

PROSPECTUS

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How has the war in Iraq affected your life?

photos by Sarah Ramey



Christina Collin

It makes me realize I pretty much have taken things for granted. Being in the U.S. you never really have to worry about where your food comes from, and things like that.



Seffen Gordon

I don't agree with the war or the reason for it.



Colleen Skiera

I think the money could be better spent on education and other things here in the U.S.



Tim Miller

It really hasn't directly affected Central Illinois that much except for our fellow students who are going to Iraq.



Michelle Fallis

It hasn't directly affected my life. I don't support the war, but I do support the troops, and I wish them well.

Who Will Win The NCAA Championship?

photos by Jesse Woodrum



Kyle Meece

I think Illinois is going to come back for the win.



Josh Kern

Marquette will go to the final, but Syracuse will probably win it



Brian

I like Texas but I think Kansas will win.



Jake Foran

Ahh... I think Kansas



Mike Mears

Kansas is going to win then Roy Williams will become the new head coach of North Carolina.

What fashions are you looking forward to seeing this spring?

photos by Jordan Holmes



Steve Jordan

I'm looking forward for anything val-ore, and anything that is powder blue.



Jessica Schroeder

I like capris because there is such a wide variety of lengths and colors.



Jake Foran

I'd have to say... spaghetti westerns.



Gena Gaghan

I like dresses, lower than the knee, and capris. I'd like to see less belly showing and more feminine articles.



Melanie Sheckels

Actually, I just bought a sewing machine, and I'm looking forward to making my own clothes.

campus news

Karate Club's Annual Seminar To Be Held This Weekend

The Parkland Karate Club invites you to participate in their annual seminar this weekend, April 4 and 5. It is the first annual celebration in honor of Sensei Sherman Harrill, who studied under the founder of Isshin-ryu Karate in Okinawa in 1959-1960, and Sensei Joe Smith, who founded the first Isshin-ryu Karate in Central Illinois. Isshin-ryu is the style of karate taught at Parkland College.

The seminar's instructor will be Sensei John Kerker of Harrill's Isshin-ryu Karate School and is open to all Styles and Ranks. (Beginners welcome!)

The seminar begins Friday night at 6:30 pm (registration at 5:30) with weapons and open forum. It continues Saturday at 9:00 am (registration at 8:00) with upper and lower body techniques, Kumite, and Bunkai applications. The cost for the entire seminar is \$55 at the door, or \$45 if you pre-register. On Saturday, you may attend a half-day seminar for \$30. Friday's weapons and open forum is \$15. To pre-register or for more information, contact Mel Sims at 678-2153 or email msims@egix.net.

Lunch for the seminar will be provided by Subway for four dollars.

Sensei Kerker will stress the basics, kata and application of technique and reminds us to "always remember that true Karate training begins and ends with courtesy."



Student Safety - An Oxymoron? Parkland Safety Measures Investigated

By Jason Weiss

By all outward appearances, Parkland College's administration seems not to be concerned with their students' safety. But, as with some outward appearances, such things can appear deceiving.

Technical safeguards, long since installed, are still inoperative in certain parts of Parkland's campus. Multiple emergency phones located around the building are nonfunctional. Stairway alarms within the D building are not working; fire alarms ring to an emergency box located on the Physical Plant's loading dock, and some signs reading "fire" are operational, but their poor construction facilitates their forceful removal.

The area affording the Parkland student the least amount of safety is the D wing, particularly by the doors from the C parking lot.

Parkland College has not made it known to the students that these safety concerns exist; they have, however, attempted and are currently attempting to right the safety problems.

Areas of greatest safety concern are the C parking lot, the S building, the B south parking lots, the M parking lots-where there are either no emergency phones or phones that are currently inoperative-and, as mentioned before, the D wing.

Jim Bustard, Physical Plant Supervisor, says that

the fire alarms ringing to the loading dock were originally installed to operate that way intentionally. "It was done that way so the fire department would show up to the docks and then be directed to where the fire was in the building," Bustard asserts. "It will be fixed this summer so that the fire alarms ring directly to the public safety office, and Parkland's security will tell [the fire fighters] where to go."

