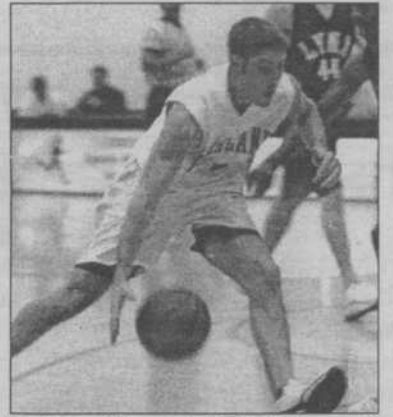


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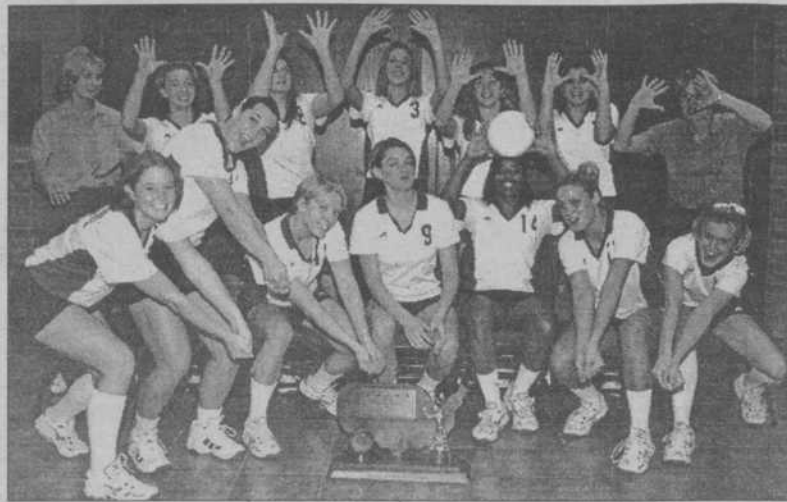
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Lady Cobras, NJCAA National Volleyball Champions

by Liz Davis
 News Editor

Parkland athletes, fans and supporters got an early Christmas present Tuesday as the College held an official reception to honor its numerous national qualifiers and champions this fall.

Jim Reed, Director of Athletics, welcomed the large crowd and introduced the various teams that have either qualified for a national tournament to be held later, or who have already come away with a national award.

President of Parkland College, Zelema Harris, said the pride on campus is palpable. "I am so very proud of the accomplishments of our athletic teams." She added, "this phenomenal season...is a dream come true." She also praised Reed for "making academic excellence a priority."

Jim Ayers, Chair of the Parkland Board of Trustees, called the athletes "wonderful representatives."

Greg Thom, Head Coach of the Golf team, introduced Mike Greenwood, a sophomore from Effingham, who finished fifth in Regionals.

To qualify for national competition, he shot 74 the first day and finished fourth overall in Springfield. He will compete at the national tournament at College Station, Texas in June.

Jeff Bovee, Head Coach of the men's and women's Cross-Country team, praised both teams' efforts for the season.

The men finished second in Region 24 action, and fourth at the National tournament.

ment, the highest team finish in Parkland history. During their season, the team won two invitational meets, the Parkland Invitational and the Danville Halloween Stomp. At a Carbondale meet, they finished sixth, beating out eight Division 1 schools.

The women's team finished first in Region 24 for the second year in a row, and placed sixth nationally. They won three invitationals: the Danville Invitational, Danville Halloween Stomp, and the Parkland Invitational.

Jodi Huddlestun finished first at the National Competition, becoming the first woman in the history of Parkland to earn an individual National Champion title. She received a certificate for her achievement, as well as a matted and framed photo of herself, Bovee, and Assistant coach Karl Geissler.

Brenda Winkeler, 1999 NJCAA Coach of the Year, thanked all who supported their team on the road to their national championship. The team finished 54-9, shattering the 1991 record for wins. They won the Kirkwood Invitational and the CCCI Conference for the fifth consecutive year, with an 8-0 record.

She also thanked her assistant coach, Sandy Hamilton. "When I got Coach of the Year, I wanted to cut it in half," she said.

Each player received a matted and framed team photo.

In closing, Reed said the athletes "represent the college in all facets in the best possible way."

He also warned that the "bar has been raised" for future sports teams.

He also recognized Dale Ewen, Vice-President of Academic and Student



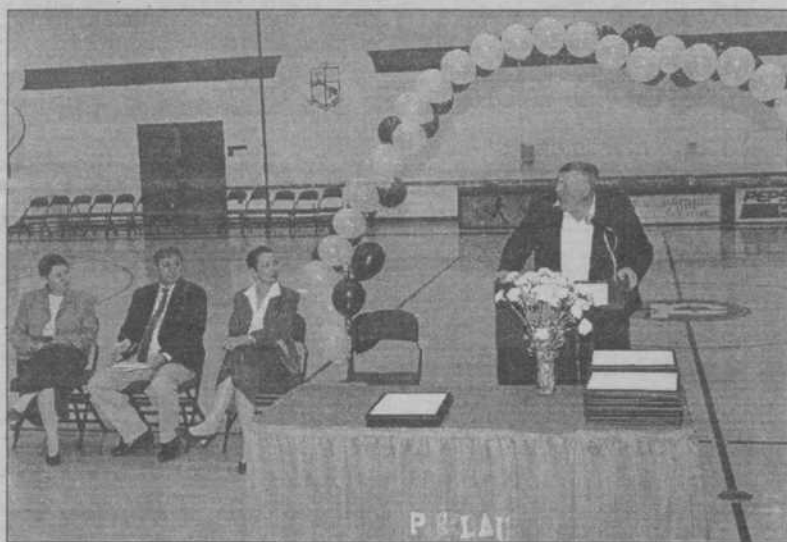
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Brenda Winkeler--GREAT JOB!



