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# PROSPECTUS

## Will expand WPCD range New radio tower for Parkland campus

Construction will begin this fall on a 480 ft. radio tower on the far north side of the Parkland campus.

Last week, the City Council voted 7 - 1 to approve the project which previously had been approved by the FAA and the FCC.

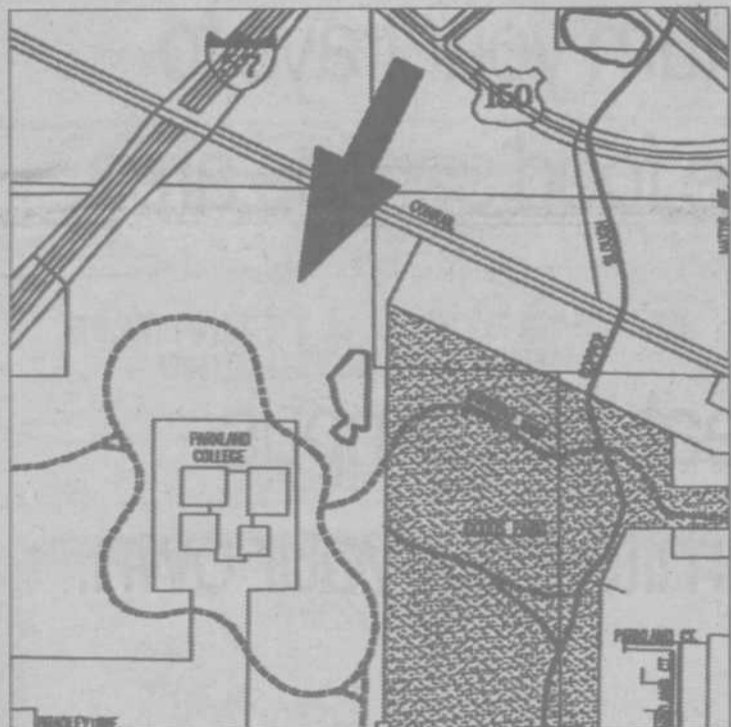
The tower will be built by Segno Communications, Champaign. It expand the coverage area of WPCD, the Parkland radio station to the entire district and allow College use of cellular telephones, pagers, and two-way radio

grams to the entire Parkland district as well as provide for future program expansion, Jones said.

He added that wireless communication capability for future instruction and corporate training delivery via the Business Training Center also will be possible with the new tower.

Parkland will save some \$15,000 annually from tower rental and phone line charges, Jones said, and the College will receive shared revenues from tower co-users.

Construction of the



communications. There will be no cost to the College for any of the transmission.

"We are very excited about this project," David Jones, department chair, Fine and Applied Arts, said. "It will not only provide a home for WPCD's antenna, but a host of other important benefits."

The tower will also provide microwave space for Distance Education and Video Center (telecourses and interactive video), which will provide capability to broadcast pro-

tower was opposed by Rudy Frasca, who told Council members that the tower would pose a danger, especially in bad weather, to pilots using interstate 74 as a guide to Frasca Field northeast of Urbana.

Frasca has said he will fight the construction in the courts.

The Council approved the construction but added that any interference with METCAD will not be allowed.

## Dorm on fast track for PC students

By JACOB LIVENGOOD  
PROSPECTUS NEWS EDITOR

A new manager, a new dorm, a new idea: "We've been on the fast track," said Eric Robeson, vice president of development, Robeson Inc.

The Robeson dorm on

He said he expected to see interest from out of town students but was surprised at the local interest.

"I guess some people just want to get out of the house," said Robeson.

Diversity is something the dorm will offer, according to Robeson. "We're the

managers because we've never done this before," said Robeson. "They know how it works, especially with food service."

Jim Graham, president of Tice Food Service, the company serving the dorm, says the dorm is a great opportunity. "The rooms



Robeson Hall Staff

Resident assistants pictured above from l. to r. Vince Gossett, Kevin Fletcher, Dee Tadese, Erik Marcotte, Chad Gossett (Resident Director), Mary Dotson-Brooks (Business Director), Brandon Scott, James Voyles (Program Manager), Mary Wilkes.

State Street is the first ever for Parkland students.

That fast track, said Robeson, is as busy now as it's been all summer.

"We've had as many sign up now as we've had all summer," said Robeson.

only residence hall in town that allows married couples."

Management of the dorm has been turned over to the same group that manages Bromley Hall.

"I'm sure glad they're

are gorgeous. We've never seen rooms like that in the past."

Rooms at the dorm come with private bathrooms.

