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Financial Aid For Child Care

The Student Senate is interested in providing financial aid for students in need of quality child care. Governor's State's Child Care Center is available for all GSU students. Persons interested in helping on the criteria committee, please contact the Student Life Office. Leave your name and phone number. Someone will contact you with the first committee meeting date.

Club and Organization Update

The Professional Nurses Organization will meet Thursday, Feb. 18 at 4:30 p.m. in the F lounge. Everyone is welcome and cookies, coffee and punch will be served.

The SAM/Management Club will sponsor a talk by Sergio A. Delgado, the commissioner of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. On Feb. 23 at 3:30 p.m. Delgado will speak on labor mediation techniques in the student life meeting room (A1804). Refreshments will be served and all are welcome.

The Micultural Enhancement Committee is open to all interested students, faculty, staff and administrators from a variety of ethnic, racial and cultural backgrounds.

The committee functions as an advisory group to the Office of Student Life on programs that celebrate our diversity. They are committed to respect and value the celebration of individual diversity within our multi-cultural campus community.

Meetings are held once a month on Tuesday from 12 noon to 1 p.m. The next meeting will be Feb. 9 in room A1804.

The Illinois School Psychologists Association invites you to attend its 14th Annual Conference. It will be held at the Clocktower Conference Center in Rockford, Ill., on Feb. 4-6. For more information call 1-800-0323-0171.

February is Black History Month

In order to celebrate, poet/author Nikki Giovanni will read her work in the University Theatre on Feb. 20, at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call Student Life at 534-4550.

INNOVATOR MEETING

The Innovator will hold an informal meeting Feb. 18, from 3-4:30 p.m. in the Innovator office (A2300). If you would like to write for the newspaper, or you are already writing, please stop by and enjoy some refreshments.

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Edgar Calls For Elimination Of Board Of Governors

By Steve Young

Illinois Governor Jim Edgar recently called for the elimination of the board of trustees at four universities, including GSU, to cut costs, while the board insisted that the move would only increase costs.

The Board of Governors Universities (BGU) is the group that oversees GSU, Chicago State University, Eastern Illinois University and Western Illinois University.

"Our universities should have clauses available for the students who are enrolled, and they should eliminate classes for which there is little demand. It is also time that we restore accountability to those universities by eliminating the Board of Regents and the Board of Governors," said Illinois Governor Jim Edgar during his State of the State address on Jan. 27.

Edgar said in the speech that instead of one board, each university should have its own governing board, like the University of Illinois and Southern Illinois University.

The governor also said that he took the recommendation of dissolving the BGU from the report compiled by the Governors Task Force On Higher Education, headed by Lieutenant Governor Bob Kustra.

Kustra released a statement after Edgar's speech praising the governors' endorsement. "By abolishing the Board of Governors, the university board, the statement read, "we can give each university its own independent board of trustees and operate those boards with only skeletal staff on campus.

Kustra's statement also said the elimination of the BGU was intended to "... bring more accountability to higher education... a sometimes foreign territory where the people paying taxes and tuition bills often don't know where to ask a question, lodge a complaint or make a suggestion."

Not everyone thinks the elimination of the BGU would be a good idea. BGU Chancellor Thomas Layzell released a statement saying, More than doubling the number of governing boards is not streamlining. More boards mean more expense."

"This is a bad proposal for the state, for higher education and for taxpayers," Layzell said. "Nobody wants a situation where the universities engage in uncontrolled competition for resources, programs and attention. The smaller teaching institutions with the largest percentage of minority students would lose funding.

GSU President Paula Wolf, interviewed before Edgar's speech, said the publication of Kustra's report, said eliminating the BGU would cause some problems for GSU.

BGU provides several services for the universities in its jurisdiction. Contract negotiations with unions are handled by BGU. The governing board also provides a risk management pool and a computer network that links the universities.

Wolff said she wondered who would pick up the slack if BGU were gone.

Wolff also said it seemed that there is some strength in numbers when approaching the Illinois Board of Higher Education with budget concerns. She said she didn't know how each institution will be treated when dealing with budgets on an individual basis, and of as a group.

In a statement released after Edgar's speech, Wolff said she agreed with the governor that "...each university must focus its mission and then persistently pursue it." Wolff also said that the BGU does currently assist GSU with its mission.

Professor Attends Inauguration

By Steve Young

Despite the crowds, the costs and the cold, a GSU professor says she was glad she attended the presidential inauguration in Washington.

Dr. Peggy Williams, of the College of Education, attended the January events as a representative of the University Professionals of Illinois along with Dr. Judy Lewis of the College of Health Professionals. They arrived in the capital on Friday, Jan. 15 and stayed until Thursday, Jan. 21.

