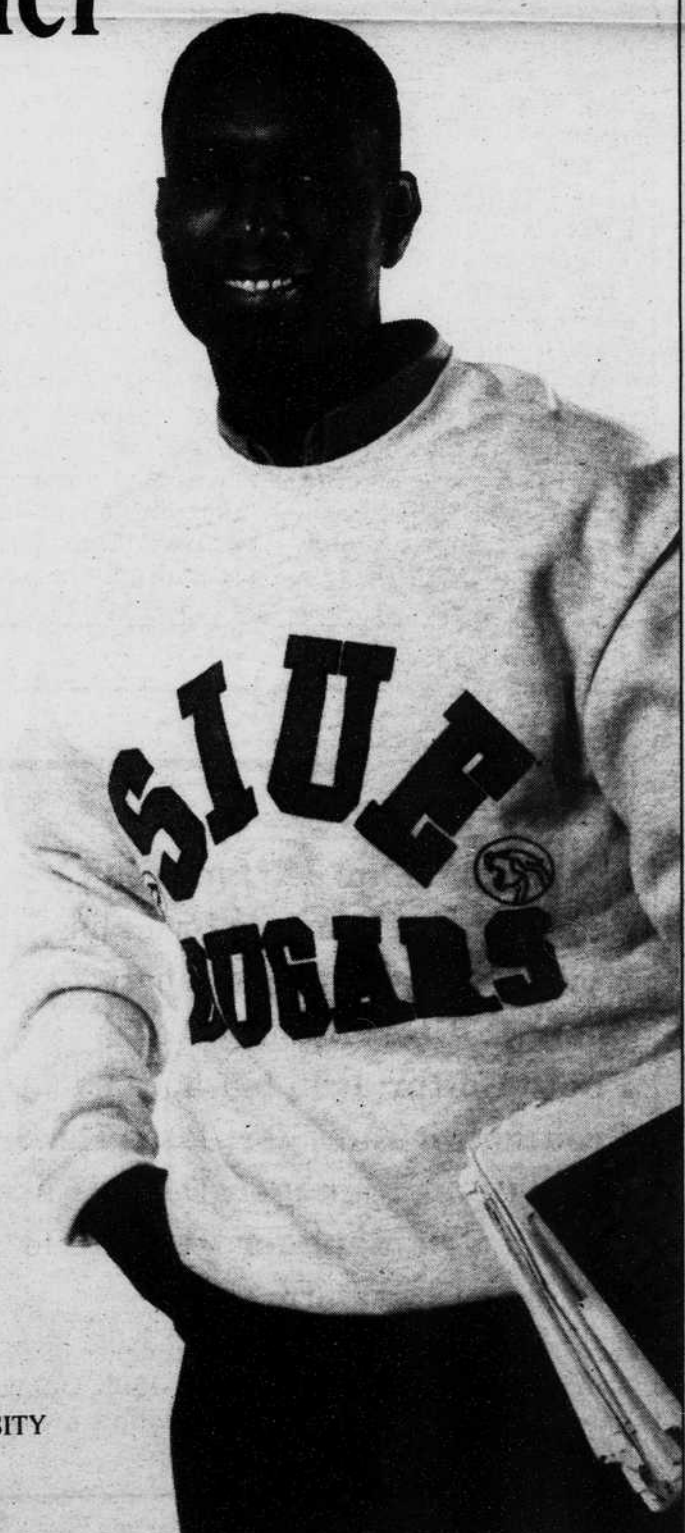
"One of the best things about the SIUE program is there are so many businesses in St. Louis that offer opportunities to work, and they seem very pleased with the students and graduates of SIUE."

Jasper Gillespie
of Chicago is an
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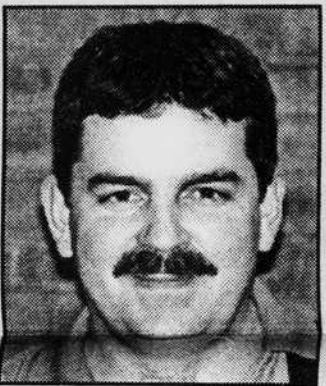
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What was your first impression of PC's new phone registration system?



