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NEWS

22nd street: It'll all be over by Thanksgiving



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Faces of an American dream



25 year plan offers plenty of parking

By John McCallum **Editor-in-Chief**

You may want to be sitting for this: the college is going to do something about parking on campus.

A 25-year master plan unveiled last week promises to eliminate the hike from distant lots to the classroom with enclosed, two-level parking structures close to the Instructional Center.

"We'll have many more spaces, and they will be much closer to the buildings," said Joe Buri, director of Campus Services. "And they will mostly be cov-

One of the structures, to be located on the South side of the IC, will probably hold about 3,000 cars, Buri said. In other words, about 40 percent of the current parking, all in one building.

And that's just, the beginning. The master plan also calls for a slew of new buildings on the main campus-along with the demolition of the aging West Campus.

Within the next five years, if the plan is followed, a new student services building will be added to the North side of the IC, facing 22nd street and serving as the college's "front door."

This two-level addition, about the size of the M building, would house registration, financial aid, the president's office and a number of other services for new students and community members, Buri said.

Though the plan calls for this first phase to be com-

plete in five years, Buri said the details are still unknown. We are working now on trying to determine the size of things," he said. "It's

very much a global view, like looking at the Earth from the moon." There plan does not yet

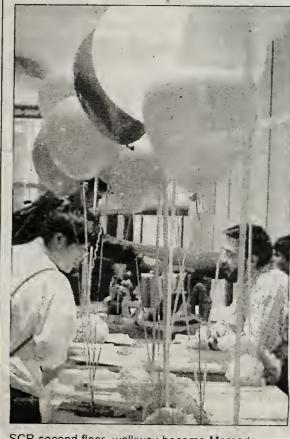
include any real cost projections, Buri said. According to a draft of the

plan given to the Courier, the campus of 2025 would include: Añ athletics field house connected to the current P.E.

A health and sciences building, about the size of M building, between the SRC and Lambert road.

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Globalization hits the SRC



SCR second floor walkway became Mercado Internationale for International Week, which ends today. See story, page 9.

College takes another step toward semesters

By John McCallum Editor-in-Chief

After months of internal discussions and conversations with the Faculty Association, the college recently took several public steps towards a switch to a 16week semester system.

Vice President for Academic Affairs Vincent Pelletier said a steering committee will be announced sometime in the next two weeks, and will begin meeting in the winter quarter.

The makeup of the committee still hast been decided, but it could be a j already on campus, Pelletier said. It will likely seat students, staff and faculty, along with community members. He

added that the topic was discussed Monday in the executive cabinet. The committee will meet soon to begin developing a rough timeline for a possible calendar change.

President Michael T. Murphy said in a seven-page memo that the earliest the change could happen is fall 2004.

His memo, released last week, outlines reasons for a switch and possible drawbacks. It also recommends the college move to a more flexible calendar, with classes begining every four, eight, 12 and

"Changing from one system that may be too rigid for our student in the 21st century to another equally rigid traditional system will no represent progress," Murphy wrote.

Officers may ask for guns

By John McCallum Editor-in-Chief

Newly unionized Department of Public Safety officers may push for the right to carry firearms when they go to the board to negotiate their first con-

Guns might not wind up in the contract, but the union will likely deal with the issue, said Norm Frese, president of the police union local.

Human Resources Director Howard Owens said Illinois law doesn't require the board to negotiate the matter.

'It's solely at the discretion of the management," Owens said just before the union vote.

Frese disagreed. "It is something that can be negotiated," he said. "Of course they're going to say it's not."

Asked what provisions of the Educational Labor Relations Act deal with firearms, Owens said he does not

"It's based upon our attorney's opinion," Owens said. "We haven't gotten into it yet. . . We wanted to know what our legal position was." He said the college sought legal counsel after hearing the union was discussing the issue.

Despite the disagreement, the union president said a confrontation is not likely.

"It's not something we're going to sit down and demand," Frese said. "If we can settle it outside the contract, and we think they're honest, we'll do that. All we're interested in is seeing that they're

He added that locking in the employees' benefits and salary before a new management team takes over is the key

The retirement of longtime Chief Thomas Usry and resignation of Lieutenant Michael earlier in the year left the officers facing an uncertain future. Public Safety employees on Oct. 25 voted to join the Illinois Council of Police & Sheriffs (ICOPS), Local 7 of the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO.

Officers were expected to meet this week to elect a campus representative.

Photopoll

Who do you think won the presidential election?



Rick Houdek, 18 Undecided Woodridge

"Ralph Nader! It's the electoral college's fault that he didn't win."



"I think Gore will win in the end."

Jimmy Gang, 18 Advertising Downers Grove

> "Bush. At least it appears that way."



Mindy McNamara, 18 Criminal Justice Downers Grove

ere's no one to sit and watch the children'

"There's no one to sit and watch the children," Student Activities Director Meri Philips said Tuesday.

She was refering to the college's students; the comment was sparked by a second case of vandalism in the new SRC student lounge, located between the cafeteria and the bookstore.

A table was found partially disassembled Monday in the lounge space.

Both Philips and construction coordinator K.C. Patel, who happened to be in the area, said they had no idea how the table had been taken apart.

Last spring, shortly after the lounge was installed, an expensive couch was damaged in what appeared to be an act of vandalism.

Despite obvious frustration, Philips continues to work for lounge space, and asks for student feedback through the Mascot Networks web site, which can be reached through the college's home page, www.cod.edu.

Follett reviews faculty use of copyright items

Follett, the new operator of the campus bookstore, has begun looking into packets distributed by faculty for possible copyright infringements.

Jim Sexton, the store's manager, said he is contacting faculty and administrators to begin building a database of copyright material used in course packets assembled by faculty. Sexton

and Business Affairs Director Scott Engel said they are unaware of any central location for such files on campus.

Sexton said it's possible that protected material was sold without permission in the fall, but he has no way of knowing. His hope is to have the matter resolved in time for winter quarter sales.

SGA gains 5 senators

Six of 11 candidates for the student senate won election last week, but one of the newly minted senators has already stepped down.

The resignation of Lori Martinovic Tuesday afternoon leaves the 13-member senate with five vacancies and substantial doubt over the effectiveness of the selection process for officials.

The senate is now considering a moratorium on new senator appointments until an objective process can be found, senate Chair Brianna Abate said Wednesday.

SGA rules allow students to be appointed by a majority vote of the senate between the biannual elections, held in the fall and spring quarters.

Complaints of bias and arbitrary decisions have plagued the process for some time. Current sen. Seema Bawani, for example, charged last spring that the SGA had tried to keep her out by not informing her of deadline for application.

'25 years' from page 1

■ A community center housing the Business and Professional Institute and the Older Adult Institute, also between the SRC and Lambert road.

■ A wide expanse of empty space on the West Campus, where the existing buildings would be demolished

■ All of the prairie and marshland now on campus, with some slight losses here and there.

■ An internal road running around the entire East Campus, providing a quick route between the Arts Center and P.E. building parking lots.

■ A "pedestrian mall" running from the nature preserve opposite the Arts Center to a new building on the West side of Lambert. This would run throughout the IC, SRC and two new buildings, and would include a raised walkway over Lambert. It would allow students to walk from any building on campus to any other building

without setting foot out-

■ A set of soccer fields across College Drive from the main campus.

Buri said the plan took about a year to develop with the help of an outside architectural firm, Perkins & Will

Faculty, students and staff served on a committee to help draft the plan.

"We have finally reached a point where we've had a majority of the campus give us input," Buri said. "That's why I'm so happy about

Part of that input came in the form of strong faculty protests to early drafts of the plan, which called for paving over parts of the college's prairie and wetland.

This is the fourth longrange building plan for the college, but the first to look out for 25 years.

Work is already being done on the first phase, but nothing is set in stone; the plan will be updated every three years

College now hopeful on Chem labs

Years of false alarms and cancelled classes in the Instructional Center's organic chemistry labs may be at an end.

Since the \$2 million labs went online in 1998, faculty and students have had to contend with alarms that showed unsafe drops in air circulation and numbers of smaller problems.

The host of malfunctions baffled teams of experts, aggravated the administration and had board members questioning whether the labs should even be allowed to stay open.

But small adjustments in the amount of air flowing through protected student work areas may have solved the bulk of the problems with the alarms, Dean of Natural Sciences David Malek said this week.

'Things are looking a lot better," Malek said.

Since the airflow was increased, it has managed to remain stable for over a week, Malek said. He added that there might be some slight variations in the spring, when the temperature increases.

Though the problems affected safety systems, officials say students and faculty were never in any danger, because the use of more hazardous chemicals was suspended while equipment wasn't working properly.

—John McCallum

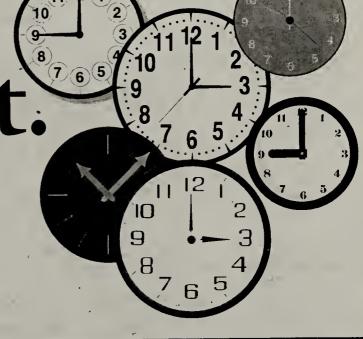
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Election 2000: what's going on here?