Graham said residents receive 15 meals a week,

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## \$250,000 goal to aid students

### Partners for Parkland drive starts

The Parkland College foundation has kicked off its fourth annual campaign, "Partners for Parkland," to raise \$250,000 in private funds to benefit students.

The campaign will continue through mid-September.

The Parkland Foundation undertakes a fundraising campaign each year to supplement funding the College receives from tuition, property taxes, and the state. While the

cost of higher education has increased, public funding has decreased.

Some of the money raised by the Foundation goes toward student scholarships, Carl Meyer, executive director of the Foundation, said recently.

The cost of attending Parkland is a fraction of the cost of attending a four-year college or university, but there is still a large expense involved, Meyer said, and many Parkland students appreci-

ate help in paying their tuition and fees.

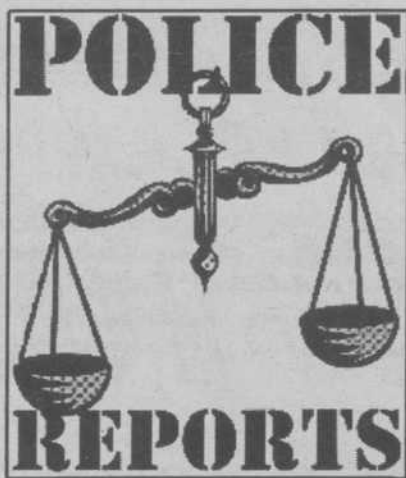
Other donations go toward improving the quality of Parkland's educational programs.

Each year, Parkland provides higher education and training to more than 16,000 students.

Contributions to the Partners for Parkland campaign are tax deductible. Donors are recognized in Foundation literature and at College events.

# Welcome Back Students!

# POLICE REPORTS



## Lost and Found now in Public Safety Office

Lost and Found is now located in the Public Safety Office, X202.

All found items may be turned in during the hours the College is open. Student Life will no longer handle lost and found.

Parkland Handicap Parking permits will no longer be given to students, faculty, or staff. Parkland will honor state handicap parking permits only.

## Parkland handicap permits eliminated

Applications for the state permits are available at the Illinois Drivers' License Examining Station across from the College entrance on Bradley Avenue.

## Wednesday, Aug 20

•Officers took a hit and run accident in Parking Lot B-1.

## Friday, Aug 22

•Officers took a theft report that under \$300 was stolen from M132-cordless drill was stolen.

•A report of socket wrenches were stolen out of the lab in M131.

## Monday, Aug 25

•A report of theft under \$300 was taken out of B113-two speakers were stolen.

•Took information on hit and run accident in the C-4 Parking Lot.

•In the L-Wing concession a student reported that money had been stolen.

•A report of theft from room X223 under \$300-staff reported a VCR stolen.

•Took information on hit and run accident in the B-1 Parking Lot.

ALL REPORTS OF THEFT ARE UNDER INVESTIGATION AT THIS TIME.

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# Bookstore bustling this week

BY BRIAN TUMA  
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

Parkland's Bookstore supplies more than textbooks students need for their classes. A closer look through the store reveals everything from anatomy and physiology coloring books to headache medication.

Besides hundreds of different textbooks and school supplies the Bookstore sells Jansport backpacks and totes, Parkland T-shirts and sweatshirts, cookbooks, best-seller paper-

backs, maps, magazines, and stationery, and postcards.

Also to aid students are college examination study books (ACT, SAT, CLEP, etc.), all types of reference aids, flashcards and laminated quick review sheets for most subjects.

Along with supplying these materials, the Bookstore also employs staff to help students search for a needed item. Diane Kiest, the assistant manager, said the Bookstore employs five full-timers as well as 15-20

part-timers, some of whom are students.

For the past couple of weeks, the Bookstore staff has been bustling to accommodate students. They probably will be working even harder this week as classes begin. "The rush will be the week school starts," Kiest said.

To further accommodate students, the Bookstore will have extended hours during the next month. Hours are posted in this week's *Prospectus* (p. 4).

# Buick, Worden Martin donate Park Avenue car

Buick Motor Division and Worden Martin in Champaign have donated a 1997 Buick Park Avenue to the Parkland Automotive program.

The car was presented by Wayne Weber, general manager of Worden Martin; Mike Berkes, service manager at Worden Martin, and Keith Nesbit, district service manager for the Buick

Motor Division.

Carl Meyer, Parkland Foundation executive director; Richard Lake, associate vice president for Academic Services, and Mike Donovan and Mark Freundt, Parkland Automotive faculty, accepted the car for the College.

The car will be used to train Parkland students in automotive service.

# PC Art faculty show works in Gallery

A variety of approaches, styles, and media will be displayed in the Art Faculty show in the Parkland Gallery Aug. 25 - Sept. 26.