The educators attended several events, starting with the inauguration itself. They saw the parade and witnessed the ceremony from a distance. Williams said she could hear everything despite the distance and she was especially struck by Maya Angelou's poem. Williams said it was very crowded, "But the crowd was very genial. I heard the police had no problems at all. People were sitting around like the sixties," Williams said.

The professors attended the Union Station Ball, along with 8,000 others. The Clintons showed up about 11:30 p.m. to address the crowd and dance.

Williams said she paid her own expenses, but they didn't add up to as much as they could have, since she stayed with friends in Maryland. Her major costs were travel and the $125 ball ticket.

This was Williams first inauguration, and she's not sure if she'll go to anymore. "It was pretty hairy sometimes," she said, "With those huge crowds."

Nonetheless, Williams said she was glad she attended. She said, "It was very moving experience. I wouldn't have missed it for the world." She said she sensed that she was present for a special moment in history.

The Rich Central Choral Department, under the direction of Stirling Culp, performed at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. birthday celebration held in the university theatre Jan. 13.
By Barbara A. Johnson

SOUL FOOD AND BAKED GOODS... will be on the table Thursday, Feb. 11 in the Hall of Governors. Tickets (MALCOLM, MARTIN AND MANDELELA) Club is raising money for a 'Malcolm Day', Friday, Feb. 19. It will include a BRUNCH, GUEST SPEAKER from the Nation of Islam, and a free film on Malcolm X.

FIND YOUR BLACK HISTORY... at a free workshop, "Heritage: Tracing Your Multi-Ethnic Roots." Topics focus on the challenges of SLAVE, BLACK AND AMER-INDIAN ancestors. The workshop will be held on Saturday, Feb. 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Woodson Regional Library, 9525 S. Halsted St. in Chicago. Call Adrian Harris at (312) 747-6910 for more details.

READERS GET MORE OUT OF LIFE... help someone else to have the ENJOYMENT you have. Learn to teach an adult how to read. The Adult Literacy Institute is offering a 20-hour course of free tutor training. The course will be held on two consecutive Saturdays, Feb. 20 and 27, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Prairie State College. GSU's very own GRAD INTERN, Fran Stearns, is working with the Institute. Call (708) 709-3724 to sign up.

LEARN ABOUT THE WILD WORLD OF PROCREATION... during the Brookfield Zoo's "Weekend for Lovers," Friday - Sunday, Feb. 12-14. A Friday evening lecture, "The Mating Game," will feature anecdotes about the UPS AND DOSWNS OF ANIMAL SEXUALITY and the sensuous world of plants. Tickets are a pity $3 for students and include a wine and cheese reception. Saturday's event is a free tour of five STEAMY ANIMAL HOUSES at the zoo. An elegant brunch on Sunday concludes the weekend. Tickets are $30. For more information call (708) 485-0263, ext. 365.

THE IMPACT OF ESCAPING NAZI GERMANY... and a commitment to social justice influenced the art at the Peace Archive. The exhibit of "Point Blank: an exhibition of work examining and teaching PRIESTED CRIMES" is on display from Feb. 13 to Mar. 27. An informal DISCUSSION WITH THE ARTISTS will be held on Feb. 25 at 6 p.m. Call (312) 440-1860 for more info. The Peace Archive is located at 350 W. Ontario St. in Chicago.

PETITION FOR A POWNIA STAMP... and be a part of the RISING CONCERN over the POWNIA issue. The National League for POWNIA wants to see the BLACK AND WHITE POWNIA/MIA LOGO on a postage stamp. Run up to the Student Life Office, room A2100 and sign up now.

VISIT THE SUGAR SHACK... and learn how sap is processed into maple syrup. Tour reservations are being accepted MAPLE SYRUP TIME at Deep River County Park, Mar. 2-19. There is a $5 charge for each person. Call Extension 2197 and have your name on the waiting list. The pure maple syrup. Call (219) 755-3685 for directions and details.

BI-FOLKAL KITS PROVIDE A WAY... to assist with faculty search. Each multi-media kit includes a planning manual, a workshop manual, a planning guide, and a series of Student Affairs and Services. Generally, search committees, counselors, and people who have students are assembled to locate candidates to fill faculty vacantions. Five search committees have been assembled, but for the first time, they are being assembled by professional search consultants. Isacson, Miller, Inc. (IMI), or what they are in the contract to organize strategies and advise committees on how to attract and retain the most desirable candidates. IMI representatives met with each committee and assigned a "start search training" on Jan. 25. Each committee was assigned a coach, who will stay with the committee until the search is completed. The day-long meet was designed to help committees define their objectives and to schedule the rest of the search. The consultants offered a 16 week schedule that should culminate in filling the vacant position. The schedule is divided into four major parts. The first three weeks are spent delineating exactly what the committee and others interested are looking for in a candidate. The next five weeks are spent networking and screening opening potential candidates. During this time the field of candidates is reduced to a handful of semi-finalists.