Toy P. Baker

"I have enjoyed using the phone registration because it seems like less of a hassle, if we had to wait in lines (which is no longer)."

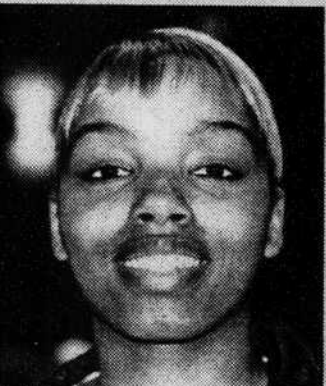


Kent Jarrett

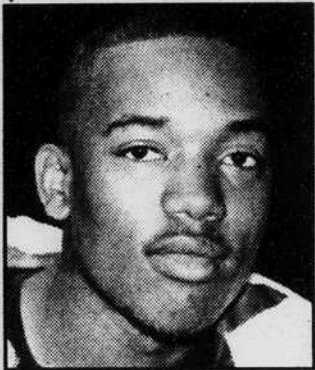
"I loved it. It is very convenient to register from home. It makes it easier to get the classes you need because there is no waiting in line."



Samantha Langendorf
"It sounds a lot easier."



Melissa Turner
"I really don't think it's fair."



Demetrius Brooks

"I thought it was a good idea at first but after trying to register it took me 2 hours to get through."



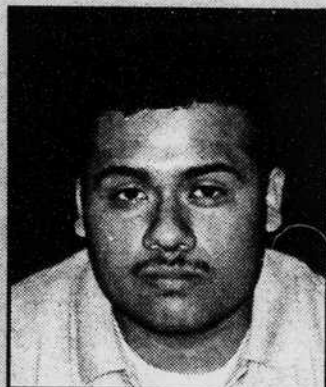
Mark Specht

"It was fun. I got to punch a bunch of neat buttons that make sounds."



B.L. Siebel

"I gave it an 8 because it had a good beat and you could dance to it."



George Vargas
"It will speed things up I think."

Court rules policy unconstitutional

An anti-harassment policy at Stanford University has been ruled unconstitutional by California Supreme Court on the grounds that it infringes on the free-speech rights of students.

The ruling is yet another case where courts have ruled that a campus speech code infringes upon free speech.

Judge Peter Stone said Stanford's policy was not specific enough in its limits of language ruling that "fighting words" and "language to incite violence" were too broad in terms of their implied meaning.

The lawsuit was filed by nine Stanford students last may who were seeking to overturn the speech code. "Speech codes are contrary to the missions of institutions of higher learning," said Robert Corry, a recent Stanford law graduate who did legal research for the students.

The code creates an atmosphere where people

must constantly monitor what they say."

Although private institutions usually are exempt from many policies which apply to public schools, a 1992 ruling by the California legislature stipulated that private schools must grant their students the same constitutional freedoms enjoyed by those attending public schools. This change in policy left the door open for the students to file suit.

The speech code stemmed from a 1990 incident which involved an advertisement for a symphony that was altered to give Beethoven a black face and curly, kinky hair. The illustration was placed on the back of an African-American student's door by a white student who was never punished.

After complaints from both faculty members and students, Stanford officials added an amendment to The Fundamental Standard, a code of student

behavior that has been in place since 1896. The amendment read: "Speech or other expression constitutes harassment by personal vilification if it is intended to insult or stigmatize an individual or a small number of individuals on the basis of their sex, race, color, handicap, religion, sexual orientation, or national and ethnic origin; is addressed directly to the individual or individuals whom it insults or stigmatizes; and makes use of insulting or 'fighting' words or non-verbal symbols."

Stone found the final portion of the code to be unconstitutional.

Stanford President Gerhard Casper, who arrived after the speech code was already in place, said the school would not appeal the ruling, but urged the creation of a definition of speech harassment at the university.

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Smokes costs taxpayers

Although the 104th Congress may have placed tobacco regulations on the legislation back burner, a new study from a professor at Duke University may heat things up once again.

Basing his monetary figures on a cost-per-pack-system, Duke economist W. Kip Viscusi has released a study that focuses on who pays for the cost of smokers in the United States.

In a paper for the National Bureau of Economic Research, Viscusi states that each pack of cigarettes sold in the US. costs tax payers approximately 55 cents in health care

costs. These costs range from higher premiums on health insurance to Medicare.