A presidential election that was supposed to be decided in a night has dragged on for over a week. Experts have said it could all be over today—or it could drag on in court for weeks. What's going on? Political Science Professor Christian Goergen discusses some of the issues.

Q: Just how important is this situation to our democracy? .

A: It is a very crucial election in many ways. For the first time in 100 years, it has shown us the major defects of our electoral system. I wouldn't be surprised if we had some constitutional changes.

Q: Are we in a constitutional crisis right now?

A: Outside of a few counties in Florida, people are very calm—admirably so. That may change by Dec. 18, however, when the electoral college meets. If things aren't resolved by then, we could say we have a crisis. Until then, I think we're safe. I wouldn't want to panic right now.

Q: What happens if any of the contested states—Florida especially—are still facing litigation when the electors meet Dec. 18?

A: I don't think we really know. That's the problem. We can only speculate—there are a number of options. One, obviously, is that we don't seat the electors from the states that haven't been decided. If that happened, if we voted right now, Al Gore would win. Another option might be to move the date. However, as we get into January, closer to the inauguration, we are approaching a greater problem. Or the election could be thrown into congress. The original number of electors needed was 270. If we leave out states, one side could argue that neither candidate got a clear majority, and that could be called a constitutional crisis. The supreme court may be needed. But I don't think we'll go there.

Q: If the decision is thrown to congress, won't the GOP majority just vote for Bush?

A: There would be some question, especially if Gore hangs on to the popular vote. Ultimately, though, I think Bush would take it. The Republicans have a clear majority.

Q: How long could this thing go on? A: Jan. 20 would definitely be the limit. President Clinton will have to step down. For him to go on would be inconceivable. Perhaps, if he had only served one term. . . but we don't want to pile on the constitutional violations.

Q: Does the fact that Al Gore won the popular vote mean anything at all?
A: I think it means a lot, but it doesn't mean he has to be president. It is kind of a moral question. The majority voted for him. We all knew that could happen, but no one really expected it. It's a wake-up call.

Q: What does this election have to say about the electoral college itself? A: It's outdated, and certainly not very democratic. The majority of the people are in favor of a change.

Q: But this wouldn't be the first time for a candidate to lose the popular vote and win the White House. Why haven't we had a change already? A: Yes, it's happened before, but in different times. We've changed tremendously since then. And reform has been tried a number of times. What we need is a constitutional amendment, and that's very difficult. In 200 years, we've only managed it

Q: Has a presidential election ever

been decided in court

A: Presidential elections have been decided in congress. We've never had one where it was decided in court. There have been minor irregularities taken to court. But never the election itself. And I don't think that will happen this time.

Q: Will the next president go into office with a cloud over his head? A: That's hard to say. There's a good chance, yes, especially if Al Gore keeps the popular vote and Bush wins the White House. That is legal. But legal and legitimate at two different things. If Gore wins, there will be a cloud over the Florida recount. Either way, the next president will be very weak.

Q: What does that mean for the next four years?

A: Well, I don't want to say this will necessarily cause a problem. There could be gridlock. But it could go the other way. I've seen several senators say they will need to work harder for compromise. Let's try to look at the brighter side.

Q: Will there be a constitutional amendment?

A: I hope so. How we do that is a different question. We may not have to abolish the electoral college. Sen Durbin has proposed that we have a run-off election. What may need reform even more is that the elections are in the domain of the states. Each state makes its own rules, its own bal-

lots—now we see how messy that is. Maybe we need some national rules.

Q: The New York Times ran a headline a few days ago saying Bush led Gore by four votes in New Mexico. Will the closeness of this election increase turnout next time?

A: I wish I could say yes. But I have to say, I don't think it will have much impact on turnout, because there are more important factors. This was the closest election you could have, and turnout was only up a few points from 1996. What motivates people is a major crisis and candidates they really believe in.

Professor Goergen teaches American Politics, and co-taught Decision 2000, a special class focusing on the election. Edited by John McCallum.

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PoliceReport

Monday, Nov. 6

■ Disorderly conduct

An 18-year-old female student told officers she is being followed on campus by another student.

She said a 19-year-old male followed her to a parking lot after a night class on Oct. 25. Five days later, she stayed in the classroom until he left, only to find him waiting in the hallway for her. According to police reports, he then grabbed her bag and walked down the hall, bumping into her as he went.

The female student said he approached her again on Nov. 1, waiting outside the classroom for 30 minutes while she finished a test.

When she walked to the SRC and started to make a phone call, he came up behind her and pushed her bag. She told officers he wasn't threatening, but she wants him to stop.

When contacted by officers, the male student said he was just trying to get a date.

The case was referred to the vice president for student affairs.

Tuesday, Nov. 7

■ Injured person report

A maintainence mechanic was reported to have sprained his ankle while checking a fire extinguisher in IC 1087 on Monday.

Wednesday, Nov. 8

■ Damage to college property

A \$900 window on the observation deck above the P.E. building swimming pool was found shattered at about 8 a.m. A supevisor in the area told Public Safety officials that the windows occassionally break as the building settles. Pool personnel were notified to keep an eye out for shards of glass.

Thursday, Nov. 9

■ Burglary

A \$250 stereo system was stolen from a 1986 Chevrolet camero parked in Lot 6 between 7:50 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Public Safety officers found no evidence of forced entry, but the 20-yearold male student who owned the car said he had locked the doors.

Damage done to the inside of the car when the stereo was torn out were estimated at over \$1,000.

■ Lost articles

An associate professor said his wife lost his keys at home sometime in the past week. Officers told him there is a \$10 replacement fee.

■ Accident

The 19-year-old male driver of a 1995 Mitsubishi Gallant hit a 1995 Honda Accord LX driven by a 21year-old male at about 11 a.m. on College Road. No injuries reported. Damages estimated at over \$500.

Friday, Nov. 10

■ Battery

A 25-year-old female told officers she was harassed by a 33-year-old male at 1:30 p.m. in the library. She told officers she was touched in the back by the male, who she identified sitting a computer a few feet

When she told him to stop, he made derogratory comments about her breasts.

She then asked the library to call police. The female declined to press charges, but said she would want him arrested if the incident happened

The male said he was just talking to the woman, and had been caressing her back. He told officers he gets to know women by touching them.

Officers told the man to stay away from the library for the rest of the day, and referred the matter to the vice president for student affairs.

Sunday, Nov. 12

■ Domestic violence

A 24-year-old male was arrested and charged with domestic violence after officers found him striking his younger brother in a dispute over a

The defendent was found in a fistfight with his 19-year-old brother around 2:30 p.m. in parking Lot 2.

Both brothers said they were fighting over a set of car keys. The younger brother said the fight began because he tried to keep his sybling's

The older brother said he wanted to get his car back because the defendent had no insurance and was driving with license revoked.

The older brother was taken into custody, charged with battery and transported to the DuPage County

Sheriff's office, where he was held in lieu of bond.

Follow-up report

Food carts valued at about \$480 were stolen from the foodservice administration offices sometime in September. Officers closed the case after weeks yielded no leads and no

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22nd street finish date pushed to Thanksgiving

By Jinnel Robinson Corresspondent

Roadwork on 22nd street will exceed the original Nov. 15 deadline, but contractors say the road should be fully useable by Thanksgiving.

Major concrete pours were finished in October and work with the heavy machinery is complete. Some fillingin remains to be done at the intersections of 22hd street with Lambert and Lorraine.

Once pavement is completed on the main roadways, the contractor will begin work on the stoplights at Lambert and 22nd street. This intersection will still be useable with temps remaining in place during work in late November and early December.

There may be some lane closure during the stoplight work, but work will mainly be on the sides of the road.

Bob Minix of the Glen Ellyn Public Works department said they haven't run into anything that would cause major deadline or cost changes. Some change orders have been approved for the work, but the project "is probably within about 3 percent of the original bid," Minix said.

Finishing touches will be added after 22nd street is completed.

Minix said they hope to get a bike path in before the end of this year. Landscaping will be done in early spring.

The roadwork began last spring after years of planning, and the new street is expected to last 40 years before major work is needed again.

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Board of Trustees

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p.m. the second Wednesday of every month, in SRC 2800.

All meetings are open to the public. Call 942-2203 for more information

Student government

The student senate meets every two weeks when class is in session at 4 p.m. Tuesdays in SRC 2085. The next meeting is schedueld for Nov. 28

Thanksgiving holiday

No classes Nov. 23-26 for the Thanksgiving holiday. No classes after 5 p.m. Nov. 22.



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Will faculty forgive?

Forgiveness is divine, but can the faculty handle it?

That's what we'll find out the week after next, when the full-time faculty vote on a so-called "forgiveness policy" that would allow students to have "F" grades taken out of their GPA after three

Staff **Editorial**

The policy, which has finally worked its way through administrative and faculty review committees after

months of waiting, is wholly in keeping with the spirit and mission of the college. It should be approved by the facul-

The key to this issue is understanding who the students are. For the most part, we are not "traditional" students, straight from high school. Most of the people wandering our halls have been in and out of academic world for some

And many have not had the best of luck, in or out of school. Recovering addicts, high school drop outs, struggling single parents and those seeking escape from a mistaken career choice are all at home here.

