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### Registration for Spring Classes Begins

Open registration for courses to be offered during the spring 2000 semester at Parkland College will begin November 11.

January 8 will be the last day to register in person without a late fee, and classes begin January 10. The public is encouraged to register early for best course selection.

Students who have already completed the admission process can register for spring 2000 courses from any touch-tone phone by calling 217/373-3700 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. any day of the week, including holidays. "Your Parkland Connection" telephones are also available on campus.

Those new to Parkland can start their enrollment at Parkland's Admissions office. Hours are Mondays through Thursdays, 8 a.m.



Neil Bernstein/Prospectus

Parkland students register for upcoming Spring 2000 classes

to 8 p.m.; Fridays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to noon. The Admissions office will be closed November 25 through 28 and December 24 through January 2.

Parkland offers a variety of courses during the day, in the evening, and on Saturdays, both on campus and at locations around the district. Tuition and fees for district residents are \$51 per credit hour.

Counselors and advisers are available during registration, and students may take advantage of other services such as orientation, testing and assessment, and career planning and job placement.

For more registration information, contact the Office of Admissions and Records at 217/351-2482, or consult the spring class schedule, which has been mailed to all households in Community College District 505.

### Parkland wins Excellence Award

Prospectus staff writer

Parkland President Zelema Harris has announced that she has been notified that Parkland will receive the Illinois Community College Board's Award for Excellence in Learning-Centered Instruction for its initiative, "Integrated Studies Communities Supporting the At-Risk Student."

President Harris said, "This award is the result of the outstanding efforts of several individuals including Dorothy Voyles, Ann Burke, Lenita Epinger, Barb Gentry, Seth Mendelowitz, Linda Moore, Marilyn Newman, and Gina Walls."

She invited others to join her in congratulating the Integrated Studies Commu-

nities team for its award-winning initiative.

In a note to Dr. Harris, Marilyn Newman, Director of the Learning Lab, said, "The ISC team's work would have come to nothing were it not for additional and all-important members — the classroom teachers of these communities of learners. I'd like folks to know of the fine work done by these teachers: Terry Adcock, Tom Barnard, Debbie Cox, Jim Forman, Tammy Marry, Jennifer Satterlee, and Janet Telhorst. All of us, I'm sure, feel honored to do work which benefits the retention of Parkland College students. Thank you for the support of these and future learning communities."

### "El Club Hispanoamericano" celebrates the Day of the Dead

by Renato Rodriguez

"El Club Hispanoamericano" (The Hispanic-American Club) celebrated the Day of the Dead, one of the most authentic traditions of the Hispanic American culture at Parkland College on Tuesday November 2 at the Flag Lounge.

Officially, the Day of the Dead, or Día de los Muertos, is a custom that honors the dead as a happy crew of sensitive and lustful beings that have simply been displaced from physical reali-



Tim Higgins/Prospectus

Parkland club celebrates Day of the Dead

ty. Celebrated most fervidly in Mexico, the November 2nd holiday is marked in conjunction with the Catholic holy days of All Saints' and All Souls, held on the first two days of November, respectively. The story goes that on those days, the dead return to satisfy their worldly appetites and desires, gathering up boot-cigarettes, food, candy, flowers, and toys—from altars, or ofrendas, maintained by their families.

This year members of

the "Club Hispanoamericano" offered their altar to Selena, the popular Mexican-American singer murdered in 1997. Among the offerings to Selena were Mexican tortillas, flowers, candles, and tequila.

Members and friends of the "Club Hispanoamericano" celebrated Selena's memory by sharing Mexican food and drinks as well as playing her most popular songs in English and Spanish.

### Meningitis: the facts you need to know

With the recent case of a Penn State reporter being diagnosed with the meningitis after attending a University of Illinois football game and memories of the 1991 area outbreak still fresh in many minds, the mere mention of meningitis can trigger worries of another plague.

Current statistics do point to a rapid increase of bacterial meningitis cases among college students in the last decade—600 cases have been reported since 1991—and outbreaks on campuses have become more frequent in recent

years. According to a report from the Centers for Disease Control published in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* (July 1999), 83 cases of bacterial meningitis were reported last year, including a case at Eastern Illinois University.

But while concern is warranted, panic is not, says Jan Thom, former Parkland health specialist.

Thom said that 5 to 10 percent of the general public carries the meningococcal bacteria, so exposure to the organism happens on a regular

basis. "One thing that seems to make the difference in whether you get the disease or not is what kind of shape your immune system is in," she said.

"Eat a good diet, get enough sleep—at least eight hours, regular exercise, and avoid excess stress," she advised.

