

Traffic light helps Parkland drivers

By JACOB LIVENGOOD PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

A new traffic light on Mattis Avenue and Parkland Way has made traveling easier for stu-

"The light was initiated by Parkland," said Glen Burger, traffic and lighting supervisor, City Champaign.

He said there were many parties involved: Parkland, the Illinois a visibility problem to the Department of Transportation, and the

will manage the light.

Champaign Police reported two accidents at the intersection this year: one injury; one damage.

In 1996, four wrecks occurred: two injury; two

"Six to eight accidents per million vehicles is cause for an accident warrant," said Burger. "Those figures probably wouldn't be enough for a warrant."

Burger added, "There is North of the light.

"That's why there's a 'no City of Champaign, who turn on red' sign when you

come out of Parkland."

It's important for drivers to stop at the stop bar, added Burger. There are loops in the road to detect a car's presence.

The traffic light tries to look for gaps in traffic on Mattis, said Burger. When there is an opening, the Parkland light turns green.

As drivers pass over the loops, the light is green for a maximum of 16 seconds, said Burger. The minimum length is eight seconds.

In eight seconds, Burger estimated three or four cars could pass.



Photo By: Stephanie Hodge

Green means go...

The new traffic light, located on the corner of Parkland Way and Mattis, has made Parkland more accessible.

Plane tickets offered with YMCA membership

By JACOB LIVENGOOD PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

Membership in the new YMCA facility on Country Fair Drive offers newcomers the opportunity to trav-

YMCA Membership and Marketing Manager Jeff Newnam said round-trip plane tickets will be given to new members.

"They'll get two tickets to one of nine locations," said Newnam.

include Bahamas, Jamaica, Cancun. and Hawaii, said Newnam.

Membership at the Y for the downtown Champaign location and the "Family Fitness Center" is \$75 a month for individuals and \$100 for families.

He said there will be requirements for using the tickets. The trip must last at least seven days, and you must chose from certain hotels. The hotels range from \$140 to \$160 a night.

"There will be no limit Some of the locations on the number of tickets we'll give away," Newnam.

New YMCA center a 'transition'

BY JACOB LIVENGOOD PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

Champaign County's YMCA and Parkland will have closer relations soon.

The Y is opening a new facility, the "Fitness and Family Center" on Country Fair Drive at the old Sports Etc. location.

"Parkland students will enjoy the benefits of the new location," said Jeff Newnam, membership and marketing manager,

opening of the facility.

Newnam said the new center will make smoother transition to Parkland and the new facility the Y plans to build on the College's campus.

"Those plans are a few years down the road," said Newnam.

The new center offers roller hockey, soccer, aerobics and weights, said Newnam.

"Weight training at the Sept. 30 is the grand center includes free and selectorize machines," said Newnam. "The second floor, which used to be batting cages will now have 5,000 ft. for aerobics training, a 14-piece selectorize weight set, and 3,400 sq. ft. of free weights.

"It's still being discussed whether Parkland students will receive a discount on membership," said Newnam.

Buffet, car raffle

10th anniversary

BY CHRIS BENNETT PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

the tenth anniversary of William Staerkel Planetarium with a buffet supper and car raffle from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 11 in the Planetarium.

Saturn of Champaign County.

The goal for the event is to raise \$40,000 to benefit Planetarium

Parkland's Hospitality program.

Tickets cost \$100 each. Parkland will celebrate The price includes an invitation for two to the celebration and one of 400 chances to win the car. A buyer must be 18 years old to purchase a ticket.

Participating restaurant The 1997 Saturn SL1 sponsors are: Arby's, City sedan is being donated by of New Orleans, Galileo's, The Great Impasta, The Hideaway, Kennedy's, Ned Kelly's, Jean Pierre, Round Barn, and Town and Country Catering.



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Tuesday, August 26

· Student arrested on outstanding warrants. Student fled on foot. Student was later apprehended by Parkland Officers. Two other charges stemming the foot chase are pending.
• It was reported that tools were taken from the

M-wing some time during the summer.

Thursday, August 28

 Took information on a car accident in the B1 parking lot. No injuries were reported but a report was filed. Owner was arrested on an outstanding warrant and charged with failure to properly secure a motor vehicle.

Friday, August 29

· A jacket was stolen from the M wing. Student left the jacket in the classroom and when the student returned the jacket was gone.

· Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident in the C-4 parking lot. There were no injuries, but a report was filed.

· Student reported that several catalogs were stolen out of a campus locker.

Incidents are under investigation

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Buick, Worden Martin donate car

Buick Motor Division and Worden Martin in Champaign have donated a 1997 Buick Park Avenue to the Parkland College Automotive program. The car was presented by (l to r) Richard Lake, associate vice president for academic services; Mike Berkes, service manager at Worden Martin; Carl Meyer, Parkland College Foundation executive director; Wayne Weber, general manager of Worden Martin; Keith Nesbit, District Service Manager for the Buick Motor Division and Parkland automotive faculty Mark Fruendt and Mike Donovan accepted the car on the college's behalf July 21. The car will be used to train Parkland students in automotive service.

