

## Editorial

### "Did You Hear The One About . . . ?"

"We, the Student Government Association of the Capitol Campus of the Pennsylvania State University hereby strongly recommend to the Office of Student Affairs and to all other offices or associations of this University which deal in the allocation of University facilities, that any student or groups of students who wish to utilize the facilities of the before mentioned institution for educational and/or cultural endeavors be permitted to do so without the necessity of such an endeavor being sponsored by a chartered student organization."

This is a proposal by a group of students which was submitted to the S.G.A. at their last weekly meeting. The essence of this proposal was accepted unanimously and was sent to University Park for approval. Wonderful. How long will it take to change the rule requiring charter sponsorship to use University facilities? In the words of Terry Wimmer, "A long time."

Granted, the system and its red tape is extensive. So, in the meantime, anyone who wishes

to use the facilities must use the regular channels. But what if the students do not feel that they should be forced to seek to be sponsored by a chartered organization?

Well, them's the rules, baby, and you gotta follow the rules. Can you ever make exceptions, or ignore the rules? (I hear it happens all the time.) One senator asked that question and was laughed down by most of the Student Government. It seems he is always asking dumb questions like that. And besides, he disagrees with a lot of things the S.G.A. does. He even votes against proposals that a lot of people favor. Everybody knows that the way to vote in the S.G.A. is to watch what other members are doing and then raise your hand. No wonder he gets laughed at. He's a fool. Anyone who thinks that he can offer suggestions that are more than twenty degrees off the center of the range of the left-right continuum must be crazy if he thinks someone is going to listen to him regardless of whether they agree or not.

Keep trying, Fool.

## Letters To The Editor

### PEOPLE COUNT?

Dear Editor,

When the S.G.A., in its first meeting, stood on its hind legs like the Great Russian Bear, dismissing five senators because of Constitutional conscience, it descended to an all time low. It's preference of paper over people is just one more example of the paralytic poppycock that S.G.A. has introduced into an already inflexible system. The people that elected those five senators cared little about their scholastic averages. They voted for the man not the mind. Thus Student Government, on the basis of a principle that was popular in high school — the necessity to maintain a certain average, once again has kissed the ass of the Administration while kicking the ass of the student body.

This and other fetters, which reduce S.G.A. to a functional liaison between the students and the administration, can only serve to impede rather than to improve our campus system. Those senators were honest, devoted, hard working individuals who contributed their time and effort only to be repaid by a slap in the face.

That so-called Sacred Constitution was written by the Chief Justice of the Student Court. That was in violation of the purest of political science principles; yet the Government looked the other way. Last term the Senate passed a measure to move the record machine to the Coffee House. The Executive Committee of S.G.A. was supposed to have acted upon this measure; yet it has not. Another violation. There have been others. Each time the Government refuses to stand on ceremony. Yet now the Government ceremoniously stabs its fellow members in the back, perhaps because it has too

little respect and it is attempting to attract attention. If we are ever to gain the least bit of respect of the student body, we must discard those bonds which subordinate the Government to the Administration, and become an independent organization. Perhaps when we cease to act as a rubber stamp approving organization of the Administration, and begin to act on our own, we can attract some worthwhile attention and respect. We can begin now by admitting that we are wrong, and that people deserve a greater amount of respect than prejudiced papers and prehistoric principles.

(Senator) Frank Dulisse

### COMMERCIAL

I remember being all spaced out on crystal for about two months, and one night I was trying to get off. By this time, it was a massive art, there were standard operating procedures, certain ritualistic paraphernalia were all tucked away in a nice corner of this room. There was another room, the bath, and the kitchen in that order. Sometimes, it would take hours to go off in so many tangents, besides looking out every window in the whole place twenty or thirty times, and end up cleaning the whole crib, just so everything was together to get off . . . and remember kids: SPEED KILLS . . . .

Michael Patti

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## Reality: A Fathomless Joke

What is it that's happening here. I mean, it takes us so much to get it together (energy expended), and then we truck off to Capitol Campus, a one room dog show with enough cubes for everyone, blue ribbons, and what have you. Its not like the red death or anything fatal like that, but where'd everybody go. I think I saw them a minute ago, but where did they go, I couldn't really feel them inside. But wait, I'm not sure I'm reading you. What is it that you want, and what does it mean? Shall we end up persecuting ourselves for own negativity in this mass of other dogs, other days, another time. Kenneth Clarke has much faith in the college youth of today, but what's happenin' in a school where some profs are more radical than the students. Some of us people (?) today, find it totally necessary for change, for this world to survive, but we must not care too much. This dog show exudes vibes of death. We all play the game, and we only perpetuate the death we want to change. We perpetuate it between ourselves. Some people get uptight when they hear the word revolution, but their heads have stereotyped it into paranoia and insecurity. They think its a gun, but if they just look outside their windows and see the war that's ragin' now. They're afraid of losing their security, but still they truck on a suicidal path. Its