She also cautioned against smoking and excessive drinking, both of which depress the immune system. "Being around cigarette smoke, regardless of whether you smoke or not, does have a

negative effect on your immune system."

Another key preventative measure, Thom said, is frequent hand washing. But a quick rinse under the faucet won't suffice. She said it should take 15 seconds to wash one's hands—the time it takes to sing one verse of "Happy Birthday To You."

"Every time you wash your hands, you're decreasing the number of disease-causing organisms on your hands," she explained.

Thom added that using hand lotion will prevent skin

from cracking, which is uncomfortable and also an easy way for infection to spread.

As for the hand gels that tout themselves as antibacterial, Thom said they are best used "only when soap and running water are not available [or] as a second line of defense."

Although it may seem common sense, Thom said one thing not to do is to isolate oneself from others. She said that in a recent study, the subjects who were healthiest were

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## Trefzger wins teaching award



Jim Trefzger

Prospectus File Photo

Jim Trefzger, professor of mathematics at Parkland College, received the 1999 Excellence in College Mathematics Teaching Award from the Illinois Council of Teachers of Mathematics at the organization's annual meeting in Springfield October 15.

The award is presented annually to a two-year college, four-year college, or university faculty member who excels in undergraduate teaching and has shown leadership and influence at the state and local levels.

## PC open house

Those interested in attending college—whether to begin work on a four-year degree, to learn a new career, or to take a class for personal enrichment—are invited to Parkland College's Fall Open House Friday, November 19, from 2 to 5 p.m. in the College Center. Parents of college-bound teenagers are also welcome.

The free open house will include refreshments and campus tours of the college's academic depart-

ments and cultural facilities. Participants will also have an opportunity to find out about financial aid, the application process, support services (including child care and free tutoring), and alternative ways of taking courses, including classes off-campus and through the Internet or video.

For more information about the open house, call the Parkland Admissions office at 217/351-2482.

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## Letters to the Editor

To the editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Philip Gioja (Nov. 3rd Letters to the Editor) for pointing out to me that sometimes the general public is a much different audience than we expect. It would appear that my letter to the editor has generated some misunderstanding. Please allow me to rephrase my intended purpose.

As a father of four who holds two jobs, I am also a full time student with a 3.526 GPA. I am very rarely, if ever, late for class. It would be much easier for me to achieve my current success if people would extend some courtesy and not stand in the hallway. I would also experience much less stress and so would they. There would be less bumping into one another and the friendly Parkland atmosphere would be enhanced that much more.

My other concern on this subject involves safety. If there is a fire or some other emergency, people are likely to be in a state of panic. Panic can result in a stam-

pede. I am concerned that the people who stand in the hallway blocking traffic will be trampled. In this case, the Parkland police would be unable to help these folks. I'm not asking for "marshal law" to keep this from happening. I am simply asking the officers to politely ask people to move their conversations to a more appropriate area.

The ticket on the windshield I was referring to was on an unlocked vehicle and the lights were still on when the person returned. The ticket read, "We noticed your lights are on." I have always understood that if something comes up missing in the vehicle they can be held liable. I humbly apologize if my sarcasm on this issue seemed disrespectful. It wasn't meant that way. It was simply intended to motivate discussion that is now taking place.

Thanks to the Prospectus for providing a forum for this debate

Greg File

Sophomore in History

## French club prepares to bid au revoir

by Liz Davis  
News Editor

When most students will be homeward bound or comatose the day after finals, members of the Parkland French Club will be en route to a winter wonderland.

The group will be touring Quebec Dec. 18 through 22, said the club's advisor, Martha Bowser-Kiener.

The club has been holding numerous events, and plans to hold a raffle near the holidays. Prizes will be of a French theme, such as baskets of French food from the Art Mart and gift certificates from area French restaurants. Bowser-Kiener added that because of the popularity of the quiche sale last year, another might be in the near future. "It's a great group to work with this semester," she said. "This club does absolutely everything for themselves."

Although the complete cost of the trip will not be covered by the various fundraising events, Bowser-Kiener said each student will receive a portion of the funds to help defray costs.

Support has been "great" from the Parkland community, she said, adding that people will often contribute to the donation box, even if they don't purchase anything.

Bowser-Kiener said she is glad she could offer the trip "I think having a goal keeps

people motivated and involved," she said.

The group will be staying in youth hostels during their tour, which will give them the opportunity to meet students from around the world.

Bowser-Kiener has been advisor of the French Club since 1991, when she revived it from dormancy. Because it had not been active, she and the new members "started from scratch," writing a new constitution and setting forth on a new path.

She said a great deal of interest comes from beginners, and those with little or no French language experience are encouraged to join. "I would like for people who don't know the language to be in the club," she said.