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Mike Greenwood, National Golf qualifier, accepts congratulations from Greg Thom, Head Golf Coach



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Jim Reed, Athletic Director, addresses the crowd as Carol Steinman, Associate Vice-President for Student Affairs; Jim Ayers, Chair of Parkland Board of Trustees; and Zelema Harris, President of Parkland College, look on.



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Jodi Huddlestun, National Cross Country Champion, accepts an award from Jim Reed, Athletic Director



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Men's Cross Country Team



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Jeff Bovee, Cross Country Head Coach



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Cheerleaders and Dance Team entertain the crowd



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Women's Cross Country Team

Letter to the Editor

1+1 Is more than 2

Since Margaret Timme arrived at Parkland in the spring of 1999, we've had two professor Timmes. Margaret is teaching Biology 101 this semester, and her husband, Dean, is teaching Esc 101 and 102. Somehow this 1+1=2 concept has escaped us in her Bio 101 class. Can someone contribute more than 100%?

Margaret Timme would be sure to argue with us based on the scientific method. This may be one case where the students

know more than the teacher. Mrs. Timme is passionate about teaching, she has contributed so many out-of-class hours to as many of her students who ask making sure we all pass each test. Her students are more than just students to her, they are each an investment. It's been said that to teach is to cause one to learn. We are learning in Bio 101 and there is no disagreement as to who is causing it. Signed,
Your Biology 101 Class

Astronomer to give talk

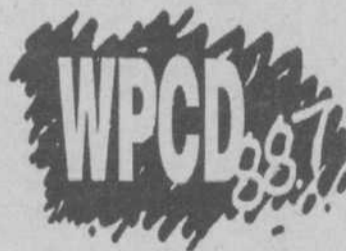
Parkland Press Release

Noted author and astronomer James B. Kaler will give a presentation on "1000 Years of Astronomy" as the next speaker in the "World of Science" lecture series at Parkland College's William M. Staerkel Planetarium.

Dr. Kaler will give his presentation Friday, December 3, at 7 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door for \$1; members of the "Friends of the Staerkel Planetarium" will be admitted free of charge.

As the calendar changes to 2000, Dr. Kaler will look back on astronomy's major achievements of the past 1000 years. The whole world view has been altered by astronomical discoveries, from Galileo's first look through his primitive telescope to spectacular views through the Hubble Space Telescope. Dr. Kaler will examine where we have come from and how our impressions about our place in the universe have changed.

Following his talk, the planetarium will present its annual holiday celebration, "Rites of the Season," and the light show, "Age of Aquarius." Call the Showline at 217/351-2446 for more information and ticket prices. Call Dave Leake at 217/351-2567 for more information on the "World of Science" series.



Campus Calendar

Thursday, December 2
Women Eating, Women Weighing: Food as Symbol and Symptom
Noon, L111
For more information, call 351-2541

Parkland Christian Fellowship
Noon, X226
For more information, call 351-2435

Black Student Association
Noon, X224
For more information, call 351-2887

*WBT 93 Home Buyer's Seminar
7-9:30 p.m., Business Development Center
Call 351-2235 for more information

Men's Basketball vs. Shawnee
7 p.m., Gym
Call 351-2226 for more information

Friday, December 3
World of Science Lecture: 1000 Years of Astronomy
7 p.m., Staerkel Planetarium
Call 351-2446 for more information

"A Christmas Memory"
7 p.m., Parkland Theatre
Call 351-2528 for more information

"Rites of the Season"
8 p.m., Staerkel Planetarium
Call 351-2446 for more information

"Age of Aquarius"
9:30 p.m., Staerkel Planetarium
Call 351-2446 for more information

Saturday, December 4
*WBT 590 Exploring the Internet
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Business Development Center
Call 351-2235 for more information

"A Christmas Memory"
3 p.m. and 7 p.m., Parkland Theatre
Call 351-2528 for more information

"Larry Cat in Space"
7 p.m., Staerkel Planetarium
Call 351-2446 for more information

Monday, December 6
*WBT 564 Advanced

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1-4:30 p.m., Business Development Center
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*WBT 589 Advanced Microsoft Excel
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Tuesday, December 7
*WBT 589 Advanced Microsoft Excel
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*WBT 568 Project Management with Project
1-4:30 p.m., Business Development Center
Call 351-2235 for more information

*Lifelong Learning Institute's Travelogue to Adventure: Faces of Canada
1-3:30 p.m., Champaign Public Library
Call 351-2544 for more information

