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## Before you sign that lease...

by Liz Davis  
News Editor

Your first apartment. It can be a milestone in life that can be the first step towards independence and self-awareness—or it can be a disaster.

Before signing that lease, you should be aware of your rights and signs potential problems. Esther Patt of the Tenant Union offered some advice to renters that could help them avoid headaches later on.

She estimated that her office receives "a few hundred" calls on how to break a lease.

But even for those with legitimate reasons for leaving, such as family emergencies, leaving school or a medical problem, a lease is a contract and therefore binding. "A contract is a promise, and once you sign it, you've made a legal promise."

Another common problem, Patt said, involves roommate disputes. If a roommate fails to pay rent, all the tenants can be sued for eviction and the balance of the rent, even if they have paid their share since the majority of leases are signed as a whole residence. If a roommate disappears, the

remaining roommates are obligated to make up the missing rent to protect themselves and their credit rating. Also, she advises to begin advertising for a new roommate immediately. Patt said that some assume it is up to the departing roommate to find a replacement, but it isn't. "It's unfair," Patt admitted, "but it's smart to go out and find another roommate."

Patt said that unfortunately, "there is no magic wand to protect against roommate problems. For this reason, she recommended knowing your potential roommate well, and realizing you may be held responsible for their rental expenses should they leave.

Occasionally, a lease will be signed for a portion of an apartment, such as in the case of a four-bedroom apartment being divided into four parts and each tenant is responsible for only their portion. However, Patt noted that in those situations, tenants usually aren't able to choose his or her own roommates.

Although it may seem like a good idea to go apartment hunting early, Patt advised that the closer to the start

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## WELCOME BACK STUDENTS!

## Lovett named new PC Athletic Director



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by Liz Davis  
News Editor

Rod Lovett has been named the new Parkland Athletic Director, replacing Jim Reed, who had been at Parkland for more than 30 years, and Brenda Winkler, who left Parkland to become Head Volleyball Coach at Eastern Illinois University. Lovett is no stranger to Parkland or its Athletics Department. He has been at Parkland since 1989, during which time he has worked as academic advisor, admissions advisor, and part-time

instructor. He currently works as Sports Information Director and has headed the baseball team since first arriving at Parkland 11 years ago. "I've had a lot of different roles at Parkland and am excited about this new challenge."

Asked about how it feels to step into Reed's shoes, Lovett called the situation "unique."

"I've been here 11 years, and Jim has been my boss for 10."

There has been no replacement for Winkler so far, but he hopes to begin advertising soon for a new head volleyball coach and an academic monitor for student-athletes.

Lovett received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Illinois, earning his Master's in Sports Administration.

As baseball coach, Lovett has earned a record of 402-189, making him the winningest baseball coach in Parkland's history. His team has won the last three Collegiate Conference

championships and won the Region 24 championship in 1995.

Lovett is not only dedicated to his job, but also to his players. When one of his former baseball players was seriously injured in a car accident several years ago, Lovett offered to travel to Georgia to be with the player and his family. Once the young man was transferred to a local hospital, Lovett estimated he visited him "15 to 20 times" during his recovery.

As for the future of Parkland athletics, Lovett said he hopes "to continue to develop programs for students and athletes, like workshops and orientation...which to assist them in learning dedication and discipline." He also will oversee the three new sports added to the Parkland athletics program: men's and women's soccer and women's tennis. "I'm really looking forward to getting those sports established and moving forward and in the right direction."

## Is your holiday credit card debt weighing you down?

by Liz Davis  
News Editor

"Twere the weeks before Christmas and all through the halls,

Visions of plastic reflected through the

Almost one-third of adults spent more for holidays gifts than they had planned to—between \$100 and \$500 more, in fact—according to information from the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service

But discretion should be used when paying with plastic. "A good rule of thumb," said Fugate, "is if it's going to be gone by the time you get your statement, it's not the best use, especially if you are going to be paying interest on it—you'll end up paying a lot more with nothing to show."

For those who have spent more than they should have,

Fugate said the "power payment" approach to reducing credit card debt can greatly reduce the amount of time it takes to pay off the balance as well keep down the interest that can pile up quickly. A power payment is any amount over the minimum payment. "Even a dollar or two will make a difference," she noted. If it seems that even a small amount over the minimum is too much, Fugate suggested finding something the person pays for often, like a cup of coffee, and set a limit on how much they will spend; a small amount can add up quickly. "You can save a lot by scrimping a little."

When it comes to paying off debt on multiple cards, Fugate suggested starting with the card with the high-



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est interest rate. For instance, a \$10 power payment added to a \$20 minimum payment of the card with the highest rate can reduce the time it would take to repay the debt by 13

months.

1. Gather all your credit card bills together and write down the balance and minimum monthly payment due.

2. Make sure you can make all the minimum payments.

3. Stop making new charges unless it is for an emergency.

4. Be realistic. Don't set spending limits for yourself that are impractical. If you need to reconsider your budget.

5. Use power payments. You will meet your goals much quicker than if you make only minimum payments.

6. Find credit cards with lower interest rates. Some may offer low "introductory" rates for a short time, and

then bounce up to a much higher rate. Some credit cards offer low annual rates in exchange for a lower interest rate.

7. Check the credit card's over-the-limit fee. Some simply shut down an account once it has hit its limit, while others will extend credit—for a cost.

The Extension Service offers subscriptions to Money 2000, an educational newsletter

which focuses on financial issues. Subscriptions are available through the Extension Office for \$10, or online for free at: [www.aces.uiuc.edu/~m2000/](http://www.aces.uiuc.edu/~m2000/)

The Extension Service will also be holding a "Consumer Credit Fair" at Market Place Mall on March 11 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Anyone interested in more information can stop by for a free and confidential analysis of their credit situation.