Ranging from the detailed watercolors of Don Lake to the direct and expressive ceramic works of Louis Ballard, the show will offer work in sculpture, photography, painting, jewelry, glass, ceramics, and drawing.

Other participating artists include Chris Berti,

Susan Bishop, Jodi Bowen, John Ekstrom, Juanita Gammon, Julie Jacobs, Robert Laible, Daryl McCracken, Craig McMonigal, Ann Coddington Rast, George Rehrey, Denise Seif, and Jon Wolfe.

Students and the public will meet the art faculty during a reception on Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Gallery Lounge. Art faculty member Don Lake will speak from 6 to 7 p.m.

The show is sponsored in part by the Medicine Shoppe, which will match the donation box funds generated during the exhibit.

The Gallery's fall hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon.

All events in the handicapped-accessible gallery are free and open to the public.

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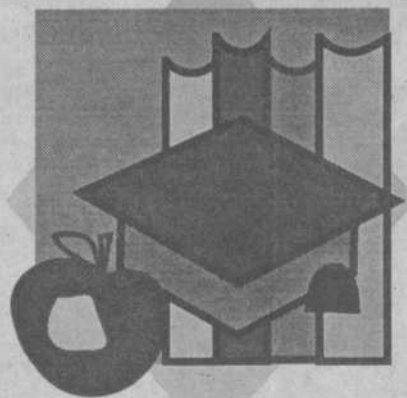


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August 15 - 8am-4pm	September 2, 3, 4 - 8am-8pm
August 18, 19, 20, 21 - 8am-6pm	September 5 - 8am-4pm
August 22 - 8am-4pm	September 6 (Saturday)-9am-12pm
August 23 (Saturday) - 9am-1pm	September 9 - 9am-8pm
August 25, 26, 27, 28 - 8am-8pm	After September 9 we will resume regular semester hours - to be posted at a later date.
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## Is that a run-on sentence? Expanded Writing Clinic opens

By RUDY SAN MIGUEL  
 PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

So your report or essay seems to jerk and jump around with no logical order, and you think your paragraphs may be too long, but your sentences are too short.

Stay calm. The newly expanded Writing Center in C131 is open day and night to give you professional help.

The Center now includes a computer lab for use by composition students. Services of the Writing Center are offered to all students and may include help on a report or essay as well as letters and applications for transfer to four-year universities. Professors in the Center also assist students who are studying English as a second language.

Lori Williams, director of the Center, said, "We can help at any stage of

the writing process." She added that she does not want students to leave simply feeling that they have a better paper; she wants their visit to the Center to be a learning experience.

Jeffrey Hickman, English professor, said Center staff do not proofread or edit papers for students. "The Center is a place for consultation," he said, and students can work with faculty on the ideas being presented in the report or

essay. "It helps when students know what they want," Shaun Reno, English instructor, said.

In Fall, 1996, 339 students made 830 visits to the Center, and more traffic is expected this year.

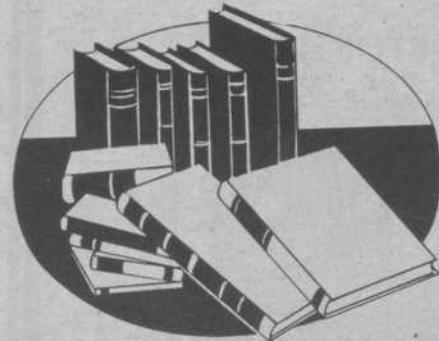
Hickman offered this advice on avoiding the heavy traffic: the busiest times are mid-day, and the slowest generally in the morning and evening.

### Writing Center hours:

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# from elation to sheer terror.... Students give freshmen advice

BY RUDY SAN MIGUEL  
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

New Parkland students often experience a gamut of emotions from elation to sheer terror: will your classes be taught by easy-going, lenient professors or drill sergeants?

Whatever a student's chances in the draw of classes and professors (some say the chances are worse than the weekly Lotto),

Donna Harris and Joy Winfrey, Radiological Technology students, had this advice: It's not like high school.

"Study and go to class," they said. "Don't wait until the end of the semester to start studying. Don't miss class!"

Dave Contreras, economics major, said some students "don't take community college seriously." However, he said, they should.

Barb Reinagle, Business Administration major, said, "Never take a summer math class unless you are ready to work. It is fast-paced, and you can get lost easily."

For students on a tight budget, Chris Hall, Visual Arts major, had this money-saving advice: "Make sure to buy used books." And to save money on food, he said, "Fifty-nine, 79, 99, Taco Bell. Need I say more?"