Women's Basketball vs. Illinois Valley
5:30 p.m., Gym
Call 351-2226 for more information

Wednesday, December 8
*WBT 477 Care/Case Management Principles and Practices: Maximum Effectiveness and Productivity
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Business Development Center
Call 351-2235 for more information

*Prior registration required

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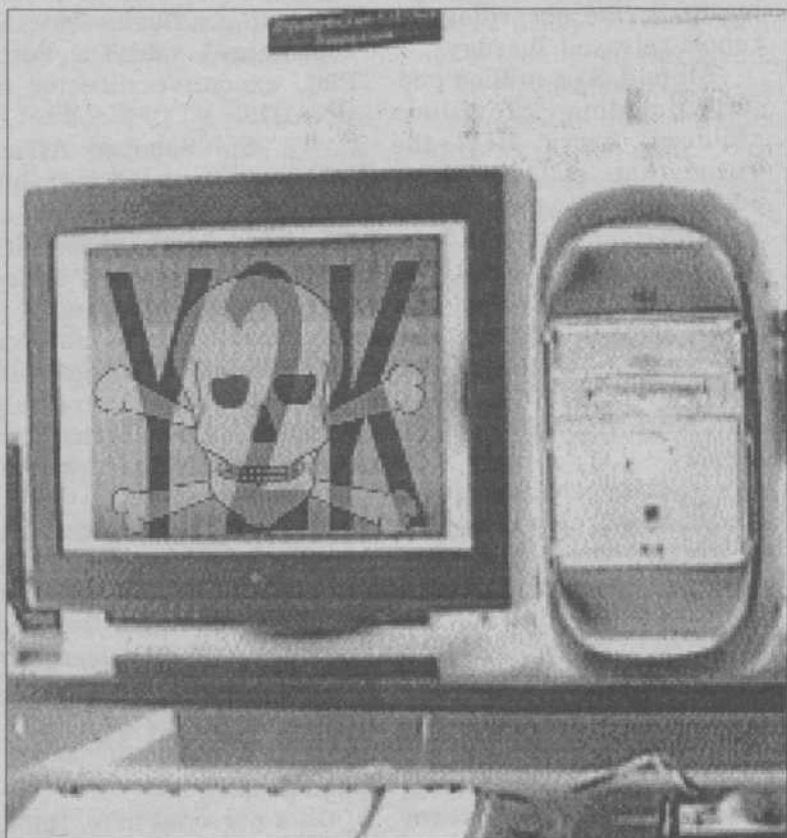
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Here comes Y2K

PC students ask: End of world or just hype?



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by Philip Gioja
Guest Writer

Y2K...The end of civilization or just a bump in the road?

Come Jan. 1, we will know whether the fears and rumors were correct. Until then, we can only guess, and 158 Parkland students were asked to do that in a survey distributed by Newswriting students last week.

Fifty-five percent of the students surveyed said nothing unusual will occur and the whole thing is just a minor issue. One respondent said, "People need to quit trippin'."

Others, however, are not so sure. Forty-nine percent of those who feel something will happen are afraid that power will fail, and 44 percent think that banks and the

financial system will be affected. About 30 percent believe that food shortages will occur.

One respondent said, "I think we are ripe for a new Great Depression. Y2K may be a contributing factor, but it isn't the major cause. Overuse of credit, bankruptcies, soft foreign markets, low commodity prices, inflated stock market and land prices, all of which we had in the '30s are the causes."

Another said, "I think the financial world will be hit harder than anything just because so many people are scared about what could happen."

Asked how long the crisis would last, 75 percent of respondents said it will be relatively short — under three weeks.

One respondent is digging

in for the long haul and said he and his family have enough guns and ammo to last for a 75-day armed conflict. He added: "Looters had better not even look cross-eyed at my place."

About a quarter of the students already have begun stocking up on food and water and plan to stock more in the next month.

Some have chosen to rely on faith. "Those who depend on Christ for their safety will be fine," one student said. "As for others, their safety will be unstable."

Some just want to hide. One said, "I plan to stay in, not panicking...pray, not worry..."

And others plan to go about life as usual, intending, as one student said, to "deal with it when the time comes."

Colleges Among Least Prepared for Y2K

by Tiffany Black
Campus Correspondent

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (TMS) - For the last two years, universities across the country have scrambled to ensure their computer systems work well into the new millennium. Now, with only one month to go before the Y2K bug is expected to strike, the U.S. Department of Education has released a report indicating that all that work may not pay off for many schools.

The report, based on a survey completed by 1,352 universities nationwide, indi-

cates that many institutions may not be prepared to combat the technological troubles Y2K is expected to cause. Researchers estimated that 210 universities wouldn't be ready to fight the glitch — which started years ago when scientists programmed the first computers to record years using only two digits, not four. According to the survey, only 61 percent of universities reported that their most critical computer systems were Y2K-ready in October. However, by Jan. 1, 97 percent of schools reported they would be.

President Clinton's top

Y2K officials aren't as confident. After viewing the report, they declared that institutions of higher education are among the least prepared for 2000.

"I see a big problem here, even though we've finally seen progress in this area," John Koskinen, chairman of the President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion, told the Chronicle of Higher Education.

