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Storm Chasing

by Raymond G. Carroll

I had seen them twice on the TV series called Nova, today was the call for the hope of seeing a big one. We just waited, myself and your regular guys drinking beer under the pavilion. I stayed in my car at the side facing west until the beer ran dry. When they left I took up residence under the pavilion just sitting on a picnic table waiting for the show to start, if any. One hand had just passed to the west without any show at all, a little lightening that's all. I remember I had just become cocky about the weather looking up at the clouds and saying to myself, "OK, let's start swirling," and swirl they did.

I ran to the west side of the pavilion and then to the east as the funnel began to descend. Swirling powerfully, mysteriously. awe-inspiring. I ran once again to the east and to the west of the pavilion expecting to get an angle on the thing moving away from me. I didn't see as if it occurred to me that I was, freaked and ran north past the two out houses and dived into the nearest ravine full of mud and water. I watched until my glasses were soaked and I couldn't see any more and visions of being with Dorothy and Toto filled my mind. The roar got louder and louder and debris and dirt were going upward, I clung to the three that was in the ravine with me and whispered a prayer as I buried my head in the ground. The roar passed to the east of me and was over in a few seconds that felt like an hour. The wind and the rain soaked me to the bone not to mention the mud and water I was already burying it.

The calm returned and I could see others coming out from their places or refuge. I moved down the hill into the open meadow only to watch this awesome display of unbridled natural terror ascend again into the sky. I shook inside for 15 minutes. Will I Storm Chase again? Yes, perhaps it has something to do with the unoverwrought, anarchistic side of my nature. It was worth every blast of adrenaline. Damn!

What Happens Now?

by Fred Kennedy

Due to the war in the middle of the Middle East, the current Middle East situation as well as speculated for the future. "Israel is literally a two headed monster," said Levinson in regard to the political system there, "because neither the Likud (a right wing coalition) or Labor (a left wing coalition) have a majority."

As long as Israel is without strong definitive leadership, says it is doubtful anything positive will come from the Israeli/Palestinian conflict. Due to the war in the middle east, both solutions are preferable to any more on the front burner to really have a shot at any hope for a future settlement. Levinson said both Israelis and Palestinians will have to realize that both have legitimate historical claims on the area, therefore they should concentrate on equitable settlement based on issues of today's conflict.

His prognosis for the rest of the Middle East is also gloomy. Due to the diminished balance of power in Iraq and Kuwait, "the entire area has become a virtual horror's nest," states Levinson. "This is a necessity for a more equitable division of wealth in the area along with a more democratic process of free elections to insure peaceful evolution rather than revolution."

Levinson also believes the $100 billion to rebuild Iraq and Kuwait would be better spent helping to restore the Soviet economy or, better yet, helping to solve the Israeli/Palestinian conflict and other internal U.S. crises. He does however believe President Bush is intuiting effective aid to Iraq only once Saddam Hussein is removed from power.

At best there are no authorities on what will happen next in the Middle East. Perhaps the best solution we can take into the next few years is to allow Middle Eastern countries to find their own solution.
Career Designs

By Dan Amari

The 10 Most Popular Career Questions

1. How long does a cover letter need to be?

A: A cover letter should be no longer than one page to ensure that hiring professionals will take the time to read it.

2. How do you answer the question of ‘why should we hire you?’

A: In your cover letter, you should highlight your relevant experience, skills, and achievements that demonstrate how you can contribute to the organization.

3. How do you prepare for a phone interview?

A: Research the company and the position beforehand, practice answering potential questions, and have a list of examples ready.

4. How do you get into a field with which you have no experience whatsoever?

A: Start by learning as much as possible about the field, gaining related experience, and networking with professionals in the industry.

5. What can I do with a major in [insert major]?

A: Your major prepares you for a variety of careers, depending on the field and your specific courses taken. Check with your career services office for assistance in exploring career options.

The above questions are frequently asked, but the responses can vary. Conducting research and networking can provide more personalized information.

GSU Joins in Study

SCHOOL FACILITIES STUDY
EXCESS CAPACITY
South and Southwest Cook, Kankakee and Will

Five community colleges — Moraine Valley, Prairie State, Kankakee South Suburban, and Joliet Junior Colleges — have joined with Governors State University to undertake a series of studies regarding how siting a third airport in the South Chicago Metropolitan area would impact postsecondary educational institutions.

The first study produced by this group concerns the capacity of existing public school buildings to absorb additional students. This study was made by Marchetti of Kankakee, located in South and Southwest Cook, Kankakee and Will counties. The area of study includes the area bounded on the West and North by I-55 to the junction with I-294, the boundaries of the City of Chicago, and on the East by the Indiana State line.