Another four weeks are spent interviewing and refining the semi-finalists. The last four weeks of the search are used to finalize decisions, extend offers, and hire candidates. IMI also offered specific guidelines for writing letters, advertising in journals, and conducting interviews.

GSU President Paula Wolff said she hoped final candidates for the positions would be selected by June. If that happens, the vacancies will be filled by the start of the fall trimester. Wolff, who has worked with IMI before, said the firm's fees will be paid entirely with a grant.

New Loans Available

More students will find it easier to obtain low-interest loans through a new student loan program offered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC). The new unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan can make college more affordable for middle-income families who have been unable to obtain financial assistance for college or who are not eligible for an unsubsidized loan. Students who previously were not eligible for a subsidized Federal Stafford Loan Program may now be eligible for a subsidized Federal Stafford Loan. Students who have completed a high school diploma or GED and are enrolled in an eligible postsecondary school may be eligible for the Federal Stafford Loan Program.

Students can have both a subsidized and an unsubsidized Stafford Loan. The annual amount a student may borrow is based on estimated cost of attendance, minus other sources of aid, such as family resources, personal savings, scholarships, and Federal Work Study. Students can borrow up to the cost of attendance minus other aid. The annual loan limit is the amount a student can receive is based on the anticipated cost of attendance for the academic year. The annual limit is $4,000 for freshmen and sophomores, $4,500 for juniors and seniors, and $7,500 for graduate students. Total program limits are $22,500 for undergraduate studies and $54,750 for undergraduate and graduate studies combined. Higher loan limits become effective after July 1, 1993.

Applications for the unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan will be accepted by ISAC beginning Dec. 28, 1992. Students should contact their financial aid office for more information or call 800-848-5555 (312) 793-3745, or (217) 782-2477.
Body Politic

By Eric Crosby

Clinton, Gays And The Military

On the night of his arrival in Washington, which was three days before he officially moved into the Oval Office, Clinton had already begun to work. One of his first actions was to begin making good on campaign promises. He began planning how to lift the fifty year old ban on gays in the military. However, he faces rough waters in Congress and among the commanders of the armed forces.

Shortly after Clinton named Les Aspin as his nominee for Defense Secretary, Clinton told him to come up with a proposal to lift the ban. They both came to the conclusion that they had three obstacles to overcome to achieve their goal. First, Clinton had to keep his campaign pledge to lift the ban on gays. He was having trouble keeping other promises so he had no choice but to go forward. Second, he had to win the support of the Pentagon brass for the move. And third, he had to short cut opposition from conventional conservatives.

Both Aspin and Clinton chose to begin the lifting of the ban in two steps. The first step, which was recently completed, was to have Clinton issue a directive telling Aspin to draft an executive order that will ban discrimination based on sexual preference in the military. The effect of this directive will be that new personnel will no longer be asked if they are gay prior to entering the service.

But getting the order into law will be the easy part. The hard part is to overcome to achieve their goal. First, Clinton will issue a directive telling Aspin to draft an executive order giving the ban on gays in the military. The effect of this directive will be that new personnel will effectively, on their own, kill any chance they have of shooting a roadway, said the president. "They will con-

By Steve Young

John Hansen went from weighing 135 pounds when he was 14 to 230 pounds by the time he was 21 and he couldn't have been happier.

Hansen, a 29-year-old marketing major, started lifting weights to build his body when he was 14.

This last December he reached the peak of his amateur career, winning first place in his class at the Mr. Natural Universe Contest in Venice, C.

Winning contests is nothing new for Hansen.

In 1992 he also won first place awards in the Natural North America competition and the peak of the Natural Illinois contest among numerous other titles over the last seven years.

All competitors in natural contests are tested for steroids and diuretics. Hansen said bodybuilders do whatever it takes to win, including taking steroids, in competitions not listed as natural. While there was a time Hansen used steroids, he said those days are over.

Hansen built himself up naturally, only turning to the drugs once he started competing seriously. He said he used steroids as a finishing touch, just before competition. "I like to use the analogy of a car," he said, "You can wash it and wash it to make it look pretty good, but if you really want to make an impression, you wax it." He realized he had to make a decision, whether to rely on the drugs more heavily to win or quit altogether. While aware that the dangers of the drugs have been blown out of proportion by the media, he decided they were not for him. "The crazy attitudes of the other competitors scared me," he said.