## Commentary

# Y2K a real problem

by Wendy Kim  
staff writer

My entrance into the Millenium was a rude awakening to the reality that racism extends beyond time, space and form. Fifteen minutes after midnight, I was walking towards my car in Campustown when two male Caucasian students drunkenly wished me a, "Happy New Year!" These ebullient displays of cheer under the influence are common in this part of town, so I acknowledged them with a nod and proceeded towards my parked minivan, when I heard one of them mutter, "Ching Chong" after the salutation.

I stood in shock for a brief second, dumbfounded and dismayed that despite the festive spirit of the Millenium celebration, hatred and racism continue to permeate the air of Champaign-Urbana. It was even more disillusioning because this occurred on the campus of one of the top institutions of higher learning in the country, if not the world.

The idealist within me has always harbored the hope that education would eliminate the barriers of nefarious forces such as racism from the world.

Experiences like these have taught me that my romanticized ideal is an unrealistic fantasy. One would hope that an education at an institution as distinguished as University of Illinois would indicate a level of awareness about the inappropriate and damaging nature of such acts, but this is apparently not the case.

It is important to note that I am not a stereotypically docile Asian woman. My body language does not indicate in any way, shape or form that I would not respond with violence to a racist comment. I am also a former model, so I am not an unattractive individual. I was dressed in fashionable attire and minding my own business when this person poked fun at my race. There was no reason why these people would choose to focus his ignorant cruelty on me beyond the shape of my eyes. This affirms the idea that an education does not indicate enlightenment. I would feel content just to know that I can walk down the street without worrying that I will be called a chink by the next racist in my midst. I wonder if these people have any idea how ignorant they sound, or how their hatred affects their victims.

I am a fairly confident and intelligent individual and yet, these acts still bruise my spirit. While I understand that racism is based on hatred and fear, it still hurts when a person pushes a metaphorical dagger into my heart. The student that insulted me didn't know or care who I am, or what I stand for, but objectified me as an Asian person that he felt he possessed the power to insult because he didn't fear the repercussions of his actions.

In times like this, I want to bust out in a Bruce Lee move to silence this type of stupidity with my fist, but I don't want to reinforce the stereotype that all Asian Americans are black belt kung fu/karate masters. The fact that many of us have licensed hands seems irrelevant in moments like these. Malcolm X perpetuated the notion of gaining equality "by any means necessary," but I think that these situations challenge me to rise above circumstances that would otherwise render me an appearance at an arraignment on battery charges.

After the incident, I wondered to myself if those guys would have called me a nigger if I were an African American woman or

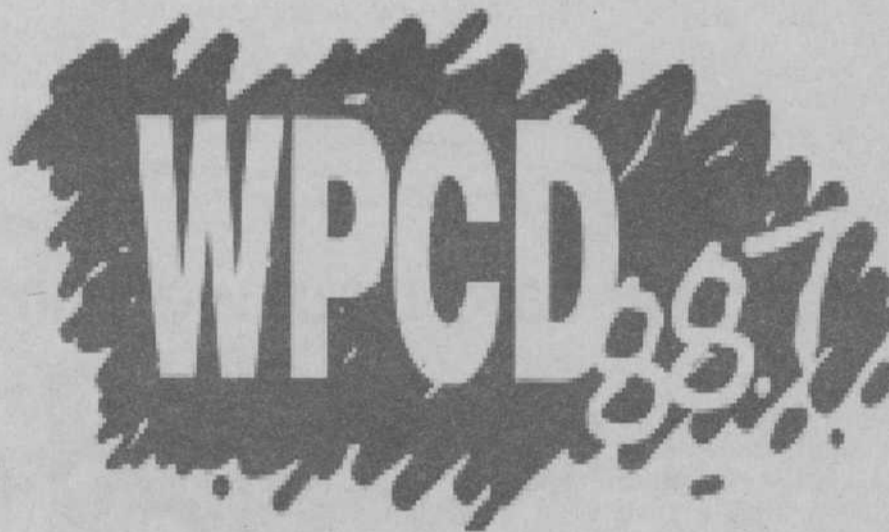
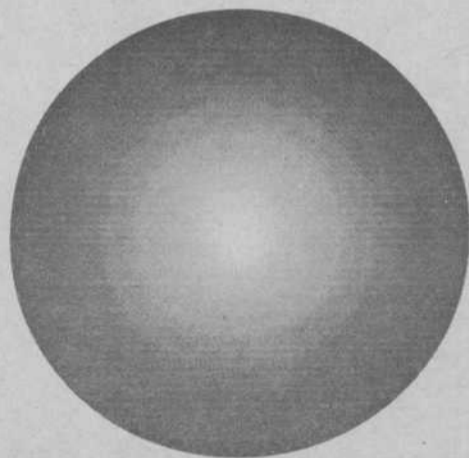
spout off items on the menu of Taco Bell, if I were Hispanic. When I brought this question to the attention of Melissa Pearson, a PROF English professor here at Parkland, she suggested that they probably would have used Ebonics and/or other derogatory speech to address them, like "Yo Mama." She told me that there are subtle forms of racism that are so intertwined in our culture that people don't even realize that they are there. My belief is that racism is rooted in the power struggle. I believe that racist people have issues with their individual power and feel the need to repress and oppress others for the sake of affirming their power over others.

The question is why. Why does a person feel that race is a basis of superiority, or that race is an indicator of anything beyond the pigmentation of skin and outcome of bone structure? This question addresses the derivation of most of our internalized ideas, the family.

Our families are the source of most of the significant definitions of reality that we carry into our lives. We, as the offspring of our parental figures, are direct-

ly influenced by the environment that they provided us in our youth. This knowledge makes it incumbent upon me to conjure up a modicum of compassion to attempt to forgive these acts of racism, but it's a struggle to turn the other cheek.

It amazes me that people seem more interested in preserving their false notions of truth than in doing the right thing. We are less than a month into the year 2000, and I feel a responsibility to relay this experience to Prospectus readers to challenge you to do the right thing. People are people, regardless of color and other differences. White, black, brown, red, yellow, purple or green, we all feel bad when people trivialize our existence. If you feel the urge to make racist comments, maybe you should ask yourself why you feel the need to put another person down. It feels a lot better when you lift them up, in the long run. You'll have better karma for your efforts as well. Just remember the golden rule, and really live it. And, it takes only seventeen muscles to smile, but over 100% more to frown.