The group meets for meals, films, and the occasional rendezvous at area cafés.

Bowser-Kiener has also organized trips to France in late May, which are open to anyone interested. She said she has worked on making the trips more affordable. "I've had grandmothers with grandchildren come along. Everyone gets along beautifully."

And although it takes a lot of effort, Bowser-Kiener said the payoffs are worth it. "It's so neat to be able to make memories. It is a really good feeling, especially for first time travelers."



## Campus Calendar

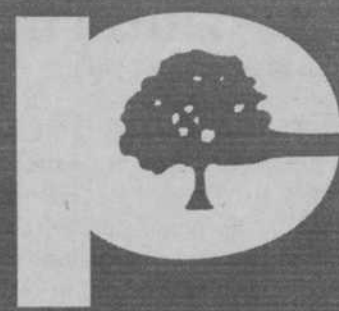
**Thursday, Nov. 11-4-6 p.m.**  
Voices of Parkland gospel choir  
Rehearsal  
Room C142  
All are welcome

**Friday, Nov. 12-12 noon**  
Abortion Rights—Should Women Still Care?  
Room A208  
Guest Speaker:  
Debbie Murphy  
Sponsored by Women's Programs & Services

**Saturday, Nov. 13-9a.m.-11 p.m.**

**Sunday, Nov. 14-9a.m.-9 p.m.**  
Phi Theta Kappa Bookfair  
Pages For All Ages  
1201 Savoy Plaza, next to the Savoy 16 Theater  
20% of purchases will go towards scholarships, chapter programs, and America Reads Challenge. Be sure to mention Parkland PTK at the check out!

**Wednesday, Nov. 17 noon**  
"Saving the Grand Prairie of the Kickapoo"  
Guest speakers Bill and Doris Emmet  
Gallery Lounge  
Refreshments provided



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Javier Guadarrama and Jorge L. Valdovinos in Parkland's cafe. Thanks for a job well done!

# Prospectus Spotlight

## Nov. is Diabetes Awareness Month

Before you reach for that next candy bar, consider this: you may be one of the five million Americans who has diabetes but doesn't know it. According to information from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), over 10 million people in the U.S. have been diagnosed with diabetes, and 5 million more go undiagnosed.

Every year, 193,000 Americans die from the disease, making it the seventh leading cause of death in the country.

Diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in adults, chronic, irreversible kidney damage, and non-injury related lower extremity amputations. However, each of these complications is preventable in at least 50 percent of the cases.

Locally, more than 10,000 people in Champaign County have the disease, according to Jennifer Caulfield, registered dietician at Carle hospital, and about one-third don't know they have it. She said incidents of Type 2 diabetes have "increased dramatically" and attributed this to Americans eating more and exercising less.

Caulfield has been a certified diabetes educator for five years and coordinates diabetes education for Carle.

Diabetes is a disease that affects the pancreas, which produces a hormone called insulin. Insulin controls the body's use of glucose, or blood sugar. When afflicted with diabetes, the pancreas either cannot produce enough insulin or

cannot use it as it should.

There are various types of diabetes, including Type 1, known as juvenile onset diabetes, and gestational diabetes, which occurs during pregnancy. Type 2 accounts for almost all diabetes cases.

According to the CDC, those who are at higher risk of developing Type 2 diabetes include "older age, obesity, family history of diabetes, prior history of gestational diabetes (diabetes while pregnant), physical inactivity, and ethnic background." The disease also seems to be more prevalent in certain ethnicities, the elderly, African-Americans, Hispanics, Latinos, Pacific Islanders, and Native Americans.

Symptoms of diabetes may include frequent urination, excessive thirst, unexplained weight loss, sores that are slow to heal, more infections than usual, and sudden vision changes. However, not everyone with diabetes exhibits these symptoms.

According to the CDC, "a number of studies have shown that regular physical activity can significantly reduce the risk of developing Type 2 diabetes."

Caulfield suggested that anyone over age 40 or who have a family history of diabetes should work with their health care provider to monitor their health status. She recommended those with risk factors should eat a diet that follows food pyramid guidelines, concentrating on lowfat, high fiber foods.

She cautioned against "fad

diets," that are currently popular, like the low carbohydrate diet, do not offer long term benefits. "We know fad diets don't work." She explained that reduce carbohydrate intake will reduce weight, but the weight lost will be water weight and not fat. "[That's] not the kind of weight you want to lose."

Carle was recently awarded a \$200,000 grant for diabetes education and research.