Students agreed that community college is an important lane on any career road — if students go at a moderate pace, mind the speed bumps and detours, and remember there's no free lunch.

FROM THE COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

"Go to class. Don't skip. It's a really bad habit just to start," stresses Sarah Carlson, a University of Michigan junior. "Once you start, you think, 'Oh, that wasn't such a big deal.' Then you skip again and again. The program is if you aren't there to hear the lecture, it's hard to understand it when it's on the exam."

While it may be a relief not to have anyone nagging you (about) getting to bed early or cleaning your room, the flip side is that Mom isn't there to help with laundry either. Some students report that juggling a full courseload, a job and a social life make for a serious time crunch.

Take time out to take care of yourself, no matter how busy things are, say students. "Take a jog every now and then," suggests Kedar Kulkarni, a junior at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

Amber Zimmerman, an Eastern Illinois University senior, says trying to "fit in" to the social scene really stressed her out. "Now that I'm a senior, I'd tell freshmen NOT to try to fit in," she says. "Just be yourself."

On the way to snaring that diploma, it's easy to be tripped up by some killer distractions, say students.

"Partying. There's a party going on almost every night. I'm not saying don't have fun, but don't get swept up in partying all the time. You're not taking out student loans to get F's," says Lee, from Western Illinois.

Make sure to buy used books

Don't miss class

Never take a summer math class unless you are ready to work

Study and go to class

Don't wait until the end of the semester to start studying.

DON'T try to fit in!

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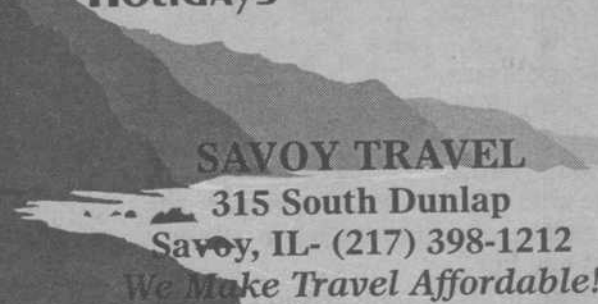
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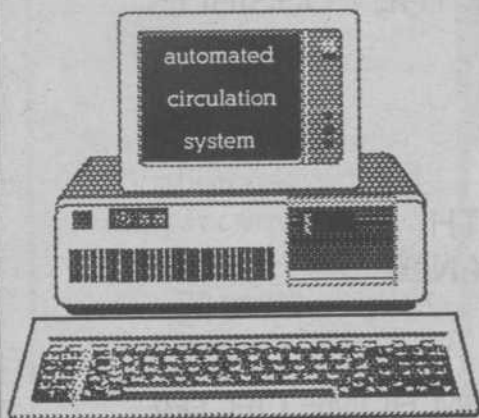
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9/5	Matoon at Centennial	6:50
9/12	Normal West at Central	6:50
9/19	Mattoon at Urbana	6:50
9/26	Centennial at Central	6:20
10/3	Decatur Eisenhower at Centennial	6:50
10/10	Centennial at Urbana	6:20
10/17	From the University of Illinois' Memorial Stadium:	6:50
	Rantoul vs. Centennial	5:20
	Urbana vs. Central	7:50
10/24	Decatur Eisenhower at Urbana	6:50

IHSA Playoff games to be announced



College closed Mon., Sept. 1  
Labor Day

BY ALEXANDER LOBEL  
AMARJEET SINGH  
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITERS

Story goes here; just highlight this stuff and type over it; write that Pulitzer Prize-winning story. And have a nice day. This fall, a student will be using her computer to attend an ENG 101 class while she remains at home in India.

From almost any place in the world, one can "surf" to Parkland within seconds via the Parkland internet address: <http://www.parkland.cc.il.us/>. Once "on campus," the surfer can choose to get general information about the College, read the Prospectus, or, for a fee, take credit classes.

Scott Wennerdahl, Parkland web page specialist, says, "Parkland was among the first colleges to offer on-line courses that use the web for the entire interaction between student and teacher."

And on-line courses are "asynchronous," which means that although that Indian student is 12 time zones away, the instructor does not have to be awake at 3 a.m. to read the student's work. Both parties can send and retrieve messages at their convenience, just like e-mail.

Last year, a student in Australia took a sports psychology class.

Although this technology seems to redefine the term, "international student," the majority of on-line students live in the College district.

The web in addition to traditional classroom teaching is used in some classes. In this case, the syllabus, assignments, and supplementary

reading are handed out in the classroom but also are available on the internet for the student's convenience. Other courses are taught primarily on-line, but in Introductory Speech Communications, for example, students have to meet with the class on campus to deliver oral assignments.