Supervisor of Parkland's emergency phones, Ben Shelton, says that the inoperative safety phones are primarily due to technical problems. "Well, as with anything like [electrical equipment], there's always going to be unworking devices. Moisture and cold temperatures often contribute to the emergency phones' technical problems, as well as people just breaking the phones," Shelton says. He went on to say that "in the C lot recently, an emergency phone cord was just cut by somebody." Shelton says that problem has been fixed, but is not an unlikely occurrence. Shelton also said that after a weekend it was not uncommon to have at least one non-working emergency phone, but these problems are generally rectified quickly.

It can be said, then, that the purported safety infractions are a result of a functioning college campus' occasional technical difficulties. And, by all outward appearances, this appears to be true.

Dean of Career Programs Elected President of International Association

News Release

Richard Lake, Dean of Career Programs at Parkland College in Champaign, Illinois, was elected President of the American Technical Education Association at the recent national conference of ATEA. He will serve in this capacity for the next two years.

ATEA is an international association that serves postsecondary technical educators. It is the only association dedicated solely to those professionals.

Two of the primary goals of ATEA are to promote professional development of postsecondary technical educators through partnerships, alliances, publications, conferences and training seminars and to advocate for the importance of technical educa-

tion to society through awareness to the public and to elected officials.

The latter is especially important at this time because of the pending reauthorization or replacement of the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act, which also includes the Tech Prep initiative. In this regard, Mr. Lake and a small group of ATEA officers and members have met with Carol D'Amico, Assistant Secretary for Vocational and Adult Education in the U.S. Department of Education. Ms. D'Amico has asked ATEA to remain in contact with the Office of Vocational and Adult Education (OVAE) through her White House staff appointee, Joan Athen. She also asked that ATEA be an important

spokesgroup for postsecondary technical education during the debate in congress next fall. Mr. Lake will lead ATEA's input to this discussion.

Mr. Lake may be reached at Parkland College at richlake@parkland.edu. He welcomes any input or points of view reflecting on the upcoming congressional debate on vocational and technical education.



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editorial

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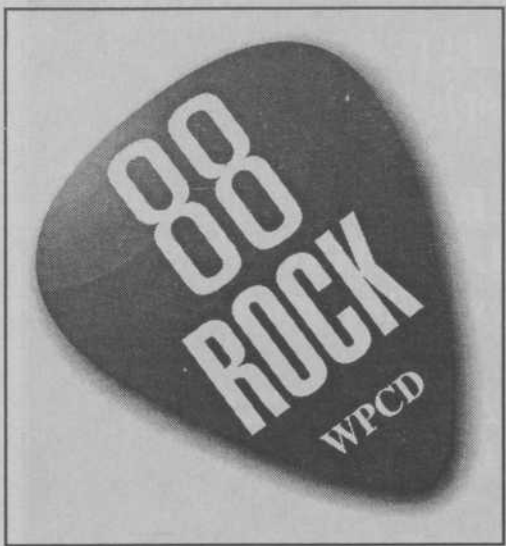
Dear June,

What are predatory drugs and why are they called that?

The drugs Rohypnol, Ketamine and GHB are sometimes used to "prey" on others. These drugs can be secretly given to another person by slipping the drug into a drink or by giving the drug to someone without them being aware of what they are taking.

We sometimes forget that alcohol is the most common drug related to sexual assault. Not only is someone at risk for harm if he or she is too drunk, but un-watched drinks are often the vehicle for the predatory drug.

For more information contact the Wellness Center in L-122 or Just ask June.



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Letter to the Editor

Like many of us, I grew up loving our country. From kindergarten to my senior year in high school, I learned of all the grand deeds performed by the United States of America.

However, I am extremely disappointed in our country. We are going to war with Iraq, which, no doubt, is led by a very corrupt man. Unfortunately, we ourselves are led by a very corrupt man.

