What do you know about history?

1. Q: In 1783, James Derham, who was born into slavery in Philadelphia in 1782, became the first African American to practice this profession in the United States. What profession did he practice?

2. Q: Who was the first African American to achieve the rank of brigadier general in the U.S. Army in 1940?

3. Q: In 1943, the first Liberty Ship to be named for an African American was launched from a New Jersey shipyard. It carried war cargo to Europe during WWII. What famous African American was a fifty cent piece which bore the resemblance of a famous educator. Who was this coin honored?

4. Q: Purchased from the slave-auction block at the age of eight, she mastered the slave-auction block at the age of Greece. What African American to practice this profession in the United States. What profession did he practice?

GSU Disagrees With University Park Over Computer Center
By Steve Young
The construction of new BGU Cooperative Computer Center is almost complete, but a dispute over building permits is just beginning.

Several members of the University Park board of trustees expressed unhappiness about the university’s request for a waiver of the village’s $13,700 building permit. Trustee Ken Nixon, commenting at the Feb. 11 village board meeting, reportedly said, “The fact that the building is 75 percent complete bothers me and we’re just getting this request for a waiver.”

Village Manager Mike Gruber said the permit would cover “life safety issues.” The village responds to any emergency situation, such as fire or accident, that might occur in the university or the new computer center. Gruber said he would meet with university officials, including Physical Plant Operator Mike Foley, just after press time.

University Awarded Over $1 Million in DCFS Contracts
The Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) has awarded three contracts, contracts worth more than $1 million to Governors State University.

The Office of Contract and Training Services at GSU, directed by Roger Paris, will administer the contracts and act as a liaison between DCFS and the three service agencies.

Paris will oversee the development of curriculum for training child welfare specialists by the American Humane Association of Denver. The DCFS contract for that program was $155,000.

Two contracts were awarded to GSU for work with the Child Welfare League of America in Washington, D.C.

The $234,000 contract directs Governors State to work with the league on developing a curriculum for training child protection investigators.

GSU’s $741,000 contract is for work with the league on foster care programs for prospective foster care and adoptive parents. The “Potter-Pride/Adoptive Pride” program may eventually be sold to other states by the Child Welfare League of America.

Governors State has been involved in contract negotiations since April 1992. The DCFS contract and GSU, awarded in January, extends to June 30. Paris said it is likely the contract will be extended.

The Department of Children and Family Services initiated these contracts on court order after the American Civil Liberties Union sued the state in postpartum of the 1991 consent degree in U.S. District Court, DCFS agreed to reduce in caseworkers’ loads by July 1993 from 50 to 75 children per caseworker to 30 per caseworker.

This is the second time Governors State has been awarded contracts by DCFS. In 1991 and 1992, GSU coordinated and managed logistics needs for the Department of Children and Family Services’ “Families First” and substance abuse training workshops.

Groups Gain Access To SIBS
By Steve Young
A procedure has been established for groups who would like to display information on the Student Information Broadcast System (SIBS).

Groups need to display a request form, which must include the name, the name and phone number of the representative making the request, the information that should be shown, and the exact message. The back of the request form is a grid to design a message, but Oldenburg said if groups brought in existing posters, they could be used to design a message as well.

Completed forms should be returned to Student Life. Ten working days are needed before most messages will be displayed.

Oldenburg said he hopes the SIBS system will be upgraded to display national news stories soon. He said there are also plans to install new monitors around the campus.

Oldenburg said students seem to be responding to the messages on the monitors. He said the sales of discount movie tickets is up since their display on the SIBS system.

Scholarships Available
Altrusa Club’s Scholarships are designated for south suburban students entering their third or fourth year of college. If you would like more information, call 748-9455, 754-2144, 755-6200 or 481-8083.
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Letters To The Editor

More Psychology Instructors, Please

Pride in GSU Linked to Clean Environment

Salvation Army Thanks GSU

by Barbara A. Johnson

The 3 M CLUB READS... Gussy's Bits. We know because the NEW MISTAKE in the last issue. Malcolm Day at GSU is on THURSDAY, FEB. 25, not Friday, Feb. 19. Gussy's apologizes for JUMPING THE Gun on that. The commemoration includes a film, "The Life and Times of Malcolm X", and a speaker, Tio X. WATCH FOR FLYERS for the location.