Using data supplied by the Illinois State Board of Education regarding enrollments and building capacities, and after verifying and revising these data through a survey of the school districts, the group has determined that almost all districts in the areas surrounding the potential sites for an airport in Kankakee or Will county can absorb substantially more students without building additional schools. Only six of 66 districts in South and Southwest Cook County are currently at or above 80% capacity; three of those 25 in Will are currently at or above 80% capacity; no district in Kankakee County is at 80% capacity.

In 1988-89, the mean average percent of capacity represented by students enrolled was about 64% for the 108 school districts. In Cook, the mean average was 61% in Kankakee, it was 61% in Will, 69%. The following table displays percent of capacity currently being used by quarter for each of the counties.

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The review of school capacity also included closed and leased buildings as well as non-permanent buildings. There are eighteen closed or leased buildings in Cook, none in Kankakee, and three in Will. Non-permanent, mobile, or relocatable buildings, provided capacity for about 2,000 students, primarily in Cook and Will counties. Currently closed buildings account for enrollment capacity of about 13,000. With this additional capacity, the schools in the area could absorb a total of about 100,000 additional students.

The Kankakee County schools, with the highest potential of enrollment capacity currently being used, tend to be located in and around the city of Kankakee — the Kankakee district itself, Bradley-Bourbonnais and in Monee. In Will County, the districts currently using the highest percent of capacity include District 201 in the Crete-Monee area, the district serving Frankfort, and those districts in Homer Township or immediately west of Joliet such as Troy-Shurewood. In South and Southwest Cook, these districts with the highest use of capacity do not fall into any particular geographical area, except for some in Orland Township.

The findings presented here are aggregated at a high level and do not attempt to respond to issues in specific districts or schools. These estimates, regarding the number of additional students that could be absorbed into existing schools, must be tempered with the understanding that in most instances, most of the existing classrooms are being used — except for those in closed or leased buildings — and that the additional capacity consists of empty seats in these existing classrooms. Further, school enrollment patterns in the Chicago suburban area have frequently resulted in one school district being overcrowded while an adjoining district may decline in enrollments or, even within a single district, a school's capacity can be overestimated while another school has excess capacity.

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Southlake, Room 210

56 NW Cook
Kankakee
Will
Total

Minimum
25.8%
40.0%
24.5%
24.5%

1st Quartile
29.8%
47.0%
20.7%

50th Percentile
61.0%
60.6%
68.1%
63.3%

3rd Quartile
72.0%
70.3%
74.1%
72.6%

Maximum
101.3%
75.3%
107.2%
107.2%

Further analysis showed that using only those buildings currently in use, the public schools in the area could absorb about 90,000 additional students. The table below shows the figures for each of the counties.

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Do you think it's reasonable to build the Fine and Performing Arts Center?  

Photos by: John Spomar

Cheryl Laster  
(U) CHP  
Glenwood  
Yes, I think we have a lot of talent around here.

Discussing Covers Many Issues
by Kimberly Mathison

A room table discussion on Motherhood and Careers for women was held March 27 at Governors State University. The Office of Student Life co-sponsored the discussion, with Rita Nagy, coordinating the discussion along with Judith Anderson, a registered nurse and the program director of the Y.W.C.A., Metropolitan Chicago South Suburban District. The two guest speakers were Susan Esslinger, an entertainment therapist, and Toni Arnold, a clinical social worker for the mentally ill, who joined about ten others for the informal event.

Judith Anderson served as moderator and began the discussion by describing motherhood, marriage and a career as mind-boggling and hectic. She then asked the two women to describe their lifestyles and coping methods for the audience.

Susan Esslinger began by detailing her typical day. She works six hours per day in nursing and has two daughters age eight and six. Both she and her family are involved in many extracurricular activities such as running, ballet, ice skating and tennis. She tries to spend quality time with her children and includes them in as many of her interests as is possible. Esslinger continued by saying she and her husband are runners. She runs about 40 miles per week and runs marathons about every weekend. She does not have any family in the area and therefore depends on supportive friends when complications arise in her busy schedule.

Single parenthood and economic security was the focus of Toni Arnold’s response. Being a single parent can be frightening.

A Long Walk
by Jeff Herald

Somebody once said that “you can’t go back home.” Kind of an interesting thought. One thing that individual didn’t address was the idea of never having and taking the place that you live for granted. It seems that in day to day life your hometown never changes, nothing ever happens.

Last week I took a walk through the town that I both live in and grew up in. I saw that much had changed and at the same time much had stayed the same.

