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Cynthia Biggers reads a poem while Rita Miles listens at the African American Read-In Monday. Black History Month events continue Saturday with a Gospel Concert from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Parkland Theatre.

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More than you ever wanted to know about Valentine's Day

By ERIN DeYOUNG
Prospectus Staff Writer

February 14. Some hear this date and think of chocolates and lover's frolicking through grassy fields, while the rest of the population will either start to cringe or start to cry at the mere mention of Valentine's Day. Even though historically Valentine's Day is a day to celebrate the Patron Saint of love and lovers, many other historical and interesting events have occurred on the 14th of February.

With all the different dates to remember in history classes, why couldn't we be asked about events that occurred on days like Valentine's Day that would be easy to remember? Valentine's Day has seen many historical events such as James Polk becoming the first president to have his picture taken, the establishment of the Department of Commerce and Labor, the founding of The League of Women Voters in Chicago and the first televised tour of the White House by Jacqueline Kennedy.

Some technological advances and discoveries that we take for granted on a daily basis found

their start on Valentine's Day. Some of these events include Alexander Graham Bell applying for a patent for the telephone, the University of Pennsylvania unveiling the Electronic Numerical Integrator and Computer (ENIAC) as the first general-purpose computer, and six-year old Stormie Jones becoming the first person to receive a heart-liver transplant.

What would Valentine's Day be without lovable Valentine babies? Many famous and successful people were born on Valentine's Day including Nobel Prize winner Herbert A. Hauptman, game show host Hugh Downs, actress Florence Henderson, actor and dancer Gregory Hines, magician Raymond Teller (Penn and Teller) and actor and rapper Ice-T.

Now that you have had your daily dose of random pointless information, go out and impress that special someone with all the new facts you have learned, especially the one about Valentine's Day being the Mexican Day of National Mourning, the anniversary of the St. Valentine's Day Massacre in Chicago, and the day of Dolly the sheep died.

Phi Theta Kappa announces spring application deadline

Press release—Phi Theta Kappa would like to remind all prospective members that the deadline for applications and fees is 6:00 p.m., Friday February 18, 2005. Applications are available in the chapter's office in C-241, the PTK Office, or in X-153, the Student Life office. Completed applications can be dropped off in the office, room C-241, or slid into the mail slot on the door.

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1. Twelve hours of 100-level or above credit courses earned at Parkland College (accumulated and completed).
2. Declared associate degree.
3. Cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher.
4. Completed and signed application and \$80 one-time fee. Checks and money orders should be made out to Parkland College/Phi Theta Kappa.

Any questions or concerns can be addressed to Phi Theta Kappa in C-241, by calling the office at 351-2510, or by emailing phithetakappa@parkland.edu. The Induction Ceremony will be held on Friday March 11, 2005, followed by a reception.



Parkland College photo
Computer Science and Information Technology chair Maria Mobasseri poses with professor Kevin Hales during the NISOD reception Friday.

CORRECTION:

In the January 19 edition of the *Prospectus*, the deadline for Images submissions was incorrect. Submissions will be accepted until 4 p.m. on March 1, 2005. The *Prospectus* regrets the error.

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Jewelry for the soul

By AARON GEIGER
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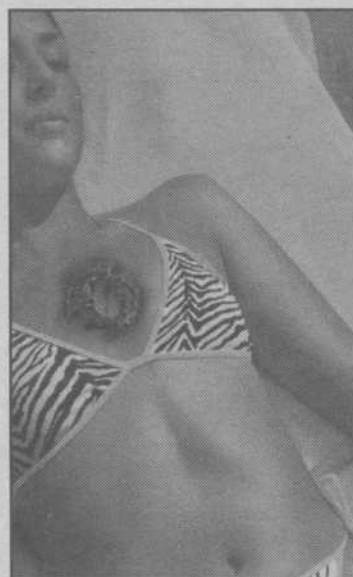
I am fortunate. Since I was a wee lad, I've been immersed in cultural melting pots. My family is from Hawai'i, and my parents went to school there. My mother's school friends range from Japanese to Korean to Hawaiian to Haole (Caucasian). Everywhere in Hawai'i, you can find a wide array of cultures, spanning the globe, and most surely the entire Pacific realm. I could walk down a street and find the most curious arrangements of cuisine, like the Loco-Moco for instance—a breakfast with rice on the bottom, a fried egg, and either spam or hamburger on top, coated in gravy or shoyu. Yes, it makes the heart scream, "Noooo!", but you get the general idea. Even McDonald's, which I loathe, serves saimin (noodles and broth) and Portuguese sausage (spicy and greasy). And if you ever wondered what products of the sea were edible, you can go to the fish market downtown and get anything from anglerfish to baby eels to raw spider crabs to the unmentionable. And believe me, I love seafood, but I don't LOVE seafood. But you understand my point when I talk about an incredibly diverse assortment of food from a huge variety of people.