They are all given a second chance here. This is perhaps the most ennobling quality of the community college. It is an egalitarian institution, seeking to serve everyone, no matter their past.

Administrators and faculty involved have said the policy is meant to aid "returning students." By this they mean students who took classes, dropped out, and returned years later.

The fact is, a great number of the people here are returning students-many of them are returning from failed careers and unhappy lives, rather than from an

the college, they are given a blank slate, at least as far as their COD academic record goes. Their arrest records and

Why should students who took those first wrong steps at the college not be given the same privilege?

get a second chance at the college. If you failed your first job or your first family, the college would not hold it against

Why should we not take a similar attitude towards first college careers? Why should they not be forgiven their

Forgiveness and second chances are a central, if unwritten, principle of the entire community college system. These principles should be codified in a policy allowing for older students to shed their academic missteps and begin anew.

earlier try at an associates degree. When most of these people return to

personal failures are not computed into

If you failed through high school, you

mistakes made at the college, years ago?

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Christensen for (any) office

It hardly seems fair to ask of a marathon runner who dashed across 50 miles of the 6th congressional district earlier in the month, but this is no time for Brent Christensen to stop running.

Christensen, an alumni of the college and part-time speech instructor, lost his first election last week. But that's hardly remarkable, given that his opponent was the 900-pound gorilla of Illinois politics, U.S. Rep. Henry Hyde.

What was remarkable was the gorilla's relatively slim margin of victory. Christensen took 41 percent of the vote away from impeachment-mastermind Hyde in an infamously conservative district. In the past, Hyde has polled about

And he did it with virtually no financial backing.

More impressive, though, was the way he did it. The marathons may have been a publicity stunt, but Christensen ran a campaign of substance and issues throughout.

From the early days of the primary contests, he provided a detailed vision of America's future in cogent, wellresearched position papers available on

his Web site. These papers, the product of Christensen's own hand, done in his spare time while maintaining a Lombard law practice, went into more depth than virtually all of Hyde's campaign—or indeed, most local and state campaigns.

Christensen took the issues very seriously. But he also managed to have fun, presenting Hyde's office with a rubber duck to highlight his view that the incumbent was "ducking" a debate.

In his concession speech, Christensen as much as said he will run again. We don't doubt it. And we would encourage him to again take a shot at Hyde's seat when the congressman

But he should also realize that DuPage may not elect a Democrat to a major office within his lifetime, young though he is. His talents and energy ought not be wasted in endless lost causes.

Christensen belongs in office, and he should consider taking a run at either a local of state post within the next few years. And who knows. The local community college districts could certainly use a few good trustees.

Photo oll:

Should returning students with good grades be allowed to take 'Fs' out of their GPA?

Ryan Dolan, 18 Undecided



"Yes, doesn't our Western Democracy deserve a second

Lesli Swiss, 19 Naperville Religion



"No, they have chosen to make those decisions and other educational institutions don't allow this. Although to get better they can retake a class and show that mistakes were made in the past by getting a good grade."

Brad Fann, 18 Glendale Heights Graphic arts



""Yeah, if they do well why have bad grades show up? They won't transfer anyway."

George Koutsos, 21



"Of course. I am a returning student myself. If a student has redeemed his stature amongst educators, he should then be priveleged to retake a class for an existing "F."

Rebeka Foy, 18 LaGrange



"Sure."

K. Nhuiph, 19 Glendale Heights Marketing



"Yes, of course." White The week precies reduciblisher in

MyComon.

By Matt Mance



Hey, Freshmen!

When I graduated from high school many things were going through my mind. It occurred to me that things would, in some way, shape, or form, be different. Friends would be going away, job would most likely change, and most importantly I needed to decide what the hell I was going to do with myself.

At the time I knew I would go on to pursue a college degree in art but I was uncertain as to which school would be best for me and whether or not it was a financially wise decision to go away to college. So I chose COD to fulfill my first two years of my college education.

Sadly enough though, I had the perception of COD many other people do: It's boring, it's not a real college experience, living at home isn't going to be fun, it's hard to meet people, and the like. The list could go on and on.

Most of you have had a great degree of southwestern suburb yuppie influence placed upon you and your preconceived notion of COD is understandable, but by no means justified.

Each and everyone of you makes C.O.D. the social life it is or is not. My point is this: take a look around and inquire. On top of the nicest facilities you will ever see at a college of any kind there are countless ways to involve yourself here. And you might as well make the most of it unless you want to endure two or three years of tedious commuting.

Hopefully this article will influence, and at the least, be read by those of you who are new to COD. The advice I leave you with is this:

you with is this:

- In whatever way you deem appropriate, have fun here. There may not be any dorms or frat houses to party in but there's more than enough to keep you occupied and entertained. I sincerely doubt there are other two-year institutions around here with the quality cafeterias, lounges, pool hall, athletic events, art galleries, publications, services, employment opportunities, plays, bands, speakers, and wide range of degree acquirements which could surpass COD.
- Don't waste time here. Make the most of it, do well, and than get out. God bless our quarter system. It allows for great flexibility with classes and has undoubtedly saved my butt many times when I've decided to drop a class.
- Transferring: know where you're going and how to get in. Many schools have specified rules and guidelines when accepting a two year degree. Talk to counselors here and more importantly talk to the staff at the 4 year college or university of choice. You'd be surprised at how much work and headache one little meeting can save you.
- Make connections here. COD is very well known throughout the country and is very transfer friendly. But a good word put in by a teacher, employer, or co-worker here couldn't hurt. And it may in fact land you the job or title you're looking to continue with or obtain.

The four points I've mentioned above are pretty simple and clear cut. I hope for your sake they actually mean something and you act upon them.

"If you belive you attend a second rate

institution, than you do."

Those are great words of wisdom the Courier's ex-editor-in-chief left me with. And from what I've ascertained so far, that couldn't be more true.

Best of luck to all you.

Letters to the Editor

Equal opportunity genocide

Yes, if we talk about the long history of humankind, I agree with the statement in Mark Mayer's latest letter to the editor: "We have all wronged each other."

Ethnic group after ethnic group has overrun its neighbor after becoming militarily and economically stronger than its neighbor. And it's time to work against this very human, deeply ingrained habit.

Fear of cultural difference may be innate to human beings. Hate is usually a learned behavior. Now is the time to take the opportunity to educate our children and ourselves about difference so that the person who is "different" does not become someone who must be feared and hated and destroyed. Or we can settle for the old way of doing things: whoever has the power at the moment gets to obliterate the other groups. I'd rather master my fear of difference, so that I don't feel threatened by the increasing diversity that I see in DuPage County and at the College of DuPage.

I'm a WASP-White Anglo Saxon Protestant. My great, great, great ... etc. arrived on the North American continent in the Colony of Massachusetts in 1637. My ancestors lived in Salem right about the time of the Salem Witch Trials. They moved out to the Northwest Territories when Indiana was opened up to white settlers, after the Indians were removed. I'm a Buckeye, born in Ohio. I've got as much fear of difference bred into me as do most Americans of every ethnicity. Yes, I know, only the dominant group can supposedly be called racist. Yet we all grow up with our own inaccurate ethnic stereotypes, fears, and hatreds, and we hang on to them if we leave them

·unchallenged and unchecked.

Mr. Mayer, I'm not in favor of taking away your right to speak out. According to John Frohnmayer, the response to speech we don't agree with should not be censorship, but more speech. And that's why I responded to your first letter.

I don't fear the disappearance of white culture in the U.S. Country music comes out of a one social class of white America, but it isn't the only expression of "white" culture in the U.S. Our philosophy, literature, drama, economics, art, sociology, history, classical music, etc. are predominantly European-American in origin. Right now, the contributions from other cultures are at the periphery of our society, not in the mainstream. As American society becomes less predominantly European-Âmerican, do I expect Shakespeare, Picasso, Frank Lloyd Wright, Bach, Copland, and the ideas of Alan Greenspan to disappear? No, I expect our culture to be enriched and expanded by equally good works of literature, art, architecture, music and economics from "people of color."

According to one of our history professors, the Immigration Act of 1965 changed the emphasis of immigration to selecting people who had high levels of education or skills needed in the U.S. And that has accounted for the shift in immigration away from Europeans to people from other areas of the world where there are too many highly educated, skilled people and not enough jobs for them.

One last note. The Courier should check on the correct spelling of Mr. Mayer's last name. It should also be noted that Mark Mayer, Wheaton, and Mark Meyer, Professor/Coordinator of Manufacturing

Technology/Plastics, are not the same person.

Hal Temple Library

Am I white, Mr. Mayer?

Am I white, Mr. Mayer? Roughly a hundred years ago a man and a woman married. This union produced a child. Nice story, but nothing special about it and nothing should have been unique about it. He was white and she was Cherokee. They lived in the South and year was about 1895. That is the part that makes it unique.

