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Where is your favorite place to eat in Champaign-Urbana?



Amanda

Buffalo Wild Wings! The wings there are really good.

My favorite place to eat is Cheddar's because they have the best hamburgers.



Casey



Daniel

Olive Garden, great place to eat.

Dairy Queen; ME. (North Mattis)



Nathan



Stephanie

O'Charlies, I love the soup and rolls. Yummy!

My favorite place to eat is Hot Wok. Umm umm good!



David

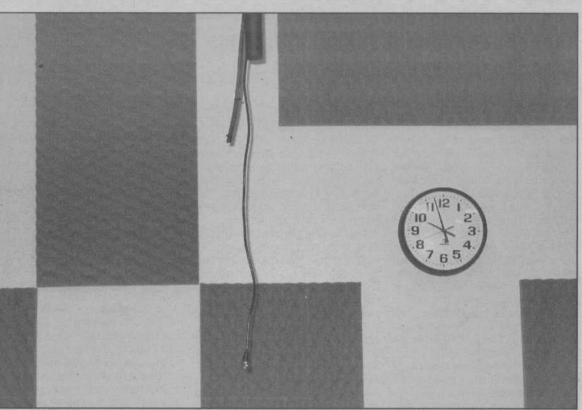


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Burglary evaded

by Sarah Ramey, staff writer

On Tuesday, February 24, Parkland College nearly suffered a loss due to burglary on campus. However, with the superlative effort put forth by faculty member Rick Thompson, Lead Telecommunications Systems Technician, the property was retrieved and justice will be served.

At approximately 5:00 p.m. on the aforementioned date Public Safety received a call stating that Thompson was presently involved in a foot pursuit of someone who had stolen or attempted to steal a projector—valued at over \$4,000.00.

Officers responded but unfortunately the suspect managed to escape. Later events led to the arrest of the suspect.

It was learned by Public Safety

that Thompson had seen a white male, aged late teens/early twenties exiting room X-116. When he confronted the male regarding his whereabouts, he took off running.

Later, Public Safety retrieved an article found in the pathway of the pursuit, believed to have been dropped by the suspect. After directly connecting the student with the article, intense questioning, and finally a written confession, an arrest was made.

According to Illinois Criminal Law on Burglary, burglary is a Class 2 felony. However, a burglary committed in a school or place of worship is a Class 1 felony. The accused, upon conviction, is facing a fine and possible jail time.

During the fall semester 2003,

two projectors were stolen from Parkland College campus. However, no arrests were made. Had Parkland College members who may have witnessed any suspicious activity, taken action, its possible that loss could have been thwarted as well.

Many Parkland College students, staff, faculty and staff members contributed great efforts to prohibit the execution of this crime. Public Safety is very thankful for all who stepped up in assistance. Von Young, Director of Public Safety, expressed his gratitude, "We are very serious about the security of this facility. Staff members like Rick Thompson make that easier for us to accomplish."

Multiculturalism takes form

by Jesse Woodrum, editor

A new student organization called S.A.M.E. (the Student Alliance for Multicultural Education) is quickly gathering momentum and held its first major discussion group on Wednesday, February 25, from 11-1 p.m. in the Flag Lounge.

The symposium, the State of Blacks on Campus, was the first installment in a semester-long discussion series called "Pass the Mic." Marlon James, an instructor of social sciences at Parkland College, MCd the event and coordinator Chris Wassom organized

It.

The highlight of the event was Parkland Communications instructor Kent Redmon's lively and realistic portrayal of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King's "I have a dream" speech. The grand nature of the speech brought many to the Flag Lounge in anticipation of it (including at least one who skipped half his astronomy class to attend) and enthralled many casual passers by.

Wassom has been building S.A.M.E. from the ground up since his election to the Student Government Senate last semester. In quick fashion he has amassed and organized a dedication of about a dozen people.

He has been relentlessly raising funds for the project and he has also secured the support of other RSOs on campus. The Black Student Association, the NAACP, Colours, the International Student Association, and the Parkland Christian Fellowship will be co-sponsoring "Pass the Mic" with S.A.M.E.

The Group's mission statement, written by Wassom and James, reads: "The goal of the Student Alliance for Multicultural Education (S.A.M.E.) is to increase the cultural sensitivity and understanding of the student body, faulty, and staff of Parkland College. We hope to accomplish this goal through recognizing, promoting, utilizing, and educating one another regarding the unique qualities and shared humanity of all people and cultures (2003-2004 Parkland Catalogue). In addition, S.A.M.E. will encourage open discussion forums designed to promote critical thinking, open inquiry, and lifelong learning opportunities. These community conversations will be centered on exploring the similarities among cultures and creating innovative ways to ap-

preciate their differences." S.A.M.E.'s structure breaks down to:

Director: Chris Wassom; Research Committee: Toni Sadler, Christi Lockhart and Amina Ahmed; Speakers bureau: Rachel White-Domain, Caleb Klaman and Neil Nethercote; public communication: Tycelyn Sallis, Mike Cruz, and Jesse Yearsley.