Hansen said the most damage the drugs have done is to the image of bodybuilders. "When people see guys who are built, they assume they are on steroids." Now, as through most of his career, Hansen relies on discipline and diet. He trains for around two hours a day for two consecutive days, then takes a day off. He follows a healthy low-fat, high-protein, high-carbohydate diet.

Hansen cited a variety of influences that inspired him. As a youth he read comic books and was impressed by the way the characters were built. A little later he saw his first Bruce Lee movie. He studied martial arts for a while until he realized "I liked the way Lee looked more than what he did."

Hansen got his first weight set when he was 14. He was competing by the time he was 16. Now that he has reached the pinnacle of his amateur career, he hopes to turn professional next year. The Orland Park resident works for Commonwealth Bank as a Junior Analyst.

He has already published one book, Get Wide! The Secrets to Developing Wide, Thick Legs, and is working on a three book series about the different goals of bodybuilding.

Hansen also makes personal appearances and speaks at seminars. In the future, he intends to write more and possibly develop courses for bodybuilders.

Hansen practices his writing now by contributing movie reviews to The Innovator.

He says he admires Arnold Schwarzenegger because the bodybuilder turned star is constantly realizing his goal. Hansen hopes to continue to do the same.

Employee Of The Month

Jeff Gillow, the network manager of Information Services is the January employee of the month. Over the past few months he has been extremely helpful and supportive during the implementation phase of the network system.

His patience has been long and he knowledge impressive. Implementation of projects always has a phase of finding problems and developing solutions. While this is a frustrating time for many, Jeff maintained a professional demeanor and performed pleasantly.

It is because of Jeff and others like him that GSU is the place it is. His approach is commendable. Congratulations, Jeff.

Literacy Volunteers Needed

The Adult Literacy Institute (ALI), formerly the South Suburban Literacy Project, will be conducting 20 hours of volunteer tutor training, which includes six hours of "intensive phonics" on two Saturdays in February.

The training will take place Feb. 20 and Feb. 27 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in room #13 of building "C" at the north campus of Prairie State College. ALI hopes to have tutors and training available at GSU soon. For additional information, call (708) 709-3724.

IS IT POSSIBLE TO BE TOO THIN?

You're told college is the most important time of your life, but the pressure to be smart, successful and thin can cause some problems.

Food or weight becomes an obsession.

If you or someone you care about:

• Is terrified of gaining weight.

• Regularly vomits or uses laxatives to control their weight.

• Feels that food controls their life.

Call: 1-800-669-2426. Eating disorders are treatable conditions.

The Rock Creek Center 40 Timberline Drive, Lemont, Illinois 60439 708-257-3636

The Rock Creek Center offers treatment to patients regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or handicap. TDD/TTY number: 708-257-8494.
The idea of traveling through time to significant dates in history to observe what historical texts may have left out is not new for fiction writers. Certain dates have been treated over and over again, like the crucifixion of Jesus almost 2,000 years ago. Gore Vidal takes the premise a step further in his latest novel Live From Golgotha. Not only does an individual discover a way to return to the past, he takes an entire television network with him.

In the novel, Timothy starts his religious life after being recruited by Paul into the newly founded Christian religion. Paul persuades Timothy to help spread the word throughout the world. Paul is portrayed by Vidal as a lecherous master showman who wins converts (and monetary contributions) to the church with the help of a spectacular juggling act. "... all important to (Paul's) success, in fact, is his ability to juggle and perform at the same time, causing wallets to spring open like hungry oysters when the plankton bits their beds."

As the story is told, though, Timothy has finished his travels, and has finally established himself as a regional head of the rapidly growing church. He seems destined to be remembered merely as one of the several early masters of the church, until a hologram of the future appears to the aging Timothy. The hologram represents a vice-president of creative programming at NBC, who needs to impart several messages to Timothy.

A computer hacker has created a virus that is destroying every version of the New Testament kept on computer in the future world. The NBC representative tells Timothy that the network has developed the technology to broadcast from the past. He promises that Timothy will be chosen as chief correspondent from the crucifixion on, if he agrees to record and hide his new Gospel as instructed.

Sound blasphemous? It probably is, but I don't think Vidal intended solely to mock Christianity. The author seems interested in the nature of truth in the information age. While the ancient world is portrayed as lusty and absurd, the modern world is more frightening. The biblical figures manipulate each other, but merely for the sake of physical or monetary gratification. It's easy to discern motives. Old times and the future are more incomprehensible. Method and motives are disguised behind the wonder of new technology. Vidal seems to believe when all information is digitized, the most effective method of communication is less truth.

