

READ literacy poster features a new, but familiar, face

Press release

The Parkland Library celebrated National Library Week on April 13 with a special unveiling: a READ poster featuring Parkland President Zelema Harris. The national poster series was created in the late 1980s to promote literacy, and has featured many national entertainment and sports celebrities throughout the years. Library Director Anna Maria Watkin presented Dr. Harris with the poster and a smaller version that she could keep at home.

In the new READ poster, Dr. Harris holds a copy of one of her favorite books, *The Poisonwood Bible*, written by Barbara Kingsolver.

The poster was designed

by Marketing and Creative Services graphic artist Kate Burner. The poster will have its own place of prominence upon the library walls, where several other READ posters have been placed.

Dr. Harris expressed great appreciation at the honor, and emphasized the importance of reading and literacy in her life. "There's not an evening that goes by in which I do not engage in some light reading," she told the audience gathered in the library lobby. Dr. Harris attributes her passion for reading to her mother who, despite an eighth-grade education, developed a highly intellectual understanding of the world around her due to her own love of books.



Press release photo

Parkland student Claire Cowley stars in the independent film, *Antigone*, which will open at the Savoy 16 this weekend. Screenings will be Thursday through Sunday at 10 a.m. each day in order not to conflict with the Ebert Film Festival. *Antigone* was filmed and produced locally.

Silence can say more than you think

By ERIN DeYOUNG
Prospectus Staff Writer

On April 13 of this year, many Parkland students, including many members of the student organizations COLOURS and SAME, participated in the 10th annual Day of Silence. This national event was founded in 1996 at the University of Virginia by the Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education

Network (GLSEN). The event was started in order to provide students a peaceful way to protest the discrimination and harassment that faces LGBT students and members of the community. They make a vow to remain silent for an entire day and hand out fliers explaining the issues they wish to be heard by their silence.

This year, over 450,000 people and over 4,000 schools participated in the Day of Silence, including many students here at Parkland. The recently elected President of Student Govern-

ment Christian Burmeister said, "Day of Silence is a national event that puts not only people of different sexual orientations in the public light, but people of other minorities as well."

Burmeister was one of the students who participated in the Day of Silence and wore a much more obvious sign of his opinion of the discrimination of LGBT students. "Though students stared at me as I walked down the halls, the duck tape over my mouth symbolized how my voice is not being heard, as well as so many others around us and in our community," said Burmeister.

If you would like to learn more the Day of Silence or about LGBT issues, contact either COLOURS or SAME here on campus, or you can visit www.glsen.org or www.dayofsilence.org.

View the photo on page 9 of Professor Thom Schnarre observing the Day of Silence.

Independent film, *Antigone*, world premiere this weekend

Press release

This year, during the week of the 2005 EbertFest, an independent film, *Antigone*, will be shown at the Savoy 16. *Antigone* is produced locally by Robert Picklesimer, director of a local theatre, and Brian Jewett, a meteorologist at the U of I. It is based upon the translation of Sophocles' original by Picklesimer, and utilizes the talents of a small theatre, The Creative Dramatics Workshop, in Sidney.

The title role will be played by Parkland student Claire Cowley, who recently played the part of "Popeye" in *The Miss Firecracker Pageant*. Cowley has received numerous awards for her local theatrical performances.

The film was produced over the last year using numerous outdoor locations in the area, additional local talent, and the media production skills of Jewett, the editor and primary cameraman of

Antigone.

Picklesimer, who also directed the film, says he has Roger Ebert to blame for it. "I have been attending the Ebert Film Festival since it started," Picklesimer says. "I have always been active in theatre, and have long wanted to film some of the scripts I have worked with...but it was not until one of the early years of the Ebert Fest that I decide to put some of these creative avenues into film."

The film will be shown at the Savoy 16 on April 21, 22, 23 and 24. Show times each day will be 10 a.m. so as not to interfere with EbertFest. This will be the first screening of the film anywhere, to any audience.

The full cast will be available to discuss the film with the public during the Saturday showing, April 23. The public is fully invited and encouraged to support a local film production in addition to EbertFest.

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Prof. Leake receives 2005 Outstanding Faculty Award

By SARAH TRUSTY
Prospectus Staff Writer

Parkland professor David Leake has been awarded the Outstanding Faculty Member Award for 2005 by the Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA). Every year, a Parkland faculty member is awarded by the ICCTA for showing excellence in his/her field.

Leake graduated from the University of Illinois with a Masters degree in Science Education, and has been a Parkland faculty member since 1989, currently teaching Physics and Astronomy. He is also the coordinator for the Staerkel Planetarium.

Although Leake says that he feels if he were just teaching science classes, or just running the Planetarium he would be able to devote more time to one thing, he loves his job.

Since he has been interested in astronomy since grade school, Leake feels honored to

be the coordinator for the second-largest planetarium in the state of Illinois. "Not everyone gets to be paid to do their hobby," Leake says. He also loves teaching, however, saying, "I have a blast with my students." Leake has even stayed in contact with several of his former students over the years. Leake not only enjoys his profession, but he enjoys working with the rest of the Parkland staff.

Leake, who claims he isn't used to winning awards and getting attention from it, didn't even expect to win. When he was nominated, he was required to submit materials in order to be considered for the award, and almost didn't turn them in.

He claims that the only reason he turned them in was because another faculty member talked him into it. When he received notice that he won, needless to say, Leake was very surprised.

This June, Leake will be attending a banquet in Chicago to receive his plaque.

Congratulations!

Erin Koelkebeck/*Prospectus*

Prof. David Leake assists Kelly and Josh during a physics lab at Parkland College. Leake has been awarded the Outstanding Faculty Member Award for 2005 by the Illinois Community College Trustees Association.

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On Campus

DeRosa elected new IBHE student member

Press release

SPRINGFIELD — Matthew DeRosa, who will enter the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign next year to study political science, has been elected as the next student member of the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE).

DeRosa was chosen by the Board's Student Advisory Committee to succeed Mark Weber who will complete his term as the student representative at the IBHE June meeting in Chicago.

"I feel honored to be elected

by my fellow students and am grateful for their expression of confidence," DeRosa said. "I look forward to serving on the Board of Higher Education and presenting the student voice on important issues such as affordability."

DeRosa is presently a student at Parkland College in Champaign where he serves as president of the student government. He has held a variety of positions in the Student Advisory Committee.

He also is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. He lives in Rantoul.



Prospectus file photo

Matthew DeRosa listens at a Student Government meeting last year.

Another stellar Parkland production in 'Skin'

By ALISON SMITH
Prospectus Staff Writer

This weekend Parkland Theatre wrapped up their production of Thornton Wilder's *The Skin of Our Teeth*, a complex play bursting with symbolism. The play follows an American family through countless trials and tribulations, including the Ice Age, the Flood, and war, not to mention the familiar, everyday problems of cheating spouses and children only a mother could love. Thornton wrote *The Skin of Our Teeth* as a testimony of hope and faith in humanity in the middle of the Second World War. If audiences then were confused by the erratic time line in the play, audiences today have not changed much. The confusing time line was just the beginning of this zany play.