Wassom says he was inspired to create the organization when he came to Parkland and noticed that there were a lot of social/cultural minority groups on campus but nothing to unify them. He says he dislikes seeing people trying to figure out what other people are about "from a distance."

The next installment of "Pass the Mic," to be held March 31st, also in the Flag Lounge, will concern women's issues. The speakers are not yet determined.

S.A.M.E. is a very quickly growing organization and is still looking for new members and officers. If you are interested in joining S.A.M.E. or have any questions you can e-mail chriswassom@hotmail.com and their organizational meetings (held every Thursday at 12 noon in room D-234) are open to any and all interested parties.

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The Passion of the Christ: **A Personal Reflection**

by Jarrod Finn, staff writer

Just this past weekend I had the opportunity to be a part of a retreat in Delavan, Wisconsin in which two hundred college students from twenty-five different campus ministries within the branches my church (International Churches of Christ) met. As a part of the retreat we were allowed a private screening of Mel Gibson's The Passion of the Christ. I have and will try my best to provide an objective review of the movie, but when I speak about something so important to me as the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, it is a bit difficult to be objective.

For quite a long while I had been enthused about the opportunity to view the movie, but amidst the excitement the controversy surrounding the movie could not be ignored. The most well known is of the portrayal of anti-Semitism in crucifying Jesus. I have no desire to go deep into this subject. I do not take either side; there are valid arguments on both sides. But I do believe that regardless of which is right, what happened was God's plan.

Another commentary that is surrounding the movie is that Gibson did this movie to save his career and to earn a lot of money. Mel Gibson has pretty much received a lot of flack for directing The Passion. In no way do I believe that The Passion was just a "career saver" for Gibson. The movie was a work of art that came from deep within Gibson's being. Just as the crucifixion means so much to many Christians, it is a big part of Gibson's life. In his interview with Diane Sawyer, Gibson explained the fact that about thirteen years ago he was addicted to anything that one could be addicted to and stood in a

window contemplating whether he should jump or not. He then went on to explain how rediscovering Christ and Christ's dieing for peoples' sins. Gibson wanted to display what this meant to him and did so through The Passion. For this I commend Gibson.

Now as far as the movie, the first word that comes to mind is unbelievable, but that is only the tip of the iceberg. Gibson's directorial job made this movie an absolute masterpiece. Throughout the movie Gibson placed small pieces of imagery that were mind-blowing. His portrayal of Satan was exactly the way I feel Satan should be portrayed. Everywhere Jesus was and God was working Satan was always there in the background. But the most riveting and impacting part of the whole movie was of course the purpose of Gibson directing this movie.

Although truly gruesome and very bloody, the torture of Jesus Christ was the closest thing there is to actually witnessing what Jesus endured. As a Christian, Christ putting himself through all of that just so I could be here today is what gives me hope and keeps me going. I know that I am not speaking for everyone that has seen the movie or will see the movie, but finally being able to see the truest depiction cut deeper than I could have ever imagined. I will be up front and say that seeing the movie has changed me.

But as journalist I must also look at this movie as just that. In looking at the movie in of itself, as I said it was a cinematic masterpiece. The Passion of the Christ deserves as many awards as possible and a rating of 10 out

Astronomy: an overlooked wonder

by Patrick Yeagle, staff writer

As a child, like many other children, I had a great fascination with the night sky. The stark, simple beauty of a star-studded sky is possibly one of the universe's most overlooked wonders. Having grown up in a rural area, I've always had access to favorable observing conditions such as low light levels and unpolluted skies, though I never really understood or appreciated the magnitude of the "heavens". Never, that is, until I enrolled in an astronomy course here at Parkland.

One of the requirements of an astronomy class is that the students go out and do some actual observing of the stars and space. For Parkland students, this takes place outside of Mansfield, on a farm in the country.

When it came time for my group to attend observation, I was a bit apprehensive, fearing that the activity would be uninteresting and burdensome. However, I could not have been more wrong. Even on a night with far too much moonlight, the sky yields images that boggle the mind and challenge a person's perceptions. To the naked eye, most stars look uniform, and the only real distinguishing features observable to the beginner are the constellations. With a good telescope, however, one can see unimaginable phenomena. On the night I went to the farm, the moon was bright enough to block out many stars of lower magnitude (brightness), but the most recognizable of the stars still made an appearance. Because the sky was cloud-free, we were able to see the rings of Saturn, the lines on Jupiter, the Orion nebula, the Beehive Cluster, the Andromeda Galaxy, the Pleiades, Mars, and Venus, and of course, we looked at the Moon.