Part-time Job Fair on Sept. 10

BY BEN HARDIN

PROSPECTUS STAFF WRITER

More than 50 employers will be interviewing at the Part-time Job Fair from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sept. 10 in the Gallery Lounge.

Job seekers should come prepared to fill out applications and be interviewed, Pnina Steiner, career specialist in Career Planning and Employment, said.

The following employers are scheduled to attend the job fair:

Accounting Alternatives Adecco, The Employment People American Software & Hardware Distributors Beckwith Hall

Business Response, Inc. Carle Clinic Association Champaign County YMCA Circuit City Colonial Pantry

will be interviewing is have you had?" available in the Career Planning office.

should not "dress up," they should dress appropritate-Steiner said.

answers ready to commonly asked questions such as parkland.cc.il.us/ss/cpes/cp "Why do you want this job?" "When can you

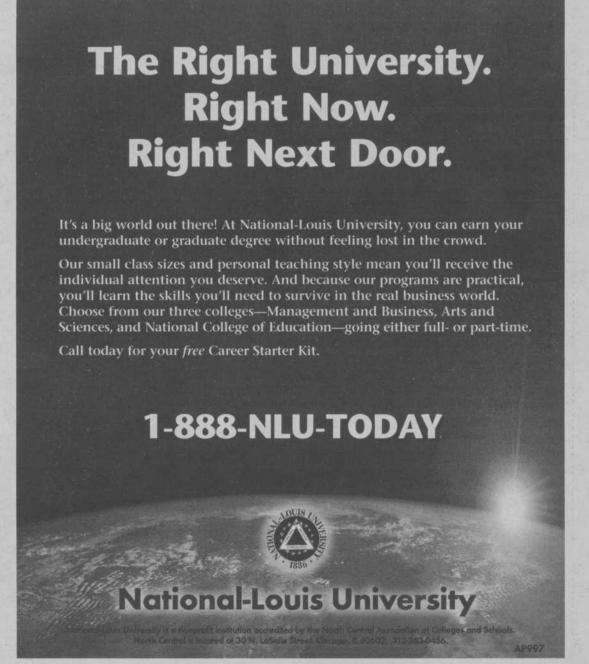
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A list of employers who work?" "What experience

She added that students should come prepared to Although job seekers follow up leads they may get at the fair.

Also, for access to hunly to meet employers, dreds of job-related internet links, the job seeker Students should have can consult the office's page home es.htm.

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Robert Lee Mejer Solo Exhibition

10:00PM Chrisman v. Oakwood

Chrisman v. Mahomet-Seymour 10:30PM

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Balanced budget agreement benefits students

Budget packet offers wealth of education tax breaks

By Charles Dervaries COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

College students and their families could reap major benefits from a new balanced budget agreement between the White HOuse and Congress that includes as much as \$40 billion for education-related tax breaks.

The plan contains both tax credits and tax deductions for higher education, while a separate agreement should pave the way for continued increases in Pell Grants as well.

"It's a tremendous package of new resources for families and students going to school," said Edward Kealy, executive director of the Committee for Education Funding, a Washington, D.C.-based advocacy group.

The House and Senate were expected to approve the tax provisions late July 30 before heading off to their August recess. The Pell package, which contains a proposed \$300 increase in the maximum

grant, will not receive final action until September.

The tax provisions are similar to President Clinton's original HOPE Scholarships, which provide tax breaks

college. But the final budget plan also follows a complex formula that may have most families looking to their accountants for help.

"It probably will require better advice and more information from both college financial aid officers selors," Kealy said.

Despite the complexities, however, the plan "opens up the possibility of college for all families," he

White House and congressional negotiators still make higher education ac-

were working on details of cessible," Kealy said. eligibility for the programs.

He also praised negotia-One option under discus- tors for promoting lifelong

the president's original plan could promote tuition inflasion would offer eligibility learning through the 20 tion among colleges. A

Brief description of the tax provisions:

- Freshmen and sophomores would get a tax credit on the first \$1,000 of tuition and a 50 percent credit on the next \$1,000. For example, a student with \$2,000 in tuition costs would receive \$1,000 plus half of the next \$1,000 for total aid package of \$1,500. These students also would remain eligible for Pell Grants of up to \$3,000 in 1998, based on financial need.
- Juniors, seniors, graduate students and returning adults would receive a 20 percent credit on the first \$5,000 of tuition and fees through the year 2002 and the first \$10,000 of tuition and fees thereafter. These students also would remain eligible for Pell Grants.
- Families and students could make penalty-free withdrawals from Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) to pay for college costs.
- Students whose employers pay for undergraduate education could receive benefits worth \$5,250 a year before incurring any tax liability.

ing up to \$80,000 a year and single parents earning up to. \$40,000 annually.

earning \$80,000 to \$100,000

to two-parent families earn- percent credit. "It's a lifetime credit that's there to be used at any time."