Characters included a dinosaur, a woolly mammoth, Homer, Moses, a lifeguard, and some beauty contestants, among a plethora of others. Audiences also experience the play within a play, with several stops to accommodate the personal agenda of the star of the show. Sabina, the family's maid throughout the ages, was played by Mary Eisenhardt. Eisenhardt returned to Parkland after her most recent performance in *Assassins*. Definitely the comic relief in the play, Eisenhardt stole the show with her one-liners and show-stopping (literally) performance. She was a pleasure to watch and hopefully will return again to Parkland's stage.

Father George Antrobus and inventor extraordinaire was played by Buck Zachary, also returning to Parkland's stage. Zachary professed a deep understanding of his character, making his performance most believable. Zachary's dynamic character allowed the audience to see his comic ability as well as his flare for the dramatic.

Julia Sibley played the ever optimistic wife, Mrs. Antrobus. Sibley also demonstrated a

dynamic to her character. Her character could go from being in complete control and confidence, to frantically losing all hope in a crisis, adding to the comedy and the dramatic reality of the play. A unique chemistry between Sibley and Zachary also added to the believability. Instead of the loving husband and wife cliché, the couple came off as one that had indeed been married for centuries! Sibley is also a veteran to the Parkland Theatre with *Assassins* being her most recent performance.

James Schirmer played the oldest son, Henry Antrobus. This character required a definite understanding and Schirmer demonstrated his grasp on Henry. Also referred to throughout the play as Cain, Schirmer was believable as the son from Hell. However, unlikable as his character may have been, audiences still found themselves pulling for him throughout the performance. Schirmer was also able to showcase his dramatic ability, as well as his comic timing. Schirmer has most recently been on the Parkland stage in *The Miss Firecracker Contest*.

Gladys Antrobus was played by Rebekah Horner, a senior at St. Joseph-Ogden. This is her first Parkland performance. Horner was convincing as the can't-do-anything-wrong daddy's girl. While her character was somewhat less dynamic than the others, Horner always had a purpose and a presence onstage.

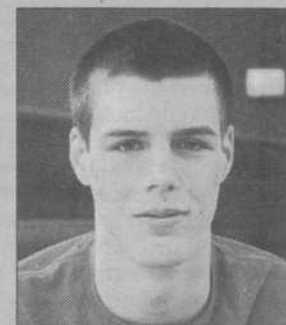
Mike Harvey played Mr. Fitzpatrick, the director of the play. While not on stage often, Harvey completely threw himself into his character, creating a hilarious and welcome distraction.

The extensive cast of extras added to the wacky believability of the play, and offered a welcome distraction. The set design was also most impressive and extensive. While this definitely wasn't one of the easiest plays to follow, it was a delight to watch. Congratulations to everyone who was a part of it!

Do you feel that recycling is important? Why or why not?



Adam—It takes more energy to recycle the products than it does to make new ones. Paper is the best way to recycle.



Brian—I think so, because we waste more than other countries and other countries don't have anything to waste.



Chris—Yes, because if we recycle we don't have to make new stuff and it saves on our resources.



Katy—Yes, because it important to save the Earth.



Lauren—Yes, because it is crucial to our environment. I try my best to recycle.



Shannon—Yes, because it's good for the environment. Recycling is just another way to help out the trees.

Photos by Nicole Simmons

Editorial

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ebay = why the world hates the U.S.

By AARON GEIGER
Prospectus Staff Writer

We all know ebay. The very name ranks high in the hierarchy of American vocabulary. The same language that has replaced the phrase, "Maybe you should look up that answer" to "Google it." No longer do families ponder the headache of garage sales in the fury that the past has seen. The new catch phrase is, "Put it on ebay". Ebay is a culture unto it's own, complete with a unique vocabulary. There are snipers, trolls, and numpties; words that describe people. There are verbs such as nibbling, shilling, and bid shielding. Don't forget the acronyms FVF (final value fees), NARU (Not a registered user), EOA (end of auction), BIN (buy it now), and the list goes on and on. It is distinctly an American creation.

Like ebay, there are many of us who have heard or perhaps even muttered, "Why do so many people in the world hate the U.S.? We try to help people, and turn them into democratic, freethinking societies!" Well, if I had to pick one definitive reason why somebody would hate us, it's ebay. I've selected some of the more interesting auctions simply to demonstrate my point. At the very least, they should make for entertaining reading.

1. Buy a Pope John Paul II bottle opener that was made in the Vatican. Eleven bids, and the going rate is \$24.50. Remember your connection to God as you open a bottle of fine brew and then forget your connection to God.

2. Buy a steak-bone arrowhead for only \$16,995. You can be the first one to bid (I wonder why?) Apparently the auctioneer ate a steak, and found a bone in the natural shape of an arrowhead. He promptly preserved it in alcohol so that the highest bidder could cherish it forever.

3. You can buy Joey, a radio-show stuntman, a pair of breast implants (yes, he is a man), and use those implants as advertising space. There have been eighty-five bidders, topping off at \$300,099.99 so far. I guess this is a takeoff of the man who

offered his forehead for advertising space for a month, the women who have offered their bodies as bulletins boards, and, well, you get the point.

4. A grandmother in a nursing home grew jealous that her roommate received \$20 in the mail from a relative, and decided to auction herself off to a potential 'grandson'. All the 'grandson' had to do was send a gift every major holiday, including the elderly lady's birthday. Fifteen people cared enough to bid, and \$28 won the auction.

5. Do you want the Easter bunny? Somebody on ebay caught him and sold him for \$10.49, a price that was hotly contested between two anonymous individuals. I guess that means we'll only have Christ to celebrate next Easter?

6. Somebody got a Bible autographed by God. The sad thing is, only five devoted followers competed for His holy name—for a whopping price of \$2.75. Even sadder are the masses that donate thousands of life-savings to evangelists that say they need the money for a summer home.