A few years ago, I had the privilege of serving in the U.S. Navy. When I first got there, we were told that the Navy has only two colors: Blue and Gold. Sounds cheesy, until you realize that all borders are really broken down between one another,

because your life is in the hands of possibly the very person that you hated as a child. Nothing would function without the dynamic of multiculturalism, especially on a ship or submarine. Most sailors come from poor and/or rural or inner-city backgrounds, and they suffer hardships together, and find out that their best friends are people they might never have associated with prior to joining the military. It's a bond that I will never forget.

While serving in the military, I was stationed in San Diego for part of my tenure, and eventually got an apartment in Imperial Beach. I had a lovely view of Tijuana, Mexico from my back porch, and a stone's throw away from the Border Patrol's equestrian stables. It was there that I experienced a harsh reality: reverse discrimination. My neighborhood was literally 80% Mexican expatriates, illegal immigrants, Hispanic families, and established Chicanos. My grocery store spoke Spanish, as did my barber, and the ice cream vendor. And I realized that I got really lousy treatment in some establishments. Sometimes I would be completely ignored, talked to harshly, or even received horrible service. As much as I would like to say that they were coincidences, sadly they were not. It made me think back to many points in my life where a minority was overshadowed by the majority, and made the scapegoat. It made me resolve to keep my integrity. I thought to myself that I wanted to see the soul; everything else is merely decoration, like jewelry for the spirit.

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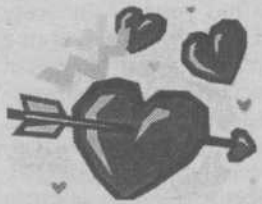
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Valentine's Greetings



Happy Valentine's Day to all members of Phi Theta Kappa and SNAP. Special love to everyone who grades my exams!!
-Rebecca

Our love is like the wind...I can't see it, but I can feel it. Can't wait until you come home, Love you lots Babe!
-Jennifer

Thanks for all your support throughout my time here at Parkland!
-Jon V.

To Angela:
May our love last forever.
-Duncan

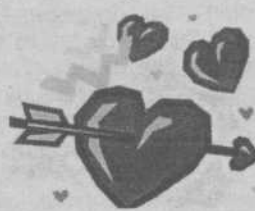
To my favorite big boys, Xylon and Chekotay.
Mommy loves you!



To all my PTK, Student Government, Prospectus, Peer Tutoring and Miss Firecracker buddies, especially my T-Money.
-Erin

Happy Valentine's Day to my sweetheart, Lindsey. I love you.
-Josh

Happy Valentine's Day Breanna. I love you.
-Mommy



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To the Financial Aid Office Staff
-KWB

Happy Valentine's, Mom! Have a great year. Love Ya.
-Andrew

BB,
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-LL



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-Robin

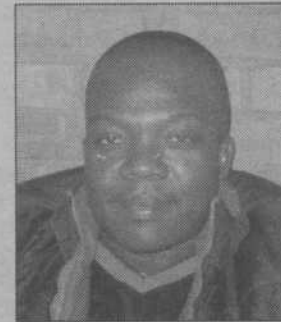
T-Money sends his Love to Phi Theta Kappa.

Happy Valentine's Day Mom! I love you!
-Kate

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In what city did the St. Valentine's Day Massacre happen?



Dodzi—Chicago.



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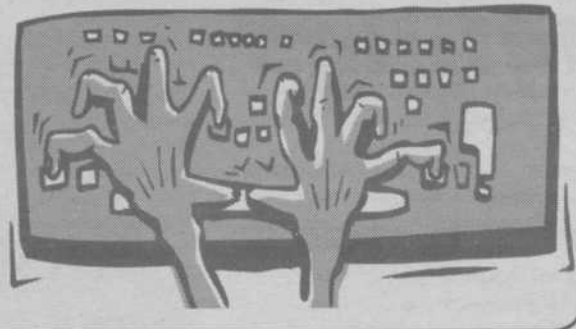
Sara—Chicago.