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Student Life, X149

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Wed.	8:30 a.m.--7:00 p.m
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.--7:00 p.m
Fri.	8:30 a.m.--4 p.m.
Sat.	9 a.m.--12 noon

#### LUNCH HOUR

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## Black Male Symposium to be held at Parkland

People from all walks of life who are concerned with the plight of black males in today's society are invited to share their views and recommend solutions during the "Black Male Symposium" Thursday, Jan. 20, from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. In the Parkland College gymnasium.

The symposium, scheduled three days after the celebration of Dr. Martin

Luther King's birthday, will begin with a continental breakfast. The keynote speaker, Dr. James Anderson, head of Educational Policy Studies at the University of Illinois, will be followed by a reaction panel representing some of the groups that are finding ways to help black males succeed: Tracy Parson, Urban League; Erica Collins, Children's Home and

Aid Society, and the Reverend Harold Davis.

After the speakers, symposium participants will have the opportunity to air their views and make suggestions during roundtable discussions on education, economic development, health, the judicial system, employment/traning, religion, and its main points and strategic goals.

Lunch will be served.

The event is free of charge, but participants are asked to preregister.

Among the sponsors of the symposium are Parkland College, the National Council of African-American Men, the National Council of Negro Women, Inc., NAACP Champaign County Branch, Urban League of Champaign County, Champaign Park District, Champaign County Housing Authority, United

Way of Champaign County, Urbana School District #116, Champaign School District #4, Champaign/Ford Regional Office of Education, Champaign County Chamber of Commerce, Women Against Racism, Matthew House, City of Champaign, City of Urbana, and Project 18.

To register or for more information, call Nancy Williamon at 217/351-2521.

## Gallery exhibit features work by two artists

by Prospectus Staff Writer

A specialist in black and white photography, Sherry Lyn Best says, "My work revolves around land, nature, and natural forms. I try to bring osme of the beauty and energy of the living spaces into the still moment of art."

Her pictures and those by Mark McLoughlin, film and video technician at the Whitney Museum of American Art in New York,

are in the current show, "Explorations Through Light," photography exhibit on display in the Parkland Art Gallery until February 2.

"I am fascinated by the living environment," Best says. "In it, I find evidence of growth, fragility and resilience, of seasonal cycles and catastrophies, of nature's recovery process, even physical laws. Everything we have learned, we learned from observing nature. People are

part of the environment."

Best, a graduate of the University of Missouri and University of Michigan, is the director of the Massman Gallery at Rockhurst University, Kansas City. Her photographic work has been shown in university and municipal galleries in Arizona, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois and Mexico.

McLoughlin says, "The pinhole camera represents a retreat from the wealth of

options present in modern photographic technology.. Using a hand-built camera with paper as a negative returns the medium to its nascent period of simply light gathering."

McLoughlin said, "In 1997, I was a freelance technician working on the inaugural exhibition of the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao, Spain...I decided to compound the obvious irony of using the past to document the future

by building a camera that would make stereoscopic images. The contact print positives from this series have a distilled yet soft, out-of-time quality."

McLoughlin will speak in the Parkland Art Gallery at 7 p.m. on February 3.

Gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Monday-Thursday 6-8 p.m.; and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

## To the Editor...

As we all know, Parkland College held its first annual toy drive last December. Even though the drive was held close to the end of the semester, the toys poured in. All three boxes were filled by the middle of finals week. I want to thank all who donated their time, money, toys, and holiday spirit.

The toys that were donated went tot he children whose parents are in the SAFE program at Prairie Center. This included the outpatient facility in Urbana and Danville. The women

expressed gratitude and warmth as they watched their children receive gifts from Mrs. Claus. There were enough toys to give to women with up to four children and their visitors. There were wide smiles and tears of joy as I watched these families receive gifts of not only toys, hats and gloves but of hope and love.

The Prairie Center held the Christmas party on December 22. It was a very joyous and successful occasion. Not only were the toys distributed, there was

Christmas caroling, food, speakers, and fun. None of this could have happened without Student Government, Wal-Mart, Tom Caulfield, Director of Student Life, and the students who donated toys.

On behalf of all the clients at Prairie Center, I want to thank all of you. You never know how far a little caring can go unless you pass it on. Good luck to all my fellow students this semester.

Mary O'Malley  
Parkland Student

## Scholarship Winner From the Editor...

Jessica Garrett of Bement is the winner of this year's Scott Alender Memorial Scholarship.

Garrett is studying for an associate's degree in mass communications.

The Scott Alender Memorial Scholarship was established in memory of Mr. Alender, a Parkland College broadcasting major who died of leukemia in 1984.

To be eligible for the scholarship, a student must be enrolled in Parkland's broadcasting curriculum.



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A glimpse of what the lines looked like the week prior to school starting.....

Welcome back! How did you ring in the New Millenium? Did you make a New Year's Resolution? Perhaps it was to lose those five extra pounds, to work harder in school, or do one nice thing for someone every day. After all, we've been given a "new beginning" of sorts, at least it seems that way. 2000 has become a chant for all who want to making the world right again, even if it's with the small things.

At the *Prospectus*, our resolution is to bring you informative and relevant news and information you can use in your everyday life. We want to make what happens in our campus and community meaningful to you. Beginning with this issue, we would like to introduce several new features:

*Volunteer Spotlight*—focuses on a local, non-profit

agency that students can volunteer at. Not only do volunteer activities make a great addition to a resume and provide valuable experience, but also greatly enrich the lives of all those who take part in them.

*HealthBeat*—featuring current health issues and practices.

In the future, we will also be adding:

*In Our Community*, which will focus on an issue affecting the communities we live in.

*Someone You Should Know*, which will profile someone from our community who has made a difference.

We are committed to constantly improving our publication, so if you have any suggestions or story ideas, we are welcome to hear them.