Pontius Pilate's cynical question to Jesus, "What is truth?" is destined to be remembered merely as a line in an ancient work of fiction. What if you couldn't read? Give yourself the satisfaction of helping to change a person's life. Volunteer to teach an adult to read.

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?
According to the 1980 Census, more than one adult in every five is functionally illiterate. This means the individual is either a total non-reader or reads at a level too low to function with success in today's society.

WHAT IS THE ANSWER?
If you care about these individuals, there is something you can do to help. You can join the volunteers in your community who are tutoring those who cannot help themselves, to a better, more productive life. It takes only an hour or two of your time each week. No teaching experience is needed—just a willingness to help others.

Imagine how difficult it would be to apply for a job, shop in a supermarket, use the telephone, or buy medicine for a sick family member if you couldn't read. You have a skill that someone taught you because they cared about you and your future. Now, you have an opportunity to teach this skill to another individual. It takes only an hour or two of your time each week.

What if you couldn't read? Give yourself the satisfaction of helping to change a person's life. Volunteer to teach an adult to read.
WANTED: STUDENT WRITING

By Steve Young, Editor

I'm writing to inform readers and contributors of the Innovator's new editorial policy: we will print any student written piece that will not cause deep psychological scars to any individual or group. Surface damage may be permissible, provided the Innovator will not be legally liable.

In other words, we want your submissions. We would especially like to see news stories, but will use just about anything that is typed fairly neatly.

I've only had this job for a few issues, but I've been working to implement new and improved policies based on input from various sources around campus. One thing I really can't do on my own, however, is increase the variety of student written pieces. I appreciate the regular contributions we get now, but it would be great to have even more.

Here is our publication schedule for the rest of the trimester:

DEADLINE ISSUE DATE DATE
Feb 11 Feb 18
Feb 25 Mar 4
Mar 11 Mar 18
Mar 25 Apr 1
Apr 8 Apr 15

I've thought that perhaps individuals may be more encouraged to contribute if they had a chance to mingle with others who have contributed or who are thinking about contributing. With that in mind, the Innovator will be holding an informal reception Feb. 18 from 3-4:30 p.m. in the Innovator office (A2300). Anyone interested is invited to come, and those who have been contributing are especially encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served. If you are interested, but cannot make the meeting, please call me at 534-4517.

So finish up that news article, feature, critique, short story, poem, cartoon, editorial, philosophical treatise, political manifesto, automatic writing, or exquisite corpse you've been working on and let us see it. We do not need an airport at Peotone, but will use just about anything that is typed more than 1:00pm the following day. Comments and final copy are due no later than 1:00pm the following day.

I hope to see you there, but if you believe you should be in print, I'll probably agree.

Before making a major decision, Native Americans had a tradition of asking, How will this effect the seventh generation? This approach is based on a deep respect for the earth and all her creatures, including humans beings. How different our attitude is today. Corporate leaders often focus entirely on next quarter's profit and loss statement, and few politicians can see beyond the next election. Is there any wonder that we are destroying the planet?

The Lakota Sioux used the word "wasichu" to describe the white man. The word means, "he who takes the fat". Other letters to the editor have accurately made the point that we do not need an airport at Peotone and that high-speed rail, which is much more environmentally sound, would eliminate overcrowding at O'Hare. Much needed jobs could be created fixing existing infrastructure and cleaning up the environment. These points are very clear.

Yet powerful political and business their grand plan to build a wasteful, unneeded airport, which will destroy 15,000 acres of farm and woodland, and radically change forever, in a negative manner, the quality of life in the South Suburbs. I believe that there is more at stake here than just the Peotone site. This issue raises the question, How long will we allow big business and irresponsible government to get away with plundering the planet and destroying the quality of our lives? When is enough, enough? Let us dig in. Peotone is becoming a battle line in the war between those who care and those who plunder. I challenge all those who care about future generations, who care about the fate of the earth, and who care about the quality of our lives to become involved in the grassroots movement to defend Peotone from this pork barrel project. Contact elected officials and demand an end to this nonsense! Join RURAL. Talk with friends and neighbors about the true nature and impact of this proposal. Who fights to defend the earth and all her creatures.

We all need to learn to live more wisely and gently upon this beautiful and irreplaceable planet. Let us live in a manner that insures that there will be 'fat' for the seventh generation.

Sincerely,

George Ochsenfeld

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WHAT'S HAPPENING!!