American Diabetes Association  
1660 Duke Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
800/232-3472  
800/DIABETES for diabetes information  
800/ADA-ORDER to order publications toll free  
<http://diabetes.org>

National Center for Nutrition and Dietetics  
216 West Jackson Blvd., Suite 800  
Chicago, IL 60606-6995  
800-366-1655 Consumer Nutrition Hotline (Spanish speaker available)  
800-745-0775  
<http://www.eatright.org/>

American Association of Diabetes Educators  
100 West Monroe, 4th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60603-1901  
800/338-3633 for names of diabetes educators  
312/424-2426 to order publications  
<http://www.aadenet.org>

National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse  
1 Information Way  
Bethesda, MD 20892-3560  
301/654-3327  
<http://www.aerie.com/nihdb.ndic.dmdbase.html>

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diverse group of people; those with limited contact to others were sick most often.

Although they are no more at risk than the general population, college students do contract the disease more often.

College freshmen, especially those living in dorms, are three to five times more likely to be infected with the disease than their off-campus counterparts.

Studies on why students are more prone to the disease are currently underway, but evidence already exists that their lifestyles are a major factor. They are often sleep deprived, stressed out, and consuming less-than-nutritious meals.

Smoking and drinking seem to contribute to increasing the risk of contracting the disease not only because they weaken the immune system, but also because students frequently share cigarettes and drinks at bars, some studies have

shown.

Thom also cautioned against confusing bacterial meningitis with its less virulent cousin, viral meningitis. She said that most cases last a short time and the patient can expect a full recovery without antibiotics. "Sometimes people can have viral meningitis and not even know they have it," she said.

The bacteria *Neisseria meningitidis* is responsible for four strains, or types, of bacterial meningitis, as well as meningococemia, a rare and deadly blood infection.

It is spread through close contact with an infected person, such as kissing, sharing eating or drinking utensils, or being exposed to any bodily secretions.

The bacteria causes swelling around the spinal cord and brain that, if left untreated, can cause death. Symptoms of the disease may appear in a matter

of hours or within a few days of exposure. They include a fever greater than 101 degrees and one or more of the following: a severe headache, a stiff neck, mental changes such as agitation, confusion or unconsciousness, discomfort looking into bright lights, and a rash that can appear as tiny bumps or large bruises.

Because the symptoms are often similar to those of a cold or the flu, they are easy to dismiss. If diagnosed early, meningitis can be treated with hospitalization and antibiotics. However, the mortality rate for bacterial meningitis is about 10 percent, and others may suffer brain damage, kidney failure, hearing loss, or amputation.

A vaccine against bacterial meningitis is available but does not protect against type B meningitis. It is 85 percent effective against the other strains and also protects

## Reston Papers donated to U of I Archives

by Wendy Kim  
staff writer

A distinguished panel of speakers was assembled for 'A celebration of the Opening of the James B. Reston Papers' on November 3, 1999 at Gregory Hall at the University of Illinois. The symposium speakers consisted of John Stacks, the executive editor of *Time Magazine*, Max Frankel, former executive editor of *The New York Times*, and John Reston, Jr., author and son of 'Scotty' Reston. Ronald Yates, former *Chicago Tribune* national and foreign correspondent, and head of the U of I Department of Journalism, was the moderator of the panel.



Neil Bernstein/Prospectus  
Max Frankel, former executive editor, *The New York Times*



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John Stacks, executive editor, *Time Magazine*



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Ronald Yates, head of the U of I Department of Journalism



Neil Bernstein/Prospectus  
The Reston Family

More pictures of  
competitive  
Ballroom Dancing  
in next issue.



Neil Bernstein/Prospectus  
Sara and Joe Swallow

against meningococemia. Immunity lasts from three to five years.

However, Thom cautioned against relying solely on the vaccine for protection and not following other preventative measures. "The shot is just one way to help prevent the infection. These other things are as important if not more important." Thom said the vaccine could be obtained from one's personal health care provider or from the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District. The vaccine is not typically stocked in medical offices, so students should request it in advance.

The University of Illinois offers the vaccine to its students at no charge.

Students wishing to obtain the vaccine through the C-U Public Health District must pre-pay at the time of scheduling an appointment. Cost of the vaccine is \$70 and cash is the only

accepted form of payment.

For more information, contact Parkland Health Specialist June Burch in L-122 or call her at 373-3879. The Champaign-Urbana Public Health District is located at 710 N. Neil Street in Champaign and can be reached at 352-7961.

