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Faculty Invest in Student Success

by Brian Weidert
News Editor

In addition to the emphasis on excellence in teaching and learning here at Parkland College, the faculty is working on yet another way to insure the success of its students.

A recently enhanced Faculty Academic Advising plan is the latest means for carrying out this commitment.

In the fall semester, 1998, Dale Ewen, Vice President for Academic and Student Services appointed a task force to develop an enhanced Faculty Academic Advising Plan.

The task force was comprised of faculty from each department of the college.

"The investment of time and work made by many faculty members is paying off in student success," says Lenita Epinger, Director of the Transfer Center.

The main goals of the faculty advising initiative are to increase student retention and to provide even more direction to new or continuing students.

Faculty members will be advising individual students within their own spe-

cific departments starting with the students third semester at Parkland College.

With instructors advising the students they teach there is more of an opportunity for personalized guidance.

According to Dale Ewen, the new initiative will not just take the place in the advising office. "Career oriented advising is more in depth. Teachers have an opportunity to see the students they advise in the classroom, and monitor their progress in a real world setting."

For students who are enrolled in general studies or who have not yet chosen a specialized field of study, the faculty advisers will be able to assist them in the various aspects of their studies.

New students who are going through S.O.A.R orientation will also have the benefit of the faculty advisers from the very beginning of the process.

The faculty advisers themselves will be assisted by the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, which is directed by Fay Rouseff-Baker.

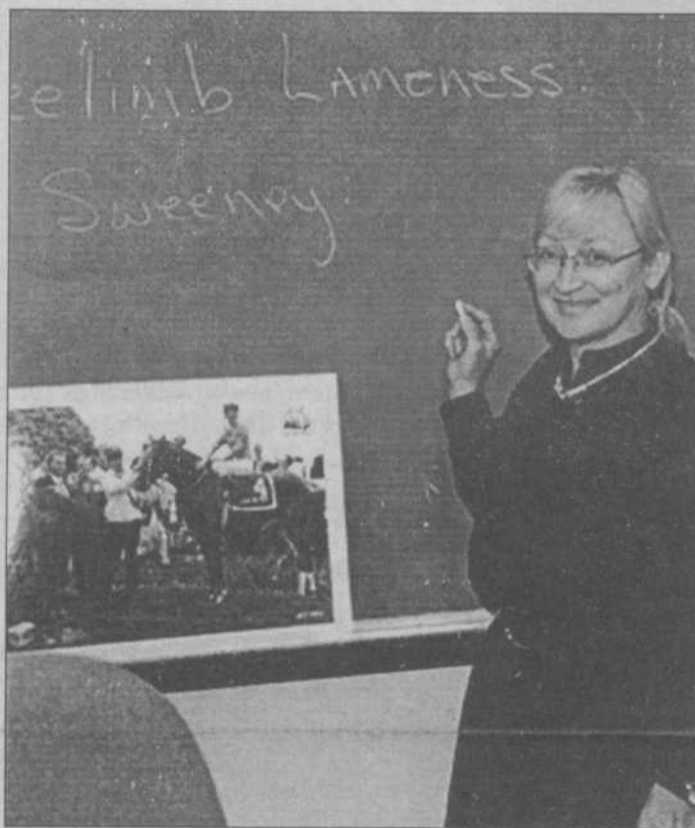
Here the faculty advisers

will learn through workshops, speeches, and seminars, how to better assist the student population.

Lenita Epinger explains

through workshops to become better advisers for their students by sharing their experiences."

The Fall '99 new Faculty



Neil Bernstein/Prospectus

Gayla Sargent: Department Chair/Business and Agri-Industries

that, "The enhanced initiative will help the students with their college careers and will help the faculty,

Showcase series is a part of the new initiative and will highlight various faculty involved in the enhanced

Faculty Academic Advising Plan.

The first instructor to speak at the showcase will be Gayla Sargent. Gayla is the Department Chair/Business and Agri-Industries.

She will talk about how she came to teach in her field and also about how the equine management program is doing as well as highlight various opportunities within the field.

As a Department Chair she deals with student issues and concerns. However, Gayla will be returning to full-time teaching.

"The reason I'm going back to full-time teaching is because there is nothing more rewarding than sharing information," says Gayla.