I will not bore you with the rest. That is all I know about them. I can guess that life was not easy for them. Like many middle class and suburban families, we forget about it. Not out of any shame, but neglect. I only learned about it as causal comment made my father after seeing a movie. It was such a turning point in my life that I can't remember the movie. Could not have been "Dances with Wolves," but it could have been.,

All my life up to that moment I was a white American and then that revelation was made to me. I want to ask Mr. Meyer something- did I turn a redder shade of white in that parking lot as my father and I looked for the car? Am I white because I am 1/16 Cherokee? If you looked at me, you would never know. I have been told that I look Irish or English. In the summertime, I burn as fast as toast.

Can my choice of religion or taste in politics tell you if I am white? What about the words I use or the stations preset on my car radio? Clubs that I have been a member of? Maybe the women I find attractive? The books I read? Food I ate? Is it my skin color? Is it my family history? What about the

things I think and feel, do they count in making me white? Can I be white if I disagree with you?

Mr. Mayer, am I white?

Name withheld

upon request

The exploitation of white women

It is my contention that the white woman is the most sexually exploited woman on this planet. I can't stand in a grocery story line without being bombarded by the cover of some of these magazines.

With all of their flair, sensuality and subtle fornication, they laden the minds of men of all races that the white woman is every

boy's toy.
Why aren't Patricia
Irland and her feminist
cronies illuminating this
obvious fact? Some magazines are all too blatant in
their disrespect for white
women. Try finding a
woman of color in any of
these "publications"; you'll
be looking a long time.

I would rejoice at the sight of Hugh Heffner and Larry flint being hung from the city walls. Try them as criminals for the war they have waged on my beautiful white sisters.

How many white women die in snuff films every year? How many white women turn to drugs or suicide because they feel used up by this industry?

I long for the death of this affront to the white woman like a sailor longs for dry ground in a storm.

White men, wake up and see that this is one of the things that is killing off our race! The moral degredation of the child-bearers is a billion-dollar industry. Stop sending your hard-earned money to these vipers in suits who pedal this garbage. The white woman is the jewel of our race; stand up for her!

Mark Mayer Wheaton

write a letter to the editor

What do you think about Florida these days?

Or the Cafeteria?

Or those pesky walks to West Campus in the rain?
Or guns for Public Safety officers?

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What makes a good Citizen?

"A good citizen is not simply one who obeys the laws, participates in elections and supports his Nation, since all of this might be true for most people in Totalitarian States. In addition, good citizens will show mutual respect and tolerance for others. They will take part in the critical deliberation about the problems facing society and help to implement solutions that further justice by balancing the need for freedom and equality." — CHRIS GOERGEN



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I include service learning in my political science courses because: • it offers practical experience in the field of study • it is a service to the community thereby strengthening our demo-cratic political culture • it provides an opportunity to make contact with potential employers or groups that have the potential to enrich one's life • I like to give students options for how they can learn.



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"This is the first time I've required students to do service learning projects and I love how service learning connects learning in the classroom to the outside community."

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Rhetoric and Reason is a coordinated course of study which combines speech, English composition and political science for a total of 13 credit hours. It actively explores the processes of American government and rhetoric by focusing on the issues of the 2000 presidential campaign as well as other local and state elections. This course includes student participation in attending and conducting national issues forums, field trips and a 20 hour service learning activity by each student. Students study, analyze and evaluate the strategies and practices of the candidates as they relate to the principles of American political science and both written and oral communication.

This class of 23 students participated in service learning activities centering around local and national political campaigns. 1/3 of the class participated in the Republican party campaign, 1/3 participated in the Ralph Nader campaign, and 1/3 participated in the League of Women Voters, Democratic party, Libertarian campaigns.

"Service learning did enhance not only the learning process but also the critical thinking component of learning. Volunteering for a different political party than I actually belong to helped me evaluate and critically think about my own political beliefs and values."

- Brenda Jost, COD Student Decision 2000 class

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- Jack Zahora, COD Student Decision 2000 class

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From Bringle, Hatcher, and Games, "Engaging and Supporting Faculty, Journal of Public Service and Outreach, Spring 1997

For further information on Service Learning please contact Kathy Hennessy, Coordinator, Center for Service Learning at 630-942-2655 or e-mail hennessy@cdnet.cod.edu.

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Mercado hosts global and local events

By Eileen O'Malley **Features Editor**

Alien and distant seem the cultures of foreign lands, yet every day we handle items touched by some other, faraway hand that in some small or great way now influences our lives.

"Everything you look at, everything you touch, feel and smell has an international connection," said Zinta Konrad, Coordinator of the International Education Program.

The International program sponsored the first Mercado Internacionale last Monday, turning the second-floor SRC walkway into a festive marketplace of courseware. Ten international events committees as well as cultural clubs and organizations responded to a declaration made by President Clinton in April designating Nov. 13 to 17 International Week.

Speakers, invitational poetry, and storytelling occurred in days follow-

The International Education Program fosters growing understanding of human interdependency so that students can function with ease as global citizens, Konrad said.

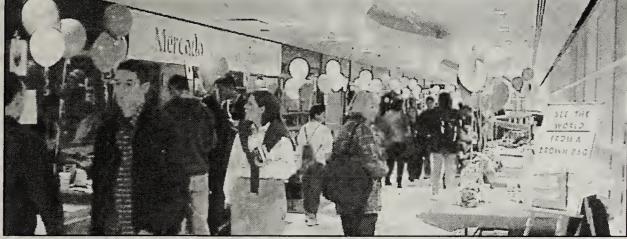
"Our goal is to reduce ethnic tensions,"she said. "The way you reduce it is through better understanding."

Most of the time we hardly realize what diverse songs sing in our own

Jim Frank, Coordinator of the Native American Studies Program sat at a table with tutor Rick Rodriguez of Yaqui-Tarahumara ancestry.

Rodriguez said he knew nothing of his Indian heritage until his son began a genealogy. Rodriguez said that when he went to school, Indian background was suppressed, and ties to Indian culture were considered demeaning.

Some of Rodriguez's ancestors lived in the Southwest, in the region of the Sonora Desert, but now very few



SCR second floor walkway became Mercado Internationale for a day

pockets of the tribe survive.

They were very fleet-footed people," Rodriguez said. "They were known as the Deer People.

Frank said people tend to take Native American studies for personal and spiritual reasons. Some are retirees moving to a western state near a reservation or health workers who want to get sensitized to the culture. Others are interested in treaty matters and national sovereignty

Four courses are offered this winter, including one for men only that will travel to an Ojibwe Reservation for four days to explore the "deep masculine", honoring respect of self, and relations to family and others. \$370 includes transportation and camping. Tuition is extra.

Nearly 400 students since 1993 have stayed with families in Costa Rica under the auspices of Study Abroad, a 5-week immersion program.

"You do not need to have any Spanish at all to go on the program," said Dr. Flora Briedenbach, Spanish professor and trip coordinator. "We can also accomodate very advanced students," she added.

Christine Cavallo, 21, travel and tourism major, thought she might go on Study Abroad's ninth trip and asked about safety.

"It's safer to go to Costa Rica than to downtown Chicago," Briedenbach replied.

A convenient test of courage will present itself 9 a.m. Dec. 1 when a holiday safari bus takes off from the college bound for the Chritskindlesmarkt at Daley Center.

Those wishing to see and buy German food and gifts and visit the Goethe Institut may reserve bus seats for \$5

The trip is sponsored by the European Committee founded and chaired by Anne Cotton, Program Coordinator for Interior Design, x

Cotton said she started the committee to give more focus to Europe which plays a big part in the lives and histories of many Americans.

'We needed to get more exposure for events that are European," Cotton said. "Not only languages, but cultural needs, design, architectural trends present and past. I also like to probe into the living relations of people in their own spaces."

Cotton said that while traveling you see different solutions to needs that



Carole Chetanigne speaks outside the balloon to the French Club

photo by Huy Doan inspire your work and art. For example, Europeans have different approaches to use of space than Americans with wide open frontier concepts.

Suzanne Hassert at the French Club table lived in Paris for a year when her husband's job took them there. When Hassert came back, she took a fast-track summer class in French covering a whole year of the language in 10 weeks.

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PhotoPoli:

What's that thing that hangs off a turkey's beak?



Gobbler.

Woodridge Computer Information Systems

Daniel Olson, 19





Dan Macchia, 20 Hinsdale **Business**



Mary Schnickel, 33 Aurora Computer Information Systems

Excess fat.

15 credit hours earns travel certificate



Andrea Ruggiero likes working with people and computers. photo by Huy Doan

Travel at reduced rates lures recent high school graduates, re-careerists, and seniors looking toward retirement to the Travel and Tourism Program.

"It's the main perk of our industry," said Professor Joanne Giampa, Travel and Tourism Program Coordinator.

"It's an industry for all ages," Giampa said.

Students can meet travel and tourism instructors and get a nutshell preview of the program at a winter quarter preview 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 28 in SRC 2800.

Ninety percent of students in the program are women, reflecting a concentration of female travel algents at FB degree to go into management," she BB Giampa said of a corporate travel 87 percent and managers at 80 per-

The easiest certificate in the pro-

gram to earn is the Travel and Tourism Airport Passenger Certificate which requires only 15 credit hours. This certificate covers the five main core curriculum courses of three credit hours each which meet once a week.