Have a great semester.

**If you have an opinion,  
send it to the editor.**

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# Home Schools Don't Make Cut For Sports

by Tracy Dell'Angela  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Home-schooled students will not be allowed to play on high school sports teams or join other extracurricular activities next school year, under a recent decision by the Illinois High School Association.

The IHSA bylaw change, which was overwhelmingly supported by its members Dec. 16 and will become effective July 1, allows only "bona fide students" attending IHSA member schools to participate in sports and organizations ranging from marching band to debate teams. Bona fide is defined as those students who attend at least four classes a day at the high school or an affiliated alternative school.

Although it's unclear exactly how many home-schooled athletes will be affected by the change, it will come as a blow to an increasing number of families whose home-schooled children have hit high school and want to play on school teams with their peers. These parents, some of whom who have persuaded reluctant school boards to let their kids try out, argue that they shouldn't be forced to choose between their home-school commitment and their children's devotion to a sport.

It appears the rule could bench at least two suburban home-schooled athletes, who last year won the right to compete with their public school team.

Brian Griffin of Willowbrook has won praise for his first season as a nose tackle on the Hinsdale Central High freshman football team, but he wouldn't be able to return unless he enrolled in four classes in the fall. His mother, Lee Griffin, said she had not heard about the new rule and declined to comment about the issue.

Tad Jones, a home-

schooled student who played baseball last spring for Plainfield High School, would be still eligible to play this year but would be cut in his senior year if he didn't enroll at the school. Plainfield Athletic Director Wayne DeSutter said he just learned about the bylaw change during the winter break and has not had a chance to discuss its impact with Jones' family.

Marty Hickman, IHSA associate executive director, said the bylaw change is an attempt to bring some uniformity to an issue that has proved contentious in scattered high schools across the state. He added that he wouldn't be surprised if the ruling was challenged in court, given the activism of the home-school forces.

Even before the rule was changed, the IHSA required schools to monitor the academic performance of home-schooled athletes to certify they are passing at least four subjects at all times. The home-school work also must be accepted by the school district as credit toward graduation.

"I think the reason it was so well supported is it reflects this philosophical belief that kids who participate in school programs should be attending that school," Hickman said of the change, which passed 443-65. "Our membership is saying, 'You can't have it both ways. You can't have your kids home-schooled and not subject to the same scrutiny as the kids who attend the school.' For most home-school people, that's a bitter pill to swallow."

For that reason, the issue is one that divides the home-school community. In a survey commissioned last year by the Virginia-based Home School Legal Defense Association, about 75 percent of home-school leaders were opposed to any kind of equal access.

The concern is that if

home schoolers try to participate, they are going to come under the very regulation that we are trying to escape," said Chris Klicka, senior counsel for the legal association. Some 10 states—from Arizona to Maine—have passed laws easing the restrictions that kept home-schooled athletes benched. But every equal-access law comes with some strings, usually curriculum reviews and quarterly progress reports.

Klicka said his organization wouldn't support any challenge to the IHSA rules, and he suggested most members don't really care about the restrictions. He said parents find plenty of athletic opportunities for their children through community sports teams or with private networks of home-school teams.

Dorothy Werner, a Chicago home-schooling advocate who acts as a statewide adviser on the issue, said she doesn't support equal access to sports teams because it blurs the line between a home-school and public-school education. Although state law guarantees home-schooled students the right to attend classes in public schools, this right doesn't extend to extracurricular activities such as sports, which are considered a privilege and subjects home schoolers to unwanted scrutiny, Werner said.

"You can't have your cake and eat it too," she said.

Neil McCauley, athletic director at Naperville North High School, said his school voted against the bylaw change. He said he thinks the decision should be left to individual school districts.

"I think home schooling is here, and we're going to have to deal with it," McCauley said. "This is a big step for the people in home schooling. Now, they're going to have to make a choice."

## Volunteer Spotlight



Name of organization: Illinois Radio Reader  
Address: 59 East Armory, Champaign, IL 61820  
Phone: 333-6503  
For more information, contact: Deane Geiken, Director  
Dedicated to serving: The blind and visually impaired

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Types of volunteer opportunities available: Half-hour to one-hour time slots of reading local newspapers onto audio cassette. Schedules are flexible. Time available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The recording of books (all types) onto audio cassette is also available.

## Decatur's loss could be Champaign's gain

by Liz Davis  
News Editor

On January 4, 2000, Decatur lost its only air service to Chicago, leaving hundreds of passengers in search of an alternative way to the Windy City.



Neil Bernstein/Prospectus  
Jon Rector, Marketing Director of Willard Airport.

Could Champaign then see a significant rise in passengers at Willard Airport?

Possibly, but not probably, said Jon Rector,

Director of Marketing for Willard Airport, said that the Decatur's loss of air service would probably not impact them significantly. Even though Decatur Airport was designated an Essential Air Service (EAS) provider, Great Lakes Aviation Ltd., which operated as United Express, pulled out with no alternative carrier to Chicago.

"With the interstate system, it's easy to get here," Rector said, but speculated that displaced Decatur travelers would probably not make up a significant impact in terms of numbers. Rector said that Willard's main focus is "to improve, keep and maintain service...[and] to try to provide service for all of East Central Illinois."



Neil Bernstein/Prospectus

## King Celebration set for this weekend

by Prospectus Staff Writer

The Fifteenth Annual Celebration honoring the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will be at 5 p.m. Sunday, January 16, in the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts in Urbana.

Dr. Ollie Watts Davis, professor of Music and director of the University of Illinois Black Chorus, will be the featured speaker.

Music will be provided by an interracial and interdenominational choir directed by Todd Taylor. Scholarship winners and alternates will also be

announced at the celebration.

The Annual King Day Prayer Breakfast will be at 8:30-10:30 a.m. Monday, January 17, at the First United Methodist Church of Champaign at 210 W. Church St., Champaign. Tracey Parsons, president and CEO of the Urban League of Champaign County, will be the speaker of the event.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Rev. Claude E. Shelby, Sr., at 356-8176; Rev. A.J. Good at 344-5091; or Jeanette Goines Osler at 344-0721.