To those who do not understand, I very much sup-

port our brave troops. I count many of my friends among them. I nearly joined myself for reasons many enlisted: a desperate attempt to finance my college career.

I was encouraged and saddened by the article on Jordan Harris in the March 19th edition of the D.I. He gets much respect in my eyes for standing up for what many of us believe in our hearts.

"An eye for an eye makes the whole world blind," is one of the most oft quoted phrases by Mahatma Gandhi. Perhaps it's true, and perhaps it's too late.

Thank you, Stephanie Martinsen, Parkland College Nursing Student

Beware the Three Ball

By Blane McClellan

I usually don't watch NBA basketball anymore, for the same reasons as many people. Too much emphasis on the individual, too many isolation plays, lack of fundamentals, etc.

But I digress. If you generalize that the NBA is all about dunking, then what about the college game? College basketball used to be a nice alternative for me, a team game that emphasized all aspects of the game.

The Illini lost to Notre Dame in this year's tournament because the Irish made a ridiculous amount of ridiculous shots from behind the arc.

jumper to save their lives, but they sure can throw up a lot of long range mess.

In many of the games I watched this season, if a player found himself in position to take an uncontested three, he took it. My friends and I got to the point that any time a player was outside the arc with a foot of space, we'd scream "Shoot the three! You gotta shoot the three!"

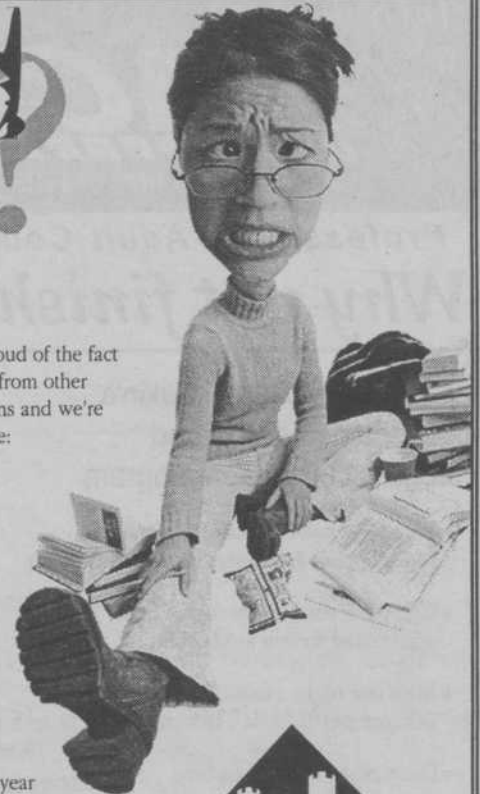
It's gross. It isn't fun basketball to watch. Sure three-point shooting is a skill, but unlike play in the paint, I'm of the opinion that

three pointers also have a lot of luck involved. I hate it when luck is involved. Three pointers should be left to the kids who are skilled at it, but this year I saw so many centers and power forwards stepping out and throwing up threes, it made me sick.

Solution? Well, my top three changes that the game needs are 1) robot refs, 2) move back the three point line, and 3) no more jump stop (but that's a whole other article).

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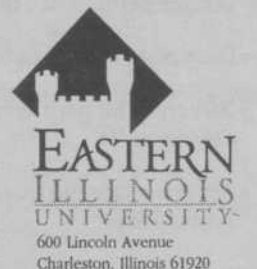
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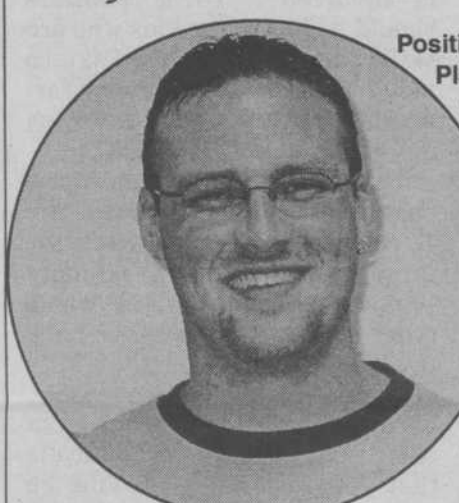
Getting To Know Public Safety