WECKEND FOR LOVERS

So you and your partner(s) know it all when it comes to sex? Think again! The folks at Brookfield Zoo guarantee they can teach you a thing or two about the wild world of procreation during the zoo’s “Weekend for Lovers,” Friday-Sunday, February 12-14, a celebration of Valentine’s Day and the birthday of the father of natural selection, Charles Darwin.

On Saturday, February 12, a 7:30 p.m. event called “The Mating Game,” will explore the sex lives of plants and animals. Representing the sensuous world of plants will be Dr. Thomas Antonio, researcher with the Chicago Botanic Garden. Representing the animal kingdom will be Dr. Lester Fisher, former director of Lincoln Park Zoo, and Dr. Rabh, director of Brookfield Zoo. Fisher, who worked 45 years at Lincoln Park Zoo before retiring last year, and Rabh, who has worked at Brookfield Zoo for 37 years, will share anecdotes that convey the ups and downs of animal sexuality played out at these two world-renowned zoos.

A wine and cheese reception will follow the lecture. Tickets are $6 ($4 for Brookfield Zoo members, $3 for students). Seating is limited and reservations are required. For tickets, call Brookfield Zoo at (708) 485-0263, ext. 355.

On Saturday, February 13, Brookfield Zoo staff will lead tours of five animal houses to share the steamy details about animal interactions that occur behind closed doors (and sometimes on exhibit!). These free tours are offered at the following times:

11 a.m. The Fragile Kingdom’s outdoor cat grooves
12 p.m. Pachyderm House
1 p.m. Aquatic Bird House
2 p.m. Reptile House
3 p.m. Tropic World

What are you likely to discover?

• The exotic strategies that allow snakes to ‘do it’ without arms or legs.
• The foreshoewing lifestyle of a male tapir, aptly named “Happy,” who regularly travels from Pachyderm House to Tropic World (and back) to service his two female mates.
• The age-old saga of study young penguins stealing females away from their aging mates.
• The little-known reality that contraceptives play a significant role in the reproduction of endangered animals in zoos (including the zoo’s new Siberian tiger cubs and snow leopard and their partners).

The cold, hard, facts about rhino pregnancies; mothers give birth to 70-pound babies at the end of 15-month gestation periods.

On Sunday, February 14, visitors can enjoy the “Sweet Mysteries of Love,” at an elegant champagne buffet brunch inside Brookfield Zoo’s Discovery Center between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Tickets are $30 ($24 for Brookfield Zoo members), tax included. Seating is limited and reservations are required. For tickets, call Brookfield Zoo at (708) 485-0263, ext. 355.

Champagne, Gazette chocolate, white golf service, and harp music will put your lover in the mood to explore your future together. Gypsy palm reader Alexandra East will assist you in deciphering the mysteries of love. Those attending the brunch can win an overnight package at Embassy Suites, Lombard, a package at the Funny Firm, which includes tickets and a bottle of champagne, a makeover with gift cosmetics from Marilyn Miglin Cosmetics of Oak Street, and other prizes. Visitors are asked to enter via the South Gate.

For more information about Weekend for Lovers, call (708) 485-0263, ext. 365.

Brookfield Zoo is located at First Avenue and 31st Street in Brookfield, Ill., just 14 miles west of downtown Chicago. Admission to the zoo is free and full security will be provided. Children under 12 and Elders over 65 admitted free. There will be a $5 per vehicle charge for parking. The zoo is accessible via the Stevenson (I-55) and Eisenhower (I-290) expressways, Tri-State tollway (I-294), Burlington Northern commuter line, and PACE bus service.

Hospice House Offers Free Training

St. James Hospice House is hosting a free volunteer training session for those interested in working with the terminally ill. The two-day program, sponsored by VITAS Innovative Hospice Care in Homewood, will be held at St. James Hospital Route 30 and Chicago Road in Chicago Heights on Saturday, February 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, February 21 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. During the training, health care professionals will educate volunteers in hospice history and philosophy; medical, spiritual and psychosocial issues concerning the terminally ill; the bereavement program; and the volunteer role at VITAS. A tour of the Hospice House will also be on the agenda.

Materials and refreshments (including lunch) will be provided by VITAS. Upon completion of the program, volunteers will receive a certificate of completion and may elect to work at the Hospice House, in the Indiana or Illinois office, a patient’s private home, nursing home, with the bereave­ment program or as a special volunteer. Additional education will be available to assigned volunteers through VITAS sponsored in-services and workshops. VITAS is licensed by the State of Illinois, Medicare certified, and accredited by the Joint Commission on Accredited Healthcare Organizations. For more information on VITAS or to make a reserva­tions for the volunteer training session, telephone the VITAS volunteer department at 957-8777.