The tax package differs Two-parent families in some respects from the président's original propos-

broader approach to tax relief, with several different components, will not increase inflationary pressure, they said.

But the complex new

Republicans also claimed tax agreement could make it easier for students to participate in loan forgiveness programs. Current law treats a forgiven loan as income on which students owe tax. The new law would eliminate that tax liability if graduating students work in lower-paying community service jobs.

> Other provisions of the new agreement reward families who plan ahead for their children's education.

> For example, families earning up to \$150,000 a year could contribute up to \$400 in 1998 and \$500 in future years to new education savings accounts for each child under age 17. Parents who participate in state prepaid tuition programs also would pay no tax on these benefits.

> About 17 states currently offer prepaid tuition options, and the number of states interested in such programs is on the rise.

The agreement also assumes an increase in the maximum Pell Grant from

\$2,700 to \$3,000 next year, the third consecutive increase for the program. "In the last 15 years, the value of Pell Grants has declined 40 percent," Kealy said.

The new agreement shows leaders in both parties "value and support the program," he added.

The Pell Grant increase is part of a 1998 education spending bill expected to gain final approval in September. House and Senate negotiators still are working on other sections of that spending bill, which could include funding increases for college work/study and smaller federal grant and loan programs. Congress must finish work before the government's new fiscal year

⁶⁶The most needy student does better in this agreement. ⁹⁹

-Ray Taylor,

community college representative in Washington, D.C.

for the first two years of a year and single parents with incomes of \$40,000 to \$50,000 a year still would get some benefits, but those with higher incomes would lose eligibility.

The tax credits also are not refundable for low-income families, which means that students or their famiand high school coun- lies must incur some income-tax liability to qualify for the new benefits.

"Combined with the Pell Grant increase, this agreement can allow families and colleges to put together financial aid packages that

al, which included an annual, guaranteed \$1,500 tax credit for the first two years of college and a \$10,000 tuition tax deduction. But that plan did not allow students to get Pell Grants in addition to the next tax breaks.

"The most needy student does better in this agreement," said Ray Taylor, who represents community college leaders in Washington, D.C. By adding the Pell Grant provision, he said, needy students can get both direct assistance and tax benefits.

package will force colleges to step up their financial aid advising. One potential headache is that families still must pay their tuition and fees in the fall and will not get the tax credits until they file tax returns the following April.

"Colleges must advise students of the new system, at the very least," Taylor said. Some could provide tax advice or, possibly, bridge loans and similar aid to help students as they await new tax benefits, he

Another provision of the begins Oct. 1.

Students, parents fail to plan for tuition

Students vow to plan ahead for their own children

By College Press Service

students who borrow loans for college say they didn't exactly plan ahead when it came to saving for their tuition, a new survey finds.

borrowers surveyed by dent, said the panel will be Sallie Mae, the nation's a useful tool for gaining inlargest college loan sights into the ability of provider, said neither they

contemplating how to pay for tuition until high suggest that the current

While 82 percent admitted never having had a most respondents (61 percent) said they did receive adequate financial aid to complete studies.

More than 18,000 stu-WASHINGTON-Most dents and young professionals took part in the survey as members of a new research panel developed by Sallie Mae. Lydia M. Marshall, the compa-Four out of five student ny's executive vice presicurrent and future generanor their parents began tions to pay for college.

"These new figures means of paying for college-cobbling together loans, grants, work-study, savings plan for college, savings and in some cases, credit cards-though adequate, is not preferable," she said.

> In fact, the survey respondents indicated that the lack of advanced planning is not a pattern they would like to repeat with their offspring: 72 percent said they were likely to establish a college savings plan for their own children.

> "Because of their own experiences, young adults recognize the paramount value of early preparation," she said.

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Jason Ward "Yes and No because society is putting more emphasis on education, and no because they spend

more money on prisons a year than education."



Mary Ann Harris

"Yes, we are, but the process is a slow one but it will come to pass."



Rashidi Overstreet

"Society should analyze history more. If they were to look at the past, the future would be more up to date on Dr. King's speech. So no, I don't think society is."



Angie Pryor

"Our society has tried to take the steps necessary to realize that dream, but I don't feel they have succeeded in reality."



Ben Ross

"No, because as I get older it seems as though I'm experiencing more racial problems."