By: Sarah Ramey

Sarah Janelle Ramey

**Position:** Weekend Dispatcher**Place of Birth:** Dayton, Ohio**School:** Mahomet-Seymour High School, Parkland College**How long have you been employed at Parkland Public Safety?** Since September 2002.**What made you decide to work at Public Safety?** A Parkland College faculty member, and friend of mine, knew I was interested in law enforcement and told me I should apply at Public Safety. When I was offered a position, I jumped at the opportunity.**What do you enjoy about working at Parkland Public Safety?** In my opinion, every person you meet presents a wide realm of opportunities. Whether those opportunities take the form of a personal relationship, educational outlook, or professional prospect, working at Public Safety allows you to come in contact with all different types of people. I also enjoy the work environment. All of my coworkers are usually in good spirits and want to have fun while at work and at the same time, everyone responds appropriately when the stress level increases and it is time to be serious.**Do you have any comments/advice that you would like to share with students?** "Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in awhile, you could miss it."-Ferris Bueller

Thorpe Facer, II

**Position:** Dispatcher**Place of Birth:** Orem, Utah**School:** Urbana High School, Waubensee Community College.**How long have you been employed at Parkland Public Safety?** About three weeks.**What made you decide to work at Public Safety?** I had been previously employed at a public safety department (Waubensee Police Department) and found that I loved the work, especially helping people.**What do you enjoy about working at Parkland Public Safety?** The staff is very friendly and helpful and I have always enjoyed working in a college atmosphere.**Do you have any comments/advice that you would like to share with students?** Don't sweat the small stuff it may seem like a big thing at the moment but tomorrow will you even remember? Listen to your friends and family they know you better than yourself and they are the ones that truly care everyone else is trivial.

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Part-Time Employees

Kate Rozalia Kaput



Position: Switchboard Operator

Place of Birth: New York, New York

School: Centennial High School, Currently Parkland Student and planning to transfer to the U of I.

How long have you been employed at Parkland Public Safety? Since June 2002

What made you decide to work at Public Safety? I was working as a student worker in Humanities when I heard of a job opening at Public Safety that offered better pay.

What do you enjoy about working at Parkland Public Safety? I really enjoy all the people I work with. Every person in Public Safety has great personality that makes work fun. I also like that everyone works as a team to make sure Parkland College is a safe place to learn.

Do you have any comments/advice that you would like to share with students? Do not try to do anything illegal at Parkland College. It is not the place and you will get caught.

Additional Comments? When anyone calls you from Parkland College, the number that shows up on your caller ID is NOT the number that person called from. If you call back the number on your caller ID you will get me, the switchboard operator.

Kelly Dunn



Position: Switch Board / Dispatch

Place of Birth: Good ol Champaign

School: READY Program / Parkland College

How long have you been employed at Parkland Public Safety? Over a year now.

What made you decide to work at Public Safety? I am a CJ major and I wanted experience working in a Police Department.

What do you enjoy about working at Parkland Public Safety? I like the idea of knowing that when I get off work I have helped make a positive impact on the learning environment at Parkland College.

Do you have any comments/advice that you would like to share with students?

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." -MLK

Michael D. Elliot



Position: Part-time dispatcher

Place of Birth: Danville, Illinois

School: Danville High School, Danville Area Community College, Illinois State University, Lincoln Land Junior College and Parkland College

How long have you been employed at Parkland Public Safety? Two months.

What made you decide to work at Public Safety? I originally applied for Parkland Police Officer, and this position became available. I decided that this was a valuable training ground.

What do you enjoy about working at Parkland Public Safety? The atmosphere is very friendly, and everyone is eager to help in whatever way possible. From assisting the lost student, to helping in a medical emergency, public safety can respond. It makes you feel like the service you are providing is necessary and valuable and that is a good feeling.