Answer—Chicago.

Photos by Erin Koelkebeck

keyboard chatter

by Larry V. Gilbert



THIS PAST WEEK I had the honor to prepare a video to be presented at the 90th birthday celebration for a dear friend, Mrs. Jessie Taylor.

Music for the background was selected by Mrs. Taylor. In looking over the supplied selections, I found "Moon over Miami." And that reminded me of a tale my family often mentioned. It seems my Grandmother Gilbert had spent part of the winter in Florida and brought back some picture post cards from Miami.

One of the cards was entitled "Moon over Miami." I sat on her lap and went through the pictures countless times. I was trying to find "Moon Over Miami" and couldn't find it. So I very innocently said, "Grandma, show me that picture of 'Moon over Your Ami' again." I doubt that I will ever outlive the kidding I get about that incident.

But I always say to myself, "As long as they are kidding me, they are leaving someone else alone."

A CHAMPAIGN LEGEND HAS now become a part of the twin city's history with the passing a week ago Sunday of Gus Chrisa-gis, founder of Chris' Candy Shop.

I remember the candy shop when it was located on North Neil St., across the street from the Flat Iron building. Chris' shop was next door to the C.V. Loyde Piano Company. Loyde's was on the corner of Hill and Neil. South of Loyde's was the candy shop, and then the Congress Cigar Store. That real estate is now a city parking lot and the Flat Iron building burned to the ground. I was at Loyde's twice a week for music lessons.

When I was in high school, I could eat as much candy and junk food as I wished and not gain an ounce. In the fall, Gus made the best caramel apples, and patrons drove from miles around to get a sack full of them. At Christmas time, peanut brittle and candy canes were featured. All year there were dipped chocolates, fudge — well any kind of candy you could imagine. A member of the family told me last week that Gus made all of his favorites for the them over the holidays this year.

I'm not sure that I have the history 100 percent accurate, but I believe the last location for the candy shop was on Walnut Street, where Sam's Cafe is now located. Gus' daughter, Chris, had the store there until they sold to Sam Issa. Sam uses many of Gus' recipes, including one of my favorites: French toast. At home we made French toast by mixing eggs, milk, sugar, and vanilla. We dipped the bread into this liquid mixture and then put it on a griddle.

Sam hasn't given me the recipe (and I don't think he will), but I have watched him prepare the dish. When I go to Sam's I prefer to sit at the counter and watch him work. I don't how he keeps all those orders straight, but he does. He takes some of his pancake batter, adds an egg or two

to it. Maybe something more; I don't remember. Then he places the slices of bread into this modified batter, coats it on both sides, and then puts it on the grill. When it is ready to serve, he sprinkles powdered sugar on top, puts some butter patties on the plate, grabs a maple syrup bottle and places everything in front of you. Rich, rich, rich! But, oh, so good.

But I get "filled up" very fast with pancakes, waffles, or French toast. And then a couple of hours later, I'm hungry. A serving of sausage patties (I don't like sausage links) or crisp bacon really put the finishing touches on a breakfast like this. And Sam's has really good coffee.

Speaking of coffee, when I was growing up, I couldn't understand why people drank coffee. It really tasted foul to me. Some say it's an acquired taste. But when I got to college and had to study half the night, coffee came to my rescue. I have to say that I still don't really like coffee; it just seems to be the thing to drink when you're out to breakfast with the gang. A heavy dose of milk or cream helps a bit. And don't even mention iced coffee. If I'm going to drink the stuff, it has to be hot. I got sick on luke-warm coffee once so now it has to be steaming hot. Wouldn't it be nice if coffee tasted as good as it smells when it is brewing?

MORE OFTEN THAN not, I go out to eat. I think it's cheaper to go out to eat than to buy groceries and prepare a meal for one at home. If I do eat a meal at home, it's usually a weekend breakfast; so I have dairy products delivered to the door every Thursday morning. I get skim milk, 2% milk (and mix them), eggs, and bagels from the milkman. Sometimes, a half gallon of some fruit juice. And, oh, yes, some low-fat cottage cheese. A choice from this group makes a good breakfast, and there aren't left-overs to deal with.