About a block from my house is the building that used to house Old Mr. Janeczky’s store. When I was little, all the neighborhood kids used to go into the store and buy penny candy from Old Mr. Janeczky. He had to be about 100 years old. My mother and my aunt all said that they thought that he was about 100 years old when they were kids and used to go to his store to buy penny candy. The funny thing about the old guy was that everybody seemed to think that he hated kids, who comprised about 75% of his business. I can’t remember hearing whatever happened to him, he just sort of faded away. Now his store is being converted into a house that a young couple is rehabbing. I walked by my old school and saw that it remained unchanged for the most part. One glaring change, however, was that the convent had been converted into a preschool. When I went back home, I inquired about the nuns. My mother said that all of the nuns were gone. My Catholic grade school is now entirely run by lay people. Lucky kids.

The old store and the firemen were also a subject of interest. When you were a child, the police and firemen were always big authority figures. Now those kids are just becoming a memory that I will think about someday.

All the old houses remain. and quite a few vacant lots that were used as football or basketball fields.

A round table discussion on many issues confronting women today. She has two grown daughters and a teaching degree. Reik said that when she graduated from college in 1960, only 7% of women finished college. She said her generation was concerned with getting married and having children, with a gender-appropriate job to fall back on in case of extreme need. She said that her girls still feel that it is important for someone with good earning potential.

Judith Anderson disagreed with that notion. She stated that she was able to support herself and four children on her salary, as she too was a single parent. She feels that that idea is outdated.

Toni Arnold said that in reality women are the many women living “sub-standard lives, with sub-standard housing and sub-standard jobs.” Women are still at the lower end of the pay scale. Other members of the discussion also agreed with this statement. Women’s salaries are about 3/5 of men’s salaries.

The sharing of life stories intrigued Dr. Hughen, who said that it was important to share these ideas and concern with each other.

All members were urged to take the experience away with them, and to remember that we are making and living women’s history each day. Judith said that Toni Arnold closed by saying she hopes that women do not try to become just like men, because women have wonderful qualities that would be missed.

The discussion ended after 1 1/4 hours, with Dr. Hughen inviting those present to look over issues of The Creative Woman, a publication for and by women that she edits at Governors State University.

Radio Star Keynote Speaker

Chicag HEIGHTS — Mark your calendars for April 24, when Pelitta Middletown, one of WBBN Newsradio 79’s morning anchors, will be the keynote speaker at the Third Annual Secretaries’ Day Luncheon at the Beverly Manor Hotel.

The event is sponsored by the Southland Management Institute, an organization formed three years ago by Prairie State College, Governors State University and the South Suburban Chamber of Commerce. The institute presents programs too large or complex for any single participating member to handle.

Barbara Rose, “The Memory Man,” will present an hour-long workshop on “Making Your Memo-
The State of the Fine and Performing Arts at GSU

by Jean Juarez

Once upon a time there were two musical groups at Governors State University. The University Singers who were singing ambassadors and the award-winning Jazz Ensemble. Does anyone know what happened to them?

They were dropped just like the theatre program was dropped a few years ago. Does this mean the arts are being slowly given a final? Is the music department going to get the proverbial ax too?

There are only two musical groups left that represent GSU and students with performances of professional musical quality. They are the Chorale and the Symphonic Band.

Why aren't they considered the musicians in residence instead of the GSU Fine Arts Quartet? Both the Chorale and the Band are composed of students, faculty and staff and are taught and directed by faculty members. Isn't that what musicians in residence are supposed to be?

Two groups could also use funding for their concerts. How about some of the funds that support the GSU Fine Arts Quartet be deferred to the Chorale and the Band of the rest of the fine arts department?

Since 1986 the Chorale had to generate funds in excess of what has been given to them by the university. In that time they have raised more than 14,000 from donations of the friends of the Chorale. The university has only given them 4,975 in that same time period.

This is the fourth spring concert that the Chorale will be presenting at the Cathedral in Joliet. They are now a part of the Cathedral's Concert Series. They have nice company too as the Apollo Music Club choral group is also part of the series.

The recital hall on the GSU campus seats only about 300 people and the Choral seats 1,600. It would be nice to be able to stay on campus and perform in a larger setting such as a performing arts center.

With the theatre program gone and less and less music: soon there won't be any performing arts generated by GSU students. There is a lot of talent on this campus but without programs to properly showcase all this talent what good is a big performing arts center?

What is the purpose of such a center? Who will get the benefit from it? Certainly not the GSU performing arts students. They will only be good enough to buy tickets to see everything else but their own GSU performances.