"After students get that certificate, with just four additional courses I can give them two more certificates," Giampas said.

Andrea Ruggiero, 20, completed three certificates and plans to major in geography at a four-year college because very few offer travel degrees.

"I eventually want to go into management and you need a bachelor's said.

Geography, along with computer science, foreign languages, and world

history are majors recommended for travel workers by the Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Handbook.

Internet ticket access is slowing growth in the industry, but many people still prefer to use professionals to save time and find the most suitable deals, and travel, especially business travel, is expected to increase.

Leisure travel agents and ticket reservationists earn about \$20,000 a year. Corporate travel agents usually have better benefits and earn more.

'One of my students is going to get 23 days off and four trips domestically a year, and four companion tickets," agency employee.

see 'Travel' page 10

Condoms Mercado events

go fast

By Eileen O'Malley **Features Editor**

A thousand condoms disappeared at a rate

of about 30 a minute when offered jointly by the HIV-AIDS Division of the DuPage County Health Department and college Health Services outside the cafeteria Tuesday.

From 11:30 to noon, about 200 students, nearly a quarter of them female, grabbed free condoms from a fishbowl and stuffed them in provided paper bags

Health Services sponsors the giveaway once every quarter to promote safer sex, said Valerie Burke, coordinator. "This is the age they're most prone to contracting sexually transmitted diseases," Burke said. "And there are ways to show affection without having sex," she said.

About eight people every Monday get tested at Health Services, Burke said. Positive results fit the national norm of about one in 500 of those who go and get tested, or about one a year at the college, Burke said.

Testing is strictly confidential.

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Hassert lunches with other French speakers the first Friday of every month, recently at Suzette's Crepes in Wheaton, to speak French.

"In theory," she said.

One need not be a French club member to join the lunch group.

"No, if you're a Francophile and want to be able to speak French and be part of promoting the French language," you're welcome, Hassert said

The college community is invited to bring your own lunch to a mini-vacation twice a month at noon on Tuesdays into room 1450 of the cafeteria where faculty and staff present highlights of seminars and trips

Konrad said the International Brown Bag Luncheons usually attract about 60 people. Not just a slide show, but an idea exchange, the Brown Bag series invites students to distill and present their trip experiences. Call Bonnie Shalin, x2485

The Middle East Committee chaired by Tammy Bob, will sponsor a show featuring women artists, free and

The Africa Committee has invited the new Liberian ambassador to speak a few months from now, said Sadie Flucas, Associate Dean of Community Education and Development.

'You know, Liberia was a country that was founded by African Americans," she said. "They're trying to get their democracy back on

Funding for foreign study is available through the International Education Office.

"We have the Study Abroad scholarship committee," Konrad said. "We have access to other kinds of scholarships."

Konrad said a \$1,000 scholarship is available. She said that the National Security Educational Program sponsors an \$8,000 semester-long scholarship as well as a \$16,000 a year scholarship for which applications are due Jan. 1. No one has yet applied.

Information on all events can be obtained at the International including lunch, 11:30 to 2 p.m. Jan. 20. Education Office, IC 3116, X 3079.

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"And this is her first quarter, this class! She just started taking classes this fall and I already got her a job," Giampa said.

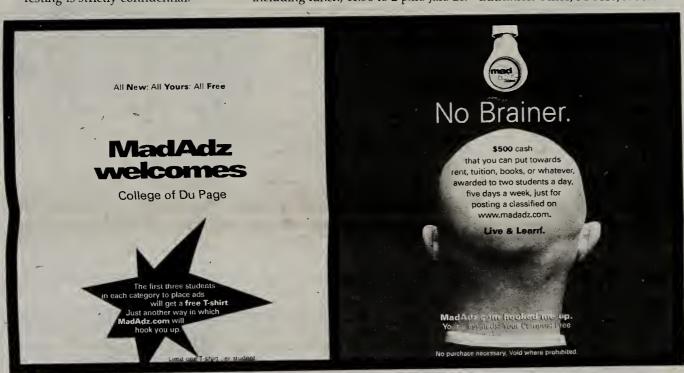
Convention meeting planners who make conference arrangements for groups of from 300 to 20,000 can make up to \$175 an hour, Giampa

"That's an extremely lucrative end of our industry," she said.

Giampa has taught travel and tourism at the college since 1980 and works with a travel agency as an outside contractor. She networks with other agents and organizations to find jobs for students. Co-ops are paid positions while internships are unpaid. Some internships are with local tour operators or with an airline at Midway or O'Hare.

What do students do with their certificates?

"They get a job in our industry and then start traveling the world," Giampa said.



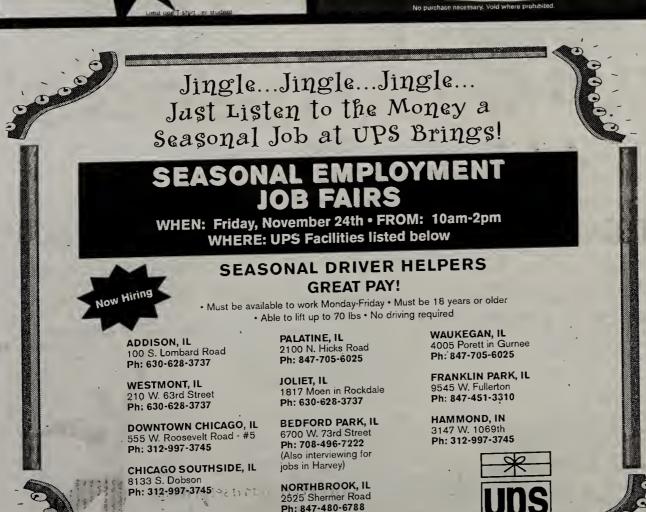


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Face in the Crowd



Bill Altmann

Birthday: October 9, 1981

Birthplace: Good Shepherd Hospital

High School: Driscoll Catholic

Most influential person at COD: Steve Schroeder, Speech Professor

Intended major: Computer Science

Dream job: Fortune 500 C.E.O.

Most probable occupation: Systems Analyst for computers.

Current job: Computer Analyst.

Favorite movie: Empíre Records.

Personal theme song: Home, by Deeply Something.

Hobby: Hackey-sacking.

photo by Huy Doan

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go? Hilton Head, South Carolina. It's the most beautiful place I've ever been.

What is your favorite breakfast food?

Steak and eggs. I'm a big meat buff.

Most prized possession: Dog tags from my grandpa in World War II.

What has been your favorite class? Speech.

Short term goal: Finish this year off, my Associate's.

Long term goal: Finish the next two years at DePaul, Bachelor's in Computer Science.

Celebrity you most identify with: Jim Carey.



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Government Career

Students are advised to bring several copies of resumes and to "dress for success". Meet with representatives of federal, state and local government agencies to explore career options from 3 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30 at SRC 2800. Sponsored by the Government College Relations Council.

Poinsettias for sale at the Student Plant Shop in Building K 101 Nov. 20 to Dec. 14. The shop is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesday s and Thursdays. \$4 for a 4" pot, \$10 for a 6" pot, and \$18 for a 10" pot. Cash or check only.

Food for Thought: Coping with Holiday Stress

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Faces from an American Dream

'The landscape is a face we all see daily'

By Bob Nichols Arts & Entertainment Editor

n display in the Gahlberg Gallery in the MAC is a story in photographs. The work of Martin Desht is a pictorial account of the results of the "fall of american

A small grey haired man with wire rimmed glasses, Desht is a photographer who saw a story happening around him where he grew up and currently resides in Pennsylvania.

Desht was raised in a Roman Catholic orphanage in Coopersburg Pennsylvania. After childhood, Desht got a job at a Bethlehem Pennsylvania steel mill as a crane repairman. During his years on this job Desht found a good deal of down time on the job which he put to good use by burying his nose in a book.

After receiving a degree in Literature, a former professor suggested that Desht might take his camera and record the story of the demise of American industry and its impact on the

people and towns of Pennsylvania.

Neighborhoods that once housed a multitude of factory workers are now populated by crumbling empty husks no longer occupied by families. Sons who had only to follow their fathers path to financial success and security are now looking at an uncertain future. The industry that fueled the expansion of so many towns and cities is no longer active, as a result, the cities are simply too big for the number of people they can put

However, in true American fashion, many of these cities have rebuilt themselves as tourist locations or sites of cultural renaissance.



"Office secretaries" Easton Pennsylvania. 1990



"Italian ice" North Broad Street, Philadelphia. 1996



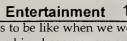
Former factory worker and son. Southeastern Pennsylvania: 1990

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should see. It has Oscar

written all over it.





By Miranda Osborne Correspondent

Men of Honor Starring, Cuba Gooding Jr, and Robert DeNiro

When Carl Brashear was growing up he was one of the privileged African Americans to go to school. His father worked the land all day so his son's could have a chance for something better. It was only a few years later little Carl realized his dream: to be a Navy man. "Promise me you'll never come back," his father said. "Don't ever come back. Do better than me." And that was the last time he talked to

his father as he hopped on the Navy recruiting bus knowing he would never see his home again.