LEARN THE TEN-STEP... in ten weeks. "Beginning COUNTRY AND WESTERN Dancing" begins Tuesday, Mar. 16 from 7:30-9:30 at Blackbird High School. The course teaches both COUPLES and LINE DANCING. Get all ten weeks for $30 per person or $50 per couple. Call Prairie State College at (708) 709-3549 for registration.

If YOU WAIT TILL IT'S NEEDED... it will be too late. It takes time to process BLOOD DONATIONS. Make sure it is there when it's needed. Donate blood in Englewood High on Wednesday, Feb. 24 between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sponsored by Circle K and Criminal Justice Clubs.

ILLINOIS IS THE ONLY STATE TO TAX INSULIN... according to the American Diabetes Association. The state RANKS HIGH IN DIABETES CARE providers, but due to pre-existing conditions exclusions, many people are UNFINANCED for this disease. The CED rebel. The Pool, which covers people with PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS, has a waiting list of six months.

Is WATER YOUR ELEMENT?... If so, learn about "The Water Cycle" at The Environmental Learning Center in Mokena. The HOUR-LONG NATURE WALK is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. This is a FREE EVENT, families and groups are invited. Groups of ten or more are asked to call (815) 727-8700 for reservations. For more information, call the Environmental Learning Center at (708) 479-2255.

ALL-EXPENSE PAID TRIPS... to Wisconsin or Alaska are being offered to students committed to IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT. The Student Conservation Association (SCA) has OVER 1000 POSITIONS open for 1993. Fields include conservation, resource management and environmental education. Reimbursement includes round-trip TRANSPORTATION, WEEKLY STIPEND, AND HOUSING. Write SCA, P.O. Box 550, Charlestown, NH 03603 or call (603) 543-1700.

DON'T LOSE YOUR TEETH... for lack of money. The Cook County Department of Public Health offers PREVENTATIVE DENTAL SERVICES for adults and children who cannot afford private care. Clinic SERVICES include cleanings, fillings, extractions, and x-rays. In the south suburbs, CLINICS ARE LOCATED in Harvey (210-4501), Harvey (331-5904), and Ford Heights (758-6884).

STATE INCOME TAX CHECKOFFS... make donating painless. The funds go to non-game wildlife conservation, child abuse prevention, Alzheimer's disease research, and homeless assistance. Give a BACK OR TWO of your refund and help someone (maybe your neighbor) through a rough time.

Powers To Speak at GSU

Parent Institute March 5

Parenting has been called one of the toughest, yet called one of the most fulfilling jobs imaginable. Those day-to-day learning experiences parents face can be enhanced through discussion, pointers and general information provided in the annual "Parent Institute Day" March 5 at Governors State University. Parents can choose from 60 topics at the day-long workshop, which includes sibling rivalry, practical learning applications parents can offer their children, developing strategies for the differently abled, dealing with divorce, and marathon conflict. Several programs will be offered in Spanish.

This program begins with registration at 8:15 a.m. Keynote speaker John Powers will address the audience at 8:45 a.m. Following his presentation, parents will participate in four one-hour workshops.

The registration fee is $10, which includes a box lunch and materials. For additional information, or to place a registration, call the GSU Office of Conferences, Workshops and Weekend College at (708) 554-4099.

I am writing in my capacity as President of the School Psychology Council. Take a little time to enrol one of those approximately 150 students enrolled in the School Psychology program here at GSU. With that many students in one program means the course teaching schedule for the instructors is going to be grueling. Alas, for that many students, there are only two core psychology professors, Dr. Graf and Dr. Dimitroff, to accommodate the academic requirements that every one of these approximately 150 students needs to successfully fulfill a program that has to be state certified.

I believe that GSU has the best instructors of any state university and to keep them the best, we need to lend a sensitive ear to their needs. Obviously, if any one of us were in the same position of trying to manage the both job demands of teaching/facilitating and providing a valuable service to the community of meeting the academic requirements of each student, a request for additional faculty would be immediately granted. Both Dr. Graf and Dr. Dimitroff demonstrate a great desire to offer their service to the community by turning out students who have become professionals in their field. Both Dr. Graf and Dr. Dimitroff demonstrate a great duty to the School Psychology program and work with boundless enthusiasm and energy.