In addition, the money lost from the extra sick days that smokers use is about a penny a pack, while the extra costs for fire damage from smokers is two cents per pack. Viscusi says that smokers also cash in on the life insurance policies faster than non-smokers, adding another 14 cents per pack for life insurance policies.

Together, Viscusi estimates that smokers cost taxpayers about 72 cents per pack. Considering the federal government col-

lects 24 cents a pack in excise taxes, and states charge an average of 29 cents a pack, the government is looking at a 19 cents-per-pack shortfall in terms of eventual costs.

Since, however, smokers die at an average earlier age than non-smokers, federal and state governments save around 23 cents a pack in costs.

Additionally, since most smokers collect their pensions and Social Security for far fewer years than non-smokers, society saves another \$1.19 a pack.

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Swim suit season's coming

Like temperature, health center traffic is up

by Christine Wing
Prospectus Staff Writer

With spring weather on the way, many students' thoughts are once again turning toward getting their bodies in shape.

Rob Biehl, a senior majoring in Recreation Management at Southern Illinois University, is completing his internship as director of the Center this semester.

Biehl says he has noticed a gradual increase in the number of students participating in fitness programs and attributes the growth to students wanting to "look more presentable."

Biehl reports that a current "higher standard of fitness" is propelling more students toward athletic endeavors and making them more aware of the physical benefits of exercise.

He believes this new health consciousness evidenced nationwide is partially generated by the mass media.

"Men see other men on television who are really built and want to be like them," explains Biehl. Women also try to emulate models they see on the screen.

Operating on media-generated standards of health and physical beauty has both positive and negative effects, Biehl cautions. But he says exercising for the right reasons yields major benefits such as reduced chances of contracting illness and disease.

Some make exercise an individual effort and take up walking, jogging or other solitary endeavors while others prefer the companionship and moral support offered by health and fitness clubs.

There are several fitness clubs in the area, such as the Y.M.C.A., Champaign Health and Fitness and The Fitness Center that provide a wide variety of services to their clients.

The local branch of the Y.M.C.A., 500 W. Church St., C., is largely a family-oriented operation, but students are also welcome to use the facilities.

The YMCA fitness program boasts a pool, something not all fitness centers offer, that's used for

martial arts training as well as aerobics classes for various age groups (after its April 1 move to 322 N. Neil St.).

Champaign Health and Fitness counts nearly 50 percent of its clientele as students.

Terri Wetzel and Judy Yost are proud of the fact that The Fitness Center, 2508 Galen Dr., C., has been helping people get fit and stay fit for almost 18 years. They say specifically in the past five years

nessed the results of this consciousness in increasing memberships.

Directors at the three facilities agree that the main reason most people come through their doors is usually to lose weight, but they stress that integrating physical fitness into one's daily routine is a lifestyle change that requires commitment.

Wetzel says, however, that commitment does not have to mean an hour a day, six days a week.

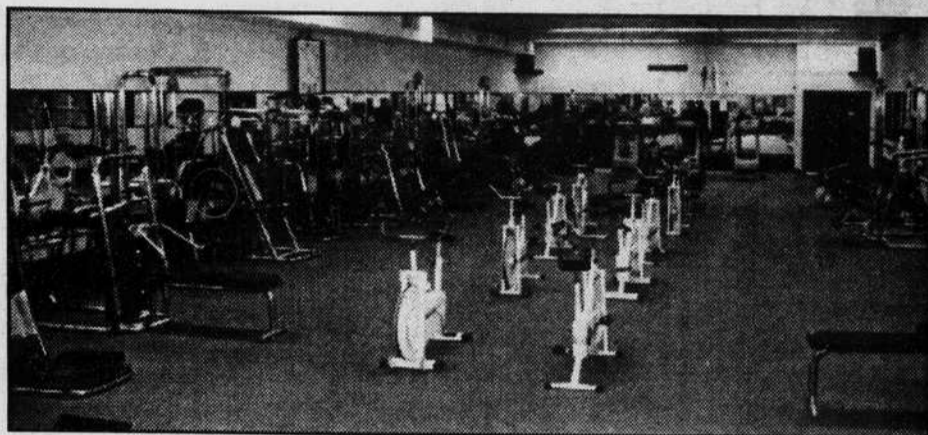
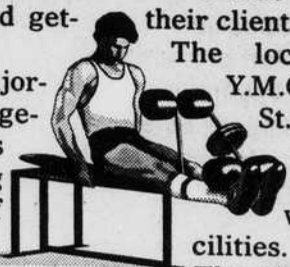
In fact, she said, the Fitness Center personnel, in accordance with nationally accepted fitness guidelines, try to steer people away from such a strenuous regimen.