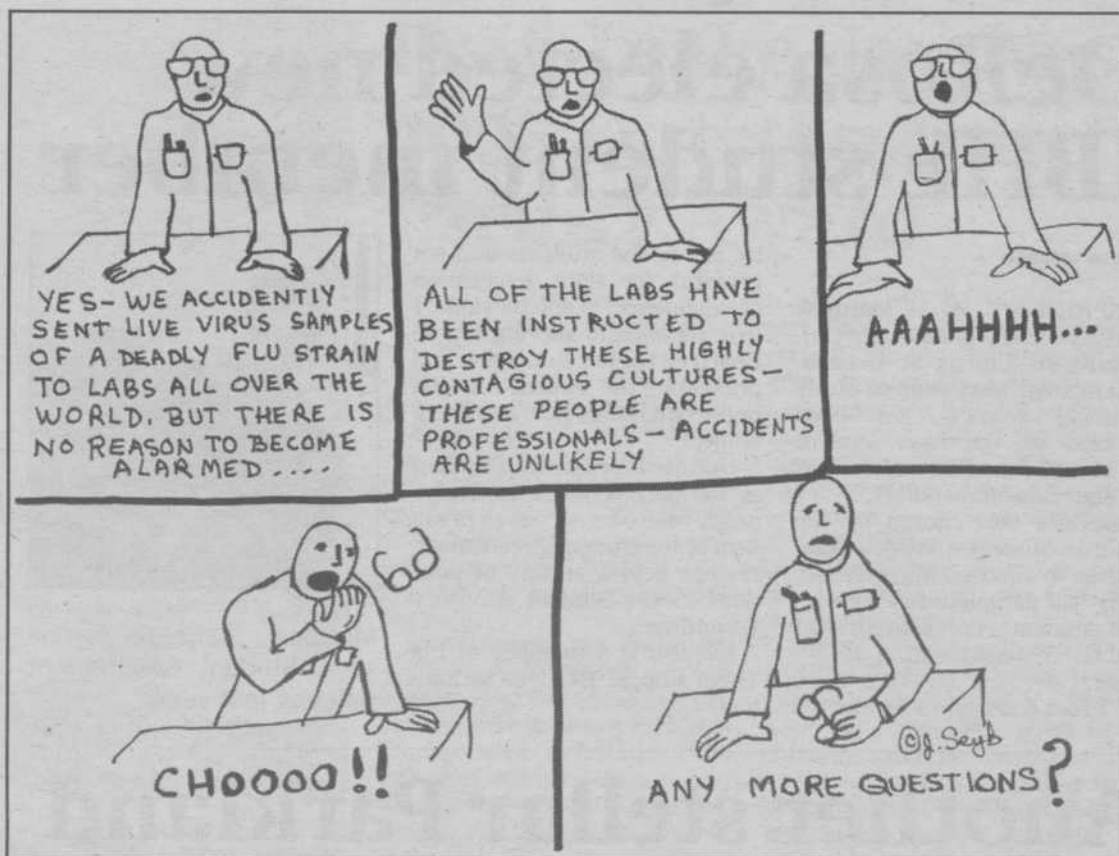
7. Do you want a multiracial friendship? Jake, Tom, and Hardeep offered theirs for \$31, and promised to maintain an AOL Instant Messenger friendship for a month.

8. Do you remember the story of the Virgin Mary appearing on a piece of grilled cheese? Well, apparently it was the forerunner of miracles to come: Jesus appeared on toast, the number 666 appeared on a PBJ, and MC Hammer's face showed up on a slice of Wonderbread.

9. Do you still believe in the American Dream? One man thinks you do, because he got mugged in the Bronx, and is auctioning the T-shirt that he was wearing during the crime. The price? The amount of money he was robbed of.

I don't need cable T.V., or *The Onion*, or even award-winning comedic essays being sold at Barnes & Noble. I just need a few minutes a night browsing ebay.com. Most people are trying to sell, buy, and peruse the uncommon or unique items of the world online, but there

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Pushing Ten Commandments; forgetting Ten Amendments

by SUSAN LENFESTEY

With all that's been written about Terri Schiavo and her unsought role as poster child for the right-to-life crowd, what's left to say about that sordid interface of politics and religion? Plenty.

The meddling policies of President Bush and his religious minions are harbingers of things to come, especially if the Republican zealots succeed in changing the filibuster rules and run their extremist judicial nominees through the Senate unchecked.

The long hand of government, once despised by those on the right but now more attractive in its Republican silk glove, is not only intervening but poking ever deeper into the most private aspects of our everyday lives.

Take the trend in statehouses across the country to legislate protection for pharmacists who refuse to fill a prescription they don't believe in, for example, birth-control pills. It doesn't take a genius to spot the gunk on this wicket. Will pharmacists be free to offer a little homily as they smugly refuse to hand

over the goods? What about the druggist who believes that God has willed an infertile woman to remain childless? No septup-producing drugs for her. What about Viagra? Sorry, if the Lord had wanted old men to have sex like satyrs he would have provided.

In Michigan last month the House passed a bill that allows health care providers to refuse service to anyone on moral, ethical or religious grounds, which includes objections to the client's lifestyle, not just to the

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Speak Out!

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Planning Commission announces scholarship

Press release

The Community Services Board announces the availability of several scholarships for the 2005-2006 academic year. To qualify, an applicant must be a resident of Champaign County and must have an annual income at or below 125% of the 2005 Federal Poverty Guidelines. He or she must be enrolled in a full-time course of study at a post-secondary institution in Illinois.

The applicant must have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average (high school grades) or at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average (post-secondary grades). The grade point average requirements are based on a 4.0 grading scale. Students who have already completed bachelor degrees are not

eligible.

The application deadline is Friday, June 17, 2005. The Community Services Board will then review the applications and select the recipients. Applications are available on-line at <http://www.socialservices-ccrpc.org/programs/csbp.php>, or at the Regional Planning Commission's office in the Brookens Administrative Center at 1776 E. Washington Street in Urbana, or by contacting Denine Benedetto or Dawn Rear, CSBG Scholarship Coordinators, at 328-3313. Since 1986, the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission has administered the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Scholarship program with funds from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs.

Final Examination Schedule May 9-13, 2005

DAY COURSES

If your first class meeting during the week is:

The final exam will be held:

Monday at 7 a.m.	8-10 a.m., Tuesday, May 10
Monday at 8 a.m.	8-10 a.m., Monday, May 9
Monday at 9 a.m.	8-10 a.m., Wednesday, May 11
Monday at 10 a.m.	8-10 a.m., Thursday, May 12
Monday at 11 a.m.	11 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday, May 9
Monday at 12 noon	11 a.m.-1 p.m., Wednesday, May 11
Monday at 1 p.m.	11 a.m.-1 p.m., Tuesday, May 10
Monday at 2 p.m.	2-4 p.m., Tuesday, May 10
Monday at 3 p.m. or 4 p.m.	2-4 p.m., Monday, May 9
Tuesday at 7 a.m.	8-10 a.m., Monday, May 9
Tuesday at 8 a.m.	8-10 a.m., Tuesday, May 10
Tuesday at 9 a.m. or 10 a.m.	8-10 a.m., Friday, May 13
Tuesday at 11 a.m.	11 a.m.-1 p.m., Thursday, May 12
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Tuesday at 2 p.m.	2-4 p.m., Thursday, May 12
Tuesday at 3 p.m.	2-4 p.m., Wednesday, May 11
Tuesday at 4 p.m.	2-4 p.m., Thursday, May 12
Any day class after Tuesday	2-4 p.m., Friday, May 13

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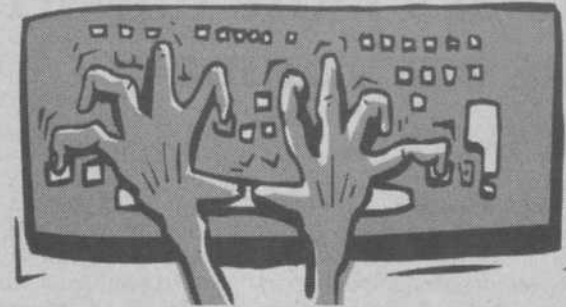
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All evening finals (5 p.m. or later) will be at the regular class time.

keyboard chatter

by Larry V. Gilbert



I HAVE BEEN PATIENTLY waiting — no, now I've just been waiting unpatiently — for WILL-TV to change over to their digital signal on 12.1, which will include some programming to be broadcast in high definition.