The First Faculty Showcase is on Sept. 9 at noon in L111. The next speech will be on Sept. 23 and will showcase Paul Sarantokos.

Future showcases will be announced in the Prospectus as the dates draw closer.

Readers should also stay tuned to the Prospectus for the spotlight featuring Faculty Advisors.

Y2K Forum at the Parkland Business Center

by Brian Weidert
News Editor

By request from the Governor of the State of Illinois, George H. Ryan, Parkland College held a community wide forum, the topic of which was the Y2K crisis.

Many community, industry, banking, and utility leaders and/or owner/operators; as well as, generally concerned citizens, were present. (As well as the local news stations. You might have seen me...I was the woefully underdressed college student eating all of the free food and drink I could in the span of two hours).

All kidding aside, what I thought would be yet another panic/ignorance stricken talk about the collapse of our information age actually turned out to be a well

organized and very informative meeting. (Plus they had free food, or did I already mention that?).

Mary Reynolds is the Chief Technology Officer for the Office of George H. Ryan. She, and the team assembled to deal with the Y2K bug, have, in her own words, "...a very thorough view of government and all of its aspects for the Y2K problem."

She admits the solutions are not fool proof yet. In fact, according to Randy von Liski, the Assistant Director of the State Technology Office, "It's not only the chips in the computers, but the chain reaction if something goes wrong."

With this in mind, the Governor's team facing the

Y2K crisis have taken a realistic kick-ass and take-names point of view. They are not happy with just

cause of some computer glitch I'm going to take a kick-ass and take-names point of view).

In order to prepare you, the average citizen, for the Y2K crisis, Mary Reynolds, the team assembled to handle the problem, and community leaders have taken every step to offer aid and secure your daily necessities, even while you weren't looking.

You can get information on exactly what they are doing and what they have already done at their web site, WWW.CUMTD.Com/ or call 353-5001 for information services.

If you happen to be the owner of a small business, you can get a free Y2K conversion kit at WWW.IMEC1.ORG.

This conversion packet



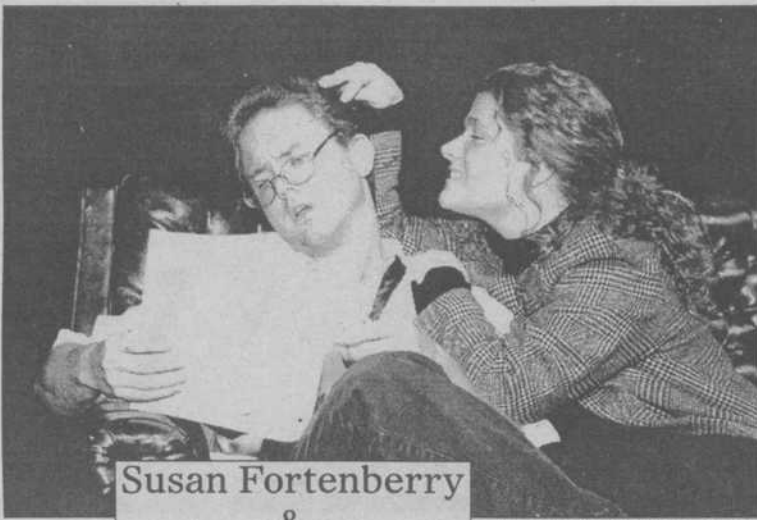
looking good on paper, they are tackling the whole issue from every angle. (Which is good because if I have to pay my tuition more than once be-

will help keep your business going, and perhaps give you some peace of mind, when the clock strikes twelve.

One last piece of advice. If anything does happen when the computer reads all zeros; power goes out, your phone doesn't work, etc., etc. please don't hit the streets raiding every grocery store from here to the Mississippi.

Relax, grab a blanket and a loved one. We have survived plague, famine, and World War. Missing out on some fat Hollywood loser and a bunch of drunk people crowded in the streets counting down from 10 to 1 on our T.V. screens isn't going to kill us.

If anything, keep a hold of this newspaper. If your heat shuts off-BURN IT.



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They will be conducting a volunteer training workshop on Sept. 8, 1999 in order to expand the reach and effect of their services to Champaign County residents.

The address of the CCHCC building is 44 Main St., Suite 208 in Champaign, IL. If you would like to volunteer or have any other questions please contact Lisa Hadler at (217)-352-6533.