Honestly, seeing the moon through a telescope is one of the neatest images I have ever beheld. Think of every picture you've ever seen of the moon, and then imagine it in real life, shining brightly (reflecting, really), as if it were embossed. No less impressive were the rings of Saturn. I had expected to see only a tiny line that would be indistinguishable as a set of rings, but instead, the rings were large enough and clear enough to actually see the gap between them and the planet. Though the rings were the same glowing white as the planet, they were still brilliantly perceptible.

Never having seen Jupiter through a telescope, I was expecting to see a simple globe of light, but I was surprised to notice that the lines on Jupiter were clearly visible. Each line looked like a dark thread, parallel across a glowing sphere. Though it was tough to get a clear, unblurred view at times, I could tell that the lines were very subtly pronounced. Likewise, the nebula we encountered in Orion was very subtle, yet incredible. It appeared as an irregular blue-tinted cloud, punctuated by baby stars. With the naked eye, this speck in the sky is unintelligible, but a telescope will reveal great complexity in this tiny area. The same applies to the Beehive cluster, the Pleiades, and the Andromeda Galaxy (a.k.a. Nebula. It depends on whom you ask.) Each of these bodies looked similar, differing only in their apparent color and clarity of the image.

With all the current talk about Mars, I actually had great expectations about seeing the planet in real life, but I was surprised to find out that Venus is actually far more interesting to look at. It's not that Mars is boring, but rather that Venus goes through phases, much like our Moon, and thus provides a dynamic view at each observation. While Venus looked like a smaller, featureless version of our Moon, the fact that it was in a gibbous phase (like slicing a crescent off of a sphere and looking at the remaining sphere) made the sight very enjoyable.

Anyone who has ever had even a passing interest in the night sky should give astronomy a chance. The complexity and magnitude of the heavens will astound you, especially when viewed through the helping eye of a telescope. The often-overlooked wonder of astronomy is open to anyone with time and enthusiasm.

An Oscar manifesto

by Leah Nordness, staff writer

Okay, so I'm a hypocrite. After only last semester writing a column about America's ridiculous obsession with celebrities, I spent Sunday night watching the Oscars with hungry rapture and sick fascination. My only explanation is that I am a movie buff and in the past week I have watched two nominated movies-Whale Rider and Lost in Translation. I also hold a deep devotion to the Lord of the Rings trilogy. My younger son's middle name is Celeborn, the elven king of Lothlorien.

This year's Academy Awards had few surprises-Roger Ebert had predicted with stunning accuracy, all of the major winners weeks earlier, and his newspaper, the Sun-Times, offered a contest to out-predict Ebert. I did not enter because I did not feel that any of his guesses were wrong. And they weren't. He also had an advantage over myself, and had actually seen all of the films nominated.

Watching everyone's favorite stars strut around in their lovely gowns and tailored tuxedos brought to mind many questions. Why do we care about the Academy Awards? Wouldn't it be more lucrative to televise the awards ceremony of say, major hospitals or volunteer organizations? Aren't those average people who excel more worthy of our attention than the eye-candy of Hollywood? Despite all of these questions, still I watched.

I was delighted to see that Peter Jackson attended the awards and did not even brush his hair. I was more creeped out by Nicole Kidman's disgustingly skeletal frame than of the performance of Charlize Theron, who won a statue for playing a freaky serial killer. I wondered about the mysterious "academy" that we are to thank for the waste of a perfectly good Sunday night of television. Are they a cult, perhaps? Maybe they are the ones who tweak the brains of the public with images of celebrities and make us think that these are people we should

I did learn some things through my mindless absorption of the 76th annual Academy Awards.

I learned that if a native Texan displays a horrific southern accent while portraying a "spunky" independent woman, they are a shoo-in to win that gold statue.

Veteran actors who have been nominated four times but have never won will are more likely to take home a statue than veteran actors who got their start on Saturday Night Live and screwball comedies, no matter the caliber of performance of the latter man. (Bill Murray's loss of the Best Actor Award was the biggest disappointment of the evening-the simplistic beauty of his performance in Lost in Translation deserved an Oscar more than the screaming, dramatic performance of Sean Penn, who

I learned that New Zealander's have funny accents, like Australian mixed with Canadian, eh?, and that I like to hear them talk.

At the end of a dragged-out, relatively boring evening, Lord of the Rings: Return of the King was crowned champion of the world. While I was happy for the little hobbit-man that is Peter Jackson, I had hoped in my heart for a win for Lost in Translation. That movie was beautiful-realistic, with a non-Hollywood ending, and chemistry between a young woman and a middle aged man who never have sex. I guess it was too realistic for the cult of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. After all, Murray and Scarlett Johannson did not save the world from darkness. Maybe the rest of us can be saved, though, if we fight the lure of award shows in the future.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Since 1962, The Urban League of Champaign County has diligently worked for positive change and improvement in social and economic opportunities for African Americans and the low-income population in our community. Countless individuals and families have been impacted by our work; literally every week I meet someone whose life has been positively changed by The Urban League of Champaign County.