If I go out for breakfast, I end up at Carmon's or Sam's — sometimes Bob Evans on the weekend. The food is good, and I order a hot breakfast. But I think the real reason I go is to visit with the locals. I've learned more history about Champaign-Urbana and the county from those folks than I could have ever gleaned from a book. A couple of times I've wondered — no, questioned — to myself if they knew what they are talking about. Every time I go to the history books to check, they're right.

With that said, I'm back on the battle of the bulge. Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's did my diet in. Yes, I see my grandmother and mother shaking their index fingers, reminding me that there are no "diets." If one is serious, one is following a revised eating lifestyle. I also remember the admonition: "You'll be on it the rest of your life." For months I was loyal to the South Beach diet. But recently I read a study that said the most reliable diet for weight maintenance is Weight Watchers. *I'm thinking.*

Hide and Seek appeals to horror fans

By ALISON SMITH
Prospectus Staff Writer

Director John Polson certainly knew what he was doing when he cast Robert DeNiro and Dakota Fanning in the lead roles for his February thriller, *Hide and Seek*. The story follows David Calloway (DeNiro) and his daughter Emily (Fanning) as they try to start anew after the suicide of his wife. Seeing a new start as the answer to Emily's disturbed life, David moves to upstate New York.

Shortly after the move, David notices odd occurrences around the house, like a knife out of place here and there. After talking to Emily, David discovers she has created what appears to be an imaginary friend, Charlie, to help her cope with her emotions. Being a psychologist himself, David sees this as harmless enough until things take a serious turn and Emily begins blaming gruesome acts on Charlie.

The thing that sets *Hide and Seek* apart from other thrillers is the terrifying twist it takes, reminiscent of those in the Sixth Sense and the Village. For the second half of the movie, I felt like I'd been transported to an M. Night Shyamalan film. Another factor that certainly set this movie apart was the qual-

ity of the acting. Watching the movie unfold, you feel sincerely bad for DeNiro's character due to Charlie's seeming obsession and preoccupation with his unhappiness. At the same time, you can see how much it is hurting him that he, a psychologist, cannot seem to get through to his own daughter. DeNiro shows a precise understanding of his character, while also highlighting his ability to portray a role that is dynamic and evolving.

It's almost impossible to find a young actor that won't look utterly less talented and inexperienced next to DeNiro, but Fanning definitely proves herself worthy. She keeps an air of mystery and confusion around her character, causing the audience to experience what DeNiro's character does as he tries to understand her. Also expressing a dynamic that would be hard for most actors to pull off, Fanning really becomes Emily. While some say that her blank expression and dark attitude hurt the movie and got boring, I think it was essential to her portrayal of Emily.

Also starring Elisabeth Shue and Famke Janssen, *Hide and Seek* delivers a series of unexpected twists and turns that will not only keep you on the edge of your seat, but periodically jumping out of it.

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Valentine's Day: only for suckers

By DEBRA LEWIS
Prospectus Staff Writer

Let me get the initial arguments out of the way. Yes, I am single and pushing thirty. No, I am not thin or a stereotypical beauty. Yes, I am a feminist. No, I did not have a traumatic experience as a child. Why does any of this matter? Because I am about to tell you why I refuse to celebrate Valentine's Day.

When I think of Valentine's Day, many issues come to my mind. As I see it, there are three main problems with Valentine's Day. First, I have a problem with the idea that there needs to be a specific day of the year to tell your loved ones how you feel. As I see it, you should express your love for the people around you on a daily basis. No, I don't mean you should run around professing your undying love for everyone. But, it is very easy to express your love simply on a daily basis. Try bringing your partner a cup of coffee while they are getting ready. I'm sure they will appreciate this simple gesture.

Second, Valentine's Day perpetuates the unrealistic views on romance that Americans seem to desire. In America, our cultural cues on romance are completely out of synch with the truth. We are told we will be happier when we are in love, and that love will solve all our problems. Worst of all, society tells us we are worth more when we have a romantic partner. The reality of romance lies far from this idyl-

lic picture. Relationships are hard. We aren't always happy when we have a committed partner. Once the thrill of a new relationship wears off, the prince isn't so charming. He farts in bed and scratches his balls while he walks to the bathroom in the morning. We still see saggy breasts and cellulite when we look in the mirror. Love hasn't changed our prince or us. It's wrong to continue to let our kids think it can. It's time we begin talking honestly about romance. Let's tell our kids the truth, love is hard to find, you might get hurt, relationships aren't perfect, and you have to work to maintain a relationship once you find it.