## U.S. Census Bureau has job openings

The Champaign Local Census Office of the U.S. Census Bureau has announced job openings for the position of Census Enumerators.

Anyone interested should call (217) 363-3810 or toll free 1 (888) 325-7733 to get an appointment for testing. Tests are being held in the following locations:

Location	Date(s)	Time
Champaign Local Census Office 125 W. Church Street (217) 363-3810	Monday-Friday	10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.
	Monday-Wednesday	6:00 P.M.
Mahomet Administrative Center	Tuesday, Jan. 25	10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.
Rantoul Civic Center 520 E. Wabash Ave.	Wednesday, Jan. 12	10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.
	Wednesday, Jan. 19	10:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.
	Wednesday, Jan. 26	10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.
Fisher Village Hall 110 W. Front St.	Monday, Jan. 17	10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.
	Tuesday, Jan. 18	10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.
Thomasboro Village Hall 606 W. Central	Monday, Jan. 24	10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.

# Get Involved Guide: Campus Clubs

## ACCESS (Awareness, College, Campus, Encourages, Student, Success)

The ACCESS club's purpose is to provide support, awareness, political agenda, outreach, and resources for the student body community and alumni of Parkland College.

Advisor: Norman Lambert  
Room A250  
Phone: 353-2620  
Advisor: Evelyn Brown  
Room X147  
Phone: 351-2587

## American Indian Cultural Society

The American Indian Cultural Society provides a support system for American Indians through cultural, social, and academic environments at Parkland College and outside of Parkland College.

Advisor: Susan Pinnell  
Room X149  
Phone: 351-2206  
Weekly meetings are held on Thursdays at Parkland College at 12 noon.

## The Black Student Association

The Black Student Association has been established at Parkland College to improve and unite all aspects of student life, gain better representation of black students in campus affairs, and establish a liaison with other black students at secondary and college levels. The Black Student Association offers information to the college community through seminars, forums, and social affairs highlighting the philosophy.

Advisor: Cyprus Hughes  
Room A164  
Phone: 351-2887

## Club Hispano-Americano

The Club Hispano-Americano's purpose is to share and promote the rich, ethnic diversity of the Hispanic culture of the Parkland campus and to bring together all the students who wish to experience the Hispanic culture and the Spanish language.

Advisor: Renato Rodriguez  
Room C221  
Phone: 353-2525  
Advisor: Debbie Corsino-Moore  
Room R317  
Phone: 353-2303

## COLOURS (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Friends)

COLOURS is designed as a social and educational organization for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and gay-supportive students and staff.

Advisor: Mary Lee Sargent  
Room X220  
Phone: 373-3739  
Advisor: Richard Morris  
Room C220  
Phone: 351-2471

## Equine Club

The Equine Club (Riding Club) promotes student interest in the art of horsemanship, acquaints students with the opportunities in the horse industry, and strives toward education of the local communities relating to horse management and operation.

Advisor: Gayla Sargent  
Room B129  
Phone: 351-2400

## French Club

The French Club furthers French studies and promotes appreciation of the French language, culture, and customs.

Advisor: Martha Bowser-Kiener  
Room C221  
Phone: 373-3707

## German Club

The German Club provides extracurricular opportunities for students and staff interested in German culture. Members speak German conversationally, participate in German folk customs, examine German arts in depth, and accomplish German-American exchange on a social level.

Advisor: Eva Frayne  
Room C230  
Phone: 351-3781

## Hospitality Industry Club

The Hospitality Industry Club promotes interaction between students interested in the hospitality and food industry and provides a forum within which members can share information, ideas, and experiences.

Advisor: Peter Tomaras  
Room B121  
Phone: 351-2378  
Advisor: Marshall Huffman  
Room B129  
Phone: 351-2270

## International Student Association

The International Student Association was founded to assist the foreign students attending Parkland College in adjusting to the college community as well as in better understanding foreign culture and life. All members of the college community, not only international students, are encouraged to join.

Advisor: Martha Bowser-Kiener  
Room C221  
Phone 373-3707

## Junior Association of Dental Assistants of America (JADAA)

The Junior Association of Dental Assistants of America promotes the education of the dental assistant, improves and sustains the vocation of dental assisting, and contributes to the advancements of the dental profession and improvement of public health.

Advisor: Kathy Castongue  
Room L260  
Phone: 351-2284  
Advisor: Sue Kuykendall

Room C219  
Phone: 373-3728

## Minority Teacher Education Association (MTEA)

The Minority Teacher Education Association is to identify and support the minority student interested in pursuing the teaching profession.

Advisor: Katherine Candler  
Room X160  
Phone: 353-2627  
Advisor: Cyprus Hughes  
Room A164  
Phone: 351-2887

## Karate Club

The Karate Club offers students training in the art of self-defense and helps keep the physical fitness of students at a high level.

Advisor: Mel Sims  
Room X202  
Phone: 351-2369  
Advisor: Jim Hand  
Room X202  
Phone: 351-2369

## Parkland Christian Fellowship Society (PCF)

The Parkland Christian Fellowship Society endeavors to lead students to the commitment of Jesus Christ and to nurture members of the society in their personal Christian life and faith. The members also strive to aid Christian growth and encourage Christian outreach.

Advisor: Bruce Henrikson  
Room B122  
Phone: 351-2435  
Advisor: Don Bergfield  
Room B122  
Phone: 351-2406

## Phi Alpha Chi (Agriculture)

The Phi Alpha Chi was founded to further a true fraternal spirit among students in agriculture, promote the cause of agriculture in present and future society, and establish cooperative effort through citizenship, leadership roles, and democratic practices in the community and the college environment.

Advisor: Bruce Henrikson  
Room B122  
Phone: 351-2435

## Philosophy Club

The Philosophy Club's purpose is to aid students in gaining a greater understanding of the humanities. Furthermore, we hope to become another tool through which students may become involved on Parkland's campus.