Susan Kinate, an SPE 101 student, said she prefers traditional classroom teaching but took the on-line course because she lives too far away from campus to come here to class regularly. "This way, I only

Was it a good idea to take the on-line class? "No problem," she said. "My professor was really good getting back to me on computer whenever I needed help."

Katie Farnum chose SPE 101 on-line to avoid conflicting class schedules. She liked the course, but she added, "To take an on-line class, one needs more self-discipline to do all the coursework in time." Any major technical problems? None, she said, "except for a couple of glitches."

The three students said they would consider taking more on-line

al teaching approaches. "I once thought that only theory based on lecture based classes would be ideal for internet coursework," he said. "However, this has proven not to be the case. Speech 101 is a performance based course and works very well on-line."

About the difference between traditional classroom and on-line teaching Redmon says, "When I speak instructions in class, I make distinctions with my voice. On-line, I make emphasis by the use of color, font size, and typed examples. The only thing different is how I de-

Mcgowan added that grading also takes more time in an internet course. And he said the mechanics of electronically shifting, downloading, storing, converting files and returning them to every student takes additional hours for each writing project — providing there are no glitches, which, he says, consistently occur. He also said, "Communicating with students in an interactive internet class simply takes more time than a classroom-based course."

Is there an ideal size for internet classes? Ed Kelly, professor of

In Parkland's computer labs M 108 and X 116, students can use the web to obtain information for their homework — and just for fun.

The web is the fastest growing information service on the internet. Since the first publicly available web server appeared on the internet in early 1993, the number of sites providing information over the web has grown exponentially (doubling every three months).

Terry Harshbarger, professor of Geography, gives his students extra credit assignments to promote their global awareness.

The "GEOBRIEFS" are brief descriptions about what, when, and where some-

of information and don't believe everything they see or hear."

Wennerdahl said, "Students looking for information on the web have to be careful readers and look who the author is. On the web, you get what you pay for. For instance, was put a value on our on-line courses. You need to register and pay for the course to get the password. The general idea of the Internet as an information source is something misleading. It can be like television. Is everything true they say? We don't know. We do know it's their opinion."

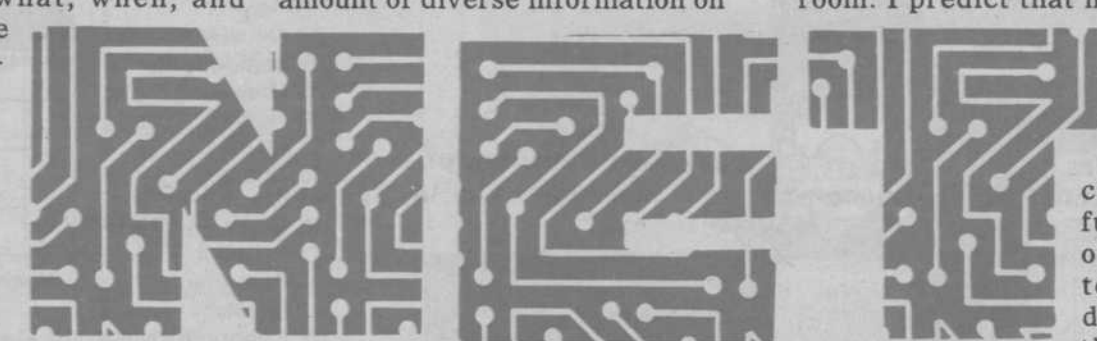
Donald Nolen, professor of Philosophy, sees the overwhelming amount of diverse information on

tification for adopting it for pedagogical instruction, then we will get junk education. Arguing along those lines would be as ridiculously embarrassing and stupid as arguing for purchase of this type of background or that type of overhead projector for its economic rather than pedagogical usefulness."

Kelly predicts, "The number of courses presented on-line is going to increase dramatically over the next few years. We need to anticipate that demand and be sure that course content drives technology and not the other way around."

Redmon said, "The internet will never replace the traditional classroom. I predict that more students

# Parkland students attending college on the



will become interested in the on-line course in the future because of the ability to do work during a time that is more convenient for

had to be on campus four times to deliver my speeches," she said.

Kim Barber signed up for SPE 101 on-line because her job wouldn't allow her to come to class regularly.

courses in the future.

Speech Prof. Kent Redmon says teaching on-line classes have caused him to change his mind about several

and how the student receives the material."

Redmon added, "Students need professors to be available outside of class. For the on-line course this is called 'cyber hours.' I have discovered that I get more chat-time visits from on-line students than office visits from the traditional class student."