CONFERENCE FOCUSES ON SAVING YOUTH

Developing New Generations, Inc. will present a fundraising conference and concert entitled, “Alternatives to Combat the Annihilation of Our Youth”; Strategies of Success 1993 and Beyond, on Saturday, February 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Multi-purpose Conference Room at the Omega Rockers International, D.A. Smart, Operation PUSH Choir and a special appearance by the Omega Rockers International, D.A. Smart, Operation PUSH Choir and a special appearance by The Cultural Center. 78 East Washington Street. Chicago, Illinois. Joseph Glymph, Conductor.


Further information can be obtained by calling: (312) 341-1521.

GUAM A To Serve At Ostenberg's Aid

A longtime colleague has been named legislative aide for Rep. John A. Ostenburg, D-Park Forest.

Melani L. Davis, who served since 1987 as research associate and then associate director of university publications at Governors State University while Ostenburg was GSU’s director of university relations, will head the freshman representative’s district office.

"I know of few persons who have comparable skills for this important position," Ostenburg said. "Melani Davis has an outstanding aptitude for working with people and a keen ability to help individuals find solutions to problems they face. I am overjoyed that she has agreed to accept this post."

Ostenburg said Davis will handle constituent issues, media rela­tions, scheduling, and general matters relating to district operations. Davis attended Southern Illinois University and then completed a bachelor of arts degree at Governors State.

She also has graduate coursework in communications from GSU.

She is a member of the Temple Board at Congregation Beth Sholom in Park Forest, and also a member of the National Association of Jewish Women.

Davis is married to Charles Celander and they are parents of two children, six-year-old Jenny and two-year-old Anna.

CAFETERIA MENU

WEEK OF February 8 - February 12, 1993

MONDAY

Cream of Broccoli Soup
ENTREE: Italian Chicken Cacciatore Platter
HOT SANDWICH: Grilled Ham and Cheese

TUESDAY

Beef Barley Soup
ENTREE: Turkey Oriental over Rice
HOT SANDWICH: Sloppy Joe

WEDNESDAY

Chicken Noodle Soup
ENTREE: Baked Meatloaf Platter
HOT SANDWICH: Monte Cristo

THURSDAY

Turkey Rice Soup
ENTREE: Veal Parmesan with Spaghetti, red sauce
HOT SANDWICH: Bacon Cheeseburger

FRIDAY

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LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

WEEK OF February 15 - February 19, 1993

MONDAY

Garden Vegetable Soup
ENTREE: Oven Roast Chicken Platter
HOT SANDWICH: Maxwell Street Polish

TUESDAY

Chicken Rice Soup
ENTREE: Round Roast of Beef Platter
HOT SANDWICH: Western Ranchburger

WEDNESDAY

Beef Noodle Soup
ENTREE: Fresh Taco Salad
HOT SANDWICH: Turkey Club Meal

THURSDAY

Navy Bean Soup
ENTREE: Chicken Chow Mein over Rice
HOT SANDWICH: B.B.Q. Beef

FRIDAY

Potato Chowder Soup
ENTREE: Baked Fillet of Scrod Platter
HOT SANDWICH: Italian Style Submarine

SPECIAL TO CHANGE
POETRY

BAGHDAD - Night of the Tomahawk

This night
the tomahawk flies again
into Baghdad,
ancient city over the Tigris.

At the hotel Al Rashid,
a loud explosion
chests, debris, screams
and the sudden vivid flash
of a beautiful young woman
surprised in the grimace of death.
A brief life snuffed, blown
like a candle in the wind.

I feel the pain
share grief,
through blurred eyes
can see nothing
but a bloodstreaked face,
the dead woman of Baghdad,
who died with her dreams
who died perhaps
with a last soundless plea
of a beautiful young woman
of a beautiful young woman
Of the most romantic kind,
It feels wonderful to my body,
Is there no place I would rather be,
Than to find myself here on this bear skin rug.
And you making love with me.

Love, William E. Harper, II

For my "special someone"
With you sweetheart, EVERYDAY, is Valentine's Day.

BEARSKIN RUG

On a bear skin rug near the fireplace,
Is my favorite place to be,
And what makes it even nicer my love,
Is when I have you here with me.

That certain look in your eyes,
Is as warm as the burning fire,
I hold you closer to me,
And I am filled with strong desire.

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But I am out of luck.
(They use my crutches for kindling)

I ain't sniffling nor whistling dixie
In the back of the Yards
Waiting for the train to stop
For me.
When I can't walk.