I, myself, understand why a program that has a student enrollment of that magnitude and, which has no cap on it at this time, does not have more instructors to accommodate the needs of the students that, as emerging professionals, will make a difference in the personal and academic lives of our schoolchildren. We need more instructors to carry on such a strong program and to carry on the tradition that GSU is the best university in the State of Illinois.

Linda Marie Peters

School Psychology Council

A few weeks ago, I spoke at a meeting of the School Psychology Council and showed them the advantages of GSU. I believe that GSU is a great institution to receive School Psychology education. I would encourage all of you who are considering School Psychology to educate yourself about GSU and its School Psychology program.

"Paralegal in heavy demand" - WallStreetJournal

January 23, 1991

"Paralegal: Recession-proof job" - The Christian Science Monitor

February 1991

"Roosevelt led me to a challenging career."

-Kitty Moore

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Salvation Army's heartfelt gratitude to the Innovator for helping make this community aware of the sorely needed funds for the homeless children and adults needing hot meals at our kitchen or our food pantry. We have many other wonderful programs that continually need funds to function.

All men and women regardless of age can help by donating a few hours and keep these programs functioning. May the Lord smile success on all your endeavors.

For additional information on becoming a student volunteer, please call by the following Desk Day to be held June 11 and 12, contact the Salvation Army by calling 754-3062.

Sincerely,

Ronald R. Fawcett
Executive Board Chairman

Nikki Giovanni

To Speak At GSU

Nikki Giovanni, who has been referred to as the "princess of black poetry" will be the guest speaker at the 20th African American History Month program.

Giovanni’s free presentation will be given at 7:30 p.m. in the university theatre on campus.

Giovanni, a poet, activist and author will read from her works and offer relevant commentary.

She will speak with great humor on her life, on poetry and the creativity.

She will focus on her philosophy that the power one has to make a difference in one's community also affects the lives of others.

At one recent college speaking engagement, Giovanni urged students, "Do something with your life! You will find that what you have created is not worth coveting. There is a limit to what material things can do.

Giovanni published her first book of poetry, "Feeling Black Talk," in 1968. She has since published 19 other books.
 Clinton and the New GATT Agreement

Body Politic

By Eric Crosby

As in the past few weeks, another ugly problem has popped up for the Clinton Administration to deal with. In addition to Iraq, Somalia, and finding an honest individual to fill the vacant position of Attorney General, he now has to deal with the negotiations for a new General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). The current round of talks, which started over six years ago in Uruguay, is behind schedule and on hold while waiting for Clinton to act on them.

There are both advantages and disadvantages to this problem. On the positive side, the stimulating of world trade could play an important role in Clinton's economic recovery plan. Moreover, with Japan in a recession, America struggling out of one, and Germany becoming stagnant economically, the GATT negotiations promise to boost trade everywhere.

On the negative side, the failure of the Uruguay round talks could fuel protectionist sentiments in Europe, America, and Japan. Its failure would also dash hopes for a global economic recovery and sour relations between the U.S., the E.C., and Japan. And right now is the wrong time for the U.S. to anger its' allies.

With Japan at war, Japan, Korea, and various others are filing a complaint, and Australia accused the U.S. of trade harassment. The Clinton administration, however, is still assembling a trade team and debating whether to reopen negotiations on deals already struck. This hesitation can be seen in the actions of both the Commerce and Treasury Departments.

The Commerce Department, in one of its first acts, decided to impose duties on 19 nations accused of dumping steel in the U.S. market. The result was threefold: the French threatened a trade embargo, the E.C. telecommunications companies to European countries.

the "fast-track negotiating" for the GATT agreement. He most likely will ask for a six to nine month delay on the working GATT agreement. This would enable him and lawmakers to finish work on legislation to implement the NAFTA agreement.

Without an extension, the administration would have to tell Congress by March 3 whether it intends to proceed under the present "fast-track negotiating". This would require the U.S. to sign a new GATT agreement by June 1. But seeking an extension could force the administration to answer new demands for protection from foreign competition.

However, these demands and concerns have already started to raise their heads. The steel, auto, and textile, and other industries are complaining about revised dumping rules in preliminary text of the GATT agreement. Some U.S. service industries including banking, accounting, insurance, and film-making, worry that the final agreement will not give them sufficient access to foreign markets.