"Men of Honor" is a story about courage, determination and love. Carl Brashear (Cuba Gooding Jr.) never gave up, not once, in his fight to be a Master Diver and Master Chief, the highest rank an enlisted man in the U.S. Navy can achieve.

The first "colored" to ever be admitted to dive school, it took two years and over 100 letters for him to even be able to stand at the diving school gates.

I can't express to you the agony Carl went through every day of his life simply because his skin was a different color than the skin of those around him. His sacrifices were more than one person should bear, maybe more than ten persons. But he never gave in; never quit. Not even after the relentless taunts and challenges Master Chief Diver Billy Sunday (Robert DeNiro) put him through.

He didn't give anyone the satisfaction of seeing him fold. He succeeded at everything he did. He'd made

a promise to his father.

This is a movie every man woman and child on the face of the planet should see. It has Oscar written all over it. Not that that matters. Forget going to school or reading this newspaper. Go to the theatre and give yourself a lesson in humility. Everything we have in this day and age we take for granted. We can

walk down the street for the most part, without being man woman and child on ridiculed because of what we look like. Carl Brashear, the real person behind the Hollywood lights and all the publicity, won't ever get the

recognition he deserves or recompense for all his suffering that he dealt with for the better part of his life so he could serve a country that despised him. He saved lives, he followed all the rules, and in the end he won his respect and freedom, but at what cost?

Was losing a leg worth it's agony? Was years of torturous training and losing his loved ones one by one worth his precious minutes in a diving suit 300 feet below the surface?

This, folks, is a real life lesson. Carl Brashear is an example of how God

intended us to be like when we were created. Like him, however, we are not. We would have cried wolf a long time ago. We would never have put up with so much for so little. But that's why it's Carl's story that we may have the privilege of seeing, and for a few brief moments aspiring to, until we forget that he was a real human being and go back to our own sheltered lives to pretend we're not the pathetic scum that is such a boor on the face of the earth. Woe that there aren't more men like Carl Brashear.



The A&E desk at the Courier us still seeking tattooed men and women for a feature piece. Please call 942-2713 if interested.



In the words of COD Chef Instructor, Chris Thielsen;

•I definitely recommend you defrost your turkey at least four days ahead of time, in the refrigerator. Do not ever defrost your turkey at temperature.

• Put leftovers in the fridge as soon as possible, bad food handling at Thanksgiving makes it the worst time of year for food-borne illnesses.



A&E Happenings

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Dec. 1, Frisbee with Atomic Numbers

At The MAC

· Nov. 18, Loudon Wainwright III

· Dec. 1, Arts Center Ensemble, The Billy may Songbook

· Dec. 2, Windham Hill's Winter Solstice

 Dec. 3, Yulestride, Butch Thompsom and DuPage Chorale

· Dec. 8, The Buckinghams

· Dec. 9, New Classic Singers, A Child's Christmas

Dec. 16, 22, 23, Nutcracker

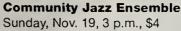
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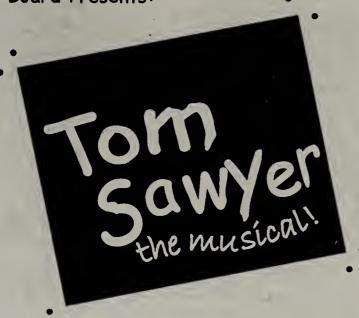
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Student Spotlight

By Bob Nichols Arts & Entertainment Editor

In the glow of this week's spotlight is the lovely and talented Lori Torson. Lori is a Drawing 101 student. Lori a resident of the boonies somewhere north of New Lenox and east of Orland Park is a 2nd year student. She already holds an associates degree in design illustration.

Q: What's the best part of coming here? A: Meeting new and interesting people.

Q: What's the worst part? A: The not so interesting, more annoying people.

Q: What's your favorite food group? A: Italians...no, 1 mean Italian...no, I mean pasta.

Q: What's your favorite quote? A: Rectum?!? ... I nearly killed 'em. Lori attributes this quote to her

Q: Who's your best teacher? A: Dr. Dick... Voss, because he's understanding and displays a real willingness to help.



Lori Torson of somwhere near Lockport

Q: Should campus cops carry guns? A: No it's a recipe for violence.

Q: What's the purpose of college education? A: It's not for everyone, certain careers call for it, knowledge is power.

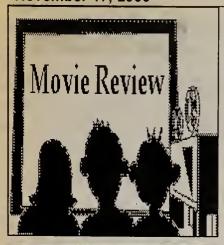
Q: What's your favorite attribute in a teacher? A: A nice ass.



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By Jinnel Robinson Correspondent

Keeping the Faith Starring, Ben Stiller, Jenna Elfman & Edward Norton

If you're looking for light humor and comedic stars, Keeping the Faith is just the thing.

Ben Stiller and Edward Norton's well-timed banter keeps the movie entertaining. Jenna Elfman's workaholic impression lacks some authenticity but she lends a lot of energy to the trio. Though not Blockbuster of the year, Keeping the Faith is a fun flick.

Recently released on video, Keeping the Faith is an entertaining peek into the world of the new clergy. Best friends Jake Schram (Ben Stiller of There's Something About Mary) and Brian Finn (Edward Norton of Fight Club) have known each other since sixth

The only unusual element in their friendship is that Schram's a rabbi and Finn's a priest. Their differing religions pose no problems for

two pals, who decide to form "the god squad" and "give [people] an old world God with a new world spin."

Their early religious training appears to be a series of humorous mishaps but their success with game show style preaching makes each a minor celebrity.

A cross-religion karaoke club is in the works when Schram and Finn's childhood friend Anna (Jenna Elfman of Ed TV) walks back into the picture. This tomboy turned hardcore business woman sets up the inevitable love triangle, which is made even more intriguing by the chastity vows of Finn and the meddling mothers of Schram's congregation who constantly set him up with their daughters.

Their escapades leave Schram in danger of losing his job and Finn feeling like "Melrose Priest." His impression of being in a soap opera isn't too far off.

Needless to say, it works out well in the end, but not without a long string of entertaining gaffs.

Keeping the Faith is a light comedy turned light romance. Don't look for a deeper message, unless it's that all clergymen are not stuffed shirts, but this movie is a fun rental for a humorous escape.







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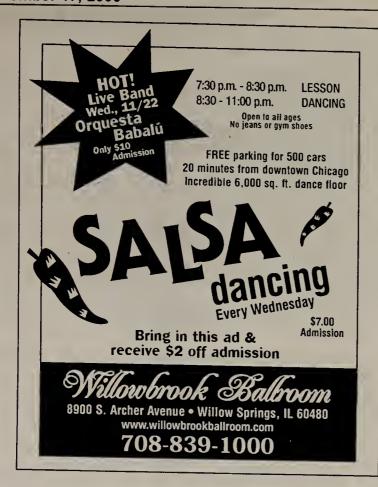


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By Bob Nichols
Arts & Entertainment Editor

In focus this week is Ann Cotton, a professor of interior design and coordinator of that program at COD. Cotton grew up on an island in the Mississippi River where it runs between Illinois and Iowa. She is a graduate of University of Iowa where she earned a BA in textile design and a MA in interior design.

Q: Why did you choose COD? A: After spending a number of years teaching at a small community college in Iowa I was looking for a challenge that could lead to professional development with the potential for advancement.

Q: What do you like most in a student?

A: Enthusiasm, I'd prefer an enthusiastic group of 'C' level students over a group of unenthused 'A' level ones.

Q: What's the best part of the job? A: The diversity of challenges brought on by the new day.

Q: What's the worst part of the job? A: Too many things to accomplish in too few hours. I routinely put in 50-60 hours a week and at least 1 weekend a month.

Q: Should campus cops carry guns? A: Yes when used with due caution and prudence.

Q: What's your favorite food group?



A: The Italian group that includes good red wine.

Q: What do think of the 'Floriduh' situation?

A: I feel that if the absentee votes have until Friday then it would be reasonable to allow recounts to have the same deadline.

Q: What makes you happy? A: Driving my new Audi Quattro.

Q: What's your favorite quote? A: We shape our buildings, thereafter, they shape us. Cotton attributes this to Churchill.



She's finally coming over, huh?

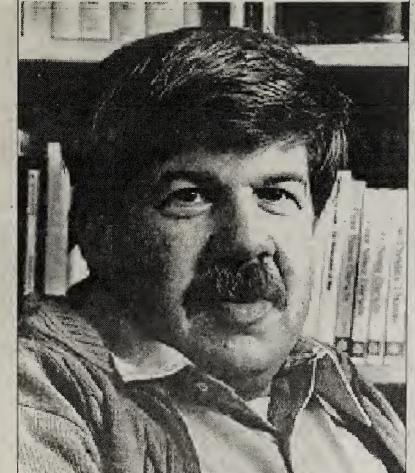
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Gould at the MAC

By Bob Nichols Arts & Entertainment Editor

Professor Steven J. Gould of Harvard University took the mainstage in the MAC this past wednesday, Nov. 8. A sold out house took there seats in anticipation of a mind opening thought provoking lecture. In my humble opinion the professor missed the mark.