James McGowan, professor of English and composition, said, "In planning and preparation for the class, the mechanics of modifying each web page consumes much more time than a classroom-based course. Since I cannot rely on any verbal instruction, the page itself must be comprehensive enough to anticipate all probable questions."

Speech, says, "As with any course it's important not to overwhelm the instructor because students will not get the individual attention they need."

Kelly says that instructors have to be more flexible when teaching an on-line course because "Despite all the advances in cyberspace, systems do crash, platforms are incompatible, and you may have accidentally hit the delete key. On the other hand, since most interaction between student and faculty is asynchronous, both parties enjoy the flexibility of working at their own convenience."

thing is happening in another country and its implications.

"I want students to bring cultural perceptions that provide diversity," says Harshbarger. "I also want students to be aware that they need to question their sources

the web as "democracy at its worst and at its best. If the standards are dominated by one group only, it needs to be critiqued."

Mcgowan said, "When enough people figure out enough ways on how to make money off the web, then even more junk will appear, much in the same way that what appears on television. As with any medium used for communication, it is not the medium itself which determines the value of the medium. So, too, with internet instruction. If the economics of using the internet for instruction becomes the predominating jus-



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Thus the internet began operation with four host computers (University of Utah, Stanford Research Institute, University of California in Santa Barbara and Los Angeles).

In 1982, the U.S. initially chose the internet as its primary computer communication system.

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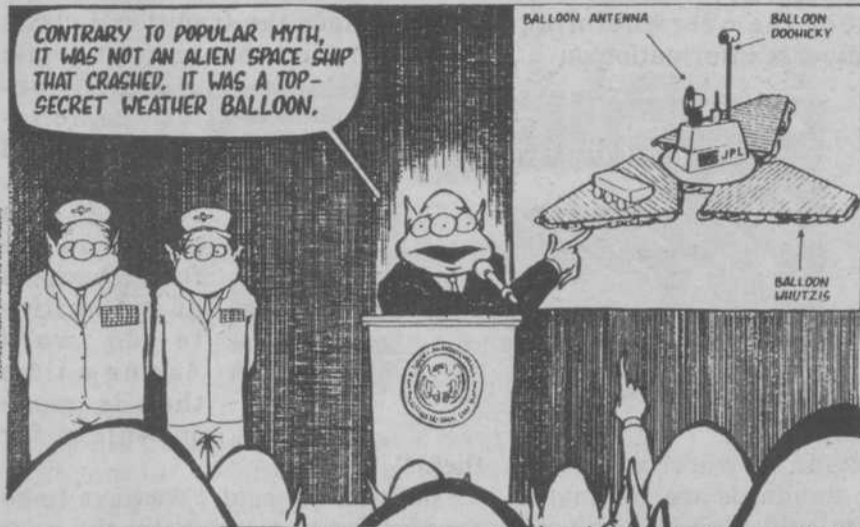
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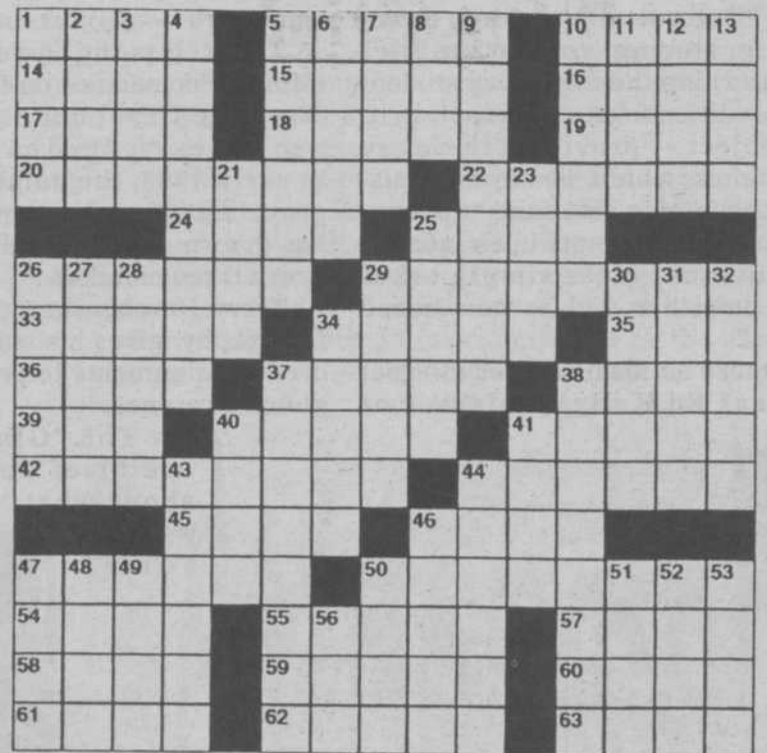