Police Reports

Theft August 24, Tuesday at 2:12. RP reports that someone took several food items from the service line.

Parking August 25, Wednesday at 8:20. A vehicle was towed from the B1 parking lot for blocking the driving lane. The car also did not have a valid license plate.

Theft August 25, Wednesday at 6:40. RP had a bookbag stolen from the Gallery Lounge.

Theft August 26, Thursday at 3:53. Theft of a wallet from a vehicle.

Patrol Activity Traffic stop. August 28, Saturday at 11:24 p.m. A driver was arrested for driving on a suspended drivers license.

Medical Calls The Parkland Police Dept. made 5 emergency medical calls during the week of 22-28.

CampusCalendar

Student Government welcomes back all students. Hope you had a fabulous summer. Their first meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 2 at 2:00 in room x150. All are welcome to attend and participate. Please keep an eye out for upcoming events.

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The Non-Traditional Student Corner

by Sharon D. Wenger
Staff Writer

A new semester has begun at Parkland, and as I promised last Spring, my column is back for another semester. Those who followed my last articles, know what to expect. Others who are new here, read on...

This is an introductory column.

I define a "non-traditional" student as follows:

Any student, other than one who is a full-time student attending Parkland within two years of graduating high school and pursuing a degree, certificate, or transfer to a four-year college.

Obviously, this encompasses a great many stu-

dents here at Parkland, and hence what I saw as a need for a column directed specifically at non-traditional students.

I try to make my column informative and useful as well as interesting. I will focus on a particular service provided here at Parkland, a specific topic of interest to non-traditional students, answers to questions, solutions to problems, or an individual student profile.

I am a non-traditional student and have benefitted greatly from researching the topics I have presented in the past as well as from meeting new people whom I then profile in an article.

I actively solicit input and feedback from you, the readers, and encourage you to

contact me with any questions, ideas, comments, constructive criticisms, and especially suggestions of individuals who would provide good personal profile material.

If you would like to reach me for any of the reasons noted above, please E-mail: Sharon at ensharon@advancenet.net or drop off a written request at the Prospectus office, Room X155.

I hope the coming semester is a great one for all of you and that this column will assist you in obtaining the most from your time here at Parkland. See you next week.

Topic for next week's column: *Evening Student Services.*

Better Grades Anyone?

by Brian Weidert
News Editor

If you think you should be doing well in your courses, but are not? Maybe you could use some trouble shooting with your academic study skills.

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contact Connie Hosier at 351-2395. She can answer any questions and provide interested students with the Student Support Service schedule.

Parkland provides help for students even beyond the above mentioned program. Instructors in the Learning Lab, which is located in C152-C155, can help students with a variety of academic problems.

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ing, and other services as needed. The Learning Lab is available for credit bearing work in English and math.

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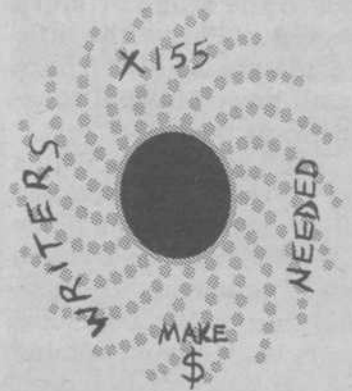
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The Great Coverup Revealed

by John Isberg
Staff Writer



For those of you completely in the dark, the Great Cover-Up cannot be programmed, categorized or easily referenced. We are largely left in the dark as to its content and left to ponder what will happen when our local rock heroes take to the stage or more precisely, "Forget the little green men, Scully. Where did all those Micheal Jacksons come from?"

The Great Cover-Up is one of the more bizarre music events to take place in the Champaign-Urbana area. The premise is basically this: well-known local bands each choose a band to cover and go into hiding, keeping their choice secret until they take the stage. The bands then assume the mantle of their choice and proceed to rock out, sometimes adding new depth and interesting interpretation to familiar songs, and other times remaining faithful to the original versions. What they leave us with is sometimes amazing and sometimes annoying. Either way, it's entertainment.

This is the first year the Great Cover-Up was held at the High Dive, leaving the impression that the High Dive is definitely

emerging as the new venue of choice. Past Cover-Ups have been held at Mabel's and the old Blind Pig. The spaciousness of the High Dive was a welcome change from previously cramped conditions.