The lecture did begin on an entertaining note however. At least once the long winded introduction was completed. Gould amused the crowd with the "arbitrarily precise" nature of our Gregorian calendar. After stating that there are many different cycles in the galaxy and the universe, Gould stated how amusing it is that our calendar's starting date has nothing to do with any of them. He

went on to state that even the date that our calender starts from (the death of Christ), is at least four years, probably more off the mark as well.

In this light, the idea that something cataclysmic will take place in our solar system or galaxy is truly a silly and egocentric notion for mankind to hold.

After driving this point home Gould went on to debunk the school of scientific thought that science can be successful in predicting future occurrences or outcomes beyond any but the most general in nature.

Call me simplistic, but I'd never put a whole lot of stock in the scientific community being able to read the future in the first place. I found Gould's lecture disappointing, and the reactions I took from the audience echoed that opinion.

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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

As you begin to shop for Christmas presents, be sure to put yourself on your list for a well-earned special gift. (Perhaps that trip you've put off for so long?)

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

It's decision-making time in the workplace. Use your com-munication talents to put your case for a promotion in the best light. A family member has news.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

You continue to see progress in both your personal and professional aspects. But be careful not to allow holiday pressures to erupt and cause new problems.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)
You relish being surrounded by the bright lights of the holiday season, but be careful they don't blind you to the true motives behind a friend's recent behavior.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)
Flexibility remains your watchword at this time. Expect more changes in your plans. But stay the course, and you'll soon enjoy smooth sailing.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

Recent family problems have simmered down for the holidays, but they're still boiling beneath the surface. Expect new support in your search for a resolution.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)
Holiday plans could include long-delayed reunions with people you loved in the past and still keep close to your heart. Reach out to them.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)
Opposites attract in physics, but not necessarily between humans. Be wary of a relationship with which you don't feel comfort-

CAPRICORN (December 22 to Jenuary 19)

That business decision can finally be made now that you have the facts to back if up. You could get a surprise offer to do some

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)
Your circle of friends widens as new people come into your life. An old friend urges you to reconsider those travel plans you put aside.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)
You have a warm and generous nature, but be careful it doesn't get out of comrol during these holiday limes. Make careful decisions and slick to them.

YOU WERE BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for seeing beyond the obvious. You also have a sense of curiosity that makes you want to discover hidden places.

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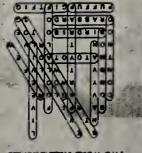
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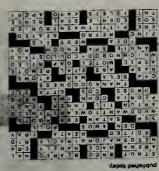
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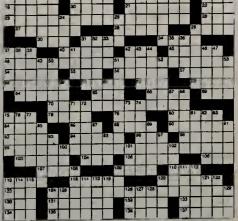
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Rap super star Jayson De leon a.k.a Scandal, gives the crowd some of his own rap lyrics.



Sephanie Eggert plays a song she wrote about an old ex-boy friend.

Open Mi

Every so often Program Board holds an open mic session at the school for the students to show off what kind of talent they have. About a dozen students signed up for the open mic session. At the event there were poets, guitar players, singers and rappers that took on the mic for about 10 minutes each. Here are some the pictures of the performers at the open mic session.

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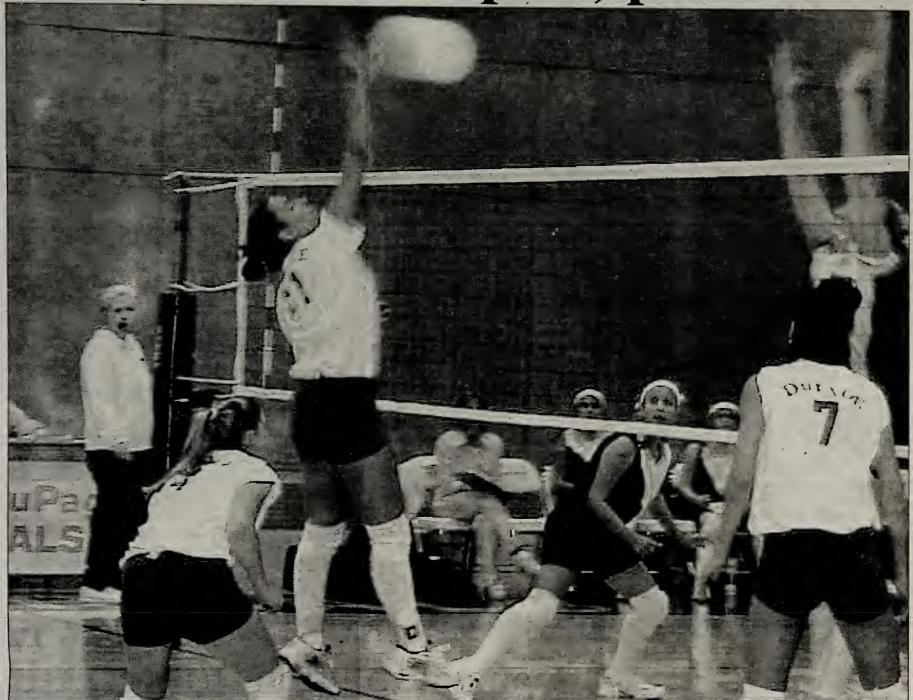
Qiana Ingram one of few poets that came to open mic reads a poem she wrote about her gramma's sweet potato pie.



Most of the guitars at open mic were acoustic. Andy plays his guitar while singing some lyrics.



Volleyball can't 3-peat; places fifth



The women's volleyball team may have placed fifth in the National tournament, they still proved that they are a powerful and focused team. For a list of players who made the All-Conference team see "Volleyball page 26."

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By Ryan Coughlin Sports Editor

Where did it all go wrong?
Two consecutive titles in their back pockets, a solid core of returning players, and a coach of the year, where did the Chaparrals lose it?

Just ask Head Coach LuAnn Zimmick, she'll tell you the competition was very tough.

The National tournament was set up in two separate pools, the pool which the Chaps were in had the most difficult teams.

"Four out of the five best teams at the tournament were in our pool," Zimmick said.

The upset came early in the tournament when the Chaps lost to Cedar Valley 15-13, 15-7, and 15-10. Cedar Valley, who were not even rated in the tournament over came the odds by finishing second overall in the tournament. Only one of the teams who were seeded came through, Central Lakes who took home the title.

"That shows you how tough and maybe inaccurate the pools were.set up in the tournament," Zimmick said.

Zimmick isn't pleading "sour grapes" she's just stating a fact. After the Chaps fell to Cedar Valley, their hopes weren't lifted as high as they would have liked, they had to get through a tough and very athletic opponent to stay in the tournament. That team was Burrough of

Manhattan College. They refused to give up and kept their views on winning. The Chaps came up on top crushing Burrough in the first game 15-2, but lost the momentum losing the second game 11-15.

"We played well in spurts,"
Zimmick explains, "but we couldn't
put those spurts together."

It came down the final game, do or die, the Chaps had to win if they wanted to advance. The team stayed a team and kept their eyes forward and took the final game 15-12.

"That was a nice victory when we beat Burrough, they were a very tough and talented team" Zimmick said.

There was still hope for the Chaparrals, but Owens College stood as a barricade for the Chaps. Having lost to Owens in the first game of the season, the Chaps had to remain focused to win. However, Owens was just too much, defeating the Chaps 15-7 in the first match. Owens went on to sweep the Chaps 15-8 and 15-12.

"We had to beat Owens all three games to advance, but we kept putting ourselves in a hole, but after we lost the first game the team still stayed focused, they could have easily just thrown in the towel," Zimmick said.

All the attention has been placed on both Owens College and the . College of DuPage, it has been a big rivalry between the two schools all season long.

The heated rivalry ended in a big



The Chaparrals fell to Cedar Valley in 3 games during Nationals.

upset for the Chaparrals.
"Mentally we weren't on top of

"Mentally we weren't on top or our game, it could have been nerves but that should have gone away after the first game," Zimmick said.

The problem may in fact have been that the Chaps didn't come out with

their "A" game.

"That's what you have to do, come out playing your best game," Zimmick said. "Overall I'm proud of this team, and I don't want them to lose sight of what they have accomplished."

Bush V. Gore The winner is: Nader one

By Ryan Coughlin **Sports Editor**

It's such a tiresome topic, who is going to be our next president? Al Bore, i mean Gore, or "Dubya" Bush. Whoever wins is going to be exhausted nonetheless

So who do you think is going to win? More importantly, who do you think would win in a fist fight?

I think I would put my money on Bush, he looks like he would fight dirty, plus he's never afraid to "end" the competition, if you know what I mean. But then I don't know, Gore is a little quieter, but he may be one of those people who just goes buck wild in a fight.

See, I think all this recounting of votes is silly and a waste of time, I think there's a better way to resolve this issue, and I think everyone would like to see this happen.