Kylie Peel



Position: Part time dispatcher

Place of Birth: Mattoon, IL

School: Champaign Central High School Class of '01 and of course Parkland College!

How long have you been employed at Parkland Public Safety? About 2 months!

What made you decide to work at Public Safety? I want to work in law enforcement, so I thought I would start my career with dispatching.

What do you enjoy about working at Parkland Public Safety? The officers and other staff in Public Safety are cool to work with! Plus, dispatching is fun... you get involved in the action!

Do you have any comments/advice that you would like to share with students?

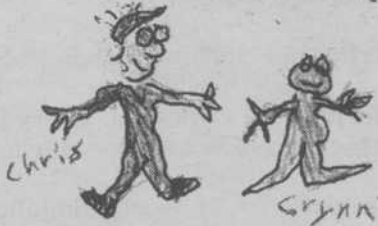
If you are going into Criminal Justice or Law Enforcement, try out dispatching. You would probably like it.

comics&humor

Pizza Driver to the Stars ©2003

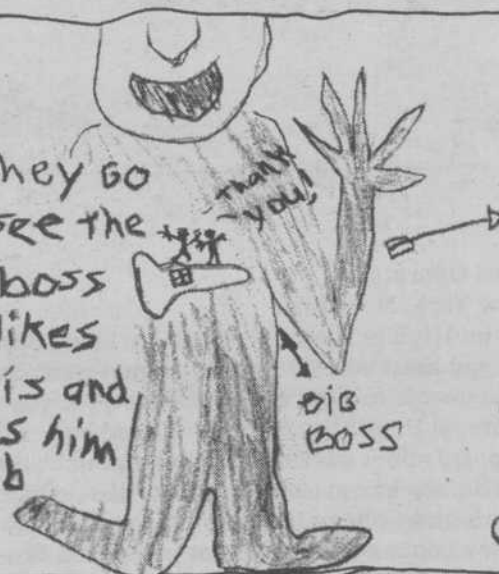
While Qambing is on vacation, his 8-year-old son, Billy, is going to try his own hand at cartooning...

OK, So Chris and Gryn go off in Gryn's heap



Billy

They go to see the big boss who likes Chris and gives him a job



big boss

Billy and

Qambing

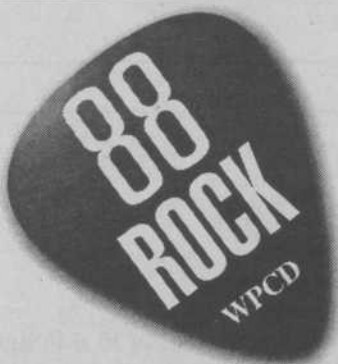
Chris makes a big pile of cash



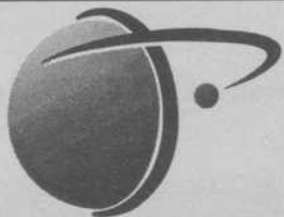
And he buys a heap of his own.

Chris's heap

AND he lives happily ever after. (My dad is going to flip out when this is printed! HEE HEE HEE!)