My last problem with Valentine's is the same issue many have with Christmas. Retailers pushing consumerism have swallowed up the true sentiment of Valentine's Day. Valentine's Day isn't an expression of love anymore. It is an excuse to one up the neighbor or your gift from last year. Like so many areas of our life, Valentine's is about keeping up appearances. We don't buy gifts to show our love, we buy gifts because we are expected to spend big money. If we don't buy extravagant gifts we risk provoking a fight with our mate, or worse, losing our mate to someone who does buy big gifts.

Next week when you see me buying my industrial size box of chocolates, don't worry. I haven't changed my mind about Valentine's Day. I just need to stock up on my favorite vice.

All talk? College Democrats sponsor discussion

By JON VOLKMAN
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On Thursday, February 3, 2005, the College Democrats sponsored a discussion between the Democratic candidates running for Urbana mayor and city council positions. The event took place in the Flag Lounge, and started shortly after noon.

One of the only problems with the location was the noise, many of the members of the audience, myself included, struggled to

hear the candidates, even with a microphone and speaker set up. Overall though, the event gave me insight into the candidates, and the local government of Urbana.

The incumbent mayor, Tod Satterthwaite was in attendance, and his participation in the event was notable. Yet throughout the event, he seemed uninterested as other candidates spoke. Every other candidate had a notepad, or seemed to listen actively while he stared off into the distance.

As questions about public housing and revitalizing the Philo Road Business District were fielded, I realized Satterthwaite thought the current plans were working. Living off of Philo Road, I can say firsthand my initial reaction to the new Philo Road Business District signs was not "let's go." The current plan focuses on beautification and signage, as well as tax incentives.

In regard to public housing, Satterthwaite mentioned the demolition of Burch Village, and how new mixed income apartments are being built in their place. He also supported the consensual opinion that public housing needs to be integrated into the community, but did not fully address how the nucleus of public housing is in many ways alienated from much needed services, such as grocery stores.

Laurel Prussing is running against Satterthwaite, and she came prepared with plans for action and change. She listened actively, taking notes and nodding her head when she agreed with other candidates. Prussing started her answer to revitalizing Phil Road by mentioning she was an economist. Prussing also mentioned the need for an increase in Neighborhood Watches to aid the police.

Prussing believes public housing should be decentralized and

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In the fifteen years I've been a smoker, one thing I've noticed is that "ex-smokers" are far more annoying and loud-mouthed than "non-smokers." Non-smokers will politely tell me that my smoke is bothering them, which I quickly remedy by moving, extinguishing, etc. But EX-smokers are a different breed. They've seen "both sides" and are now instant experts about the health and well-being of all of us. And Leah Nelson, in her editorial in the January 26, 2005 issue of the *Prospectus* proves my point. Why the animosity? After all, you were once one of us! Did you feel the same way when you were smoking? No, because as you clearly stated in your article, you "had no courtesy for non-smokers," and that you would "blow smoke in their face[s] on purpose." Are all smokers as impolite as you were? NO WAY. Sounds to me like you're now getting what you apparently so joyfully doled out.

In the article, Ms. Nelson "curses... the 'idiots' huddled around a doorway in the middle of winter just to have a cigarette..." I don't want to have to stand outside either, Ms. Nelson, but it seems to me like we "idiots" USED to be able to smoke indoors. It was you and your anti-smoking Nazis that pushed us outside.

And please don't hide behind studies—they're as easy to find and debunk as the latest Gallup poll. Your report claims that 65,000 Americans die each year from secondhand smoke. However, the British Medical Journal released a report stating that "[their study] shows no measurable rates of heart disease or lung cancer among nonsmokers who ever lived with smokers, and reports only a slight increased risk of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease." Further, lead researcher James Enstrom, PhD, MPH, of the UCLA School of Public Health, stated that "we found no measurable effect from being exposed

to secondhand smoke and an increased risk of heart disease or lung cancer in nonsmokers — not at any time or at any level... the only thing we did find is that nonsmokers who live with smokers have an increased risk of widowhood because their smoking spouses do die prematurely."

Ms. Nelson continues the frothing and anger by stating, "if [we] insist on killing [our]selves, [you] welcome the population control." Wow. What if your children take up smoking, just like you did? Will you still "welcome the population control"?