No Mister You, I'm just
Hoping hard
For a step on the sandy beaches
A step in the risky woods
A step with the razors teeth
Of a January Hell or a East St. Louis Summer
A step any where many times.

With the labor of my legs
Movement of my own destiny.
The sunset brings sweet sweat
The sleep of immortal dreams.

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CHICAGO HEIGHTS - Prairie State College was one of three Illinois community colleges to receive the "Award for Excellence in Institutional Quality" from the Illinois Community College Board on January 15.

"This award represents a significant distinction for the entire Prairie State College community," said Dr. E. Timothy Lightfield, who accepted the award on behalf of the college at a ceremony in Springfield during a meeting of the Illinois Community College Board. The award was presented by the ICCB, and a complementary award of further recognition was presented by the Illinois Community College Trustees Association.

"Dr. Lightfield continued, "I'm extremely proud and honored to accept this recognition on behalf of the college and look forward to continuing to work toward even greater levels of achievement and excellence in the days to come. This award is one to be shared by all. No award could be of greater significance than to be chosen from among our peer institutions and for our total institutional quality."

According to ICCB Chairman, Harry L. Crisp, "The ICCB initiated the 'Award for Excellence in Institutional Quality' and made the selection to recognize dynamic development and implementation of institutional-wide accountability plans which focused on student need and outcomes."

The Prairie State College was significant enrollment growth, including minority student enrollment, cost reductions, savings in excess of $1 million, facilities expansion and substantial increases in instructional productivity.

Cary A. Israel, executive director of the ICCB, stated that "the award reflects yet another outgrowth of the board's commitment to productivity and quality. These initiatives are comprehensive in scope, they take existing mechanisms such as program review, assessment plans and other aspects of student achievement and success and make them responsive to continual improvement."

In introducing the award to PSC, Dr. Israel stated that PSC was singled out for the award among the 20 community colleges which make up the Illinois system. The award for Prairie State College is for its outstanding commitment and dedication to teaching and learning, shared by all. No award could offer many classes, ranging from electrical repair and plumbing to roof reshingling and landscape design, necessary to maintaining a home. "Drywall and Wall Plastering" is a class that will teach you how to hang drywall and do wall repairs. The class meets on Thursday, March 4 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

"Basic Electrical Repair and Wiring" is an 8 class meeting on Thursday, March 11 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. that covers installation of outlets and fixtures and troubleshooting of simple electrical problems. "Plumbing Made Easy" will teach you how to make simple faucet, toilet and sink repairs at home. The 12 class meets on Thursday, March 18 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

"Wallpaper Hanging" covers wall preparation, measuring, cutting and applying wallpaper, matching seams and different kinds of wallpaper. The 18 class meets on Thursday, March 25 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

"Ceramic Tile Installation," is a $51 two-day class meeting Thursday and Friday, April 13 and 16 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. that covers installation of ceramic tile, surface preparation and installation of ceramic tile. The class meets on Thursday, April 8 and Friday, April 9 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

"Do-It-Yourself Room Building" is a $51 two-day class meeting Thursday and Friday, April 13 and 16 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. that covers installation of ceramic tile, surface preparation and installation of ceramic tile. The class meets on Thursday, April 8 and Friday, April 9 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

"Your own home floor plans, furniture, and security surveys, perimeter security and electronic security systems, planting, purchasing, installation and repair of electronic security systems. The class, to be conducted by Hilltop Alarm and Security Services, Inc., begins Wednesday, April 7 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. and meets every Thursday for three weeks.

"Rock Construction" is a $27 class that will explore how spectacular landscapes can be created, plant selection and good culture. The three-week class begins Thursday, April 1 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. and meets every Thursday.

For further information on these and other non-credit classes, call 708/709-3549.

NO UTE NAKED

The photography of Peter LeGrand will be the featured exhibit during February at the Matrix Gallery, Ltd., 1225 S. Wabash (4th Floor), Chicago. LeGrand's work, "Nude, But Not Naked," will run from February 2 February 27 at Matrix. The work is a 15-year "mini-retrospective" of the photographer. LeGrand, a resident of Rogers Park, is a professor of photography at Columbia College, Chicago. An opening reception for the exhibition is scheduled for Friday, February 5, 5 - 9 p.m. at the gallery.

Mailed in, 1991, Matria Gallery, Ltd., is a 12-member group of artists from the fine and applied arts. The group has organized to provide exhibition space, support and opportunities for growth and development through professional association. Gallery hours are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 1 - 5 p.m. Special appointment. Call 312/554-1686.

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