Homeless in Manhattan

by Fred Kennedy

Upon arrival in Manhattan, I was immediately shocked by the number of homeless on the streets. I guessed at the volume of tragedy and success in the same picture. I was horrified to see a woman vomited and crawled aimlessly from the manhole cover onto the sidewalk. We only saw one room inside this building, but it had four cameras that I could make out. Two were disguised.

We had briefings with the Ukrainian and Byelorussian consulates who seemed eager to explain their countries' economic catastrophe. Although they were proud of the Soviet Unions past success, they seemed tentative about its future. They seemed to want to portray a possible forthcoming independence.

These two lands were also the two worst hit by Chernobyl. Most people don't realize this, but the radioactive substances released into the atmosphere were 40 times more radioactive than the Hiroshima nuclear bomb. As a result, there are still 350,000 people who can't return to their homeland for an indefinite period of time.

During our trip we also visited the Israeli permanent mission to the U.N. The security measures were even stricter there.

The mission briefing was both informative and exciting. We learned of their Israeli perspective on most middle eastern subjects as well as what they hoped for the future.

The entire experience I shall never forget and highly recommend students with any type of college background who might find this type of experience important to contact Dr. Larry Levinson about possibly joining the delegation next fall.

I also wish to thank the office of student life as well as Mike Blackborn and S.O.C. without them this program would not be possible.

Eulogy on Color Blindness

By: Dr. Mwalimu D.R. Burgest

B- is for the Beauty, Racism and Reactions which Social Workers must overcome if they are to help Diverse Populations become all they can become.

L- is for Life, Love and Living Social Workers must embrace as colorblindness rest in peace in its everlasting resting place.

N- is for the Need, Nature and Notoriety of a New day begun. When all human races, ethnicities, cultures and genders will share in what we believe human nature as we move to the future in what we believe humanity where differences are received as we move to the future in what we believe humanity where differences are received as we move to the future.

S- is for Self-awareness, Self-control and Service planned to ensure that Social Workers will never see colorblindness again.

Library Ambassadors Needed for Program

The Office of Admissions is seeking volunteers to serve as ambassadors to area libraries as part of the Library Ambassadors Program. Ambassadors serve by delivering information in class of check schedules to each semester their assigned libraries. Currently 30 ambassadors deliver schedules to over 40 area libraries. In this way thousands of schedules are mailed available to the public every term, with considerable savings of tax dollars for postage.

Libraries needing ambassadors at this time include South Holland, Thornton, Oak Lawn, Markham, Hometown, Matteson and Orland Park. Persons interested in serving as an ambassador should contact Anne Bishop in the Office of Admissions. Ext. 2518.

Earth Day is Coming

Poster contest, Earthwalks, recycling tips, Environmental Trivia Game... these are just some of the activities planned for Earth Day 1991 on April 21. 11-4 p.m. at Gibson Woods Nature Preserve. These are just some of the activities planned for Earth Day 1991 on April 21. 11-4 p.m. at Gibson Woods Nature Preserve.
**College of ‘Arts and Sciences’ Distinguished Lecture Series**

**JAMES R. PETERSEN**
Senior Staff Writer and Writer of the Playboy Advisor Column, Playboy Magazine

**ABOUT THE LECTURER**

James R. Peterson is a senior staff writer at Playboy magazine and has written what people love to gossip in. He has appeared on numerous television talk shows and has been profiled in GQ and Rolling Stone. In 1982, he was named one of 50 most influential people by Time Magazine. In 1979, he was awarded the National Magazine Award for Single Subject Writing. In 1981, he was named to the 100 most influential people by Time Magazine. In 1982, he was named one of 50 most influential people by Time Magazine. In 1979, he was awarded the National Magazine Award for Single Subject Writing.

James Peterson
Dr. Michael Murphy-Corb

**About the Lecture Series**
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Bite The Big Apple: A New York York

by Gene Pupa

The following are recollections by Model UN Head Delegate Gene Pupa of his visits from New York City to attend the 1991 National MUN Conference.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT STONY BROOK- Up at 5 a.m. The flight out of Midway to Logan took two hours, and the attendant in giving me a pair of those nasty little plastic pistols with red corkscrews. A gift from Grant Hyatt, one of Trump's wise ac­ quisitions. Check-in for the Con­ ference took forever. I had to shell out seven bucks for placeholders. Parting with money in my favorite pastime of mine, par­ ticularly when the school ought to be paying this tab.