Beginning in the 1960's and for 28 years, my predecessor, Vernon "Vern" Barkstall, served our community as a dynamic advocate for our constituents. Vern's legacy in Champaign County stretches from Frances Nelson Health Center to the North First Street Development Project to the Vernon L. Barkstall Elementary School.

I am now approaching my 10-year anniversary as the President and CEO of this remarkable organization and readily admit that I had little understanding of what I was about to embark on when I accepted this role. The complexity of the issues surrounding race and the tremendous responsibility of being involved in finding solutions for one of society's most deep rooted ills is something that no formal training can prepare you for. Racism and discrimination are not always as overt as in the early 1960's, which makes them all the more dangerous. It is apparent to me, in my day to day work that racism is alive. While acknowledging that there has been significant progress, there is much more to be done. We cannot continue to suggest that we have created a community that treats all people equally. In fact the consequences of racism are readily apparent in both the black and white communities. Apathy among blacks is rampant and should be unacceptable. It has instilled in our youth an attitude of disengagement and complacency. Equally as disturbing is the white community's denial of "white privilege" as it relates to their acceptance of responsibilities in creating and leading institutions that perpetuate discriminatory practices. It is a constant battle to gain the concern and understanding of decision makers, white and black, who continue to implement policies that keep our community lagging behind progressive communities.

I hope you will consider your own role in affecting positive change in your home, your workplace and community. Become involved in your community — your voice and actions are critical to ensuring that Champaign County becomes a place that values all of its citizens.

Tracy Parsons, President and CEO Urban League of Champaign County

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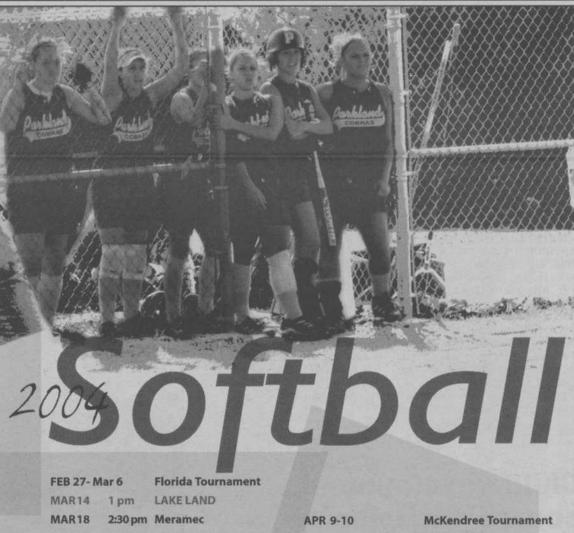
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Parkland Democrats endorse Edwards

On Tuesday, March 2, 2004 the Parkland Democrats sent the following e-mail message (before some spelling and structure changes) to the 39 addresses on its mailing list:

The Parkland College Democrats voted today overwhelmingly to endorse the following candidates:

President: John Edwards US Senate: Barack Obama US House: David Gill

We will be doing work for these three candidates from now until the IL primary on March 16. To volunteer, send us an e-mail to find out what you can do.

Scott Redenbaugh President, Parkland College Democrats Candidate for Champaign County

Parkland Colours Hosts Spring Drag Show

Press Release

Who needs stale green beer? Come and join other queers looking for a gay old St. Patrick's Day! Throw on your best green rags and drag your winterweary bones over to Parkland College for our 2004 Spring Drag Show. Mounted by members of Parkland Colours, (pun intended) the GLBT student organization, and

MC Mommy Dearest a/k/a Thom Schnarre, we promise to make you emerald-green with envy as we parade, sashay, and sizzle across the stage.

Join us at March 17 at 2400 W. Bradley Avenue, Champaign, Illinois for one of two shows: 3 p.m. or 8 p.m. For more info, contact Thom Schnarre via e-mail at tschnarre@parkland.edu

Job Fair 2004 at Parkland

Press Release

More than 100 employers and hiring representatives will be on hand to answer questions and talk about job opportunities during the Parkland College Job Fairon Thursday, April 8 from 2-6 p.m. in the Parkland Gymnasium. Co-sponsored by the News-Gazette, the Job Fair is free and open to the

Those seeking employment are encouraged to bring resumes, fill out job applications and be prepared for on-the-spot in-terviews. There will be representation from a variety of career fields including business, technology, communications, healthcare, criminal justice, manufacturing, hospitality, and human services.

For more information, call Parkland's Career Center at 217/351-2536.

Child development course participates in Family Resource Fair

Press Release

from Parkland will be sponsoring an activity at the fair in conjunction with Annie McManus.

The Family Resource Fair, sponsored by the Common Ground Food Coop, will include fun activities, food and information on community services and

A child development course organizations that serve families and children in the Champaign Urbana area. The Fair will take place Sunday, March 14 from Noon to 4 p.m. in Wisegarver Hall Illinois Disciples Building at the Corner of Wright and Springfield in Champaign. For more information or if you'd like to participate call 344-5459.