Advisor: Don Nolen  
Room C233  
Phone: 351-2526

## Phi Sigma Iota (Automotive)

The Phi Sigma Iota, composed of students in the automotive technology field curricula, promotes the automotive technology field with the develop-

ment of better relations between faculty and students and the establishment of higher academic standards. Pi Sigma Iota is concerned with the attitude of the total student and local community relative to the college and its role in the community.

Advisor: Jonathan Ross  
Room M113  
Phone: 351-2209

## National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)

The principal objective of the NAACP is to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of minority group citizens of the United States.

Advisor: Eric V Balcknall III  
Room X213A  
Phone: 351-2508  
Advisor: Folake Oyenyeyin  
Room A246  
Phone: 353-2268

## Student Nursing Association of Parkland (SNAP)

The Student Nursing Association of Parkland cultivates, promotes, and sustains the science of nursing through recruitment, supplements educational growth through informational learning, and fosters good citizenship. In addition, the association provides a vehicle for awareness of student needs, opinions, attitudes, and social growth.

Advisor: Martha Carlson  
Room L259  
Phone: 351-2299

## Student American Dental Hygienists' Association (SADHA)

The Student American Dental Hygienists' Association cultivates, promotes, and sustains the art and science of dental hygiene, represents and safeguards the common interest of the members of the profession, and contributes toward the improvement of public health.

Advisor: Liz Jinks  
Room L144  
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## Students Working Against Mankind's Pollution (SWAMP)

Students Working Against Mankind's Pollution provides information on environmental issues and provides opportunities for students to become involved in recycling on the college campus.

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## Veterinary Technology Association

The Veterinary Technology Association offers students the opportunity to share and expand new concepts in the field of veterinary medicine, recognize and be aware of job opportuni-

ties, promote educational advancement, assist in continuing education, and benefit from social and recreational growth.

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## Honor Society

### Phi Theta Kappa

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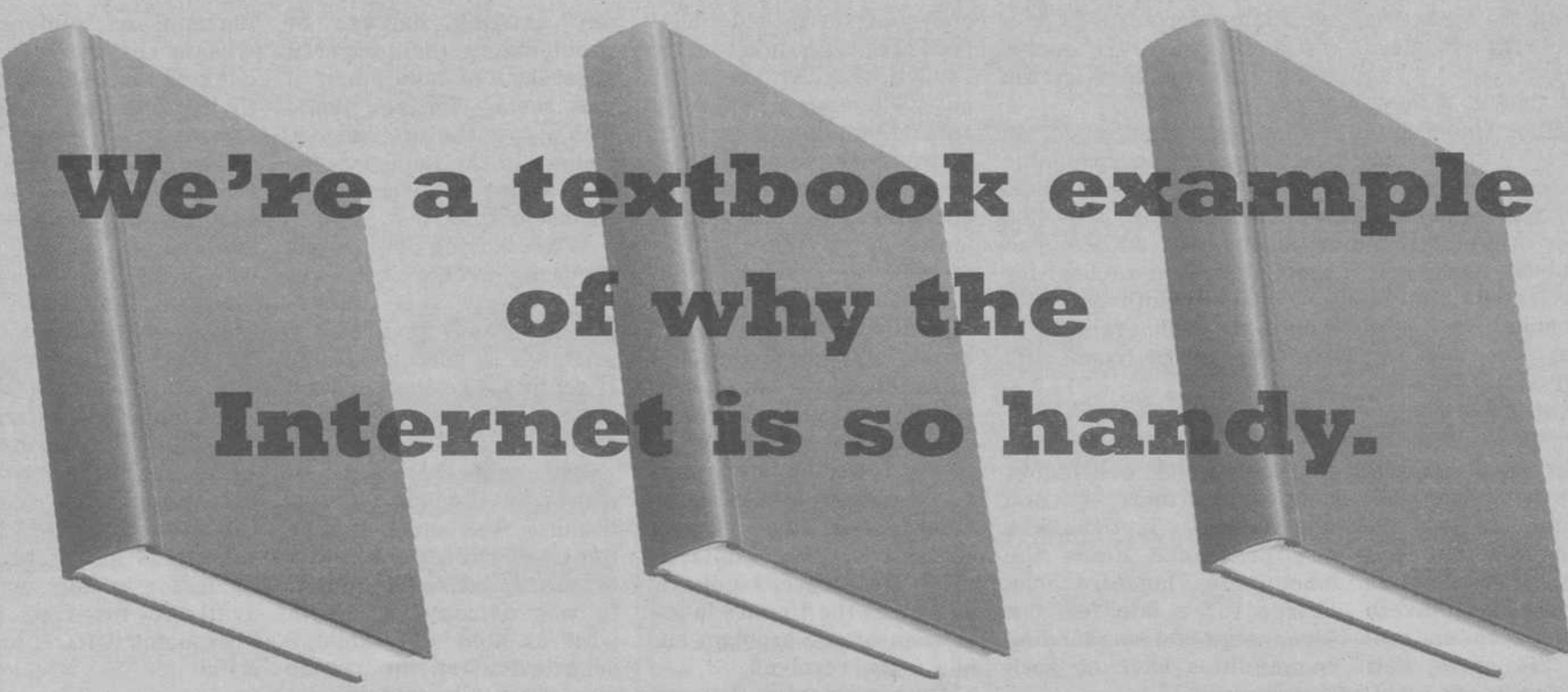
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## Intramurals

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## Healthbeat: Flu Season is in Full Swing



Headache? Aches and chills? Don't want to get out of bed at all?

No, it's more than just the "Back to School Blues." Flu season is in full swing, and many in East Central Illinois are calling in sick.

Dr. Cora E. Musial, Ph.D., M.D., at Carle Hospital in Urbana, said the flu season typically lasts from November to March, with the peak generally occurring between late December and March, "so we're right in the middle of it."