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A FEVER OF 101 DEGREES OR MORE  
AND  
SEVERE HEADACHE  
STIFF NECK  
SENSITIVITY TO LIGHT  
MENTAL CHANGES (AGITATION, CONFUSION, UNCONSCIOUSNESS)  
A RASH

# X-Files Starts Seventh Season

by John Isberg  
Features Editor

The wait has finally ended. The X-files seventh season got underway this last Sunday night. For many of you X-philes, these last few months have been full of anticipation. I know, because I am one. Waiting week after week for the season to begin, arguing over pet theories as to the direction of the show, debating over who is a better bad guy, Krycek or Cigarette Smoking Man and just generally acting like the big nerd you know you are has consumed most of us X-philes as we sat with baited breath for the new season to begin.

When last we left off, Mulder (David Duchovny) was in a padded cell under security in the psych ward, apparently having gone insane due to close contact with a supposedly alien artifact while investigating a murder. The final shot of last season's finale was



Scully watches over Mulder during the X-Files season premiere photo courtesy of X-Files web site

even more jaw dropping as Scully (Gillian Anderson) discovered a huge alien craft in the shallows off the

coast of Africa. As the camera panned away and the credits rolled, most of us that saw the episode sat

in stunned disbelief as the perpetually skeptical Scully, who incredulously manages to never actually see anything, finally, FINALLY has to acknowledge that maybe Mulder is on to something.

So there we were, left in the dark to wonder what would unfold in season seven. As of Sunday night, questions were finally answered, though, with Chris Carter, creator and writer for the X-files, where one question is answered, five new questions pop up to completely frustrate the audience.

As the season premiere, "The Sixth Extinction," unfolded, Scully was still in Africa exploring and deciphering the alien craft, which may be the key to unlocking the X-files, and Mulder was still locked up in the psych ward. Not much of the episode went beyond this, except that Mulder now has ESP (huh??). The real kick in the teeth came not during

the episode but during the preview for next week's episode. Good God, Deep Throat is back! Mulder's mentor during the first season, Deep Throat was killed trying to save Mulder's life. "Did you think I was really dead," Deep Throat quipped during the preview. This mind-shattering revelation and Cigarette Smoking Man telling Mulder that HE is Mulder's father??? After hearing this I stood up and yelled profanities at the TV, Man, I'm such a nerd... Also, Krycek makes an appearance and well, this just sounds too good to pass up so tune in next week to see just where this is all going to go.

As this is the rumored last season of the X-Files, this will be required viewing for many. As the show's famous mantra states, and hopefully for the faithful audience, "The truth is out there."

## Music Reviews

### 8 1/2 Souvenirs serves up Austin cool

by John Isberg  
Features Editor

As the latest swing trend saturates the already stagnant music scene with look alike swing bands such as the Mighty Blue Kings and the joke known as Brian Setzer Orchestra (does nobody remember the Stray Cats??), it is a relief to hear the cool, seductive, familiar and alternately foreign sound of Austin, TX's 8 1/2 souvenirs. Blending the sounds of swing with the feel of a French foreign film, 8 1/2 Souvenirs has a sound that is hard to pass up.

8 1/2 Souvenirs, in their sixth year together, have released their newest album, "Twisted Desire," the sophomore follow-up to

the very vibrant, "Happy Feet." The album is a bit darker and has a more mature sound. Lead chanteuse Chrysta Bell sings with such sensuality and passion as to set your stereo on fire from her heat. The newest addition to 8 1/2 souvenirs, she has been with the band for the past three years. Evoking such femme fatales as Nico of the Velvet Underground and Josephine Baker, during 8 1/2 Souvenirs' live set at the High Dive, Chrysta entranced the audience.

Lead guitarist Olivier Giraud was also great but the best moments were from pianist Justin Sherburn when he'd leave the keys behind to indulge the accordionist in all of us. Also notable was his kazoo solo.



8 1/2 Souvenir's latest album, "Twisted Desire," on RCA records

Luckily, "Twisted Desire," carries this heat beyond live performance to recorded sound. The album

opens with a cover of ZZ Top's, "Sharp Dressed Man," which in their capable hands, they take even

deeper than the bearded duo with the rotating guitars. Other standouts include the title song, "Twisted Desire," and the emotionally raw, "Lonely in Love," which evokes such pain and longing as to give Tori Amos a run for her money. "Spider Lady," while reminiscent of David Bowie's, "Lady Stardust," in its feel, is also a beautiful song. The finale, "Yes, Yes, Yes," is a rousing number that'll make you want to dance all night.

The album is very strong throughout its mix of covers and originals. It's served best over chilled wine or mixed with a dry gin martini. The soundtrack to your most passionate nights, give in to your "Twisted Desire," and check this one out.

## Music News

by John Isberg  
Features Editor

- The Samples come to the Canopy Nov. 18th.
- Record Service celebrates its 30th anniversary this Saturday at the High Dive. Absinthe Blind is scheduled to play.
- Absinthe Blind releases a new ep titled, "Image."