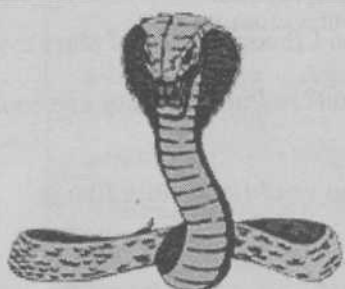


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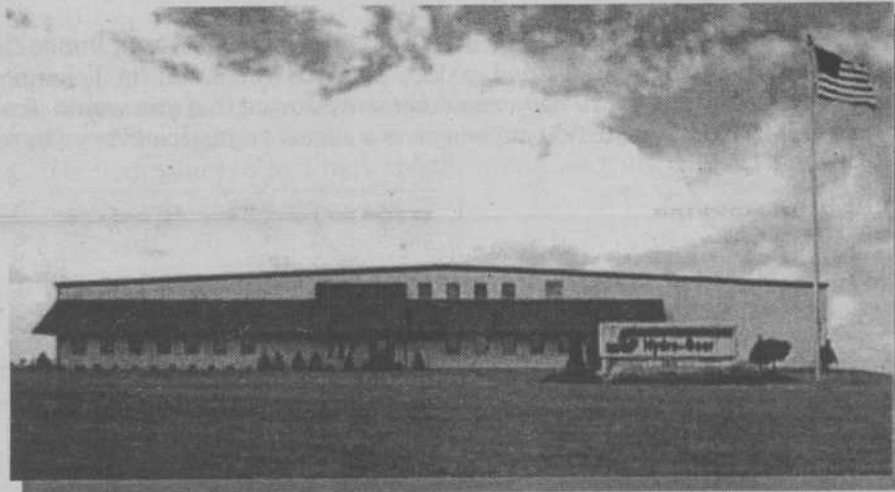
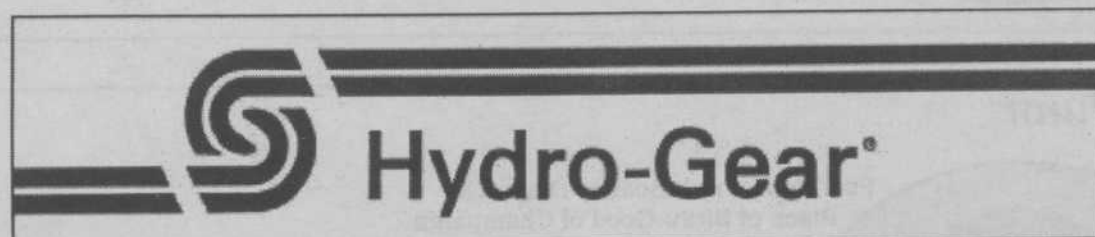


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Star Power in New Orleans

By Mike Mears

As of last Saturday, all four #1 seeds remained in the NCAA tournament as late as the Elite Eight for the first time since.....well, it's been awhile. As of Sunday at 6:15, one remained.

A few weeks ago, I wrote a column on some of college basketball's top seniors; all four of them are out of the tourney, and the only hope left for the elder statesmen of the college game are a glaring omission of mine, 6'9" center Nick Collison and 6'3" guard Kirk Hinrich of Kansas.

But should it really be surprise that young #3 seeds Marquette and Syracuse toppled tough, veteran-laden #1 seeds Kentucky and Oklahoma, respectively? Or that Kansas, with no bench, upended deep, talented #1 Arizona? Absolutely not. Why? Star power: the teams with the best players won.

Big, bad Kentucky had no answer for 6'4" Marquette guard Dwyane Wade, the college game's answer to Kobe Bryant, who recorded first tourney triple-double since Utah's Andre Miller in 1998.

Duke and Arizona may have had more good players than anyone, but they were no match for two great ones from Kansas in Collison and Heinrich; Collison tore the young Dookies apart with 33 points and 19 boards, and Heinrich finished off the 'Cats with 28 points in the West final.

6'8" forward Carmelo Anthony of Syracuse may be a freshman, but he's also the most unstoppable offensive force in college basketball. He carried the young Orangemen all year, and the Sooners had no answer for him on his way to 20 points and 10 rebounds in the East final.

5'10" guard T.J. Ford of Texas (the only #1 seed left) seems to be a popular choice for player of the year. Who the "best" is, that's debatable, but Ford is unquestionably the MVP of college basketball. He may have shot under 30% in the South Regional, but he terrorizes defenses without scoring (though he averaged 15 points a game, too), slicing defenses apart with 38 assists in four games.

Put your money on Kansas over Marquette and Texas for coach Roy Williams' first national title, keeping the senior championship streak alive. But if freshman Anthony, sophomore Ford, or junior Wade lead their teams to the crown, it should come as no surprise. These sure-fire All-Americans- you could make a legit argument that the entire 1st-team All-American squad is in New Orleans, though Heinrich's a small stretch- carried their teams this far. They can all take them two games farther.