To help school's determine just how Y2K compliant they are, the Department of Education has come up with checklists and questions for school administrators.

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World AIDS Day

by Liz Davis
News Editor

The attention on AIDS has quieted some in recent years, but the disease is still spreading in epidemic proportions, especially in underdeveloped countries.

Wednesday, Dec. 1, was the eleventh observance of World AIDS Day. Around the nation, the day was remembered with moments of silence and the draping of artwork

According to 1998 figures from avert.org, an AIDS charity based in the United Kingdom, there are 33.4 million people in the world currently living with AIDS, and 13.9 million deaths have been attributed to the virus. Last year, 5.8 million were infected with HIV, and 2.5 million died.

In Illinois, there are currently 22,348 cases of AIDS.

In the U.S., white men have a slightly higher rate of contraction than their female counterparts, at 28,5331 cases for men compared to 26,044 for women. For blacks, the rate of infection is 194,594 for men and 67,723 for women. For Hispanics, 105,660 men and

and 23, 895 women are infected. However, the number of AIDS-related deaths in the U.S. has dropped dramatically, by nearly two-thirds, in the last half of the decade. This decrease has been attributed to increased education, awareness, and new drugs.

But the rest of the world isn't as fortunate. Sub-Saharan Africa is the hardest hit, with approximately 34 million infected persons to date, and 12 million deaths. There are an estimated 5,500 deaths each day that can be attributed to the disease.

Around the world, 6 million are diagnosed with HIV or AIDS every year.

In the Twin Cities, several events to observe World AIDS Day are planned, including a candlelight vigil and draping of art at the Krannert Museum of Art. But AIDS awareness doesn't go away on December 2.

The Greater Community AIDS Project (GCAP) in Champaign provides a "tremendous amount" of financial assistance to those with the disease, according to Donna Buzicky. She said the money is used to pay

ills, rent, and other expenses that the person could not otherwise pay for. Last year, the group provided approximately 100 such grants.

GCAP also maintains Champaign House, a transitional program for those living with the disease. Residents in Champaign House are provided reduced-cost or free living space until they are able to secure a place of their own. Buzicky says Champaign House serves approximately 12-15 people a year.

They also deliver food to about 40 people each month, who are either not able to afford food or who do not have access to a grocery store.

GCAP also offers educational, drug information and general information about HIV and AIDS, as well as referrals.

Free and anonymous HIV testing is available at the Champaign-Urbana Health District. Pre-and post-test counseling is also provided. For more information on HIV and AIDS, contact the Greater Community AIDS Project at 351-2437.

AIDS is Spreading

by Tribune News Services

LONDON -- The AIDS virus is spreading at an alarming rate, according to a report released Tuesday.

All told, 33.6 million people, including 1.2 million children, carry HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, according to the World Health Organization and the U.N. Program on HIV/AIDS.

The report said about half of all people who acquire HIV become infected before they turn 25 and typically die before their 35th birthdays.

The spread is attributed to an increase in the use of injected drugs, the agencies said. And the number of infections worldwide is expected to keep climbing.

"With an epidemic of

this scale, every new infection adds to the ripple effect, impacting families, communities, households and increasingly, businesses and economies," said Dr. Peter Piot, executive director of UNAIDS.

Sub-Saharan Africa continues to be worst hit, with close to 70 percent of the global total of those with HIV. But the report added that battling HIV rates is still a challenge in industrialized countries of the West, where there is "extremely worrying evidence" that safe sexual practices are declining among gay men.

While AIDS deaths in the United States decreased by 42 percent between 1996 and 1997, the figure dropped by only half that between 1997 and 1998.

Cobra Pride Cont. from Front page

Services; Carol Steinman, Associate Vice-President for Student Services; Teresa Dixon, Administrative Assistant for the Dean of Students; Cynthia Morton-Petry, Secretary of Student Life; and Sue Wedding, Athletic Secretary, for coordinating the day's event. Neil Bernstein, photographer for Parkland, was also thanked for his work on the

photography.

On a personal note, Reed, who will be retiring next year, spoke of how glad he was that he was able to attend both the national cross country and volleyball tournaments, as both were held within days of each other in Michigan. "I can tell you," he said, "that's a great retirement gift."

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Mexican, U.S. Officials work together to find bodies

by Alfredo Corchado
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

MEXICO CITY -- The presence of dozens of U.S. federal agents combing through four clandestine graves on Mexican soil represents a turning point in U.S.-Mexico cooperation, U.S. and Mexican officials said Tuesday.

In the past, U.S. agents working in Mexico frequently have generated controversy, with Mexican authorities defending national sovereignty and U.S. officials complaining about a lack of cooperation from their Mexican counterparts.

But this time, FBI forensic experts traveled to Ciudad Juarez at the request of the Mexican government to investigate graves that may hold more than 100 bodies, including some of Americans, killed by drug traffickers.

U.S. officials were quick to point out that the investigation represented growing

cooperation between police on both sides of the border.

"We continue to cooperate well with the Mexican authorities," said State Department spokesman James Rubin. "I think the fact that the FBI and Mexican authorities are jointly investigating this site indicates that there is substantial cooperation going on."