Influenza is a virus, categorized into three types: A, B, and C, with A and B being the most virulent and C being the least. It continuously mutates, which is why flu shots are recommended every year. "Flu shots will only protect you against certain versions of the flu," said June Burch, Health Specialist at Parkland. "The flu shot you had last year won't protect you against the new strains coming around this year."

Unfortunately, antibiotics won't help the body's

ability to fight off the flu either; in fact, they can do more harm than good. Burch noted that while antibiotics may kill the weaker germs, the stronger develop resistance to the antibiotics, making them even more dangerous.

Although the gratification isn't as immediate, a better alternative is to simply let the body heal itself. "The body is built to take care of itself, as long as it's taken care of," Burch said. "It will mend itself, do what it needs to survive, but when we try to alter things, we get into trouble."

However, antibiotics can be helpful when complications arise. Dr. Musial said bacterial pneumonia is a common complication of the flu, especially in the elderly and those with chronic

health conditions.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 20,000 deaths annually are attributed to influenza.

The "Spanish Flu" killed 20 million worldwide in 1918-1919.

Musial said new drugs for both A and B types of the flu are now available: Zanamiver, which is inhaled, and Oseltamivir, a pill. Before, the drugs Amantadine and Rimantadine only treated type A. But in order to be effective, all medicines need to be started between 30 and 48 hours of onset of symptoms, "so you have to be really fast," she noted. Tests are available to determine whether someone has the flu or another upper respiratory infection, but Dr. Musial said the "key points" with the flu

are a relatively high fever, muscle aches, and fatigue.

To help ease the symptoms of the flu, Burch recommended drinking plenty of water to keep respiratory secretions thin, getting plenty of rest, and easing sore throats with cold beverages or frozen desserts, but suggested avoiding ice cream since milk tends to stick on the throat.

She also advised that steam can ease congestion, but cautioned against using humidifiers, which can harbor germs. Instead, she recommended sources of "fresh" steam, such as a hot shower or a pot of boiling water.

So just hang in there. Flu season is almost over—just in time for allergy season.

## Through the Looking Glass

by Mike Pingree  
TMS Campus

### YOU'VE GOT A BET, BUSTER:

After failing in their efforts to have a baby, Effas Ondya, 56, and his 37-year-old wife, Dorothy Mapani, each accused the other of being infertile. Effras is so sure that he is not the problem that he made an unusual bet with Dorothy: He gave her permission to sleep with other men until Feb. 22. If she doesn't conceive a child by then, she owes him \$200, the Times of Zambia news-

paper reported.

### NO, YOUR HONOR! ANYTHING BUT THAT!

A judge came up with a fitting punishment for the young man who hacked into America Online's computers and tinkered with the company's programs. After spending a year in jail, Jay Satiro, 19, will not be allowed to have a personal computer for five years.

### SAD END TO AN UNLIKELY ROMANCE:

Pedro Silva embarked on a torrid love affair with Loreci Meci Casa, the live-in maid

at his home in Posadas, Argentina, despite the fact that he was 80 years old and she was only 25. He probably should have seen that it couldn't last, but he didn't. When she told Pedro that she was leaving him, he pulled his revolver and shot her in both arms, then killed himself.

### INSIDE AND LOW:

A Coaldale, Pa., police officer was charged with paying a local Little League pitcher \$2 to purposely hit the star player of another team with a fastball. The 10-year-old

pitcher allegedly did the deed, but felt guilty later and told his parents. Authorities didn't say what the cop's motive was.

### THE MONEY HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH IT:

Brian Gamble, who is accused of robbing a Pittsburgh-area bank while dressed as a woman, came up with a defense that nobody ever heard of before. Gamble, 60, who is black, said he was driven insane by experiencing years of racism by white people. He wants to be examined by a

black psychiatrist who would possess the "empathy, moral courage and responsibility, as well as the intellectual depth or the peculiar understanding ... of the African-American's unique humanness, sensitivity, and the traumatically acquired psychological aberrations ... (of) White Racism."

(Mike Pingree is an editor at the Boston Herald. Talk back to him on line at mpingree@bostonherald.com.)

## Lease Continued

of the date of the lease, the more flexible the landlord will probably be.

Patt said that it is much easier to get a landlord to put a promise into writing than to take out problematic language. The current vacancy rate in Champaign-Urbana is about 10 percent, so students should not be concerned about finding a place to rent.

When it comes to signing the lease, Patt urged tenants to read their lease carefully and make sure all oral agreements made between themselves and the landlord are put into writing. She said that tenants often complain that a landlord has failed to follow through on an oral agreement. However, Patt said oral contracts are virtually worthless because they cannot be proven. "The sin-

gle biggest problem is people don't make sure everything gets included in the lease," she said.

She also cautioned to watch for unreasonable clauses. For instance, some landlords have a provision that they can withhold an apartment from a tenant for up to one month and still charge the tenant rent for it, even though the tenant isn't living in it.

Others charge high fees for late payment of rent, some of which are higher than those of mortgages and credit cards. In Urbana, a city ordinance limits the amount a landlord can charge for a late fee, but Champaign and surrounding communities have no such regulation.

Patt said tenants will sign leases with problematic lan-

guage because they "didn't read the lease, didn't understand it, or didn't take it seriously." Tenants may agree to such stipulations because of "it won't happen to me" syndrome. Patt said, "We encourage people to bring in leases to the Tenant Union" to look for potential problems.

Prospective tenants should also check the landlord's history, which they can do by either talking to current residents or by checking the landlord's complaint history at the Tenant Union. The Union keeps a register of all complaints made against area landlords, as well as the Union's investigation of the problem and how it was resolved.

Upon moving in, Patt said the Union strongly encourages tenants take photos of

any existing damage or problems to the property, regardless of how minor it may seem. Tenants should also report the problems in writing to the landlord, and keep a copy of the report for themselves.

When moving out, tenants should again take pictures of the property, this time to prove that they have left the premises in good condition. If renting a house, the yard and basement should also be photographed.