However, the U.S. is not the only country not playing by the rules. Japan and Korea have done nothing in the past two months to keep pledges to improve access to their markets. Other nations are lagging behind in filling new tariff schedules. The White House must now decide whether to expand its political capital on its own domestic economic agenda or whether to invest some of it on a GATT agreement. Either way they choose, our economy will suffer in some way.

To Your Health

by Leonard Robinson, M.D.

Q: During the winter months I seem to feel depressed and lack energy. Why is this and what can I do?

A: One possible explanation for your depressed mood and lack of energy may be condition called season affective disorder (SAD). This tendency for some to become depressed during winter months was noted long ago, but, in the early 1980's researchers at the National Institute of Mental Health began to call it seasonal affective disorder.

SAD is a winter mood change manifested as major depression. It usually starts in the fall or winter and ends in the spring. The symptoms may include: sadness, fatigue, anxiety, irritability, and loss of sexual interest. Less typically, there may be increased appetite, weight gain, and excessive sleep. The average age of those affected is twenty to forty, and 80% are women. About a third of people with SAD will have a close relative with a mood disorder.

Fortunately, people diagnosed with SAD can be successfully treated. The anti depressant drug Fluoxetine (Prozac) has been used effectively to treat SAD. Other, more traditional anti depressants have enjoyed limited success because of side effects such as drowsiness and increased appetite.

Light therapy (phototherapy) has been just as effective, but with fewer side effects. Also, there is developing evidence that a combination of light therapy and drug treatment are even more successful. Still, further studies are needed. A better understanding of SAD may help us recognize the affects of lighting on human emotional and physical functions. Bright light has proved useful in preventing jet lag and improving the quality of night work.

Information on SAD can be obtained from the National Institute of Mental Health, (301) 496-2141.

If you have health related questions, please send them to the editor and I will answer. If you'd like a personal reply, send a confidential letter including your name and address to me at Ingalls Family Care Center, 4647 W. Lincoln Hwy., Matteson, III. 60443.
Which African American has inspired or influenced your life the most?

Les Brown
“His is inspirational and motivational and the things that he went through to get where he is. The way he struggled and his persistence to overcome his hardships inspired me.”
Marie Evans
Communication

Public enemy, Ice Cube and Ice T
“Even before the L.A. not they talked about trouble developing. They brought a lot of issues to my mind that I was not aware of. It was hard and up for their black nation ideal and they come across with sound ideals without throwing them at you and talking down to you.”
Don Wilcher
Media Communications

Alex Haley and Toni Morrison
“Their style of writing and the fact that they wrote on the Blacks in America and what they went through. This writing and the struggles of Blacks in America really touched me.”
Joanne Sundberg
SAS Job Locator

Gladys Knight
“Although inspired by many singers, Gladys Knight stands out because I learned a lot from her and I always wanted to be a star.”
Janice Worsham
Information Services

My Pastor, Rev. Hiriam Crawford
“A wonderful man who instilled in us the power of our dreams and goals in life. He constantly made us aware that education is the key to those dreams and goals. The church is Israel Methodist Church on 7th and Cottage Grove.”
Jerrie Bronough
Health Administration

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Arthur Ashe
“MLK was like our own Gandhi. He had a positive approach to developing inter-cultural and inter-racial communication and relations. Although Arthur Ashe was an athlete, I just realized the humanitarian work he had been doing all along. That also was inspiring and impressive.”
Shannon Troy
Reference Librarian

Maya Angelou
“She is probably the most inspiring woman because she stressed the importance of education and family values to me and my sisters.”
Kimberly Garrison
Health Administration

Bo Jackson
“Because it is like a basic rag to riches story. Bo Jackson came from having nothing to being millions. He is an amazing and caring man. He shares his wealth which is truly amazing.”
Gina Langloin
Speech Pathology

All Black Americans
“Dr. King was a big inspiration. I believe in his policy of non-violence and equality for all. His speech means a lot to me and anyone who is willing to fight for equality for all people is important to me.”
Tom Wilkinson
Health Administration

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
“I was most impressed by his fact that he was an educated man. He had a well thought out plan and he did not use violence in his approach.”
Rita Nagy
Assistant Program Director
Office of Student Life