On Campus How well do you eat?

Today we shop. In a consumer driven society like America, super centers and shopping malls dot the urban landscape, providing a wide range of commodities, from toothpaste to televisions. As a cost conscious consumer, I am like millions of others who hunt for the best deal. It seems the more expensive the item, the more it's scrutinized before being bought. Sure, that store has a 32-inch television on sale for 200 dollars. Will it last though, and what are the specifications?

Consumers are aware of the differences in quality, and are willing to sacrifice quality for price at times. In one area though, consumers tend to aggressively look for the cheapest and most readily available product, regardless of quality. That is in what consumers buy to eat, whether at a super center, or the more traditional grocery store.

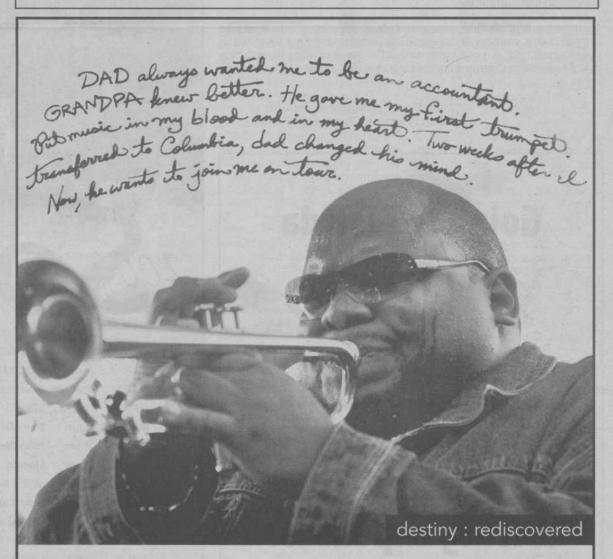
Why is it that what we eat merely has to be fast and frugal? The argument can be made that a combo at a fast food franchise tastes fine, and that today, the time simply doesn't exist to shop around for quality food. Yet food is consumed, it is allowed passage through the body. Shouldn't consumers care more about the quality of the food supply and what may or may not be in it? Simply put, for most people the time doesn't exist to ensure the quality of their food. The idea of slowing down to eat isn't fea-

At this point, it may sound like I am advocating an overhaul, that fast food restaurants be banned and only wholesome foods from local sources be bought. Look around at the population though. Obesity is on the rise, and heart disease is America's number one killer. Over 30% of the United States population is defined as obese, and the number of children considered obese is growing. The definition of obesity may be up for debate, but obesity and heart disease both are serious conditions. In a consumer driven society where the quality of food isn't questioned, perhaps it should change.

Instead of blaming, instead of yelling, consumers should be shopping. The same research and planning that goes into buying a new automobile needs to be used whenever consumers open up their wallet and buy food, whether its at a restaurant or the grocery store. The quality of our food supply may not be at an alltime low, yet it has much room for improvement.

Thankfully, the answer is simple enough. Read a food label every once and a while. Look at the chemicals and preservatives added to simple foods like sugar and bread. Changing the quality of the food eaten isn't difficult, it just takes some awareness.

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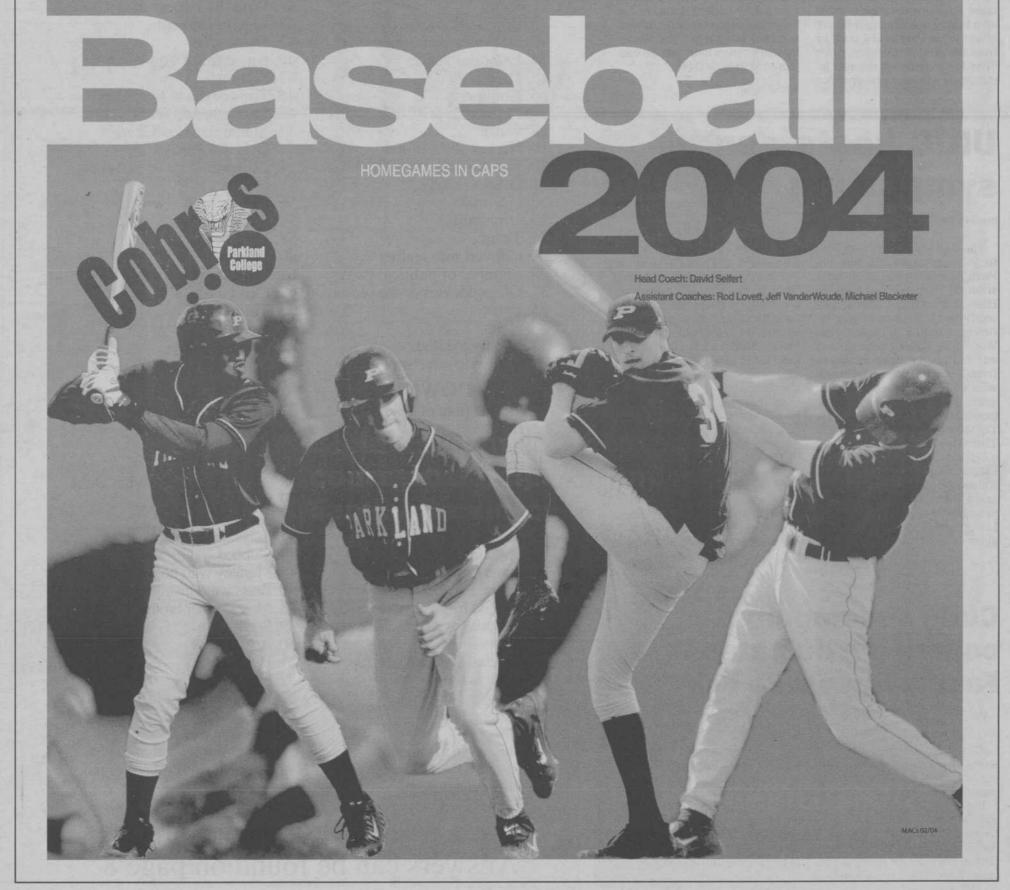
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"World of Science" Series to feature Computer Graphics