- The ep contains new songs such as "City Soul," "Standing with Knives," and "The Night You Came Home."
- This Friday Nov. 12th, Chicago's Local H comes to the High Dive. Local act, Sarge opens. Show starts at 9:30.
- Ani Difranco releases her newest album, "To The Teeth," on Nov. 16th. The

- advanced copy sounds really good. The Artist (Prince, for those of you tired of saying his freakin' long name) makes a guest appearance on the album.
- The Reverend Horton Heat comes to the High Dive Sunday, Dec. 5th.
- That's all for now. Stay tuned for more entertainment news.



Ani Difranco's newest release, "To The Teeth," hits stores Nov. 16th

## Students shocked at molestation video

(Tribune Media Services) Las Cruces, NM—Students say a videotape on child molestation recently shown in a New Mexico State University psychology class had no educational value.

They've filed a complaint with university officials, faulting their professor for using poor judgment when he allowed the tape to be shown by a student in a course on sexual behavior.

The student, former Las Cruces Police Detective Kay Hernandez, showed the video during a presentation on pedophilia.

The video featured the molestation of an 8-year old girl that the police department said happened about a decade ago. That girl—who is now 18 years old and no longer lives in Las Cruces—on Oct. 4 filed an intent-to-sue notice against the city and its police department for making the tape pub-

lic.

The professor involved refused to comment about the matter.

"I feel the rights of many people have been violated by this incident," junior Cristina Contreras said. "The rights of the girl in the video, the pedophile's, and our rights as students.

Contreras, who also filed a complaint with the city's police department, said Hernandez did warn the class that the video contained graphic material—but that those warnings weren't strong or clear enough.

"If I knew what was going to be shown I would've never watched it," Contreras said. "I imagined an interview with a pedophile, not an actual incident."

The tape showed the pedophile and the child engaged in sexual behavior that included kissing, groping and the ca-

ressing of the child's genitals, Contreras said.

"I was in shock and the professor just sat there and just went on to the next presentation."

Another student in the class, senior John Lassiter, agreed. He said that the video was "disgusting and tasteless." He said many students were so distraught they burst into tears or left the room.

Lassiter said he faulted the course's instructor for not stopping the 10-minute tape sooner.

"The damage has been done and I feel it wasn't handled professionally," Lassiter said.

School officials said the potential litigation prevented them from publicly discussing the matter, but that they were investigating the students' complaints.

## Wal-Mart pulls toys after protest

(Tribune Media Service) Kennesaw, GA—A professor at Kennesaw State University led a protest that prompted Wal-Mart to pull from its shelves a doll depicting a World Wrestling Federation wrestler carrying around a woman's head.

Sabrina Parton, a communications instructor, said the doll—Summer Slam '99: Road Rage Al Snow—makes light of violence against women. The toy is modeled after Snow and comes with a female mannequin's head much like the one he regularly takes with him into the ring. The words "Help me" are scrawled backwards across the mannequin's forehead.

"My sons are 6 and 11. What kind of message would this toy send them about brutalization of women," she asked during a protest outside one Wal-Mart store. "I could see if this was an adult novelty item, people could make a choice about whether to buy it. But the label says it's recommended for children ages 4 and older. That's terribly wrong."

Wal-Mart's management decided the doll was "at the least a questionable item," company spokesman John Bisio said.

"So we are removing it from the shelf, probably permanently," he said.