Yost added that if people can't exercise the recommended half-hour a day three or four times a week, "even 15 minutes is better than nothing."

According to Bateman, "It's important for an individual to find something that they want to do. Someone who hates to swim but joins a swimming class because they think it will be good exercise is going to hate what they're doing, and they're not going to stay with it very long."

To help students afford their services, Champaign Health and Fitness and The Fitness Center offer lower rates for student members, and the Y.M.C.A. operates on a sliding-fee scale, adjusting fees according to income.

Directors at both Champaign Health and Fitness and The Fitness Center say they promote cross-training (using several different types of equipment in a workout) to create variety and facilitate growth.



Parkland's own fitness center stands ready for the spring rush

water aerobics and swim classes for people of all ages.

They also offer a unique program called "aqua jogging," which uses flotation devices for swimming in deep water.

In addition to the water-oriented activities, the Y.M.C.A. has a host of "on-land" aerobics courses, including step aerobics, which director Sarah Bateman says was "instrumental in involving men in the benefits of aerobic exercise."

Concentrating mainly on weight-training at their current location at 206 N. Randolph, the Center will be expanding its services to include more

the Center has witnessed "tremendous growth".

The Fitness Center offers a wide range of fitness options, including aerobics and racquetball. Personal training is also provided for an additional fee.

Although their most recent population surge has been in the senior-citizens bracket, marketing director Yost says many college students also use the facility.

In the past 10 years, more people nationwide become health conscious and aware of physical fitness. Both the Y.M.C.A. and The Fitness Center say they have wit-



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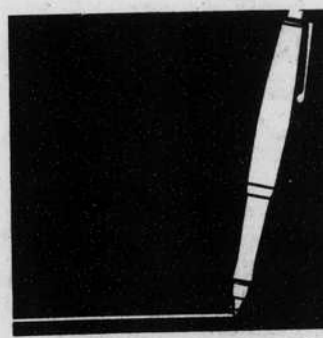
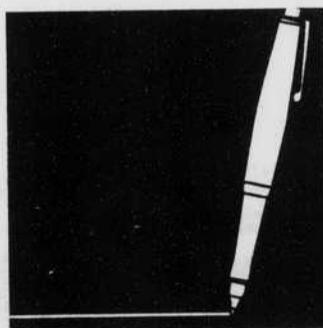
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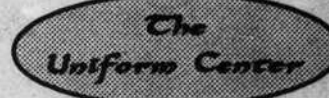


