Feature

Kroll-Smith happy in Hazleton

"I would like to provide students with an opportunity in sociology to get out into the community and investigate in their area the economics, policy, and diversified culture. I'd like to introduce students to sociology," stated Mr. Steven Kroll-Smith, "to tune them into their own community."

Mr. Kroll-Smith, of Richmond, Virginia, has a B.S. degree in sociology from Indiana University, a Master's degree from Bryn Mawr College also in Sociology, and a master's degree in Folklore and Folk life studies from the University of Pennsylvania. He will soon have a Ph.D. in sociology also from the University of Pennsylvania.

He felt that he would find a low threshhold of interest in sociology, which he did but he "...anticipated students who would be politically aware, because of the constant economic turmoil characteristic of Northeastern Pennsylvania."

Many courses are taken by those students who have nothing else to do, or because other more popular courses are closed. "In any university you will find



students who are there because there is nothing else to do," said Steve Kroll-Smith, "but Penn State has those who are actively involved." He has only found a "...small core of very motiviated students," but is

"...heartened by those who are genuinely interested and make the job worthwhile." In the next terms he will attempt to gear the courses towards the community.

He and Professors from the Schuylkill Campus are also working on a community project on Centralia. "What we're hoping to write is the sociology of a dying community. We're going to look at the long term impact of a longitudinal disaster (i.e., a disaster through time) on the structure of the town." The Project has been started last week and within a year they expect to have a manuscript.

Mr. Kroll-Smith is very happy to be teaching at the Hazleton Campus. "Both my wife and myself are glad to be here. Everyone we have come in contact with are pleasant and helpful," he stated. "Of all the places we could have been, this was the best."

Activity continues

at Hawk Mountain

To many people, Autumn is just a season when the days grow shorter and the air gets nippy. To others, Autumn is a season of beauty characterized by the leaves changing colors, the crops being harvested, and folks preparing for winter. Fall is also the time when many birds migrate to the warmer climates of the southern states. This southerly migration is a way of life for many Hawks, Eagles, and other birds of prey, as well as a sight of beauty to thousands of nature lovers.



Located 40 miles south of Hazleton, Hawk Mountain serves as a starting place for birds using the Appalachian mountain chain as a route to the south. Until the mid 1930's, thousands of hawks were killed each year by hunters who claimed that the birds of prey were reducing the small game

At that time, a group called the Emergency Conservation Committee was formed. The purpose of the ECC was to eliminate the senseless killing of raptors. In 1934, Mrs. Rosalie Edge, founder

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of ECC, purchased 1,398 acres and founded Hawk Mountain

The Appalachian Mountains are strategic to migrating raptors because the mountain chain is the southernmost reaching mountain range. Birds from Canada and New England use the Appalachians as a direct path to the South. If the birds were to pass up these mountains they would lose the high air currents which aids in easier flying.

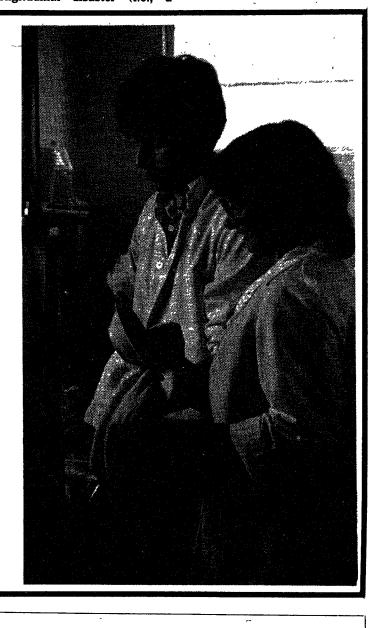
The first birds to head south are the Bald Eagles in August. Most of the hawks head for warmer climates in mid October, and finally, the Red-Tailed Hawk leaves by mid-December.

While the best time to view hawks on their exodus is from mid-October through mid-November, Hawk Mountain is far from deserted during other months. The sanctuary is inhabited by Ruffed Grouse, Deer, Ówls, and an occasional Black Bear or Bobcat. Visitors to Hawk Mountain will find a great many visual aids to help in the identification of hawks. There are many examples of hawk species on display at the visitors center. From September to November there are naturalists on duty at the various lookout points who are always glad to answer ques-

On the job

by Lori Emerich

"It's a good job, the ladies that work there are great, and the food is better than in the cafeteria," said Steve Connolly, a sophomore. Steve works daily in the Commons and is majoring in Accounting.



Paper takes new look

The Highacres Collegian has taken on a new look in layout design that editors of the publication hope will make the paper more attractive to readers.

"We are experimenting with the concepts of modular layout in our paper," said Joe Krushinsky, News Editor of the campus newspaper, "and I think I can say that we've found something that we like."

Krushinsky, former Layout Editor for Tamaqua High School's Blue and White has attended workshops on layout design conducted by the Pottsville Republican, The Pennsylvania Scholastic Press Association, and the Temple University. The Blue and White was awarded a first place rating

for layout design by Temple University in 1979-80.

"The whole idea we are working with is to design each page with effective use of white space for easier reading while at the same time introducing elements that are consistent throughout the paper to make the publication visually attractive," said Krushinsky.

The News Editor pointed out that the "new look" is not only made up of changes in layout format. The introduction of feature series and a new serious approach to news coverage is hoped to make The Highacres Collegian a more interesting and respectable publication.

Executive Editor Jerry Trently is currently producing a feature

series on local history while Feature Editor Lori Emerich is producing the "On the Job" series which looks at students at their place of employment.

"Through such regular features we hope to establish a tradition of providing something of interest to every reader in each issue," said Emerich.

Krushinsky said that the paper will attempt to establish itself as one which takes a realistic and objective approach to every issue of interest and concern to the campus community.

"We will never be a cheerleader newspaper," said Krushinsky. "If something wonderful is happening downtown or on campus, we'll be there to cover it. But if something negative or undesirable is happening we'll be there too in as great a force. Our purpose is to reflect things as they are, not as we would wish them to be."

The advertising campaign for this year is hoped to be productive enough to meet the goals of an expanded publication. John Lewis, ad sales manager, said his job will be a challenging one.

"What I will try to do is work with a staff of sales people to show members of the business community that ours is a growing paper with what we think will become a growing readership. Then hopefully we can bring in the revenues to meet the staff's publication goals," said Lewis.

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"What I would like to see is a monthly publication for a total of seven issues this year," said Krushinsky. "There too has been at least minimal discussion about increasing the number of pages by four each issue until we become a 36 page publication. Of course we will do that only if we have 36 pages worth of quality material.

Trently said that he is confident that the cooperative effort between the Collegian's and HCV's writing staffs will generate new interest in writing for campus publications and plenty of high quality stories for the paper.