Apparently, I'm not the only one wondering when this will finally happen. The station's new engineer has posted some information on the WILL web pages, announcing that plans are to start the new service some time in April.

I first heard about all of this way back in August or September. And then an article in the *News-Gazette* in October confirmed that the conversion was to happen in a few days. And I just about made a fool of myself by driving out to the transmitter site near Monticello, camera in hand, hoping to get some pictures for an article or even a feature for the *Prospectus*. I'm reluctant to tell everyone that I even got up at 2 or 2:30 in the morning, turned on the TV, tried to program 12.1 into my HDTV, only to find the dreaded message time after time: "Digital Channel 09 not locked in." Channel 9 is the number designated for Channel 12.

October came and quickly disappeared. No new Channel 12.

And now, 2004 is past. 2005 is nearly one-third gone. But in a recent phone conversation with the engineer I learned that a lot of problems surfaced, including equipment not arriving on time. On the bright side, progress is being made.

I'd like to tell you that I haven't tried adding 12.1 for some months now, but that isn't true. I just tried again Sunday night.

I will wait until I read another story in the local paper — this time listing a broadcast schedule that will hopefully include a footnote saying "Broadcast in high definition."

FORMER STUDENTS JUST seem to pop up everywhere I go. Does this just happen or could it be the fact that I probably have had the privilege to meet and teach well over 10,000 students in my career thus far. (Just checked my dictionary again. Confirmed! The words *retire*, *retirement*, *retiring*, nor *retired* are not in my dictionary; and, therefore, not a part of my vocabulary.)

Well, case in point: last Saturday I was helping with a funeral at a local church. Shortly after I arrived, a church staff member walked in, looked at me; and before he could say anything, I said, "Well, hello, Tim. How you doing?"

"Hey, Larry," he said. "It's been more than 10 years since I was enrolled in one of your classes at Parkland. You remembered my name. I'm impressed." Then he turned and introduced his wife to me and told me about their two sons.

I could tell he was waiting for some form of explanation.

"You, see, Tim, I remember best the students who have been a bit of a challenge and those who have been exceptional."

Nothing more was said. I'm sure he didn't have to think very long to remember the outstanding work he did in the class.

Why am I sure? I saw Tim with one of his sons on Sunday at Wal-Mart in Savoy. They were selling candy bars in the parking lot to raise money for student scholarships to summer camp. He just smiled, and I knew he had figured it out.

All right! Yes! I bought a candy bar. I took out all the change in my pocket and counted out a few dimes, three or four nickles, and enough pennies to make \$1, the cost of a candy bar.

NOW THAT IT'S official: we really had no winter in East Central Illinois, we can look forward to a short spring and a long, hot summer. That's usually the way it goes when we have very little snow. And when we have temps in the 80s in March and April we can expect storms when we get a sudden change to cooler weather. Just so we don't have another storm like we had last summer in July. That's the one that brought a huge limb down on my garage.

Even the medical profession agrees with me that we had more flu, colds, upper respiratory infections, etc. because we didn't have sub-zero weather to "kill the bugs" this year.

But that's all in the past. Can't go back and redo it, so just go ahead with spring and summer. By the way, did you notice how beautiful the magnolia trees (some call them tulip trees) were this spring? Unfortunately, a Sunday in the mid-80s and then a couple days of rain took care of them in short order.

Even though I gripe about having no real winters any more, I do like spring. My favorite flowering shrub is the lilac. I'm even considering taking out some old evergreens in front of my house and replacing them with Russian lilac bushes. They don't grow as tall and are easier to manage. My sister-in-law tells me that they have the same, strong fragrance of their larger cousins.

I have some special help with my gardens, though: squirrels and rabbits. I guess I won't have the day lilies that I had planned on. I bought several plants last summer and noticed a couple of weeks ago that they were peeking their heads out of the ground on the south side of the house. The squirrels and rabbits noticed, too. They have kept them neatly clipped at the soil level. I wonder if moth balls would keep them away?

And then there's the vegetable garden. Every year I have the best looking produce in the neighborhood. One has to drive a short distance from my home to see the tomatoes, green beans, peppers and squash. They are found at Jerry's IGA at Round Barn.

Earth Day

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What's more important, the environment or your desires?

By **JOSEPH ROSENBAUM**
Prospectus Staff Writer

Savethe whales, dolphins, rainforests, ozone layer, etc., etc., etc.

Organizations such as Greenpeace fight battles on many fronts. From air and water pollution to oil spills in the ocean and everything in between, we (humans) invariably attack the symptoms without getting at the root of the problem. Plainly speaking, the problem is within all of us.

Whole forests are razed to make way for such unnecessary uses as golf courses. Livestock animals are given hgh (human growth hormone) and other chemicals to fatten them up for our consumption. The citizens of the United States want all the benefits of Oil, hairspray and massive amounts of meat (to name a few) without any harm resulting from its production.

So what is our brilliant plan you may ask? Through excessive environmental laws and regulations, we make it financially for

some corporations to conduct business in the U.S. Instead these corporations go to third world countries whose leaders welcome the money and could care less about the environmental damage wreaked as a result.

We simply cannot have our cake and eat it too. I know that sounds trite, but it is the truth. So we can continue on the path we have taken, which would eventually lead to disaster or we can seriously modify our behavior and desires to stop the demand for products and services that are not environmentally friendly.

In the capitalistic society we live in there is one immutable law. That is the law of supply and demand. Simply speaking, if we didn't demand oil, excessive amounts of meat, land for golf courses, etc. there would be no supply. Without supply of these items, there would be no production that causes environmental damage. What are you willing to do and give up to save the earth?