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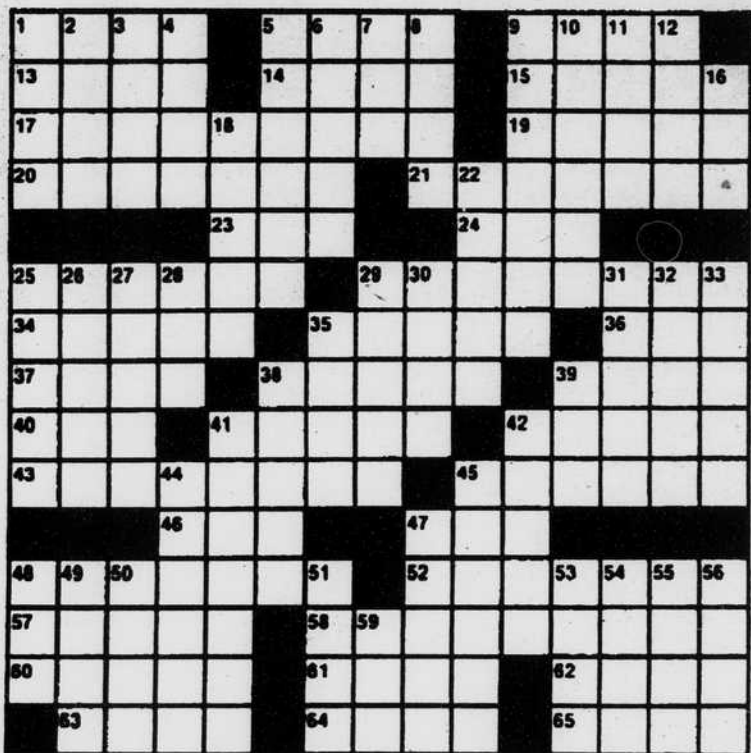
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- 5. Section
- 9. Ran, as a dye
- 13. Griffith or Rooney
- 14. In — of
- 15. Enthusiastic
- 17. Criteria
- 19. Hindu ascetic
- 20. Unknown person
- 21. Green insect
- 23. Showed the way
- 24. Female animal
- 25. Vote
- 29. New car display area
- 34. Willow rod
- 35. Flies high
- 36. Regret
- 37. Victory goddess
- 38. Fabric for draperies
- 39. Settles
- 40. Dutch commune
- 41. Come into existence
- 42. Routes
- 43. Dissident one
- 45. Subtle distinction
- 46. Short sleep

- 47. Congressman: abbr.
- 48. Peppermint candies
- 52. Say again
- 57. Beautify
- 58. Artificial
- 60. Specifies
- 61. Part of a church
- 62. Watch over
- 63. Athletic event
- 64. "A friend in —..."
- 65. Dilettantish.

- 22. Like an awful lot
- 25. Stupid mistake
- 26. Stage whisper
- 27. Compare
- 28. Sheltered side
- 29. Drunken one
- 30. Befuddlement
- 31. Deliver a speech
- 32. "There — to be a law"
- 33. Untidy
- 35. Uttered
- 38. Jelly fruit
- 39. Cul-de—
- 41. In opposition to
- 42. Certain musician
- 44. Main course
- 45. Captured
- 47. Wash cycle
- 48. Skillet
- 49. "— Bede"
- 50. Weighty volume
- 51. Read hastily
- 53. Hayworth or Coolidge
- 54. Affirm
- 55. Pavilion
- 56. Circular current
- 59. Unclose, poetically

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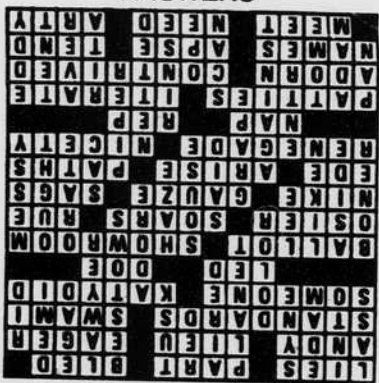
- 1. Colleen
- 2. A preposition
- 3. Cheese variety
- 4. December 31st word
- 5. Uranus or Pluto
- 6. Made public
- 7. Ohio player
- 8. Long protruding tooth.
- 9. Gives as a gift
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- 12. Actress Moore
- 16. Disencumber
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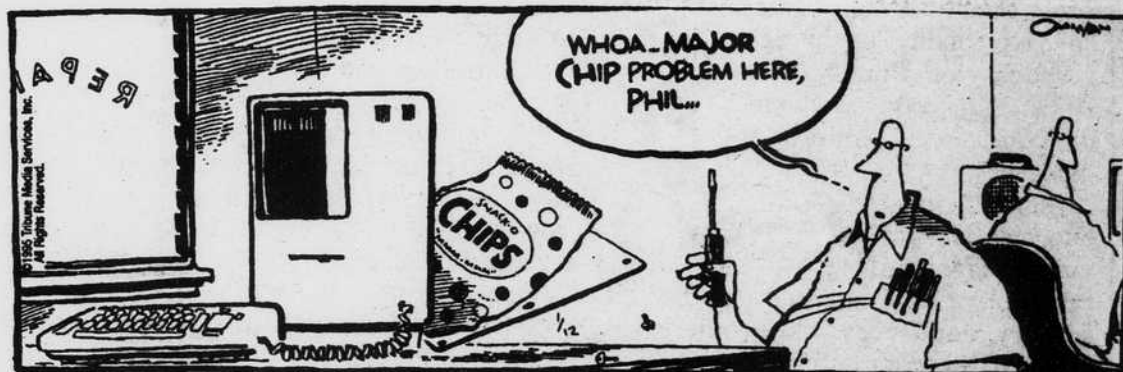
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Bismarck-Henning standout signs letter of intent for PC

Parkland men's basketball Coach Alan Nudo announced on Apr. 10 that Bismarck-Henning standout Drew Marana had signed a letter of intent to attend Parkland.