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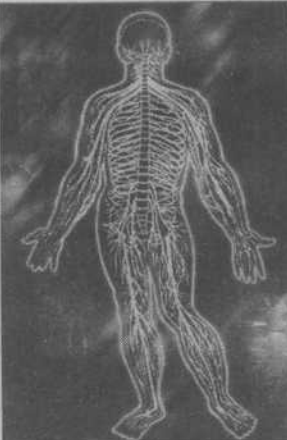
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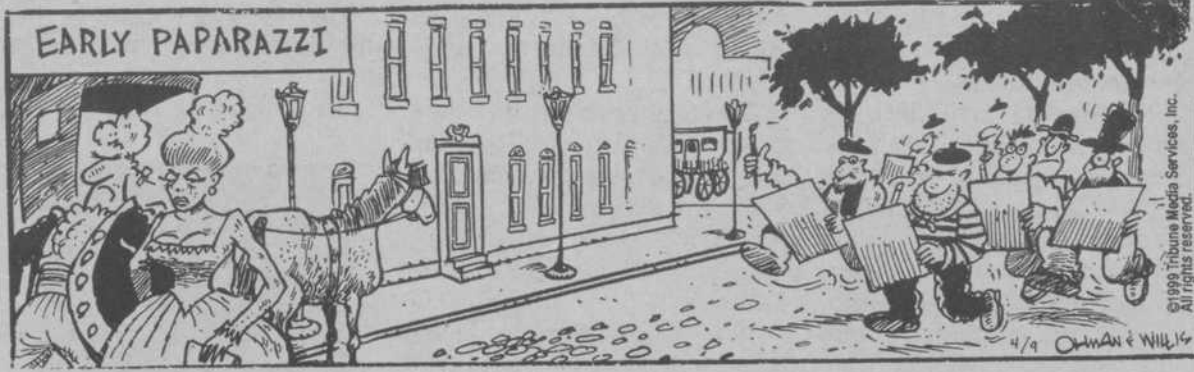
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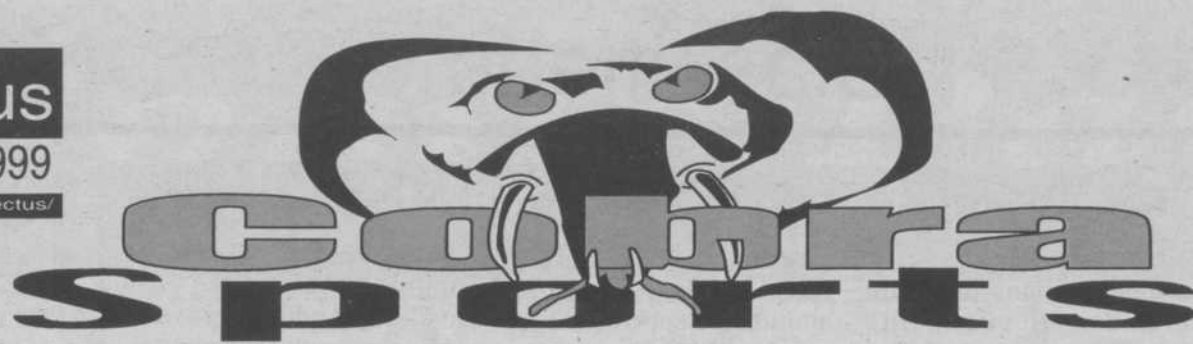


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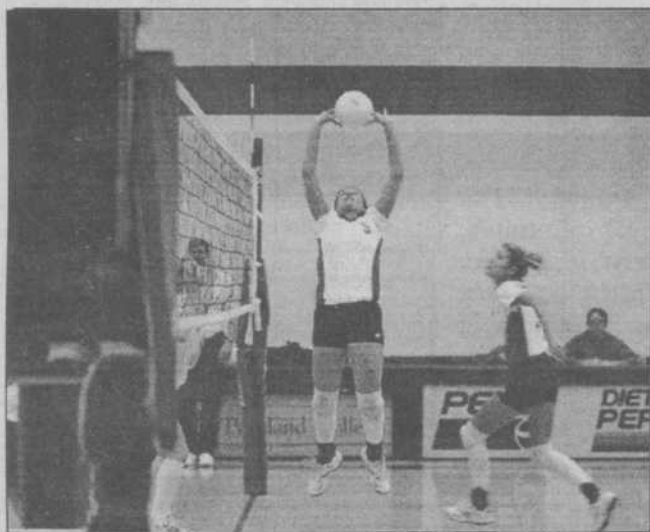
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### Men's Cross Country #3 in Nation Women's Cross Country #2 in Nation

Women's Cross Country are being led by Judi Huddleston. Men's Cross Country are being led by Juan

Ortega. Both will be competing at Nationals in Lansing, MI., on Saturday November 13.

## Ohio State women's rugby team in topless photo

COLOMBUS, Ohio (TMS)—Ohio State University rugby team is in trouble after posing for photographs with their shirts off? What gives?

Well, university officials say, it was the women's team.

The athletes posed for pictures in front of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C. last week. Twelve of the

37 who had their pictures taken were topless—but they did manage to cover their breasts with their hands.

A Washington Post photographer snapped the women as they were putting their shirts back on. The images ran in the D.C. newspaper and in the Columbus Dispatch.

School officials reacted by suspending the team from practice and two games. Further sanctions are under consideration because school officials say the women's actions tarnished OSU's image. The team has apologized and hopes school will punish only those women who posed topless.

"The students understand that they did something that caused them great harm to the university, that's definitely clear," team Coach Jon Moore told The Lantern. "They are very willing to make up for that and make amends."

Many students said they couldn't understand what the

big fuss was about.

"They didn't do anything illegal," said student Rob Coridan, pointing out that Washington, D.C.'s laws do not prohibit women from appearing topless in public. "It was their right...If it was the men's rugby team, this wouldn't be an issue at all."