Putting All Your Ducks in a Row

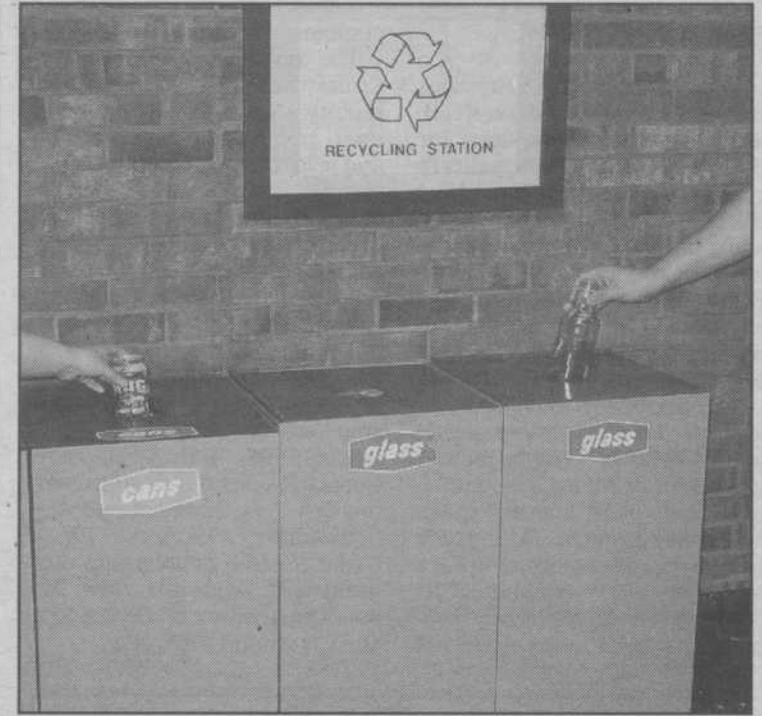
By **JON VOLKMAN**
Prospectus Staff Writer

Reduce. Reuse. Recycle. We are all familiar with those three words, as well as the idea of helping our environment and protecting our future through recycling. Most people think of aluminum cans and plastic bottles when confronted with the concept of recycling. This is logical even though today most anything can be reused and/or recycled.

The idea of recycling can be extended though. Many people collect and hoard stuff. Lots of stuff actually—putting it on the walls, in boxes, on shelves, and anywhere else. We collect stuff, show it off, and get comfort from having it around. Whole industries fuel the collection crazes while other industries supplement them with the necessary organizational tools for said stuff.

Personally, I am a recovering collector. Or I am trying to be. I have collected various things over the years, from a monstrous horror/Halloween collection to postcards from all over. I had boxes of stuff I would move whenever I did, yet I had very little furniture or household goods. About two years ago, I realized I had been moving these boxes around with me, but never unpacking them. It was just stuff after all, and since I had no real display area for it, it stayed boxed.

Now I am trying to unpack and find out what I have been collecting. I found a box of old t-shirts from various vacations and activities. Each of these shirts brings back some memory for me, but obviously they are not something I could display. I am now faced with the question of whether or not to keep these. Sure, they have memories connected to them and keeping them handy would allow me to



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revisit those memories. I could take pictures of them though, and put them into a scrapbook or photo album and the effect would be the same.

That is where the problem comes for many of us. Letting go of stuff is difficult and a task most of us would rather not confront. We'd rather just continue to accumulate and save organizing for another day. This is seen on certain television shows where people's lives have been overwhelmed by stuff. Many of us live through association, keeping things that we associate with a certain time, person, or emotion. Consequently, we end up trapped by our past and it stifles progress.

Now I am not saying we can't have stuff. Obviously, everyone has some things they accumulate and collect, and it is healthy, to a point. Yet, when a collection overwhelms someone, or becomes a hindrance for forward progress—I'd love to have you move in, but I have to find a place for my Hello Kitty collection, then it becomes a problem.

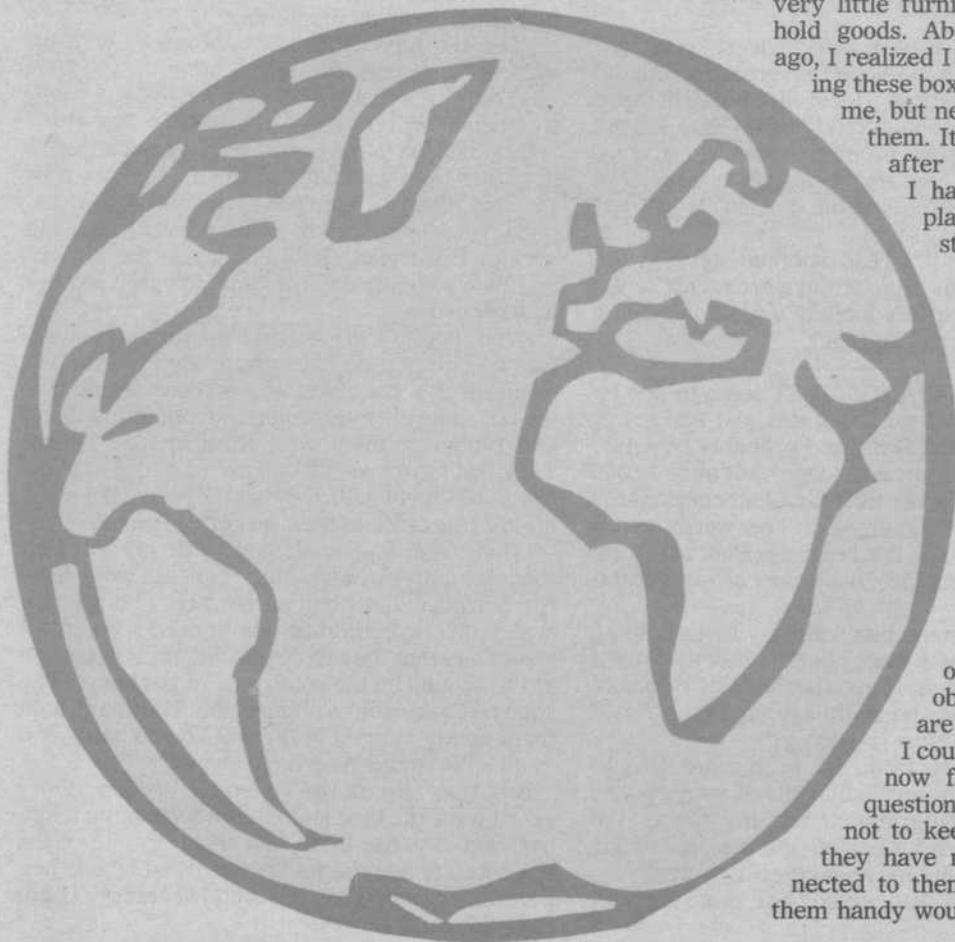
For me, I think the culmination of collecting going too far was when watching a television show where a couple was giving their house a clean sweep. The wife had two or three boxes of stuff that had belonged to her now deceased grandmother. When she opened the boxes, she

was surprised as she had forgotten about some of the things inside, yet when it was suggested she throw it away, she broke down.

Losing a relative is very difficult, yet their stuff is just that. It is not them, and the memories of that person remain regardless of the stuff. Obviously, this woman had not forgotten about her grandmother, but she had forgotten about the stuff. Yet she struggled with getting rid of any of it. She was associating it with her grandmother, and hindering her current life with the clutter as a result.