The lineup for Saturday's show held a lot of promise. Absinthe Blind, Jenny Choi, Sarge, The Trombones and the Poster Children were all on the bill. Anticipation was high.

Talking with Jenny Choi before the show, she confided in me that her band had decided on their choice this past Wednesday.

"We chose something that would be a lot of fun, something different from the music we play," she said, sporting a gold tooth(Sly and the Family Stone???)

When Jenny Choi and her band finally took the

stage, a huge laugh broke out in the crowd. Well, they were all dressed up like Dr. Teeth and the Electric Mayhem from the Muppet Show. Launching into the theme from the Muppet Show, the crowd went berserk. They did an amazing, surprisingly beautiful song for Gonzo (it's the Muppets, I grew up with the stuff,) and finally finished with a rock-out version of "the Rainbow Connection."

Next up was Absinthe Blind, a local psychedelic rock group whose album I kind of ripped apart last year. When they took the stage I knew these guys had a sense of humor for there was Micheal Jackson in all five stages of Micheal-dom. Pepsi Micheal, Thriller Micheal, Smooth Criminal Micheal, Long hair and nose-job Micheal and most



John Isberg/Prospectus

importantly, The "Bad" period Micheal. THEY ROCKED!!! They tore into "Beat It," with such guitar ferocity that this once jaded writer was moved to cheer. They provided the highlight of the night with the showstopper, "Thriller." If you weren't there then you really missed out. The cheers they received were deafening. I was sad to see them go, but they will be playing tonight at the High Dive so go see them.

Except for the Poster Children, that was basically it for the night. Sarge, sans-Elizabeth Ellmore, covered Nirvana. Yay, like we haven't heard a million other garage bands play "Teen Spirit." After their lackluster set, the worst group of the night took the stage.



Absinthe Blind

John Isberg/Prospectus

The Trombones. What can I write about them without getting censored? They covered the Sex Pistols and for those of you familiar with Jonny Rotten's stage antics, you might have found them interesting. The lead singer's antics and verbal tirades got old really quickly. The most annoying thing about them was after every two-minute long song, the guitars would go out of tune and we'd have to sit through five minutes of tuning. Every now and then the singer would verbally assault us, breaking up the monotony. I really doubt the real Sex Pistols would've bothered tuning.

Thanks to them, by this point I had such a headache I had to leave, so I apologized to the Poster Children, whom I was unable to see, although during their soundcheck, they did rock out on "New Year's Day," so I figured they were covering U2, which they did. Again, I apologize to the Poster Children.

All in all, it was a night that died really young. The younger bands stole the show and solidly rocked out. I look forward to next year with anticipation and a little trepidation, for those who do not learn from history are condemned to repeat it.

Cornstalk Music Series Upcoming Shows

Franke, Kessler, Keelaghan and Gilbert

by John Isberg
Staff Writer

Five more dates are on the calendar of Parkland's Cornstalk Music Series, which now is in its second year.

The remaining dates include Denice Franke on Sept. 10, Barbara Kessler on Sept. 17, James Keelaghan on Oct. 26 and Vance Gilbert on Nov. 16. These performances will be held in the Gallery Lounge.

There will be a not-to-be-missed double bill performance Oct. 16 in the Parkland Theatre. This special show features nationally known folk artists Carrie Newcomer and Lucy Kaplansky.

The Cornstalk Music Series is presented by the Office of Women's Programs and Services.

This year's shows have featured the talents of folk/blues artist Sandy Ross and local legends Paul Kottheimer, formerly of the Herringboys, and the acoustic duo with the most recognizable name, One Less Karen.



One Less Karen

Neil Bernstein/Prospectus

To shed a little light on One Less Karen: they have been playing since October, 1997. Combining six string and twelve string guitars, their sound has much depth. One Less Karen's main strong point is their vocal harmonies which carry throughout their songs. They are an act deserving of attention and local support. They'll be going in soon to work on their press kit and might have some new material to release, so be sure to check them out.

With this collection of talent playing here at Parkland, be sure not to miss the Cornstalk Music Series.



Sandy Ross

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Hip-Hop Missing in Cham-bana

by **Pleas Honeywood**
Staff Writer

It doesn't take a lot of brains or time in town to realize that there is a huge lack of hip hop in the Champaign Urbana area.