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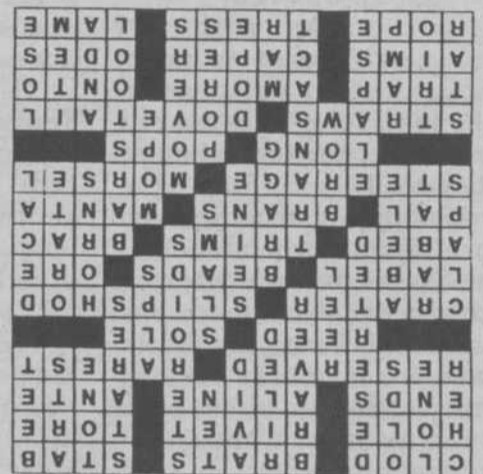
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  - 13 Root vegetable
  - 21 Spool of film
  - 23 European range
  - 25 Closes with a vengeance
  - 26 Applauds
  - 27 Morocco's capital
  - 28 White poplar
  - 29 French river
  - 30 Trumpets
  - 31 Speechify
  - 32 Transfer design
  - 34 Confederate general
  - 37 Do business
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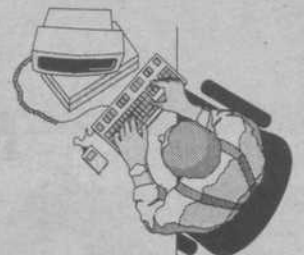
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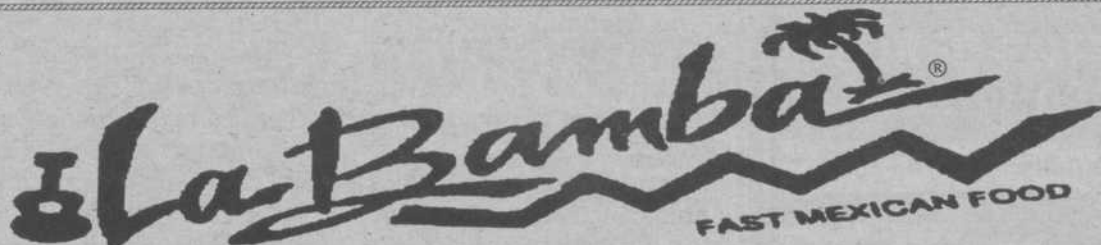
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# Student backpacks getting bigger

By COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

WILMINGTON, DEL.— If you're like most students, your backpack is your portable home — textbooks, gym clothes, granola bars, even laptop computers get dumped inside it.

Backpack makers say they've had to redesign their traditional over-the-shoulder packs to accommodate all the extras that students lug around. "Bigger is better with students this year," says Rhonda Lewis, a JanSport spokesperson.

In fact, one of JanSport's most popular packs this year is the Big Student Pack, which is 25 percent larger than traditional packs and features extra compartments for computer disks, sports equipment, and anything else students can squeeze inside.

Eastpak has invented The Ultimate, which is even bigger than the Big Student Pack. The pack has been selling out because it

"makes everything easily accessible that students carry from their dorm to class to the gym," says Tim McGuire, marketing manager of Eastpak.

Timberland also thought roomier was the way to go with its new Apex pack. The super-sized pack has side water pockets, outside bungee straps, inside personal pockets, and even an outside organizer panel.


Several companies say the popularity of laptop computers — and the need for student to tote them around campus — got them thinking big. Outdoor Products offers The Bypack, which is made to fit a laptop but looks more like a backpack than a regular computer case.


"One of the dangers of the campus case is that computer thieves can easily recognize their target," said Bryan Stewart, marketing director for Outdoor Products. "With a backpack, the computer is more easily disguised."



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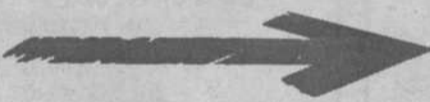
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# Binge drinking down—except in America

By COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

WASHINGTON— Heavy drinking is down in America except for one notable place: college campuses.

That's according to a report from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, which calls binge drinking "a widespread problem" on college campuses despite a decline in alcohol use among the general population.

In 1994, 40 percent of college students reported binge drinking at least once within the previous two weeks of being surveyed, according to the triennial report. The NIAAA defines "binge drinking" as consuming five or more drinks at one sitting.

Gender seems to play a significant role in terms of binge drinking, with 52 percent of college men reporting such drinking as compared to 31 percent of women. Across the board, nearly 70 percent of college students said they drank alcohol at least once a month, and about 4 percent said they drank daily,

the study found.