So while we as a public continue to amass collections and random stuff, I try to pare down my collections. I think of the memories and the associations, but also think of the space the stuff occupies. For every thing I have, I should have a justifiable reason for keeping it.

As an example, I have had a rather large assortment of rubber ducks for quite some time. I have just recently begun to downsize the collection, keeping only a selective few. I find them quirky and fun, but have had no real reason to keep such a large number of them. So, as I throw away and condense, I could only laugh when a friend from out of state sent me a package the other day. Inside, one rubber duck that they found at a store and simply couldn't resist.



Earth Day

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Bales, not bundles

Prospectus photographer Erin Koelkebeck visited The University Recycling Center on St. Mary's Road in Champaign last weekend to check out the complicated process of recycling.



Poet's Corner

Dark Alleys

By MEGAN M. OLSON

Down a forbidding alley
Littered by heaps of
Moldy trash and slimy
Metal garbage cans,
I encounter a stranger.
His shoulders are slumped,
Hands jammed into the
Pockets of his flyaway,
Holey trench coat.
He has stubble on his face,
Needle pepper grains,
And his eyes are watering
With seagull salt tears.
His trench coat blows
Behind him like large,
Shady vulture wings.
Decaying dirt-bag fluff
Elopes with the muttering
Breeze from the flapping coat
Tails, embroidered into the
Dead rapture of the sun.
We pass by, shoulders bumping,
Ramming like moon dappled
Icebergs in the Arctic Ocean.
On we drag our feet in
Opposite direction, lonely,
Forever walking solitary
Alleys that go on only
In one direction.

EBAY

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are a select few that make people around the world shake their heads and mutter, "Damn, that's American." Good or bad, it's a phrase that we need to come to terms with, but as long as we can openly buy the name of a woman's next baby in the interests of advertising, then

I'm afraid that being an American will always label the individual as being out of touch with the workings of the rest of the world, as well as out of touch with people. Perhaps one day somebody will auction off the American Conscience, but I'm afraid there'll be around twelve bids, topping off at \$12.75, leaving us right where we left ourselves: in the belly of our own beast.

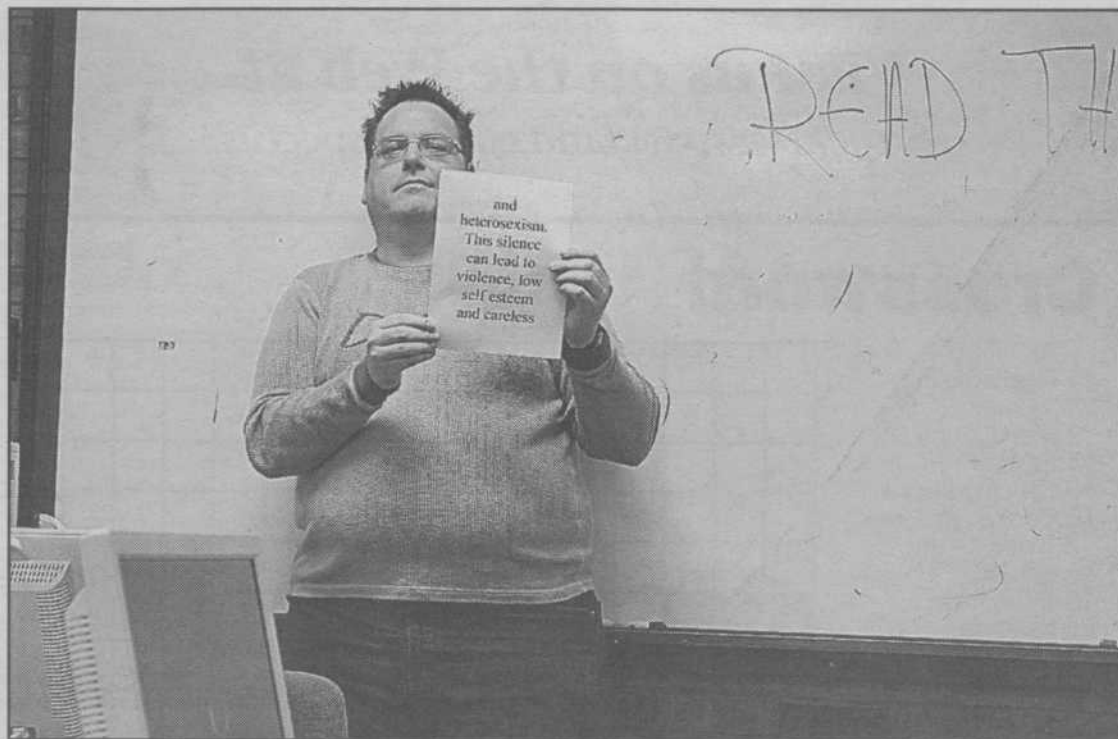
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English professor Thom Schnarre observed the Day of Silence for the first few minutes of class on Wednesday, April 13.

AMENDMENTS

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treatment itself. Other bills have been approved exempting health insurance companies and care facilities from covering or providing service on the same grounds. The Republican-controlled Michigan Senate has not voted on these bills.

Since *Roe vs. Wade* made abortion legal in 1973, 47 states have passed so-called conscience clauses that allow health care professionals to opt out of performing abortions or sterilization procedures. But the new legislation, proposed in Wisconsin and at least 10 other states, expands this option to include the right to refuse to prescribe or dispense contraceptives, to refuse to assist in a suicide or to follow a patient's advance directives for end-of-life care.

Everyone who signed a living will after watching Schiavo's agonizing marathon should realize that if this legislation passes, those directives will have no more power than the prayers whispered at your bedside. Maybe less.

Medical societies, including the AMA, have traditionally supported conscience clauses, but oppose these recent upgrades on the grounds that they unduly interfere in the patient-physician relationship. But that relationship is already sullied by

political leaders eager to pass laws based on faith, not fact. In their rush to get behind the Ten Commandments, our political leaders are trampling on the Ten Amendments — our Bill of Rights, crafted to protect us from just this sort of government intrusion.

President Bush says he believes we should always err on the side of life, a curious statement from a man who as governor of Texas signed a law allowing medical providers to remove feeding tubes from patients whose condition is deemed futile, even if the families object, and who signed off on the execution of 152 death-row inmates, some of them mentally impaired and defended by inept or sleeping lawyers.

And from a man who erred on the side of death when he chose military force to remove Saddam Hussein from power. It's time for President Bush and his political base to demonstrate their concern for life by showing a hint of real compassion for those already here and to stop intruding in the shadowy nexus between the temporal and the everlasting.

Susan Lenfestey is a Minneapolis writer and can be reached at soolen@aol.com.