If you didn't notice the gaping hole, then you aren't alone. Some people who are unaware of hip hop culture and music in its purest form would be unaware that it is nonexistent. Or even worse-they think what they hear at their frat house or on MTV is real hip hop...AAAAAAAAAAAAAR-RRRRRRRGH!

Hip hop in its truest form is poetic and artistic. Reformers who are intimately involved in production of these urban verses don't have to scream, bark, or disrespect women to gain an audience or cover up lack of ability. Artists are artists, not walking, talking gimmicks.

Hip hop in its truest form is philosophical and creative. It is political like Bob Marley, soothing like Miles Davis, intense like Jimi Hendrix, and unforgettable like U2.

It isn't drab like DMX, derivative like Busta

Rhymes, shallow like Ma\$, repetitive like Jay-Z, trifling like Puff Daddy, or meaningless like Ice Cube has devolved into.

For your consideration, I ask that you ponder this question: Don't suburban kids sound silly using slang? If you answered yes as I did, then consider this-most slang comes from hip hop culture (phat, dope, hottie, etc). So for a culture there sure are few legitimate representations of it here in College-town, USA.

True hip hop is the voice of the urban youth of America, which might ex-

plain why here in a large town hip hop isn't prevalent. But (I'm good at refuting common logic) Champaign has a large influx of people (mostly students) from Chicago. Is this area too set in its old ways to accept new cultures? Hip hop culture is an underground offshoot culture centered upon creativity in expression, integrity shredded in poetry, and the universal acceptance of all regardless of race, sex, religion, economic background, etc. Or is lack of prejudice too radical for people in this town?