Cigarettes are the highest-taxed commodity in Illinois, which puts millions of tax dollars into the State's coffers to help keep it running. If the sale of cigarettes ceased, we'd all be paying a dramatically higher State income tax to make up the difference. Or gas would be \$6 a gallon.

Let's face it, Ms. Nelson; we're never going to be able to enjoy everything we'd like to in this life. But unfortunately for you and your socialist acquaintances, we live in a FREE country which entitles me to do whatever I please, as long as it's legal. I don't need or want you or the government or anybody else vomiting your "quit smoking for everyone's health" bile all over me. The chances are great that I won't like the color of your shirt, the music you listen to, or the food you eat, but I'm not organizing a band of villagers who think I'm right to hunt you down.

I agree—smoking is a FILTHY and unhealthy habit—for ME. And I applaud you for quitting; I've tried several thousand times myself. However, you're anger needs to be curbed...sounds like you could use a smoke. I'll meet you outside by the door. ;)

Wally J. Tatar
Thomasboro

Speak Out!

Prospectus welcomes Letters to the Editor

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JEWELRY

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In the spirit of Black History Month, I decided to break down my relationships by color, which I don't like doing, but I wanted to see what would be missing out of my life without the African-Americans, Africans, Caribbean-Africans, and others who have made me who I am. Without the 'black' culture, I would be missing: Family members, my best friend from California, my violin/viola teacher

that made me reach my pinnacle of technique, my 3rd and 5th grade teachers, many many college faculty and staff, a special lady whom I call 'Grandma' that works with my mother, about 1/3 of all my past shipmates in the Navy, former band mates, a guy named "Frost" who pushed me harder than I ever challenged myself and got me on the Search and Rescue team, and, well, you get the idea. I could go on forever.

But you see, I am fortunate. I never really grew up calling people out by color. It's a waste

of time to me. When somebody asks me to describe a non-descript woman, I merely say "She's so-and-so tall, has dark hair, and has a great smile." Is she Asian, black, Hispanic, or white? Does it matter? I learned

to live diversity, not just merely think it. I wouldn't be alive if I didn't have many outstanding people in my life. And their souls shine.
So I hope to be back in Hawai'i one day soon, visiting my diverse

family, and eating some grease-dripping, heart-stopping food at the plate-lunch stores, watching the people of the world walking by, showing off their great adornments on the outside of their souls.

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mixed into the community, and that we need to look to other communities to find solutions that work. She also stated that Urbana's problems should have been addressed sooner, and that Urbana needs a more responsive mayor.

Also running for mayor was Shirley Hursey. Due to many of the questions starting with the city council candidates, most of her responses were confirmation of what the others had said. She believed that "everywhere" needs redevelopment, and that Urbana needs to attract stores that will function and stay. She also stated that the north Cunningham would be an ideal location for higher end retail stores.

Hursey also reiterated the need for access to services in planning public housing. She supports integration of public housing into the community as well. Hursey also spoke of the need to learn how to love and support each other in Urbana, alluding to recent struggles between the city council and the mayor's office.

The city council candidates in attendance were mainly in agreement with each other. Lynne Barnes, who is running in Ward 7, was passionate about public housing too, saying we need to think about these people and their basic needs, such as buying groceries. Casey Diana, running in Ward 4, spoke of moving into the Philo area 20 years ago, when it was vital and alive. She said its sad how the area has changed, and that we need to find a solution to in-

crease traffic and safety. She also mentioned how she would beg, borrow, and steal to fill the empty K-Mart spot, and that the council needs to check in with area businesses to keep focused on their needs.

Dennis Roberts, running in Ward 5, spoke on improving the look of the Philo Road area, and thinking out of the box, as was done with Lincoln Square. He reiterated that taxes need to be kept down, and that we need to use downtown as a model for the area. Brandon Bowersox, also running for Ward 4, spoke of how Urbana needs to be proactive with a new vision and use the same energy that revived the downtown area.