Patt said that when it comes to damage deposit disputes, "the landlords have the upper hand" unless the tenant can prove the property was damaged to begin with or that the damage occurred after the renter moved out. She said that the "overwhelming majority" of tenants who have pho-

tographs as evidence will win the dispute. Those who don't will have an uphill battle to prove that the landlord is wrong.

The Tenant Union offers free service to anyone in Champaign County. Patt suggested calling their offices first, as many questions can be answered over the phone. University of Illinois students should call or visit the office in the Illini Union. All others should call 352-6220 or visit the Tenant Union's office in the Lincoln Building at 44 E. Main St., Champaign. The Tenant Union has also published a guide for tenants, which is available for free in the Prospectus Office in room X155.

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## Winkeler named head volleyball coach at Eastern Illinois University

by Staff Writer

CHARLESTON, IL— Brenda Winkeler, national junior college volleyball "Coach of the Year" from Parkland College has been named head volleyball coach at Eastern Illinois University, effective January 10, Dr. Rich McDuffie, Director of Athletics, has announced.

Winkeler coached Parkland to the national junior college volleyball championship this year. The team has a 54 — 9 record. "I'm very excited to join Eastern athletic staff. It has a great academic reputation and an outstanding athletic program," she said. She was named the junior college "Coach of the Year" of both

the National Junior College Association and American Volleyball Coaches Association.

"We're very pleased to hire someone with her credentials," said McDuffie. "She has been an extremely successful head coach with college age student-athletes, has significant recruiting experience in Illinois, and is knowledgeable about Eastern and the Ohio Valley Conference."

Winkeler has been head coach at Parkland for the past 11 years, compiling an overall record of 427 - 163. The 1991 team finished seventh in the nation with her last four teams going undefeated in Collegiate Conference of Illinois league

games.

Five of her players have received junior college All-American honors; four have earned juco academic All-American awards, and 15 of her student-athletes have received scholarships to NCAA Division 1 institutions.

She earned Region coach of the year honors in 1991, and three times has been the conference "Coach of the Year." Winkeler was recently named director of Athletics at Parkland and also has been the athletic academic advisor since 1993.

Since 1996, she has directed Champaign's Prime Time Volleyball Club, supervising 26 coaches. This club program has grown from 86



Neil Bernstein/Prospectus  
Brenda Winkeler, former Parkland Volleyball Coach, late last semester resigned from her position

to more than 200 members under her leadership. Winkeler was honored with the Great Lakes Region merit award for her service to this program.

From 1984-89 she was head volleyball coach at Shiloh High School, guiding the Raiders to the IHSA Class A Elite Eight in 1987. During her tenure there, Shiloh won four regional titles with a 131-19 combined record.

Originally from Bartleso, she is a graduate of Breese Mater Dei High School. She earned an undergraduate degree from Millikin University in 1984 and a masters in educational administration from the University of Illinois in 1991.

## Yerkey , Kurlakowsky lead Lady Cobras dominate

by Staff Writer

Carrie Yerkey tossed in 20 points, and Kristy Kurlakowsky added 11 as Parkland ran away from Shawnee 86-45. The Lady Cobras improved to 5-7 in their final game of this semester.

Sophomore Center Carrie Rieck had 10 pts and

11 rebounds while Tracy Nelson grabbed 12 rebounds to help lead Parkland.

Tim Wulf's squad will return to action on Tuesday, Jan 4 when they host Lincoln Trail at 7 p.m.

The men will begin play on Wednesday, Jan. 5, when they host Illinois Central College at 7 p.m.



Top-ranked Florida State achieved perfection Tuesday night with a 46-29 Sugar Bowl victory over No. 2 Virginia Tech

by Rick Hepp  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

The New Orleans Saints fired head coach Mike Ditka Wednesday and his entire coaching staff after the team finished last in their conference with a 3-13 record.

"We tried and we didn't get it done," said Ditka, who met with team owner Tom Benson today in New Orleans. Also dismissed was general manager Bill Kuharich in a housecleaning by Benson three days after the season ended.

Ditka was scheduled to meet with Benson on Thursday, but the owner returned a day early from a Florida vacation to make the moves.

"It was necessary to clear the slate," Benson said. Ditka said he was sur-

prised by the move but said he did not fight to save his job.

"I really thought that we would probably get another year to try to get it on track," said Ditka, who was fired by the Bears following the 1993 season. "But I understand fully. You're 3-13 and you have the expectations we do. You bring in Ricky Williams and it doesn't work out. I mean, we've got to be realists."

Ditka traded every draft-pick and first- and third-round picks in 2000 to get Williams, the Heisman Trophy winning running back. But Williams was injured much of this season.

The dismissal most likely ended the coaching career of Ditka, who had a 15-33 record in his three years with the Saints, including a

6-23 mark in the last 29 games. He finished with a 121-95 regular season record in 14 NFL seasons with the Bears and the Saints.

"No, I won't coach," he said. "I'm going to go to my house in Florida for a couple days and think about it."

Ditka will be remembered most for his 11 seasons coaching the Bears, whom he guided to a Super Bowl victory in 1986. He also won Super Bowls as a player with the Dallas Cowboys in 1972 and as an assistant coach with Dallas in 1977.

In 1988, Ditka, who played in five Pro Bowls and two conference championships (1963 and 1971), became the first tight end to be inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

## Lady Cobras lose tough one

by Mitchell Wilson  
Sports Writer

On Monday the Lady Cobras played host to conference foe and two-time defending National Champion Illinois Central. The Lady Cobras played a great first half going in to the locker room with the score tied at 21. At the start of the second half the Lady Cobras continued their great play. Illinois Central stepped up their play with a stifling press and would never look back. The

Lady Cobras continued to fight, but could never recover from the press. Illinois Central would go on to defeat the Lady Cobras by the score of 65-49. The Lady Cobras were led by Tara Ohnesorge with 12 points on 4-7 three point shooting.

The Lady Cobras fall to 6-9 on the year. Their next game will be at home on Wednesday against LakeLand Community College at 5:30 pm.



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