Mark Wolters

"Yes, I believe we have. Look at the number and percent of minorities in college compared to then. We are still a long way from realizing his dream"



Jeremiah Kelly

"Yes, I do. It has enhanced a lot. In the future I think the problem will dissolve and people will get along better."



Brad Jenks

"I think we still have a long ways to go. We have come a long way since his day and I would like to think he would be pleased."



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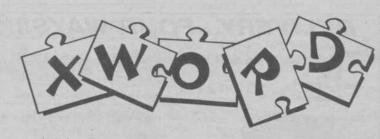
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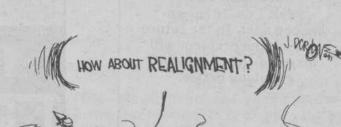
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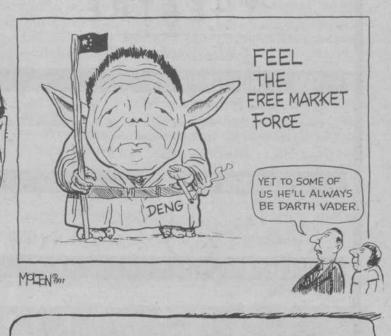






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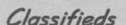
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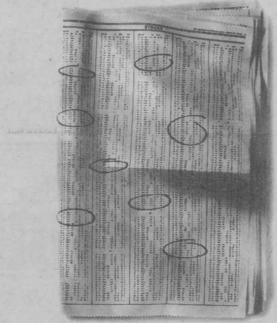
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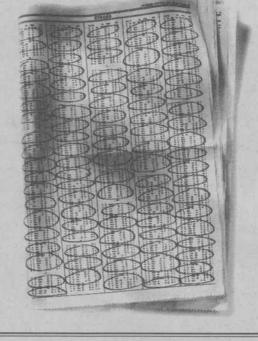


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Lady Cobras Win Tourney

SPIKERS BLAST IOWA TEAM RANKED 16TH IN PRESEASON POLLS FOR TITLE

By NICHOLAS TRAXLER PROSPECTUS SPORTS EDITOR

Parkland's Lady Cobra volleyball squad captured a major early season tourney this Labor Day weekend in Dupage. Tournament play for our spikers began Friday evening with two 5 game matches. The event itself showcased teams from six different states including P.C.'s first opponent Catonsville, Maryland. Friday's matches showed a split for our squad ;after winning the opener they dropped a disappointing second match versus Kirkwood, Iowa. Coach Winkeler said that in that match her players could have played much better and she was looking forward to Saturday's matches so the squad could improve upon their numerous mental mistakes. Kirkwood C.C. was 16th in an NJCAA preseason poll and was coming off an appearance in the nationals last season with all their players returning for the 1997 campaign. They looked to be the team to beat to win the tour-

Returning Saturday to pool play the Lady Cobras took on Lake Michigan C.C. with renewed confidence. The spikers pasted Lake Michigan in two games (15-4,15-4). Sophomore All-America candidate Erika Brez led the way with eight kills and fellow second year player Tracy Chaplin tallied 19 assists to lead the charge. The next victim was 25th ranked Elgin, Il. Coach Winkeler was impressed with the enthusiasm the squad brought to this match as well. Again sophomores Erika Brez and Tracy Chaplin led the charge with eleven kills and eighteen assists respectively. Freshman Kristie Henkelman and Sophomore Megan Grafton also contributed big with seven digs apiece. Final: (15-7,15-7).

After going 3-1 through pool play the Lady Cobras were now in the four team single elimination bracket for the championship. The first match came against Owens, Ohio who had taken first place in their pool with a 4-0 record. They proved no match for the Lady Cobras who cruised to a (15-11,15-5)

win. Tracy Chaplin again led volleyball match and Sophowith 26 assists and three serving aces and Megan Grafton picked up the pace with nine kills and two digs. Freshman Kristie Henkelman also played like a veteran with six kills and a service ace.

After the victory the Cobras had little time celebrating their reaching the championship because they would have to play Kirkwood C.C. once again. Kirkwood was still undefeated including an earlier defeat of Parkland. The championship match started with an exciting first game that saw Parkland fall 14-16. Seeing that they could play at the same level as Kirkwood proved to be the key. Although they lost the opening game they bounced back to take the championship (14-16,15-11,15-8). In the championship Tracy Chaplin proved to be the hero as Coach Winkeler said, playing an outstanding overall

more Amanda Frank led in the kills department with 14. Overall the team had a great tournament, landing Chaplin and Brez on the All-Tourney squad. Coach Winkeler said her squad's overall 6-1 record, including a victory over Lincoln Tuesday night, is very solid considering the level of their recent competition. She added though that there is always room to improve and she promises that they will be working harder than ever. COME ON OUT AND SUPPORT THE SQUAD THIS WEEK-END AT THE PARKLAND TOURNEY THIS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

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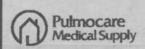
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