like beating a child because you love them, and its for their own good. I don't believe in laying down trips on peoples' heads and sayin' its the right way cause I don't know all the answers. Nothing seems to be ex- or intrisically right or wrong with the situation here, its here, we're here, blah, dig it, for sure. That attitude is anti-brain trust, I mean, if Dick Nixon has think tanks like the Rand corporation; why can't we? If we ever thought about getting together, and we all thought about it the same day, just thinking about what's happening around us here now—we just might be able to realize each other; at first on different levels, but in terms of the whole, we might find ourselves all in the same place. Its simple, and from there, who knows what. If there seems to be this dilemma in your head about this rap, SAT NAM, OR—what have you. Besides, when you come right down to it, it doesn't really matter—we're in it for the money. As for myself, I don't believe that statement, though I have become it many times in the past, and where does that get you, I ask you. And as the old cliché goes, I got some shit together to get myself a new pair of boots, with which I could pull myself up by the straps.

Let's see if we can try this on for size: what we'll do is declare this brain trust of singular entities (that way your

involvement will be individual), this session shall be called: National Garbage Week. We'll record all our thoughts on paper of what we think about all of this, even comments on this piece of dogshit are welcome, anything. Now, if you can get that together, we'll submit all of the raps to this newspaper, and we'll rename it the c.c. blueprint. It'll be interesting to see what everybody is thinking and feeling, then we might be one step closer to meeting everybody's needs.

Just look outside your window, look beyond your mind, see outside your grave of pain, there's other people to find. Just look outside your window, and open up your mind, feel some of those people, and see what you'll find. For those of you who cannot see, look—your reflection is in the wood.

### NEW

### COMMITTEE

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and from present 5 lawyers to 20; bureau now has 32 total employees with a total budget of only \$400,000

— formally backed the Denenberg No Fault Insurance plan

— called for gubernatorial appointment of students to state Board of Education

— formed State Education Committee to provide student advisory to Education Dept., especially on existing Master Plan for High Education as well as proposed master plans for regions of the state.

— formed Political and Legislative Action Committee which will monitor voting records of all state legislators, subkitting them to student governments; becomes the lobbying arm of the state association.

Conference speakers included Higher Education Commissioner Warren Ringer, Chief Deputy Insurance Commission Herbert Goldstein, Consumer Protection Bureau Director Joel Weisberg, National PIRG Coordinator Dr. Joseph Highland, Health Security Council Intern Marc Chafitz, Assn. for Independent College Aid Chairman Richard Wills, Assn. Secretary Keith Warmkessel, Assn. Vice Chairman Alan Linder, Hubbard and Reed.

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## Now's Your Chance

by Mike Welliver

There seems to be a number of problems confronting many of the clubs and organizations on this campus. Among those problems are the lack of participation, interest, good organization and publicity. This is not to say that no one at all cares about these activities; there are always those few who are willing to take most of the work upon themselves for the good of the student body. To those people we owe a good deal of thanks. But what about the people who seem to have nothing to do but bitch about the activities here? These people, for the most part, are the same people who take the least part in the social events and organizations at Capitol Campus.

There are a lot of good organizations here, organizations which could do a lot if only some people would be willing to take an active interest. In many cases a lack of publicity has hindered some of the organizations; the students hear little about the organizations and the activities they include so they fail to show any interest. Some of the problems lie within the leadership of these clubs, in cases where the presidents or leaders have failed to organize a successful campaign to attract new members to their organizations. Also, there is the problem of organizations failing to interact with each other, failing to coordinate their activities in some way to bring about more participation and interest.

The President's Council is one of the organizations which can help bring about this closer interaction between the various clubs. The President's Council was formed to act as a liaison between the student organization and the student body. It helps in coordinating

major activities and social events, and it acts as a counseling service to the individual clubs which might need its help. The President's Council is probably the most important organization the clubs can turn to, but it too must have support in order to be effective. The organizations are asked to help out by making sure their leaders are present at all meetings. Organizations should be contacting the leaders of each of the organizations in hopes of setting up some system by which the paper can receive news from each organization on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. The CAPITOLIST can help but only if it receives the cooperation of all the organizations. So get the news to us, we'll print it. remember that they run the risk of having their charters revoked if they are not represented regularly at these monthly meetings.

In the coming months the CAPITOLIST will be working toward better publicity for the clubs which are willing to cooperate. Members of the CAPITOLIST staff will

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