Off to the United Nations. It's truly an impressive sight. All of the delegates are gathered in the General Assembly, where Nikita Khrushchev pounded his shoe. Dwight Eisenhower called for "Atoms for Peace," and Yasser Arafat wore that infamous gun belt to the dias. This is the room where history was made.

The workshops start at 9 a.m., and, choose to overlook the truly hideous pieces of mod­ ern art gracing the walls. I figure it's been a busy saving the world to shop for some more.</p>

Last year, the keynote speaker was some bureaucrat from the U.S. State Department. He was the most utterly dull man I have ever heard (some of my college professors notwithstanding). This year, however, the U.N. has outdone itself. This speaker, from some organization or another, actually put at least two-thirds of the audience to sleep, including me. From bitter experience, I know that this is the last real chance I'll have for a nap until the Conference is over, and I make the most of it!

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27 - Now we're in the swing of things: a full day of committee work; the hustle and bustle of punctuating, the push and pull of diplomacy. Here's where a couple of hundred college kids show the pro­ fessionals how the saving the world is really done. Not.

Our wheels start spinning in the sand fairly early. The biggest problem is the speakers: too many denizens of SF whom I couldn't hear, the sound of their own voices, to the speechmaking drags on.

And sea. The caucus sessions aren't enti­ tally fruitful, either. It's fairly ob­ vious which schools are being graded on their performance here, because they insist on dominating the discussion and ramming their resolutions down our throats. It's going to be a long night.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28 - Part of this point of conference, the committees are bogged down with dozens of resolutions, the speakers list in still amid the triple digits, and the un­ dertale of guide to see the Big City sets in. The literature that he will bring until age 85, and learned the details of a past past. Paul bought an inflatable mock-up mouse head. Lisa keeps singing every song from the '70s. I retain those memories. Now Head Delegate, can't stop mimicking Raymond 'Perry Mason' Barr. Is it weird? I think not.

Each day, after stopping in for a spell on our committees (where we found, to no one's sur­ prise, a mutiny happening after the night from before), Bob, Steve, Lisa and I took in our very first Broad­ way show. We scooted tickets to "Prelude to a Kiss," with Steve Guttenberg. To me, put my critic hat on and say that his co-star, Ashley Crow, is gonna be a big star someday.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 - The fact that the Conference is nearing its closing stages is clear. One of the first scandals of many of the delegates, and the real work begins. Resolutions are written, debated, amended, and voted up with lightning speed.

My committee, the First, un­ animously passes a resolution honoring that paragon of jour­ nalistic integrity, Wolf Blitzer. In his honor, we sing Jimmy Buffett's "Margaritaville." Back to busi­ ness: We're debating resolutions on chemical and bacteriological weapons and the Nuclear Non­ Proliferation Treaty. Youthful idealism supersedes reality, and two very optimistic resolutions pass.

There's an interesting sight... the girl from the Israeli delegation, who recently emigrated to the U.S. from Russia, is getting awfully cozy with the Jordanian delegate, who also happens to be a West Point cadet. Ah, Glasnost!

Our airline filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy, but we've been assured a flight back home. But we don't have time to think about that now, because Steve, Paul, Lisa, Bob, Susan and li have stand-by tickets for "Late Night with David Letter­ man." I'm the last stand-by they let into the studio.

The studio itself is much smaller than it appears on TV. For instance, the distance from the edge of Dave's desk area to the last row is only 20 feet. Tonight's show is particular­ ly good. Dave's monologue takes some cute nyccs at the New Kids on the Block and their tales of Sandy Hook, Nova, Water­ burg. We're so obvious out in the corner of the bleachers that Dave addresses a gag directly to us. His first guest, Arthur Kent, is so full of his own importance that Dave just can't pass up the opportunity to deflate him; as the "Scud Stud" rambles on about the political ramifications of the Gulf War and other topics about which he is barely an expert, Dave interrupts him and asks, "Is there going to be a mid-term?" Art mortifies. A week later. Dave is still poking fun at him in his monologue.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30 - Where's my blue shirt? Have you seen my other shirt? Hey! Had that in here?" Our flight out of New York is at 4:30 that afternoon. We show everything that isn't bolted down into our bags and scrumable to the bus. We're prom­ ised that the drive to the airport is 20 minutes, tops.

Seventy minutes later, we reach the airport. We lost our luggage at the flight desk and race to our gate. Made it. The flight home is smooth. I square a moment to reflect on the trip. We didn't achieve half of the things we sought to do.

But our team was good. In some instances, we knew more about a particular country than the dele­ gate representing the country did. We worked hard and made some tough sacrifices. And the end result was: GSU was as successful as any one there. And that's wrong! I think not.

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