All Blacks
“All Black males and females have inspired and influenced me because they have had such a struggle in the United States.”
Donnica Austin
Health Administration

Father Chemos
“A Catholic priest in Chicago, who is out in the forefront of other priest because he is a foster parent. He adopts kids and have a genuine concern for the children in the city and he stays involved.”
Mariellen Leronce
Reference Librarian

Ralph Moore
“He was in charge of the planning department in Kanawha. He interview me for an artist position in the planning department. He then took me under his wing and taught me about mapping and how to get 200% out of 100%. He trusted me.”
Linda Powles
Printmaking

Oprah Winfrey
“She exemplifies how you can start from nothing and have all you desire if you have the drive and perseverance. She proves that no matter what society makes you out to be or the limits it places on you, you must look within yourself and find your strength to succeed and build on them. With that nothing or no one can stop you.”
Susan Harris
Business Administration

My Mother
“She is a self-sufficient, determined, hard working and knowledgeable woman. She is also a very strong and powerful woman.”
Tina Harris
Accounting

Nikki Giovanni
“She truly is the Priestess of Black Poetry. I like the way she relates her work to life experiences and draws the reader into it. She’s just remarkable.”
Lenora Tenerus
Secondary Education

Malcolm X
“Malcolm X believed in self-reliance, self-help and self-concept. He believed that we as a people should do for ourselves. Malcolm X also worsaped the woman and the family.”
Bram Lee
Social Work Dept

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PHOTOS and INTERVIEWS
BY
LaMARR LANCE BROUGHTON
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
by Evan Wallace

With this issue being brought to the forefront by our new president, the shock about one gay being killed by fellow Navy "men," and a marine who was brutally beaten by his buddies, I did a little research.

For those of you who think the greatest 'fighting machines' of the past are represented by John Wayne (he was a draft-dodger.), or George Patton and Westmoreland (both had gay valets and officers on their staff) - Let's dig into history...

The greatest 'fighting machines' of the past are represented by John Gibbons' volumes on the "Rise and Fall of the Roman Empire" clearly indicate that, not only Nero, Caligula, and most of the other Emperor Generals - including Caesar, were bisexual, but 70% of all the legions, that for centuries were unbeatable, also were.

There is a serious flaw, particularly in the American 'male'.

First: I doubt if any lesbian in the military would ever be assaul ted by her compatriots, only disliked.

Psychiatry almost hits the nail-on-the-head; the major issue is fear and doubt about one's own sex. Mix this with high levels of testosterone, and years of guilt under 'Bible-Thumping Fundamentalism', and you've got a sort of 'Red-Neck' time bomb whose 'Academic' interpretations of Homosexuality remain forever as 'Queers'!

Darwin's last research was with Rheus Monkeys. Among the hundreds of his scrawled notations was one on, "Rapid Increases in Homosexuality, When Over-Population Occurs." Last year, the World Institute on Population reported to the U.N. that we will soon be in an overpopulation crisis!

Is nature trying to tell us something?
HANSSEN'S CHOICE

by John Hansen

Although the film "Matinee" centers around monster movies and the advent of nuclear war, it's one of the most innocent movies of recent years.

Based in Key West, Florida in 1962, "Matinee" features John Goodman as Lawrence Woolsey, producer of horror movies. Everyone remembers this film genre, which thrilled in the 1950's and 60's. The plot was basically the same for each film; a hideous, oversized monster would come to earth and attempt to destroy the planet.

Woolsey isn't just a movie producer, he's a marketing genius. He electrically rigs the seats in the theatre and gives everyone a shock at a crucial point in the movie. He even hires two actors to stand outside the theatre and promote the movie so more attention will be drawn to the film.

The name of the new movie Woolsey is producing is called "Manz" (half-man, half-ant, get it?). It's heavily promoted as the most 'shocking' film you will ever see. Woolsey even has his girlfriend Carol(e Cathy Moriarty) dress up in a nurse's uniform and make all the kid's sign a release form in case they have a heart attack while watching the movie.

The film cleverly contrasts the innocent, campy monster movies that Woolsey is promoting with the very real possibility of nuclear war. Since the film takes place during the Cuban Missile Crisis, everyone in the movie is certain that the end of the world is right around the corner.