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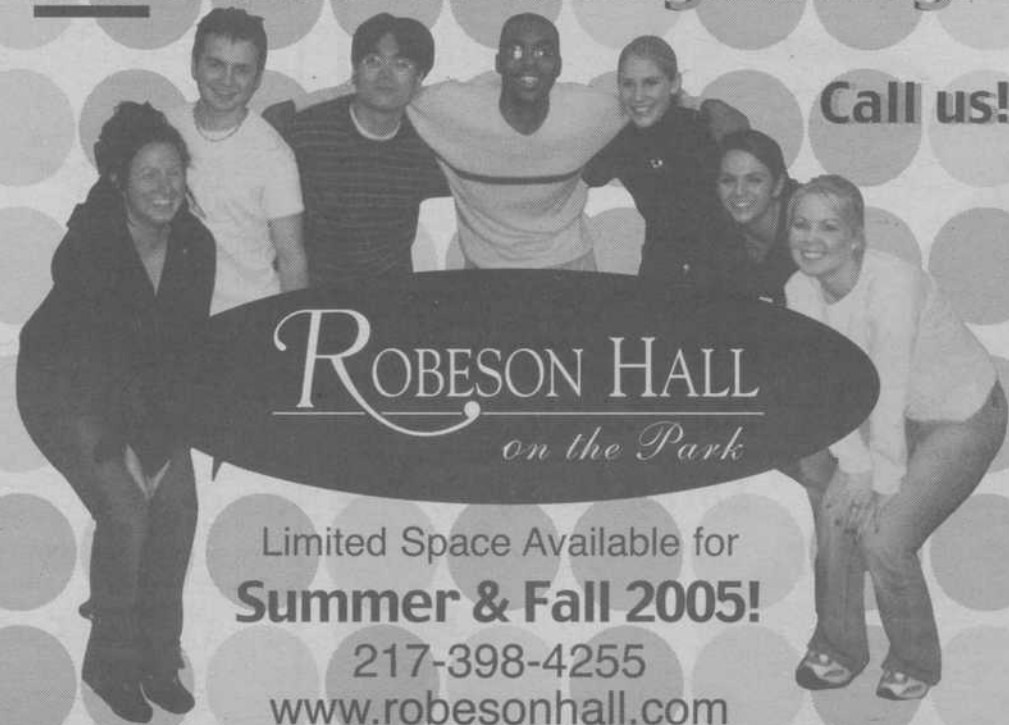
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On Campus

Arbor Day ceremony at Parkland April 29

Press release

Parkland will celebrate Arbor Day on Friday, April 29 with a special ceremony at 10 a.m. in the Donald and Alice Dodds, Jr. multipurpose room within the campus' Child Development Center.

During the ceremony, the Parkland College Foundation will plant several trees to honor or remember friends and loved ones of local supporters, as part of its Living Tree Program. The planting will take place in the memorial grove on Parkland's south side.

Residents may still make con-

tributions to the foundation to take part in the ceremony and planting. A gift \$250 or more will allow donors to have the memorial tree planted and continually tended, and includes a plaque at the tree explaining this special living remembrance to visitors.

"Your gift will grow and prosper as part of a unique and diverse collection of trees and will help beautify our campus," said foundation Executive Director Carl Meyer.

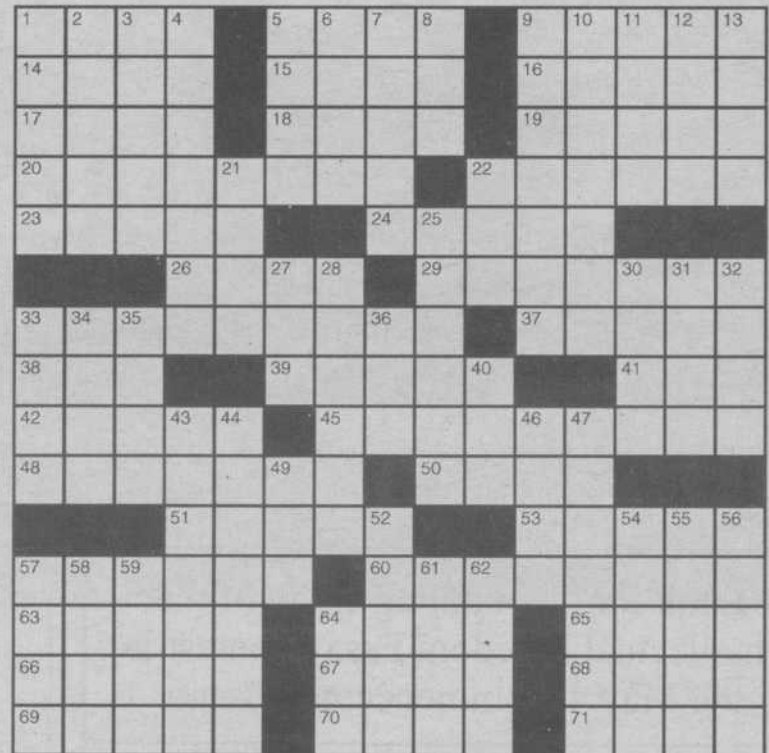
For more information about the Living Tree Program, call the Parkland College Foundation at 217/351-2464 or e-mail sgoldenstein@parkland.edu.

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Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Nights before
 - 5 ___ mater
 - 9 Met offering
 - 14 Flaccid
 - 15 Fencing sword
 - 16 Cooked in a wok
 - 17 Place for an earring
 - 18 Complexion damage
 - 19 Unit of capacitance
 - 20 ELO part
 - 22 Bishops' toppers
 - 23 Short wave, for one
 - 24 Vote in
 - 26 Perry's creator
 - 29 Never outdated
 - 33 Took to task
 - 37 Started a fire again
 - 38 Lubricate
 - 39 Circumvent
 - 41 Corrida call
 - 42 Put up
 - 45 Repetition
 - 48 Gradual deterioration
 - 50 Great review
 - 51 Face the day
 - 53 Short-lived Ford
 - 57 Sacred beetle
 - 60 Typewriter part
 - 63 Peeled
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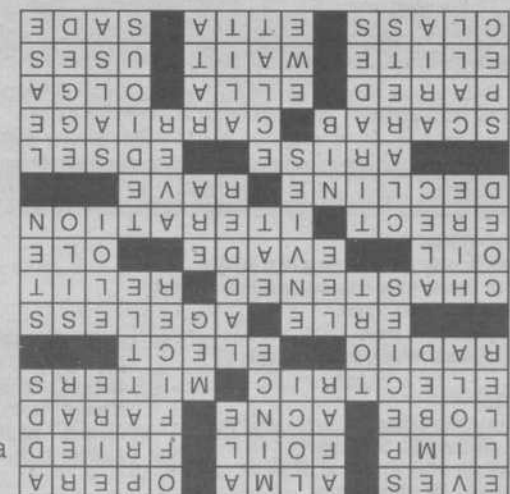
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 - 4 Biological classification
 - 5 A long way off
 - 6 Centers of attention
 - 7 Chop into bits
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 - 9 Policeman
 - 10 Jabber
 - 11 Ireland
 - 12 Raise
 - 13 Tacks on
 - 21 Legal wrong
 - 22 Actress Ryan
 - 25 Series of ranked stages
 - 27 Actress Grant
 - 28 Views with jealousy
 - 30 People of "The Time Machine"
 - 31 Farm building
 - 32 "Nana" star Anna
 - 33 For both sexes
 - 34 Add employees
 - 35 Actor Guinness
 - 36 End hunger
 - 40 Important time
 - 43 Dry red wines
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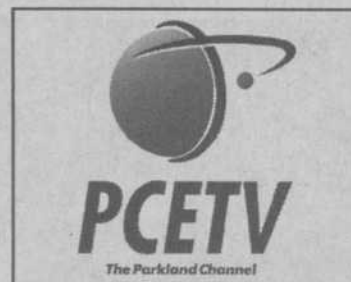
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The release of the Spring 2005 issue of iMAGES will be on April 28, 2005. Copies will be available in the Student Life Office X150 for \$2.00 each. There will be an exhibition and reading of the Parkland student's works that were published in this year's issue on April 29, 2005. The event will be from 6-8 pm in the Gallery Lounge with refreshments will be provided courtesy of iMAGES.