Baseball Sweeps Lewis And Clark, Win Streak At 10

Press Release

The top-ranked Parkland baseball team stayed hot, even if the weather didn't, sweeping Lewis and Clark in a three-game series over the weekend. The Cobras (17-3 9-0), have now won 10 straight games after they defeated the Trailblazers 14-5 on Saturday and before taking a pair Sunday in Champaign by the scores of 4-1 and 17-7.

On Saturday, Derek Drage picked up the win, pitching six strong innings giving up just one run while walking none and striking out eight. Center fielder Michael Coles was the star at the plate going (4-6 with 3 runs batted in)

while Bo Gum added 2 hits and 3 ribi and Jeff Darnall and Eric Briggs also added two hits apiece.

Sunday afternoon, Kyle Widegren got the complete game win in the opener, scattering just three hits while walking two and striking out four. Parkland broke open a 1-1 tie with a three-run fifth inning. Eric Briggs doubled home Mike Coles with the go ahead run and later scored on an rbi ground out by Justin Carr. Briggs and Kenyatta Davis each had two hits in the win.

In game two, Parkland used the big inning, scoring five in the first and seven in the second, to build a 12-1 lead after just two innings of play. After Lewis and Clark cut the

lead to 12-7, Parkland scored two more runs in the third and three in the fourth to win the game 17-7 after just five innings of action. Several players came up big at the plate, with Mike Coles going 2-2 with 2 rbi including a 2-run home run in the first. Ben Trotter and Dan Davy each added three runs batted in while Tim Brewer added two and Kenyatta Davis was 2-2 and scored four runs. Ryan Sowers picked up the victory in relief, his fourth win of the season.

Parkland will host a key CCCI doubleheader on Tuesday April 1 when they host Lincoln Land CC of Springfield at 1:00.

Softball Winning Streak Reaches Twelve Games

Press Release

The #2 ranked Lady Cobra softball team won for the twelfth straight time shutting out Springfield College 9-0 and 17-0 on Thursday afternoon. Despite a strong win, the Lady Cobras were led by the strong pitching of Emily Alsup (12-1 2 hits and 6 strikeouts in Game 1) and Katie Appl (5-1 2 hits and 3 K's in Game 2). Parkland (21-4 11-0) has now not given up a run in four consecutive games. Candace Welch went 3-3

while Erin James and Becky Wheeler added two hits apiece and Lacey Frankland drove in two runs in the opener. In the nightcap, Parkland scored early and often to cruise to the victory. Whitney Dixon had 2 hits and 3 runs batted in while Shaye Miller added 2 hits and Tara Doran added 2 rbi.

Weather permitting, Parkland will host John Wood on Saturday and Spoon River on Sunday. Games begin at 1:00.

Cobras Complete Sweep of Lake Land

Press Release

The top-ranked Parkland men completed a three-game sweep of rival Lake Land pounding the Lakers 21-8 in Mattoon yesterday.

Parkland entered the 8th inning trailing 8-7 but erupted for 14 runs in the top of the inning to earn the victory. Parkland (14-3 6-0) was led by Ben Trotter who drove in six runs while Michael Coles added 5.

Parkland will return to action on Saturday when they travel to Lewis and Clark and host the Trailblazers in a single game beginning at 1:00 on Sunday.

Softball Wins 14th Straight

The Parkland Lady Cobra Softball team won their 14th straight game and recorded their 6th consecutive shutout by blanking Spoon River 7-0 and 9-0 on Sunday.

Emily Alsup continued her winning ways improving to 13-1 scattering just two hits while walking none and striking out eleven. Erin James was 3-3 with 4 stolen bases to provide all the offense Parkland (23-4 13-0) would need.

In the second game, Katie Appl improved to 6-1 firing a two-hitter of her own.

Becky Wheeler was the hitting star going 3-3 with a 3 run home run giving here 4 runs batted in for the game. Lacey Frankland, Nicole Prager, and Erin James all had two hits in the game as well.

The #2 ranked Lady Cobras are off until Wednesday when they travel to #4 ranked Kankakee CC.

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