FBI Director Louis Freeh -- who visited Mexico in January -- also stressed the cooperation of the two governments.

"It's very significant -- it's a joint action," Freeh said.

Mexican officials were more low-key in their assessment of the Juarez investigation. But some saw it as a stark departure from the Casa Blanca operation in which American agents infiltrated Mexico to build a case of money-laundering against several Mexican banks and businessmen.

When indictments arising

from that operation were announced, it created a diplomatic furor in Mexico and played center stage during the annual narcotics certification hearing in Washington last summer.

"There has always been cooperation between both governments," said Sen. Francisco Molina Ruiz, a former state attorney general for the state of Chihuahua. "What's different here is that unlike the Casa Blanca Operation, where mistrust and suspicion were common, we're now seeing much more trust between both governments. I think the relationship and cooperation between both governments has matured."

U.S. Rep. Silvestre Reyes, D-El Paso, agreed with that assessment.

"I think in general that there's been a reaching out from a number of different agencies to Mexico in recent years," he said.

Reyes said U.S. officials took a similar, if less exten-

sive, role in investigating a cult mass killing outside Matamoros, across the border from Brownsville, in 1989. The cult's victims included an American college student.

"The U.S. provided forensic assistance in that case," said the congressman, who at the time served as a Border Patrol supervisor in South Texas.

While the FBI's role in the Jurez investigation is encouraging, relations remain strained between the Drug Enforcement Administration and Mexican officials, Reyes said.

"I think the relationship with the DEA has been somewhat more contentious, largely because of (former Administrator Thomas) Constantine," Reyes said. "There are some unresolved issues on the part of the Mexicans with the DEA because of Constantine."

As DEA administrator, Constantine was critical of the Mexican government's

commitment to the counter-drug fight.

Residents in Mexico City were divided over the presence of FBI agents on Mexican soil.

"This should not be taken as a setback for the Mexican police. On the contrary, I think it speaks well for our nation to be cooperating with the FBI," said Teresa Pina Gonzalez, an elementary school teacher.

But insurance agent Andres Valencia Ramirez said the request for U.S. assistance is not an encouraging sign for Mexicans.

"I see this joint operation as a failure," he said, "a failure that our police are incapable of conducting such an investigation. That's humiliating for Mexico."

(Staff writers Tracey Eaton in Ciudad Juarez and David LaGessee in Washington contributed to this report.)

150 dead, 100 missing in China ferry fire

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BEIJING -- At least 150 people are dead and more than 100 missing after a ferry in stormy seas burned and broke apart off China's northeastern coast, official news media reported Friday.

Reports said 36 survivors had been found from the ship. One account said the vessel had been carrying 312 passengers and crew members. A second report put the number aboard at 336.

Sixteen-foot waves and freezing temperatures hampered the rescue effort near the port city of Yantai, in Shandong province. A helicopter, dozens of ships and thousands of soldiers and residents along the shoreline joined in the search for survivors, which occurred 1 1/2 miles offshore, the New China news agency said.

The ship, which belonged to the Yanda Ferry Company in Shandong, left Yantai on Wednesday afternoon for what is normally a seven-to-eight-hour journey 100 miles north to the city of Dalian.

It was forced to turn back because of the extreme conditions, but then around 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, flames were discovered on the second deck, and the ship sent out a distress signal, the news agency said. The wind and waves prevented other ships from immediately approaching.

Some four hours later, apparently engulfed by fire, the ship began drifting. That evening it apparently started to break up, and at least parts of it sank, according to New China.

There were no foreigners on board, the China Daily said.

A survivor, a 28-year-old man, told the French news agency Agence France-Presse that around 4 p.m. Wednesday, all the passengers rushed to the upper deck because of heavy smoke from below, where some 60 cars were making the trip.

"I decided to jump into the water because the smoke was so strong it was hard to breathe," he said, adding that he and five other men had jumped at once. He lost track of the others and swam for an hour, he said, before reaching the shore.

Local officials said many bodies had washed ashore, along with a few people who were found unconscious but still alive.

State television showed a beach littered with thousands of oranges, apples and other apparent wreckage, including what appeared to be at least three life rafts.

According to local news media, this was the second accident in five weeks for a vessel operated by Yanda Ferry Co. In October, a ship caught fire and sank near Dalian, but all but three people were rescued.

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MOVIE REVIEWS

by Michael Wilmington
TMS Campus

END OF DAYS. With its special effects-happy tale of drunken ex-cop Jericho Cane (Arnold Schwarzenegger) battling a sexually predatory Devil (Gabriel Byrne), intent on ravishing a hapless Manhattanite (Robin Tunney), "End of Days" is an overblown, overspectacular, oversold movie without an original idea in its head. Only those fans willing to follow the ex-Terminator all the way to hell and back will be interested in this "End." R.

LIGHT IT UP. This is a good-hearted movie that unfortunately is wildly

implausible and makes no sense. Director Craig Bolotin showcases an attractive mix of new and veteran actors as students who seize a school guard and take control of the school. They negotiate with police in front of TV reporters, but guns and bravada get in the way. R. 1:43. 2 stars. -- M.W.