by Patrick Yeagle, staff writer

The William M. Staerkel Planetarium will be featuring the next installment of the "World of Science" series. The upcoming event, entitled "The Art of Science," will be centered on computer graphics. The presentation will be given by David Bock, director of the Computer Animation and Graphics program at Parkland, and will focus on "graphic design techniques that can be used to simulate natural phenomena."

Previous installments in the series have included presentations on plant and animal classification, the science of music and sound, the past, present, and future of Mars, and an explanation of weather patterns and conditions. Each presentation is given by a highly-qualified individual, either from Parkland's staff or from the local community. After "The Art of Science", the next installation will be a presentation

of forensic science, to be given in April.

Parkland College boasts the second largest planetarium in Illinois, second only to Chicago's Adler Planetarium. (Adler was actually the very first planetarium to be built in the Western Hemisphere.) Staerkel Planetarium serves not only as a teaching tool for Parkland's Astronomy Department, but also as a fieldtrip destination for the surrounding communities, entertainment for special events (light shows, Super Bowl party, etc.), and as a teaching aid for programs such as the "World of Science" series.

"The Art of Science" program will be presented at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 5. Tickets are \$1 at the door with "Friends of the Staerkel Planetarium" admitted free of charge. The Planetarium's "showline" can be contacted at 217/351-2446.

UIUC hosts gender symposium

Press Release

The University of Illinois History Department will host its Fifth Annual Graduate Symposium on Women's and Gender History, March 11-13, 2004. The conference is part of activities on campus in recognition Women's History Month and will feature graduate students from 30 institutions worldwide who will give papers on a diverse set of topics concerning gender and women's history. The symposium will begin on Thursday, March 11, at 7:30 p.m., in Room 407 of the Levis Faculty Center, 919 W. Illinois in Urbana, with an opening panel and a reception to follow. The symposium will continue in the Levis Center, with panel discussions on Friday, March 12 from

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Saturday, March 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The keynote address, "Solitary Sex and the Question of Gender," by Professor Thomas Laqueur of the University of California, Berkeley, will take place Friday, March 12, at 4:00 p.m., on the Third Floor of the Levis Faculty Center, followed by a reception from 6:00-7:30 at the Spurlock Museum. There will also be a Roundtable Lunch on Saturday, March 13, from 12:30-2:00 p.m. on "Crossing Boundaries" on the Third Floor, Levis Center. These events are all free and open to the public.

For more information, please visit: www.history.uiuc.edu/New Resources/wghs/WGHS.html.

Child development course participates in Family Resource Fair

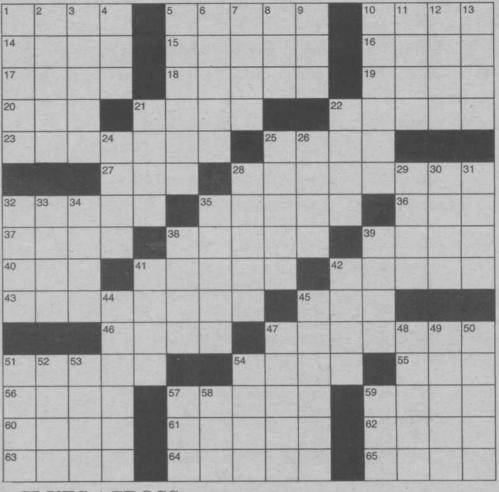
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A child development course from Parkland will be sponsoring an activity at the fair in conjunction with Annie McManus.

The Family Resource Fair, sponsored by the Common Ground Food Coop, will include fun activities, food and information on community services and organizations that serve families

and children in the Champaign Urbana area. The Fair will take place Sunday, March 14 from Noon to 4 p.m. in Wisegarver Hall Illinois Disciples Building at the Corner of Wright and Springfield in Champaign. For more information or if you'd like to participate call 344-5459.