The report calls the findings for college students "quite high" in light of a decline in drinking among high school seniors. The authors suggest that college student, who report drinking less in high school than non-college-bound seniors, may be "catching up" and possibly surpassing their peers not in college.

The NIAAA, which has compiled previous studies on alcohol consumption, blames campuses for promoting a "culture of drinking" and praises alternatives such as alcohol-free parties.

Among the general population, alcohol use hit a 30-year low in 1993 after peaking during the 1980's, increased health concerns, less tolerant attitudes toward drinking, and stricter laws against drinking and driving are possible reasons for the change, the NIAAA said.

More information on the NIAAA's "Ninth Special Report to the U.S. Congress on Alcohol and Health" is available at the agency's website, [www.niaaa.nih.gov](http://www.niaaa.nih.gov).



## Parkland dorm

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## Career Planning & Employment Services Parkland College job office receives award

### Service assists students in career choices

Parkland's Career Planning and Employment Services (CPES) has received an award from the National Center for Research in Vocational Education (NCRVE), University of California, Berkeley.

A nationwide search for exemplary career service programs was conducted by the U.S. Department of Education, the NCRVE, and the American Vocational Association. Parkland College's CPES was selected as an example of a well integrated, comprehensive career

guidance program designed to assist students to transition from school to work and/or further education.

Gerry Hough, director of Parkland's Career Planning and Employment Services, and Pnina Steiner, career specialist, accepted the award and gave a presentation of the program at the 1997 National Occupational Information Coordinating Committee Conference in Tacoma, Wash., in July.

The Service provides career planning assistance to individuals selected a major, setting new career goals, making a career change, or reentering the job market. The Career Planning and Employment Services office phone is: 217/351-2536.

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# Sports



## Cobra CC start season

BY BRIAN TUMA  
PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

Many think it's time for valient athletes to don their team uniform, strap on their cleats, and take to the field with their team for a grid-iron matchup—but some run cross-country.

It may not captivate the amount of spectators that football might, but the participants are excited about their sport. Runners are fully engaged and must bear every exhaustive moment throughout the race's length.

Parkand's cross-country teams are experienced at and ready for the season. Returning to the men's team this year are sophomores Brandon Scott, a leader from last year's team, and Garrett Turley.

Upcoming freshmen bring their previous experience and a lot of promise. Nick Parks from Sullivan High School was state runner-up in the two mile event last year. Rob Gardner from Champaign Central High also qualified for the two

mile run in AA state competition.

Jason Courier from Franklin High School was a state qualifier in the two mile run, as well as sixth in the state cross-country meet. Roque Chavarria also qualified to go to state last year at the AA level indoor state competition, he placed sixth in the mile.

The women's team includes Freshmen Sarah Dietrich from Mahomet Seymour High School and Kathryn Scott from Champaign Central High School.

The first meet for the team is on September 6 at Anderson University in Indiana.

Full-time students can still join the men's and women's cross-country team. "We're still looking for people to come out," coach Jeff Bovee said. If interested, students can contact Jeff through his voice mail at extension 2522 or go to his office in P123 at 3:30 p.m. during the beginning of practice.

## Volleyball Preview '97

### Cobras looking forward to spiking opponents

BY NICHOLAS TRAXLER  
SPORTS EDITOR

Brenda Winkeler and her Lady Cobra Spikers opened play this week to kick off their 1997 season.

With Tuesday's first match versus Lincoln C.C., they hope to build on their third place regional finish and conference championship season from a year ago.

As always a new year brings new team members and the loss of major contributors. Most notably lost from last season's successful squad are starters Anne Chatterton and outside hitter Toshia Smith who accepted a scholarship from Division I Alabama A.M. to compete in their volleyball system.

Although two top players were lost, the outlook is

impressive for Coach Winkeler and her team.

With six strong returnees from last year and an incoming class of eight freshmen—the future is definitely brighter than our recent weather.

Sigele Overstreet a returning starter says she's super-confident that this season could be even better than last.

Asked why, she replied, "After a summer trip to Alabama the team has gelled. We are playing more as a team this year than last." She also said that the rigorous practice schedule during the summer has allowed each team member the chance to be in the best physical condition in their young lives. When practices started one month ago the spikers were

enduring three practice sessions a day each two hours long.

They also did intense weight training and running for the month prior to the season. Coach Winkeler also added that with the help of new assistant Sandy Scholtens Hamilton, the U of I's all-time dig leader and member of Illinois' Final Four team in the 80's they should repeat as conference champs for the third year in a row.

Next week the Prospectus will provide a better look at the teammates themselves and begin highlighting two players from the squad each week. Coach Winkeler thanks everyone for their support and hopes to see you at all home matches.

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