The 6 ft. guard led Bismarck-Henning to the regional championship last year and helped the team set a school record for wins.

Marana has started the last two seasons for Bismarck-Henning and averaged 15 points per game his senior year.

He also led Vermilion County Class A players in assists with 6.3 per game.

Marana was named the Most Valuable Student Athlete on the Bismarck-Henning team and was also nominated for the Vermilion County Sportsmanship Award.

He was named to the All-Vermilion County and All-Conference teams and was a second-team all-area and all-state honorable mention selection.

Sports

Cobras

Heams named March Athlete of the Month

Parkland College has named Shane Heams, the baseball team's right fielder, the March Athlete of the Month.

Heams, a 6 ft., 1 in. right-handed hitter from Bedford, Mich., currently leads the team and Region 24 in hitting with a .447 average.

He leads the team in

hits (46); RBI'S (33); Hr's (5), and triples (5). He is also second on the team in runs and doubles.

During a one-week stretch in late March, Heams went 25-37 (.675) and went on an 11-game hitting streak.

Defensively, he has had three assists for the Cobras.

Miami RB sues Times over false report

University of Miami running back James Stewart has been waiting for draft day since the Hurricanes' loss to Nebraska in the Orange Bowl.

Considered one of the top running backs in the nation, Stewart was figured to be a first-or second-round pick.

But when "The New York Times reported that Stewart tested positive for marijuana at an NFL scouting combine, the Miami player's stock dropped considerably.

Despite a statement by the NFL saying that Stewart did not fail the test, the damage may have already been done.

College football players

usually ride a roller coaster of emotion in the few months between their final game and the NFL draft.

They read constant updates of where they stand in this year's crop of college players, facing continual scrutiny about how much weight they've gained, how strong their work ethic is and how willing they are to learn a new system.

Even the slightest rumor of a weakness can drop a player's value.

Saying he had to keep his future in mind, Stewart filed a lawsuit against "The New York Times," its sports editor and the reporter who wrote the story.

Although the suit does not specify the amount of

money that Stewart is seeking, attorney Alan Goldfarb says it will be in excess of \$15,000, and could be determined by Stewart's eventual place in the draft.

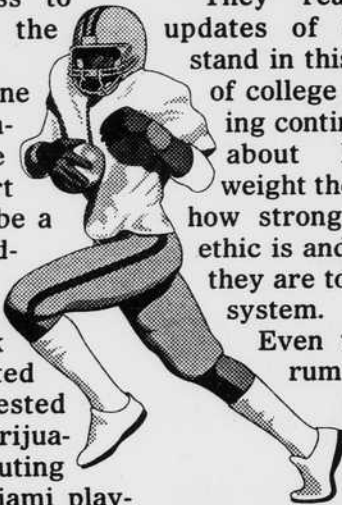
"We want this to call attention to the truth," Goldfarb said. "This is someone's reputation, and it's entirely not true."

The lawsuit states that, "Stewart suffered serious and permanent injury to his personal and professional reputation and career, including the loss of prospective business relationships and opportunities."

Despite the lawsuit, "The New York Times" is standing by its story.

The newspaper ran an explanation of how the information was obtained, but not a retraction or apology.

(College Press Service)



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Wed	4/19	Lake Land at Mattoon
Fri	4/21	Kankakee at Kankakee
Sat	4/22	Lewis JV Home
Sun	4/23	*Wabash Valley Home
Tues	4/25	Lewis JV at Romeoville
Softball		
Wed	4/19	Millikin JV at Decatur
Thurs	4/20	Belleville at Belleville
Fri	4/21	Shawnee at Ulin
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Tennis		
Thurs	4/20	Lake Land at Mattoon

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