The main character in the film is Gene (Simon Fenton), a teenager whose father is in the Navy so his family moves around a lot. He just recently moved to Florida and spends most of his time reading and befriending a few students, including a girl named Sandra, whose liberal parents will surely turn out to be a part of the future generation.

All the action centers around the big opening of "Manz". Gene and his new friend; Stan, are busy seeking dates for the big premiere. Stan's crush is an existing Shelly (Karen Kondazian), but is intimidated by her former boyfriend who just got out of reform school.

"Matinee" is one of those crazy, manic movies that has many things happening at the same time. It takes us back to a more innocent time in America (before the threat of nuclear destruction and AIDS) and highlights some of the monster movie genre; a genre in which the enemy was easy to understand and was killed off by the end of the movie.

"Lorenzo's Oil" ****

Although the ads make it look like one of those typical tear-jerker, happily-ever-after movies, "Lorenzo's Oil" is actually a very hard story of hope and a celebration of what one can accomplish in the struggle to find a cure for their terminally ill son is, in the end, a name of love.

The film features Christian Slater (Heathers, Pump Up The Volume) as Adam, a troubled, orphaned dishwasher working in a Minneapolis diner. Adam seems obsessed with Caroline (Marina Tomes of My Cousin Vinny), a late-night waitress at the diner.

Caroline has a troubled past. She was adopted by American parents during the war. Adam, unlike her, can remember his past. He says his father was an adventurer named Sandra, whose life seems perfect until the rapists return to avenge the beating Adam received.

At the hospital, doctors tell an emotional Caroline that the stab wounds from the beating Adam gave them. They return Adam's blows and drive a knife deep into his abdomen. (For this review, one of the film's only laughs came as Adam pulled a four-inch blade out of his stomach with barely a wince.)

At first, Caroline doesn't know what to think, but eventually she decides to get to know Adam better. Adam obilges, and everything seems perfect until the rapists return to avenge the beating Adam received. Luckily, Adam has been secretly watching Caroline as she walks home from work every night (as well as sneaking into her bedroom at night to watch her sleep). Adam finds off the attackers and carriers Caroline home.

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The couple's relationship continues to grow throughout the rest of the movie, but who really cares? I'll admit, I'm not a big romance fan, but this has a romantic melodrama. Every character is totally loveable or completely despicable.

There was no conflict between Adam and Caroline, other than Caroline accepting Adam's wardenship. None of the characters are developed beyond establishing that they are outsiders looking for love. Caroline has a family that might be interesting if the screenplay had spent more time with them.

The performances are all credible, and I was impressed that the studio had the courage to not water down the ending. But I cannot say that "Lorenzo's Oil" is very strong. The story is a little too simple; the characters are uninteresting; the audience: young women who are looking for unadulterated romantic escapism. And, of course, those who believe that stalkers just never get a fair shake in the media.

Homicide: Life On The Street

by Laura Hays

A Televison Review

The director of the films "Rain Man" and "Tim Men" turns his talents to television for a new television series.

Barry Levinson's "Homicide: Life on the Street," which debuted following this year's Super Bowl telecast, settled into the regular broadcast schedule on Wednesday, Feb. 3.

The series is off to a super start. It's a 1960's cop show without violence. It's funny—a homicide detective mulls over a major case, the 1865 assassination of President Lincoln. It's story-tellers—hand-held cameras and point-of-view close-ups give it a contemporary, documentary feel. It's realistic—stumbling over tedious tasks and gossip over greasy spoon meals. It deserves to be a hit.

Levinson has had his share of hits on the big screen. "Rain Man" earned him an Academy Award for direction. "Good Morning, Vietnam," and "Bugsy" were popular-money makers. Levinson's films such as "Diner," "Avallon" and "Tim Men" were set in Baltimore, his hometown.

"Homicide" is based on a book by another Baltimore native, David Simon. It's set for a year on the Streets. Simon follows a squad of homicide detectives on their daily shifts. Levinson transfers this day-to-day routine of investigative police work to television.

Filmed on location in Baltimore, "Homicide" is unlike other TV cop shows. We don't see murders committed, rather, we see murder's aftermath—broken, bloodied bodies laying on the coroner's autopsy tables. We see the victims' grieving relatives—a shrieking mother, an insensible little sister, a very fertile father. We don't find the stock props of police shows in "Homicide." There are no shoot-outs or car chases, and the bad guys are not always caught.