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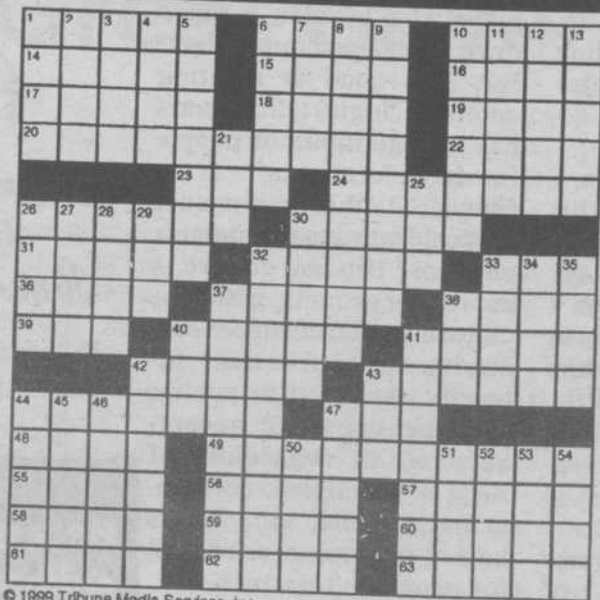
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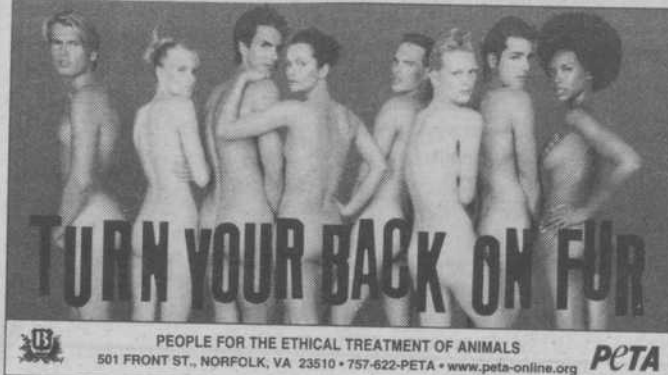
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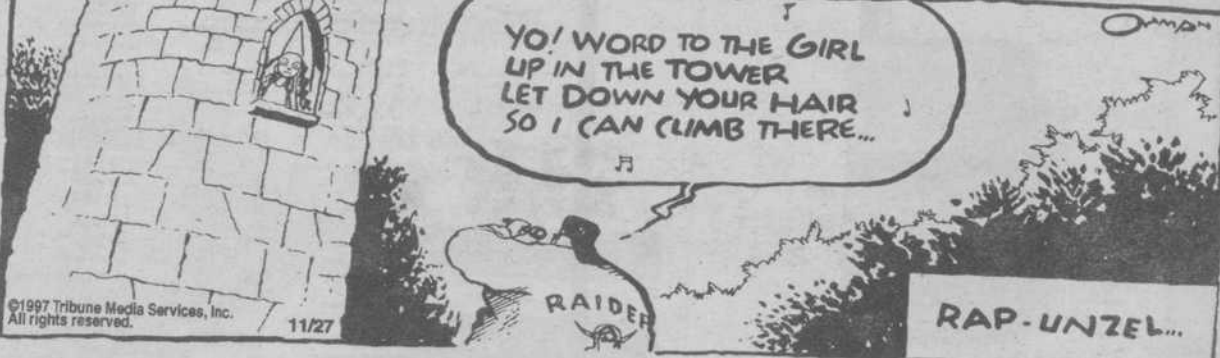
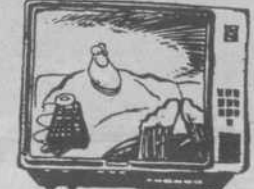
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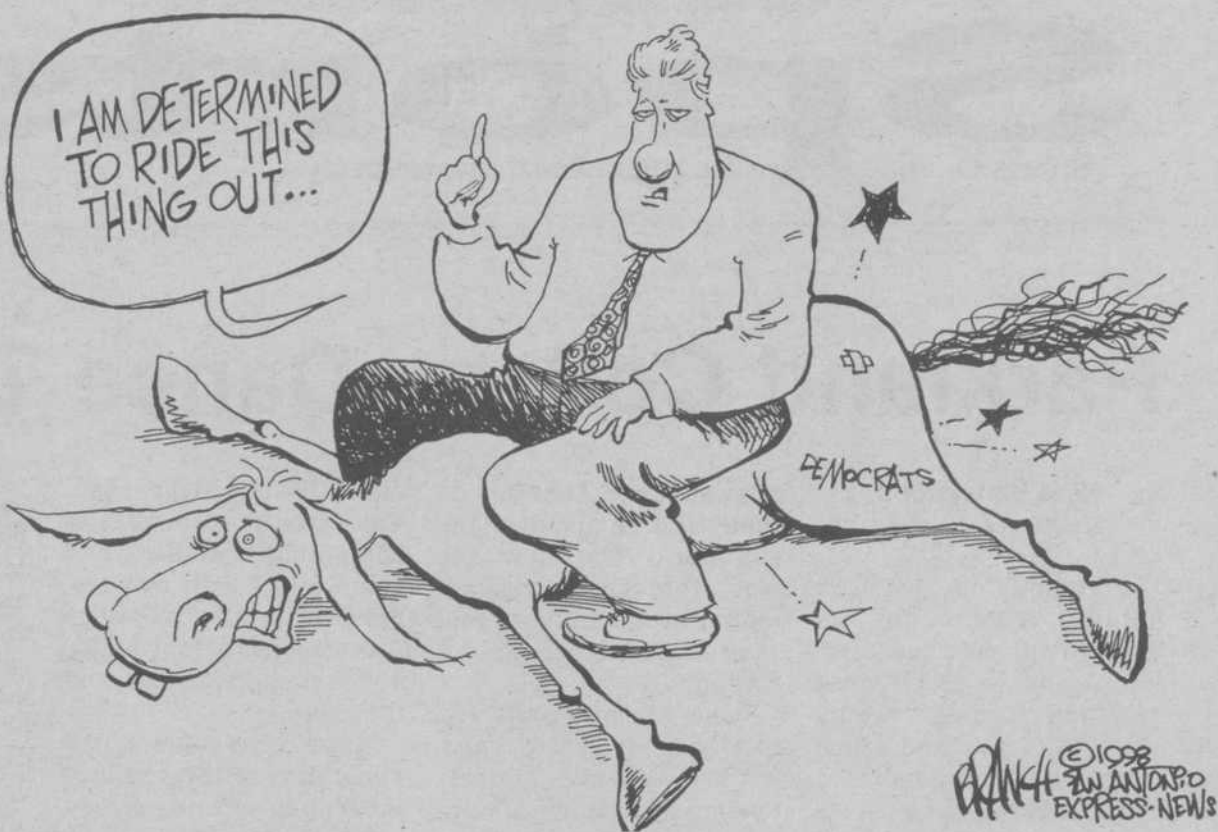
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Parkland College Dance Team Tryouts

by Pleas Honeywood
Staff Writer

Parkland College will be holding tryouts for its dance team and cheerleading teams on September 18. Cheerleading tryouts begin at 11 a.m. and dance tryouts begin at 2 p.m.