Crossword



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Panel
- 5. Capital of Morocco
- 10. Of moderate temperature
- 14. Extent of space
- 15. Dropsy
- 16. Continent
- 17. Projecting jaws of a bird
- 18. Outfit
- 19. Narrow strip of land
- 20. Not divisible by two
- 21. Drinks slowly
- 22. U.S. state
- 23. Drunkard
- 25. Team
- 27. Convert into leather
- 28. Member of political party
- 32. Gr. goddesses of the seasons
- 35. Polite
- 36. Help
- 37. Highly excited
- 38. Civil War novelist, John _

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Ruffled front of a blouse
- 2. Hives
- 3. Understands (slang)
- 4. Humorous anecdote or remark
- 5. An extended location
- 6. Someone who is highly skilled
- 7. Stakes
- 8. Atomic Mass Unit
- 9. Draw from
- 10. Stray
- 11. On the sea12. Marked by great productivity
- 13. Powerful mackeral shark
- 21. Foretell
- 22. Material object of worship
- 24. Adult male deer
- 25. Guarded from injury
- 26. Wading bird
- 28. Cares
- 29. The villain in Othello
- 30. Fastened with a lace
- 31. Whirlpool

- 39. Worn by exposure
- 40. Linen vestment
- 41. Evanesced
- 42. Anagram of goryd
- 43. Signings
- 45. The cry made by sheep
- 46. Strengthened seam
- 47. Mathematician Charles
- 51. Urge forward
- 54. Crimson
- 55. Not or
- 56. Boy or man
- 57. Spanish friend
- 59. Forage
- 60. Spotted
- 61. Second largest violin
- 62. Capital of Italy
- 63. Murder
- 64. Between
- 65. Small integers
- 32. The Hague (Dutch)
- 33. A way to look
- 34. Fleeces
- 35. Trainee
- 38. Ancient Scandinavian chief
- 39. Saddle horse
- 41. A way to supply
- 42. Imbecile (British slang)
- 44. Slubbed
- 45. Monkey with doglike muzzle
- 47. Brass wind instrument
- 48. Moses' elder brother (Bible)
- 49. Sprite
- 50. Advantages
- 51. Hobs
- 52. Flexible armor
- 53. Humble request for help
- 54. Make angry
- 57. Play a role
- 58. The common gull of Eurasia
- 59. An athlete who plays for pay

Last Week's Crossword Puzzle Answers can be found on page 8

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Sports

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Thursday, March 4, 2004

Baseball sweeps 4 games in opening trip to Arkansas

The #6 ranked Parkland Baseball team used the combination of good hitting and good pitching to start the season with four consecutive wins as they opened the 2004 campaign in Paragould, Arkansas. Parkland pounded host Crowley's Ridge (16-3, 21-0, and 5-2) and defeated Central Baptist

On Friday, Justin Carr got things started with a solo home run in his first at bat of the season and the Cobras used a seven-run fourth inning to put the game away. Carr finished 2-3 with 3 RBI while Jeff Darnall went 4-4 with 3 RBI while Ben Abbott, Jacob Corley, and Tony Popov all added two hits apiece. Aaron Hines (1-0) picked up the win working the first five innings walking 2 and striking out 11. In game two, Parkland scored 16 runs in innings three through five to easily win 21-0. Brad Dell had a home run and five runs batted in while Sean McGinnis and Carr added 3 RBI. Mark Novak (1-0) worked a scoreless first four innings, walking 0 and striking out 10 and Adam Tobler worked the

final three striking out five. On Saturday, Parkland struggled early, leaving 12 runners on base, before pulling away to defeat the Pioneers 5-2. Brad Dell stayed hot at the plate going 3-4 and driving in three runs and Jesse Griswold added two hits to make a winner out of Fred Jones

Jones picked up the victory giving up just one earned run while walking none and striking out 8 and Nathan Doty picked up the save working a scoreless final two innings.

In the final game of the trip, Parkland scored two runs in each of the first three innings and cruised to a 9-3 win over Central Baptist College. Justin Carr and Tony Popov both had three hits and Lance Tofflemire drove in a pair of runs. Ryan Sowers earned the win and Drew Swanson got the save as the two combined for 15 strikeouts.

For the weekend, the offense was led by: Justin Carr (7-9 7 runs, 7 RBI), Jeff Darnall (9-11 5 RBI), Sean McGinnis (5-85 runs, 5 RBI), Brad Dell (5-13 9 RBI), and Tony Popov (5-8). Parkland hit .430 as a team. Cobra pitchers allowed just 6 earned runs during the four games walking 7 hitters and striking out 53.

Parkland (4-0) is off until March 6 when they play Kaskaskia before going up against #1 ranked Iowa Central in a dou-bleheader on Sunday.