SLEEPY HOLLOW. Director Tim Burton uses "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" as a stepping-off point for a radically reimagined ghost story. Ichabod Crane (Johnny Depp) is an upstanding New York City constable sent to investigate a series of mysterious decapitations. Ichabod poo-

poos the Sleepy Hollow folks' tale of a Headless Horseman (Christopher Walken) until he himself encounters the ghost. The movie is visually sumptuous and playfully creepy. R. 1:45. 3 stars. -- M.C.

THE STRAIGHT STORY. David Lynch's newest movie is more uncharacteristic and more moving than "The Elephant Man." The real-life story of Alvin Straight, who rode a lawn mower from Laurens, Iowa, to Mt. Zion, Wis., to see his ailing brother with whom he hadn't spoken in decades. Viewers see the simple, unsentimentalized beauty of the rural Midwestern landscape and the physical and moral beauty of some who live there. Cast with perfection,

Straight is played by 79-year-old Richard Farnsworth, a self-effacing ex-Western stuntman and character actor. G. 1:51. 4 stars. -- M.W.

TOY STORY 2. You can't ask for a family film to do more than "Toy Story 2." It's smart and playful enough to entertain adults, yet it never aims above the heads of kids. "Toy Story 2" is essentially a raucous tale about toy mortality, and the lead characters — plastic spaceman Buzz Lightyear (voiced by Tim Allen) and lanky cowboy Woody (Tom Hanks) — are back for more adventures with new toy mates. G. 4 stars. — M.C.

THE WORLD IS NOT ENOUGH. This newest James Bond (Pierce

Brosnan) movie employs a first-rate cast and crew in an overly complex storyline involving an Asian oil pipeline and an undercurrent of past bloodshed. "The World" is a distinct improvement over "Tomorrow Never Dies" but it lacks the old Bond snap, style, impudence and wit. And though Brosnan is a great Bond, Bond doesn't appear to be thriving in the post-Cold War, post-AIDS era. PG-13. 2:05. 3 stars. -- M.W.

(M.C. -- Mark Caro; M.W. -- Michael Wilmington; J.P. -- John Petrakis; M.R. -- Maureen Ryan; R.K. -- Rick Kogan; M.E. -- Monica Eng; B.S. -- Barbara Shulgasser; A.J. -- Allan Johnson.)

Through the looking glass

by Mike Pingree
TMS Campus

BUT, MY TIME IS UP, JUDGE: Timothy Marshall, who had been locked up for a 15-year stretch in Florida for cocaine trafficking, escaped in 1987 and remained at large for nine years before being recaptured and sent back to jail. He has now petitioned for immediate release on the grounds that his sentence would have been up by now. Marshall, 39, who by the way represented himself, included in his calculations the time he was on the lam. The request was denied.

WE SAID WE'D HAVE NO SECRETS: Thomas Rossi thought he had a happy 25-year marriage, but, three years ago, his wife, Denise, won a \$1.3 million California lottery jackpot and immediately divorced him, failing to mention her newfound wealth. Turns out, she wasn't all that happy. Anyhow, Thomas, 65, found out about the dough when a document to "lottery winners" was mailed to his house, so he took his 49-year-old ex-wife back to court. Citing fraud or malice, the irate judge ordered her to give all the money to her ex-hubby: \$66,800 a year for 20 years.

OOHHHH, YESSSS, YESSS: A 40-year-old phone sex operator complained that she developed carpal tunnel syndrome by constantly stimulating herself as she engaged clients in extremely suggestive telephone conversations. She told a Florida worker's compensation board that, because she brought herself to shrieking culmination with her callers as many as seven times a day, she now suffers from the now-common repetitive motion injury in both hands. She was awarded an undisclosed amount of money.

WE'LL GET IT BACK SOON:

Police, called to a Las Vegas casino jewelry store because of a missing \$4,000 diamond ring, suspected a woman had swallowed it when the clerk turned his back. So, they had her X-rayed at a hospital, and there it was. The cops locked her up in the county jail's medical ward where, with the passage of time, it reappeared.

HEY MON, AH DOAN'T ONDERSTAN' YUH: The Department of Housing and Urban Development sent a pamphlet to Haitians in the United States which, in English, would read: "You as a resident have the rights and the responsibilities to

help make your HUD-assisted housing a better home for you and your family." But, because Haitians speak Creole, it was written in an imitation Jamaican dialect. It said: "Yuh as a rezedent, ave di rights ahn di rispansabilities to elp mek yuh HUD-asisted owzing ah behta owme fi yuh ahn yuh fambily." It was signed by HUD's boss, "Sekretary Andrew M. Cuomo fella."

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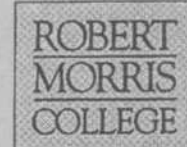
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Lady Cobra Basketball

Results

by Mitchell Wilson
Sports Editor

Playing their CCCI foe, Lincoln College at Parkland on Thursday, the Lady Cobras got off to a slow start but managed to even the score at 27 by half time.