What we do see is what detective work is really like. It can be boring, tragic, dirty, scary and depressing. Yet, "Homicide" is not depressing. The detectives care so much about their work and each other, that we know the citizens of Baltimore are well-served. The detectives banter, gossip and teasing are so cleverly scripted, that we laugh along with them.

Thanks to fine writing and terrific acting, the characters are becoming real to us after only ten episodes. Neal Beatty, Richard Belzer, Yaphet Kotto and Daniel Baldwin lead a large supporting cast through the continuing drama.

"Homicide: Life on the Streets" will continue on NBC Wednesdays at 8 PM. It is a gritty, intense, often depressing—stark, frightening—look at life—the lives of cops.

Finally, A Lovable Stalker

Untamed Heart

by Steve Young

A Film Review By Steve Young

Stalkers (those individuals who obsessively follow and harass their objects of desire) have been getting a bad name lately. Fortunately for stalkers everywhere, "Untamed Heart" offers the stalking community a positive role model.

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The couple's relationship continues to grow throughout the rest of the movie, but who really cares? I'll admit, I'm not a big romance fan, but this has a romantic melodrama. Every character is totally loveable or completely despicable.

There was no conflict between Adam and Caroline, other than Caroline accepting Adam's wardenship. None of the characters are developed beyond establishing that they are outsiders looking for love. Caroline has a family that might be interesting if the screenplay had spent more time with them.

The performances are all credible, and I was impressed that the studio had the courage to not water down the ending. But I cannot say that "Untamed Heart" is very strong. The story is a little too simple; the characters are uninteresting; the audience: young women who are looking for unadulterated romantic escapism. And, of course, those who believe that stalkers just never get a fair shake in the media.

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Where can super ski condi-
tions be found for the incredibly cheap lift tickets be found this season? UTAH! I had the pleasure of spending the first week of Feb-
uary GSU winter trimester skiing in
Salt Lake City, located 12 miles up
Big Cottonwood Canyon, is
Solitude Ski Resort. This is a
spectacular ski area which has
won awards for its excellent
trail design. Intermediate trails
are a plenty. A few miles
further up the canyon is
Brighton Ski Resort. This area
is considered to be primarily for
beginners and intermediates.
However, it has a great variety
of intermediate terrain that should
keep everyone happy. There are
some narrow, New England
type trails that wind through the
trees. I always end up having an
unexpec ted adventure when I
ski Brighton. It's kind of a crazy
(in a good way) place.

Another wonderful area is
Snowbasin. It takes almost an
hour and a half to get there
from Salt Lake City, but it is
definitely worth the drive.
Snowbasin has been	picked as the site of the
U.S. Ski Team's training camp if the
U.S. Ski Team is chosen to host
the 2002 Winter Games.

A lift ticket at Park West Ski
Area costs $16 for a full day.
This is a nice area located
33 miles from Salt Lake City.
The price cannot be beat.

Near Provo, south of Salt
Lake City, is Robert Redford's
place; Sundance. I think this is
a good area for beginners and
experts. Intermediates may be
disappointed. Unfortunately,
the altitude at Sundance is a
couple thousand feet lower than
at most of the other ski areas.
This tends to make the snow
much smoother and lighter. At an
average rate, the scenery is gorgeous
and the lift tickets are cheap. I
didn't see "Bob", but it was kind
of fun wondering if I would.
It is not advisable to go to Sun-
dance after heavy snowfall.
The canyon road that leads there
is very prone to avalanches.
The day I was there I had to wait
about an hour for the road to be
cleared so I could leave.

There are a couple of other
areas I did not get to visit.
Powder Mountain, near
Snowbasin, is supposed to be
fabulous. Alta, famous for its
powder conditions, is favored
by the locals. Alta is located in
Little Cottonwood Canyon,
near Snowbird.

While all of these areas I have
mentioned are not massive like
the famous Snowbird Ski
Resort, they all have a 2000 foot
or greater vertical drop and 30
or more marked trails. These
are not small areas by any
means.

Oh, I saved the best part for
last. NO LIFT LINES! Happy
skiing.

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1. Physician.
2. Benjamin O. Davis, Sr.
3. George Washington Carver
4. Booker T. Washington
5. Phillis Wheatley