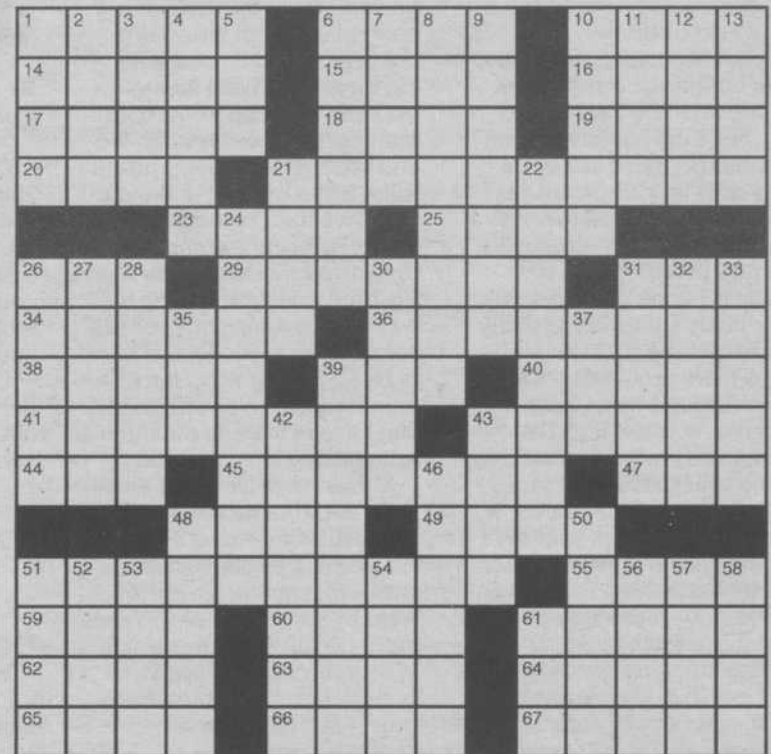
After the event I had a chance to speak with a few of the candidates. I talked to Brandon Bowersox, who spoke to my CSC111 class in the fall of 2003. He was very enthusiastic and informative. We talked briefly on Philo Road, and how the loss of IGA affected most of the community. Overall, he was friendly and educated, and it was mildly surprising when Casey Diana and Durl Krause, who are also running for city council, told him he should be running for mayor instead.

I also met with Laurel Prussing, who is running for mayor, and was very pleased with her poise and eagerness. She exhibited a very friendly attitude and during the debate addressed several issues well. I spoke with Tod Satterthwaite as well, and that discussion gave me insight into how Philo road is continuing to change and evolve. It also affirmed my belief that he has become unattached to the community's needs, and that change is needed in Urbana.

Crossword

- ACROSS
- Work stint
 - Pouchlike structures
 - Guitar adjuncts, briefly
 - Core group
 - North Carolina university
 - Bearing
 - Poe's middle name
 - "Auntie ___"
 - Notion
 - ___ there, done that
 - Scattering
 - Drink voucher
 - "Exodus" author
 - June celebrant
 - Warded off
 - Ovine statement
 - Political refugee
 - Uncanny state
 - Episcopal cleric
 - Steno book
 - Municipal
 - Unbalanced
 - Formal attire
 - Silent assent
 - Carnal
 - Permit to
 - Sound quality
 - Type of school
 - Unstoppable
 - Plaster support
 - Resting atop
 - Actress Skye
 - Far from specific
 - Roofer's supply item
 - Type of curl
 - Endangered layer
 - Vamoose!
 - Kennedy and Williams
 - Engaged in

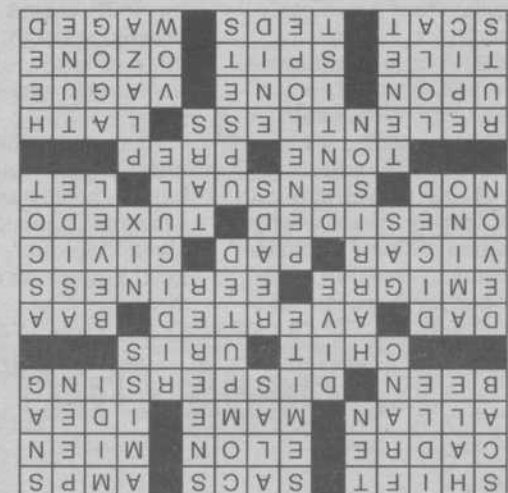
- DOWN
- Wound covering
 - Healthy
 - Inactive
 - Former French currency unit
 - Q's Scrabble value
 - Descendant of Shem
 - Unfortunately
 - Calculated
 - Lip-curler
 - Out of order
 - Calf-length skirt
 - Ball-shaped hammerhead
 - Hosiery mishap
 - Nose follower?
 - Mockery
 - Ford of films
 - Baffin Island's neighbor
 - Essential acid
 - Chopped into small cubes
 - Peruses
 - Slanted surface
 - Stage whisper
 - Fancy cravat
 - Regular or highest
 - Veto
 - Actress Cruz
 - Molar mender