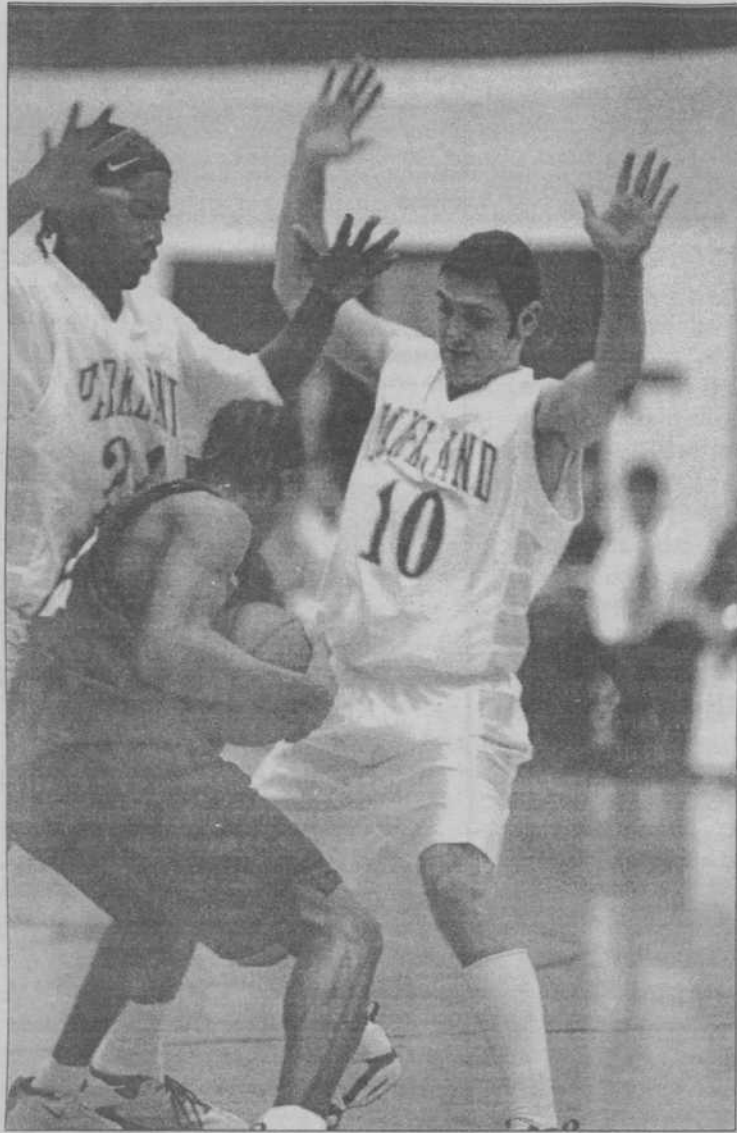
The second half started the same way as the first with the Lady Cobras coming out cold. The Lady Lynx started the second half with some hot shooting and would never look back. Lincoln College went on to win by a score of 73-55.

Leading the way in scoring for the Lady Cobras was Elise Carlson with 15 points and Brianna Williams with 14 points. Carrie Rieck pulled down 12 rebounds for the Lady Cobras. The loss dropped the Lady Cobras record to 1-5 on the season.

This Tuesday the Lady Cobras played host CCCI foe and arch rival Danville Area Community College. The Lady Cobras came out shooting right from the top and took an early 7-0 lead. That would be a lead they would never relinquish.

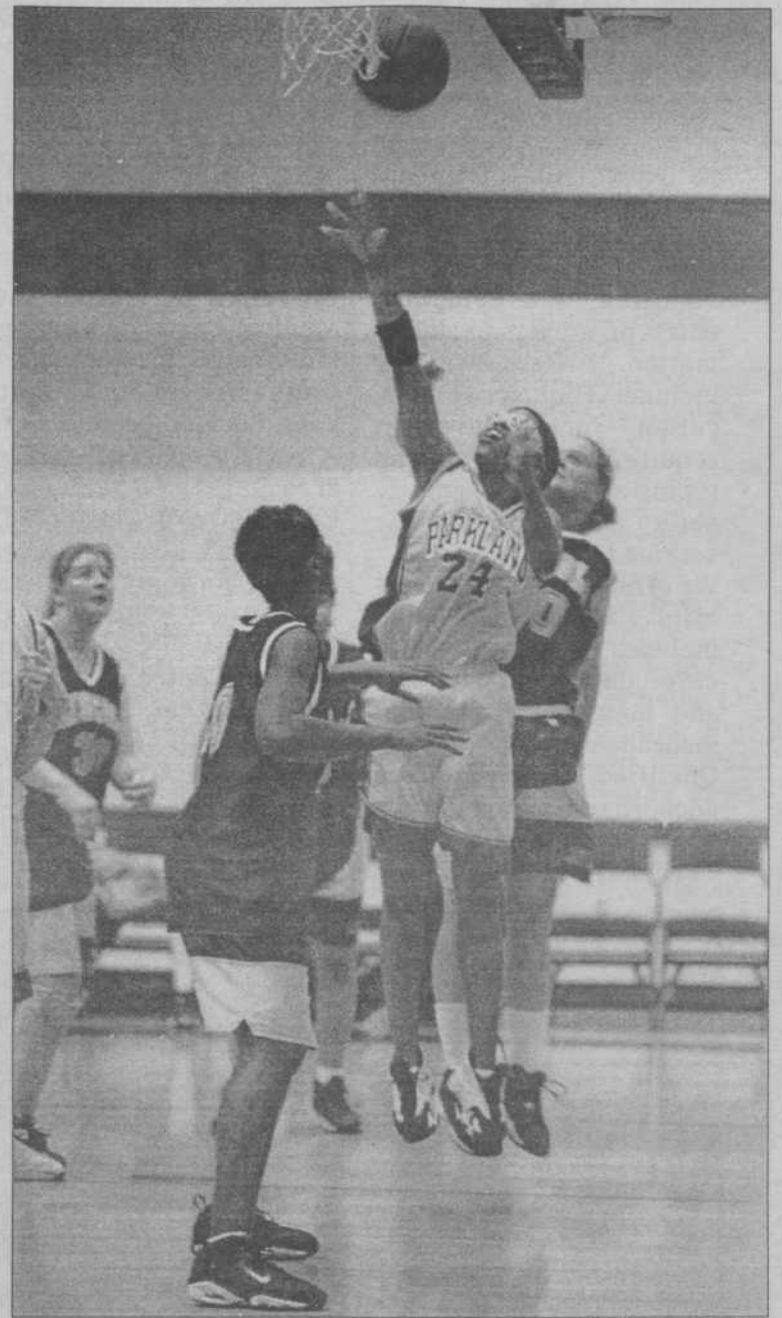
The Lady Cobras went on to win the game by a score of 59-50. They were led in scoring by Carrie Yerkey with 11 points and Brianna Williams and Kimberly Crot each with 10 points. Carrie Rieck pulled down 15 rebounds for the Lady Cobras. The win improved their record to 2-5 on the season.