## Payton: A man without peers

(TMS)—In the grand scheme of things, Chicago never had a Babe Ruth, as New York did, or a Johnny Unitas, as Baltimore did, or a Wilt Chamberlain, as Philadelphia did. Megastar performers always seemed to land in other cities, not Chicago.

Then came Walter Payton. Chicago had its share of memorable athletes before Payton. Ernie Banks was both classy and great, although he never loomed bigger than Willie Mays of Hank Aaron. Gale Sayers, "the Kansas Comet," had a career as fleeting as his nickname. Dick Butkus was wonderfully mean, but he played defense on mostly terrible teams. Bobby Hull was a tremendous player on some outstanding teams, but hockey is, well hockey.

Never before had Chicago had an athlete capable of doing the superhuman things Payton did, almost routinely. The town finally had a player of Ruthian achievements in the sport that mattered most to its citizens.

Among the volumes of records that help define sports, few are bigger than

most yards running with a football. Most every Chicagoan feels a measure of pride in noting the owner of that record is a Bear, Walter Payton.

What Payton did was magnified by when he did it. Chicago sports were an absolute black hole in 1975, Payton's rookie year. The local landscape was beyond bleak.

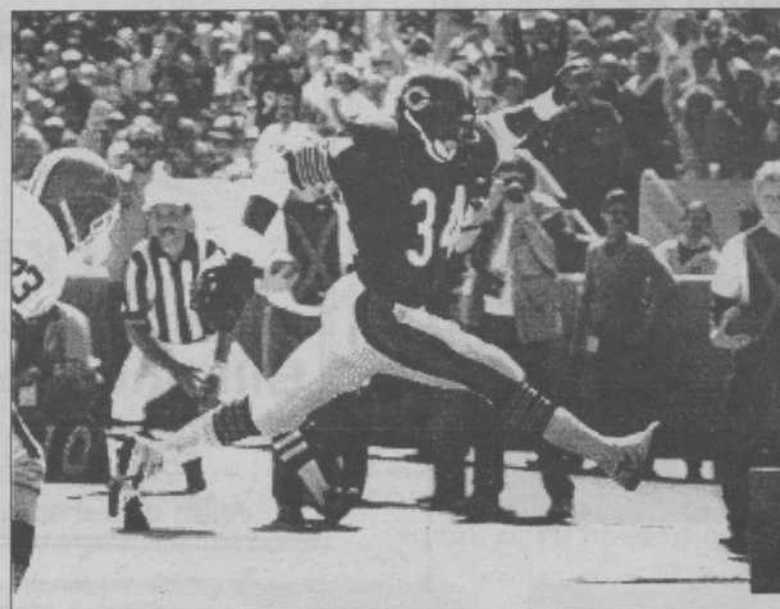
A competitive Bulls team was breaking up. Hull had left the Blackhawks. The Cubs were 30 years removed from their last World Series, and nobody imagined the drought growing to 54 years and counting. The White Sox, as always, were rumored to be leaving town.

And the Bears were pitiful. Poor old Abe Giron—great guy, terrible coach.

Chicago needed a sporting savior. Payton arrived just in time.

Payton enabled sports fans to open their eyes again he became Chicago's calling card, civic pride wrapped up in a 5-foot-10-inch, 205-pound package of explosive energy.

He could be a dominant force and an underdog at the



same time, which made him more fascinating. He could take over a game, and the feeling was he had to if the Bears were to have any chance of winning.

It wasn't until late in Payton's career that the Bears surrounded him with appreciable talent. Mostly it was Walter on first down, second down, third down... touchdown. They asked him to give everything he had, and then asked him to give some more.

His greatest game proved

to be a microcosm of his career. On Nov. 20, 1977, he rushed for 275 yards, still an NFL record, and yet the Bears beat Minnesota only 10-7.

The city revels in its blue-collar mentality, and Payton was a superstar who carried his own lunch pail. Fans identified with his relentless, rugged pursuit of the extra yard.

What could be better than a running back who actually went out of his way to hit people when he carried the

ball? How Chicago.

Throughout the 1980s, Payton was a throwback. So it's easy to see why Chicago embraced him. Sundays were reserved for Walter and the Bears. Back then, more than 60 percent of the region's TV sets were tuned into the games.

Bears fans invested their time, energy and emotion in Payton. The sense of loss is natural, palpable. The vast majority of his fans never met Payton, but they knew him. They were with him every step of the way.

It doesn't really matter whether Payton is universally viewed as the best ever. In Chicago's eyes, he has no peers.

Payton may be gone, but Chicago forever will be able to boast about him.

And they will.