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Solutions



- Old salts
- Bothers
- Principle of faith
- Public square
- Monotonous routines
- Historical novel
- "Damn Yankees" vamp
- Blyton or Bagnold
- Excited
- Ditty
- Pay attention to
- Oath

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Women's BASKETBALL

Erin Kohn #30—Forward

Cobra highlight: Scored 17 pts. against John Wood
In my free time I like to: Sleep and watch movies



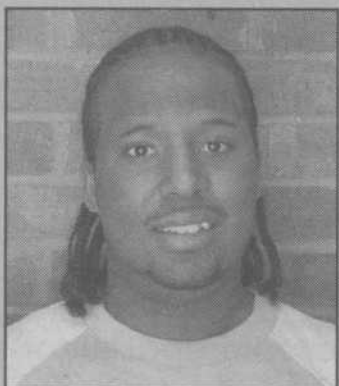
Favorite athlete: Moises Alou
Favorite musician: Cher
I'd like to meet: Richard Gere
I want to visit: New York City
Favorite food: Potatoes
I will never eat: I'll try anything!!!
Favorite movie: *Pretty Woman*
I can't live without: Cookie dough
Favorite professor: John Batsie

If I won a million dollars I'd: Go to Vegas and spend it all
People don't know that I: Go tanning
Favorite college team: Illinois
Best advice: Be yourself

Men's BASKETBALL

William Hinton #34—Wing

Cobra highlight: 9 for 10 at the line against DACC
Favorite athlete: Tracy McGrady



Favorite musician: Mozart
I'd like to meet: Halle Berry
I want to visit: Paris
Favorite food: Lobster/shrimp
I will never eat: Raw fish
Favorite movie: *Gothika*
In ten years I will be: Playing basketball overseas
If I won a million dollars I'd: Help out my parents and live life up
People don't know that I: Love to watch horse racing
Favorite college team: Louisville

Best advice: Stay in School
I am proud that: I am one of millions of children who are lucky enough to have a loving family.

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Sports around the country

By RYAN ZERRUSEN
Prospectus Staff Writer

Super Bowl XXXIX

The New England Patriots are the density of the 2000's, winning 3 of the last 4 NFL championships, beating the Philadelphia Eagles. The Patriots never worry about being flashy; they go out there and play as a team with extreme passion for the game.

The Patriots' fearless leader, Tom Brady, now has three Super Bowl rings and is already getting press about being one of the top quarterbacks to play the game. He is only 27 years old and has another decade improve his statistics. However, the star of the game for the Pats was his wide receiver Deion Branch, who had 11 catches for 133

yards. He stepped up big for the team having 6 of his catches for first downs and 4 were on third down conversions. He was named the Super Bowl MVP.

The game was close right up until the end. The Eagles lead a scoring drive with 5 minutes left in the game. They scored with a 30-yard touch-down pass to ex-Illinois player Greg Lewis to pull the Eagles to within 3. But as the Patriots always do, they came up big on a recovery of the football when the Eagles failed the onside kick attempt. The Eagles played very sloppy with 4 turnovers on the game.

The Philadelphia Eagles were not without a bright spot. Terrell Owen was not just the decoy, but a real factor. Despite suffering from an ankle injury just six weeks earlier, he was back and played great. He had 9 receptions for 122 yards with a 36-yard catch.

Bill Belichick has passed the great Vince Lombardi's record of 9 and 1 with another win in the playoffs. The Patriots have won 3 Super Bowls by a total of 9 points, winning by 3 each time. All this team has to accomplish now is being the greatest dynasty to ever play in the NFL, with only the Steelers of the 70's and the Packers of the 60's in front of them. The team has most its key players back next year, so it could be a decade of many Super Bowls for the New England Patriots.

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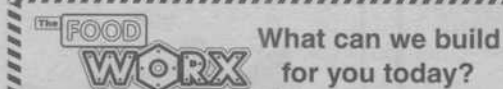
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