The Lady Cobras play again at home on Saturday, Dec. 4, at 2 p.m. against Lewis and Clark College.



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Jon Pierre Bebley and Tim Camastro defend against Kankakee player in their loss to Lincoln.



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Lady Cobra Keysha Myers goes up strong against two Lincoln defenders in their loss to Lincoln.



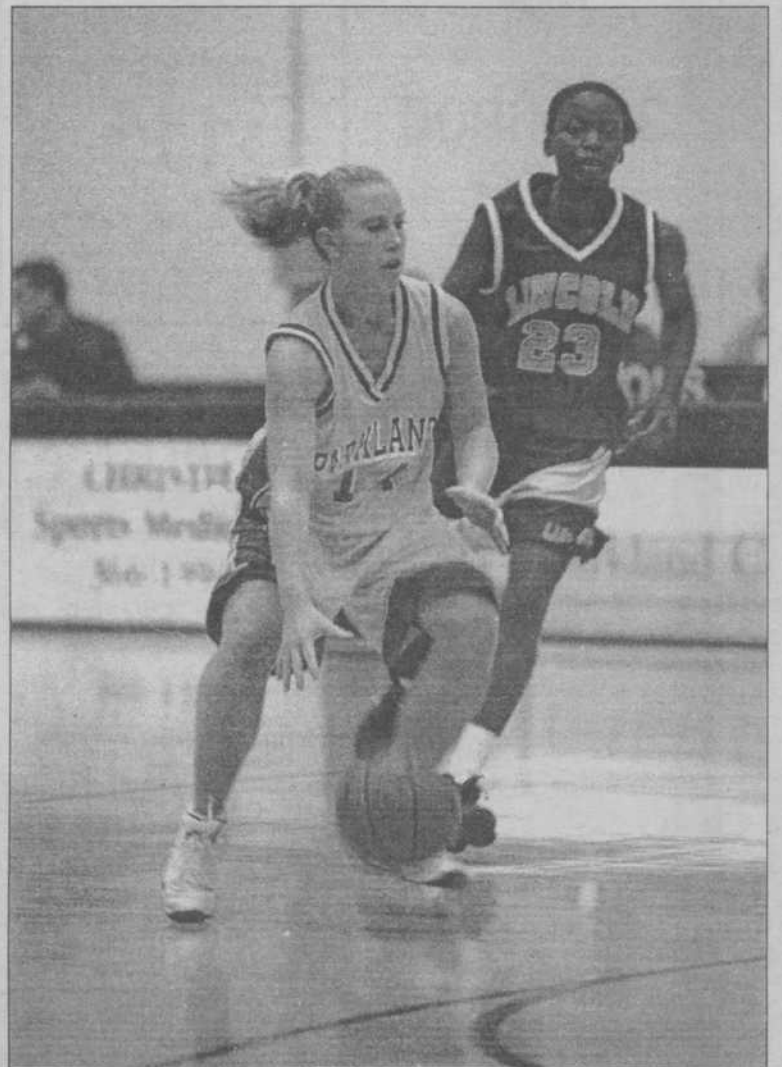
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Jon Pierre Bebley passing the ball in their loss to Lincoln.



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Parkland Dancers Jessica Richey, Kyresa Emery, and Casey Collins get the crowd excited.



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Carrie Yerkey drives to the basket in the women's loss to Lincoln.