Both teams have had a

busy summer. They hosted their first camps over the summer. The first one was for fifth through eighth grade students and the second for high school students.

"One of our goals for this year [was] to work hard to promote cheerleading and dancing," said

coach Jeremy Tengwall. The teams also went to camp in Milwaukee and came away with two trophies. Parkland College was one of only four junior colleges participating in the camp.

Before tryouts, two clinic days will be held at Parkland College on September 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and on September 12 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. Approximately 15-20 cheerleaders and dancers are expected to make the final cut.

The dance and cheerleading teams will perform at the men's and women's

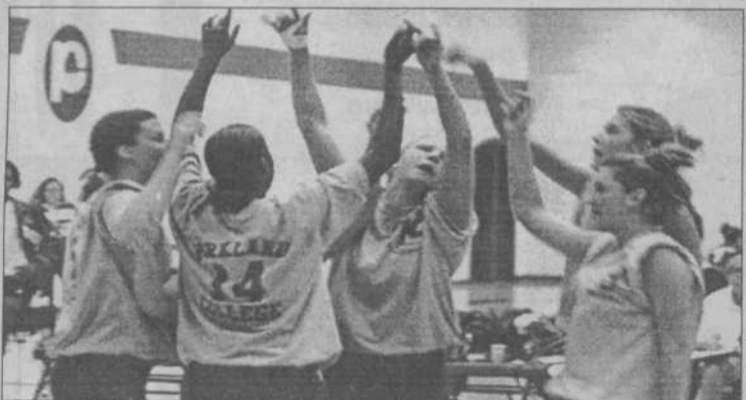
basketball games. Their main goal, according to coach Tengwall, is to create more crowd involvement. Both teams plan to run special promotions for games, such as alumni day and parents' night out.

Their goal for this year is to succeed in competition. "We want to be able to qualify for either state or nationals," explained Tengwall.



(Above) Cobra Volleyball player, Shelley Kraeger spikes it in their win against Catonville, MD.

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(Above) The Lady Cobra's Volleyball team motivates themselves before beating Catonville, MD., 15-8; 15-5

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(Above) Parkland Cobra game last Sunday against E. Central Missouri.

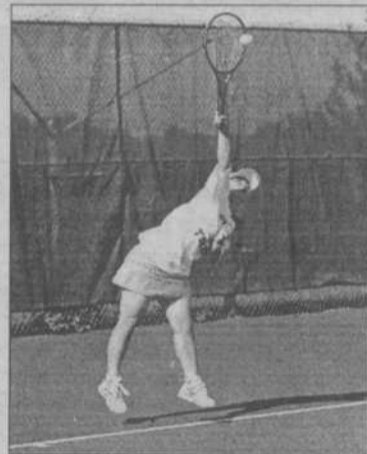
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The Prospectus is still accepting entrants for the Sports Masthead Design contest. THERE IS STILL TIME TO ENTER. The winner will receive \$25 cash. For more info call The Prospectus office at 351-2216.



(Above) The Lady Cobra's Tennis Team, from L to R, Kelli Zaragoza, Jeri Dietrich, Anne Goble, Jung-Yeon Kim

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Lady Cobra, Jung-Yeon Kim serves it up against Lewis & Clark on Tues.

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Soccer Season Starts

The Parkland College men's and women's soccer program will begin their first season of competition this fall competing as club teams. The men open their season on Saturday traveling as club teams.

The men open their season on Saturday traveling to Belleville Area College and will have their home opener on Sunday at 1 p.m. against East Central College of Missouri.

Home games will be played on the University of Illinois campus at the fields located at the corner of First and Gregory Streets.

The women begin play on Tuesday Sept. 7 at Lincoln College and will play their first home

game on Saturday against Springfield College beginning at 1 p.m. They will play their home games at

the Dodds Park Fields just East of the campus.

Both teams are coached by Patrick Omo Osagie.



Cobra goalie, Pablo Saavedra, in a game against E. Central Missouri last Sunday.

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