I think Bush said it best on the Tonight Show with Jay Leno, he said he would be willing to put the presidential election on a foot race, winner take all. Maybe we should hold some type of presidential olympics, and the one who prevails becomes our next president, maybe it wouldn't be such a great idea but it would put an end to all this nonsense.

What the hell, why don't we just throw Bush and Gore into a ring and let Jim Lehrer be the special guest referee.

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That would be one hell of a match, you have an executioner verses an exaggerator.

So stick both of them in a ring and watch a match-up of blood, sweat, and politics. I bet that would be one of the most watched events in a long time, maybe it would beat "Survivor."

All I'm saying is I'm tired of hearing about the recount of votes in Florida, and I'm sure everyone else would agree with me on that.

Neither one of the candidates are that great, so why is it so close anyway?

We've got to resolve this issue quickly, I think letting them duke it out in the ring would be one of the best ways, come on, I'm sure Don King would be able to hook that up.

And if I was Gore, I think I would go for Bush's ear, just take a big bite, I mean they stick out far enough, but then that would be just down right nasty.

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The Sideline Men's soccer heads to Nationals

By Ryan Coughlin **Sports Editor**

It's been seven years since the Chaparrals took home a National title.

"That was easier," Assistant Coach Willie Fajkus said.

In '93 the Chaparrals were the number one seed going into the Regionals and Fajkus said they expected that result.

This season the men's soccer team are singing a different tune, going down to Nationals as the number four seed. The men's soccer team also holds the longest streak of going to the Nationals. In 1989 the Chaparrals won their first Regional Championship and have been winning their Region ever since.

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2200 S. Main, Suite 100 Lombard, IL 60148 Men's basketball; new and improved?

By Ryan Coughlin Sports Editor

Of course it's too early to tell whether the men's basketball team is better this season than last, but with the first game out of the way, the Chaps look promising to Head Coach Don Klaas.

On Tuesday, the Chaps defeated Lake County College with no problem, 84-68.

"This was a good start for us,"
Klaas said, "there's a lot of potential for this team."

Last season the Chaps finished second place in the National finals. It may be a little tougher for them to finish that well, with only five returning players on the roster. These returning players will be an important factor which will determine how well the Chaps will do. The new players play a crucial role as well this season.

"It all depends if these guys are going to play together and how smart they are offensively," Klaas said.

During the Lake County game, all five of the returning players started, including center Chris Loeffler. As for the new group of guys, Klaas feels pretty confident in them.

"I'm happy with the people we've recruited, you don't know how good they are until you gain a perspective of them," Klaas said.

Since it's only the first game of the season, it's harder to actually determine what kind of team the Chaps will have this season.

"My initial evaluation of this team is that they are the kind of kids who have good attitudes and are unselfish, but it will take a while before we can say what we can do," Klaas said.

Klaas says he is satisfied with the progress he has seen to date, it's a very different team than last season's.

"But every year is different, if there's only one new guy, it's a new team so to speak and it's a challenge to put those pieces together and have the players help," Klaas said.

Demond Brown is back in the lineup and is back to his normal self, according to Klaas, and if he can stay on task he will continue to dominate. Forward Curtis Lousiville also returns to the line-up which will help make the team stronger.

One of the tough competitors the Chaps will have to face this season is Joliet College, they currently have a record of 3-1 and are the favored team in Division III.

For now the men's basketball looks to the present, not to the future. The team takes on Oakton College on Saturday at Oakton College.

Next weekend, the Chaps will host the annual DuPage Thanksgiving Tournament on Friday night and Saturday night.

"We're not worried about future competition yet, we're going to prepare when that comes, but what's most important is our next game. If we keep focusing on the now, everything will fall into place," Klaas said.

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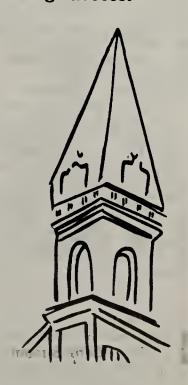
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The Chaparrals will face Georgia Perimeter in the first round of the National tournament on Thursday. Georgia Perimeter is ranked 11th going into the Nationals.

"We don't know anything about them, but their district traditionally has not done that well," Fajkus said. "It's a scary thing, we have no idea if they are strong or not."

If the Chaparral forwards play to their capability, according to Fajkus, the Chaps will be up 2-0 within the first half of the game.

"If we play the best game we should advance, that's really the way you have to look at it," Fajkus

If the Chaparrals defeat Georgia Perimeter they will face the winner of Bryant & Stratton(ranked #2) of New York and Yavapai(ranked #3) of Arizona on Friday.

The Chaparrals enter the Nationals ranked number 4 in the country with a record of 18-5-1.

It wouldn't be surprising if the Chaparrals advance to the next round, however, they have tough competition ahead of them.

Although, Fajkus believes that the winner of the Bryant & Stratton and Yavapai game will be a little tired after that game.

"They're both tough teams and it should be a good game, and this is where fatigues comes in," Fajkus said.

According to Fajkus, Byrant & Stratton are the type of team that could easily crush anybody who stands in their way.

"Even though they can crush you,

they can self destruct just as easily, it's only a matter of what will happen," Fajkus said.

Last Wednesday the Chaparrals defeated Lake County College in the Region IV semifinal 3-0.

The game remained scoreless at the first half of play. Ken Deist busted the game open when he scored the first goal five minutes into the second half. Mike Rizzo scored the second goal within minutes of Deist's goal. Forward Marcin Simson put the game away scoring the third and final goal.

"We did what we were supposed to do," Fajkus said, "we put them away."

Fajkus also said that the Chaparrals have had problems with Lake County earlier in the season.

"They have descent talent and they work really hard and they don't quit," Fajkus said.

The Chaparrals also defeated South Suburban College last Saturday in the Region IV Championship game.

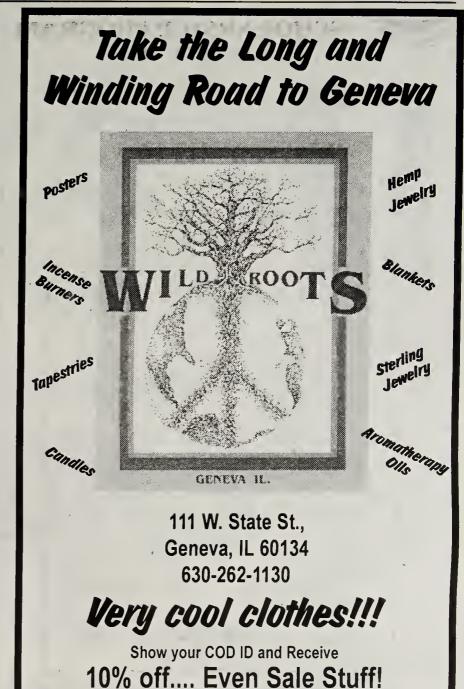
"We scored pretty easily within the first ten minutes of play which helped us seal the victory," Fajkus said.

Forward Ottavio Auteri scored the opening goal within five minutes of play. Auteri also scored three minutes later and during the second half to give him an unusual hat trick.

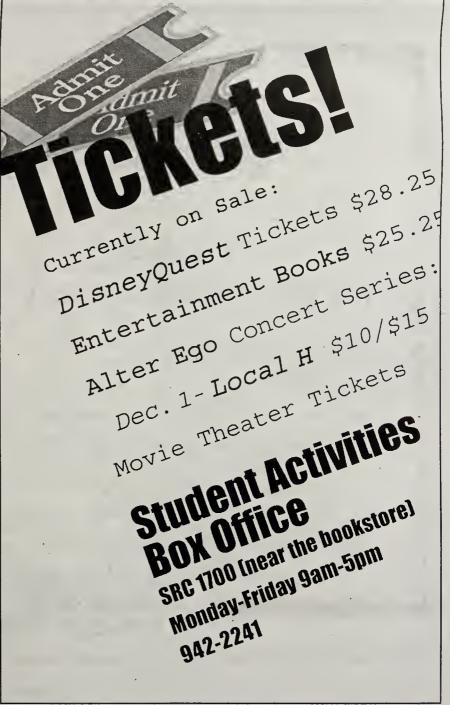
The Chaparrals defeated South Suburban College 6-0 to take home the Region IV Championship.

The Chaps left on Wednesday afternoon for Tyler, Texas where the Nationals are being held.

Assistant Coach Fajkus expects the best from his players as usual.







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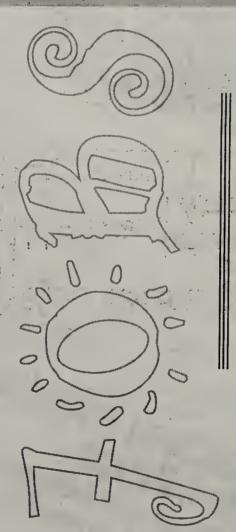
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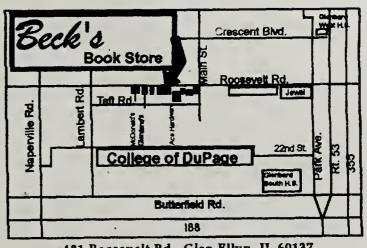


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