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Centerfielder Jim Viscomi slides into home during the first of a doubleheader against Springfield Sunday. Viscomi has set a new season record for steals with 41 this season beating the old record of 32 steals. The Cobras won both games of the doubleheader.

Long ball helps baseball end streak

Press release

Jesse Griswold broke out of an (8-40) slump with 2 HR and 4 RBI in game 1 and Tristan Facer hit a towering home run in Game 2 as the Parkland Baseball team got back to their winning ways with a 12-3 and 4-1 sweep of Springfield College. The victories improve PC to 29-12 and 8-3 in the CCCI while SCI falls to 20-16 and 7-7.

Griswold led off with a solo home run to spark an eight run third inning and finished the scoring with a two-run shot in the fifth. Kyle Dudley went 3-3 with 2 runs scored while Tom Shelley and Sean Doherty both had a pair of hits and Scott Hauber drove in two runs. Adam Tobler worked five solid innings to improve to (6-1) and Aaron Schmitt pitched two scoreless innings of relief.

In the finale, Parkland trailed 1-0 in the fourth before pushing across a pair of runs. Jim Viscomi and Jesse Griswold walked to start the inning and moved up to second and third on a double-steal.

Viscomi scored on a game tying sacrifice fly by Kyle Dudley and Lance Tofflemire tripped in Griswold.

After winning pitcher DJ Throneburg (2-1) worked out of tough spots in the fifth and sixth, Facer provided some insurance with a two-run blast to give the Cobras some breathing room. Throneburg gave up just a two-out single in the seventh to cap the victory.

Parkland completed the three game series with the Bulldogs on Tuesday.

They will face Spoon River in Canton on Thursday.

Softball racks up two more shutout wins

Press release

Parkland ran their winning streak to 28 games on Sunday with a 23-0 and 11-0 sweep of Springfield College. The wins improve the Cobras to 37-6 and a perfect 18-0 in conference.

Jackie Bradley improved to (14-3) with the win in the first game, getting all the offense she would need when the Cobras erupted for ten first inning runs. Susan Opiola got the scoring started with a 3-run homer in the first. Several other Cobras had big days at the plate as Stacey Weaver (3-3 4 RBI),

Brittany Nash (3 hits 2 RBI), Jenette Mix (3 hits 3 RBI), and Bradley (3 hits 3 RBI) contributed to a 25-hit attack.

In the finale, Jackie Bradley had 3 hits and 2 RBI while Stacey Weaver and Lara Butcher added 2 hits and 2 RBI to help Stephanie Schneider (10-2) earn her 10th victory of the season. Brittany Nash and Lexi Surber each stole three bases and scored two runs as Parkland cruised to the 11-0 win in six innings.

Parkland hosts Spoon River on Thursday at 3:00 p.m.

By RYAN ZERRUSEN
Prospectus Staff Writer

Sports Around the Country

NASCAR in Texas

Cutting a tire and crashing in practice by running over debris pushed Greg Biffle to the end of the field for the Samsung/Radio Shack 500 race at Texas Motor speedway in Fort Worth. He overcame all doubters with an amazing run to the front to win the race with his backup car. Despite starting at the back of the field, Biffle managed to lead 219 of the 334 laps of the race. He was picking off two and three cars at a time in the first few laps, was into the top 15 with only 26 laps into the race and was leading the race by lap 87. One caution of note was when Tony Stewart blew his engine and his car went into flames. He suffered minor burns on his right leg and was treated and released the same day.

Series point leader Jimmie Johnson finished third by passing Casey Mears in the last laps of the race. Johnson still leads the point's championship by the margin of 135 points. The next race is the Subway 500 in Phoenix next Saturday at 4 p.m.

NFL Draft

The NFL Draft is this weekend and many teams and analysis are getting their draft boards ready. San Francisco has the first pick followed by Miami, Cleveland, Chicago, Tampa Bay, Tennessee, and Minnesota (from Oakland). Some of the top players that are thought to be selected are: Mike Williams of USC, Ronnie Brown from Auburn, Braylon Edwards from Michigan, Carnell Williams from Auburn, Cedric Benson from Texas, Alex Smith from Utah, and Aaron Rogers from California.

Cubs vs. Cardinals

This Wednesday begins another season of the great rivalry of Cardinals versus the Cubs. The Cardinals host the Cubs in a night game on Wednesday at 6 p.m. and an afternoon game on Thursday at 12 p.m.. This year's Cardinals team features many of the players that took them to the National League pennant in 2004 with players such as, Larry Walker, Albert Pujols, Scott Rolen, and Jim Edmonds.

The differences in this year's teams is that they lost Edgar Renteria and the question is if the pitching staff can hold teams down enough for the Cardinals amazing offense to score enough runs. For the Cubs, they no longer have Sammy Sosa but they still have good hitting with Aramis Ramirez, Derrick Lee, and last year's late edition Nomar Garciaparra. But as usual, the Cubs need to keep their amazing pitching staff of Prior, Woods, and Zambrano healthy. It should be a great season of Cardinals and Cubs baseball.

Support the Cobras!

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Softball: Lincoln Land at
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Sunday, April 24
Softball: John Wood at
Quincy 1 p.m.

Thursday, April 21
Baseball: Spoon River at
Canton 1 p.m. (2)
Softball: Spoon River at
PARKLAND 3 p.m.

Monday, April 25
Baseball: John Wood at
Quincy 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 23
Baseball: Spoon River at
PARKLAND 1 p.m.
Softball: Lewis & Clark at
Godfrey 1 p.m.

Tuesday, April 26
Baseball: John Wood at
Quincy 12 p.m. (2)
Softball: Wabash Valley at
PARKLAND 2 p.m.