Tournament pairings for Men & Women Basketball

Times and seeds have been set for the Men's tournament which will be played this Saturday-Monday at Danville Area College. The Cobras (21-9) are seeded #4 and will take on John Wood (20-10) beginning at 5:00 on Saturday. The two teams split their earlier games with each winning on their home court. Listed below are the tournament pairings for both the men and women.

Women's Quarter finals (Games Played at court of highest seed)

Wednesday March 3

#8 Lincoln College (12-19) @ #1 Parkland (26-3) #5 Lewis and Clark (15-14) @ #4 Danville (22-8) #7 John Wood (16-15) @ #2 Illinois Central (26-2) #6 Shawnee (19-11) @ #3 Lake Land (21-9)

Saturday March 6

(Games played at Illinois College in Jacksonville) 2:00 #2/7 Winner vs #3/6 Winner 4:00 #1/8 Winner vs #4/5 Winner Sunday March 7 (Game played at Illinois College)

2:00 Championship Game

Men's Quarter finals (All games played at Danville Area College)

Saturday March 6

12:30 #1 Illinois Central (23-7) vs #8 Danville (11-20) #2 Lewis and Clark (19-10) vs #7 Lincoln Land (15-16)

#4 Parkland (21-9) vs #5 John Wood (20-10)

#3 Lincoln College (15-14) vs #11 Shawnee (13-18)

Sunday March 7

#1/8 Winner vs #4/5 Winner 4:00 #2/7 Winner vs #3/11 Winner

Monday March 8

7:00 Championship Game

Softball wins pair to start season

Press Release

Good pitching and timely hitting were the key as the Parkland Softball team got off to a (2-0) start with a pair of wins on Sunday. In the first game, Parkland got all the runs they would need in a fourrun fourth inning as pitcher Laura Fisher delivered the key hit with a two-run double in a 4-2 win over Mercyhurst College of Pennsylvania. In addition to her clutch hit, Fisher went the distance walking 2 and striking out 7. Neely Hupp went 3-3 and Korie Shawver was 2-3 to pace the offense.

In the second game of the day, the Cobras scored in each of the first four innings in route to a 6-1 win over Martin Luther College of Minnesota. Casey Wantland picked up the victory with relief help from Ashley Trover. As was the case in the first game, a Parkland pitcher stepped up big at the plate as Wantland was 2-2 with a run scoring triple. Alexis Gentry drove in a pair of runs with a double and Katie Jenkins was 2-2 with an RBI.

Cobra Softball takes pair from Cleveland State

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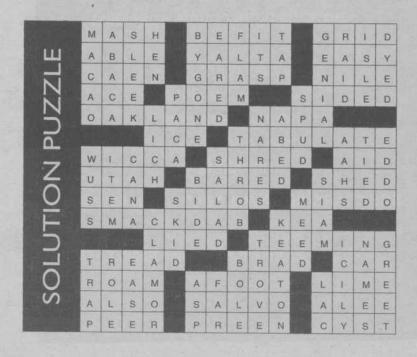
For the second straight day, #3 ranked Parkland used strong pitching and timely hitting to win both games of a double header, this time knocking off Cleveland State by the scores of 6-0 and 7-6

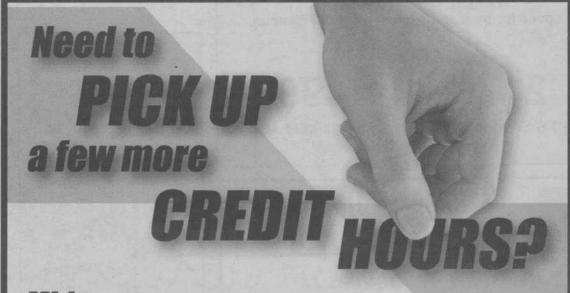
In the first game, St. Joe-Ogden graduate, Katie Appl earned her first win of the season pitching a three-hit shut-out over the Lady Cougars. Lexi Surber went 3-3 while Stacey Weaver and Korie Shawver added two hits apiece. Parkland pounded out 13 hits in the game and played flawless defense in the field.

In the finale, Parkland struggled defensively giving up live unearned runs in the second inning and trailed 5-3 before taking the lead with a three-run fifth

inning. Cleveland State tied the game in the bottom of the seventh, setting up the extra inning win. Playing international speedup rules, where each team starts the extra inning with a runner at second, Parkland used a sacrifice bunt and an RBI infield ground out by Lara Butcher to score Susan Opiola with the game winner. The run made a winner of Casey Wantland who improved to 2-0 with 5 scoreless innings of relief. Brittany Nash had three hits in the winning effort while Surber completed a perfect day going 2-2.

Parkland is now (4-0) on the season and will play Mercynurst (PA.) in a double header on Tuesday beginning at 11:00.





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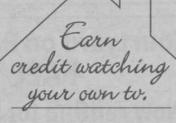
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