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Harrisburg Rock Festival II

ONE MORE TIME

With the lapse of a week and a half since Harrisburg Rock Festival II, no one should be unaware of its success.

Those of Capitol who were there know all about it. Those who did not attend undoubtedly have received numerous accounts of the day's events. Yet, for the sake of redundancy, read on, it was such a significant event - the highlight of the year.

After a week's delay due to the wet weather conditions, the Rock Festival HAPPENED on May 21. But the preparations for the festival began long before the music started. The all-out celebration of May 13 left members of the staff of THE CAPITOLIST so "wasted" that they were out of their heads for several days.

The party of that Saturday was a joyous occasion, to say the least. Despite the warnings from the federal Weather Bureau, everybody involved with Goodpeople Productions was optimistic about the Festival being held as scheduled. On that Saturday, with the influx of tons of people to attend the concert, Capitol Campus saw its most lively Saturday night in history. The residence population swelled, people spilling over into the Ravine. With the contribution of party favors from guests, the result was inevitable.

Visitors were impressed with the night life of the campus. Little did they know that the night was truly an exception. Reports varied (in direct proportion to the coherence of the reporters), but the consensus is the activities lasted until dawn.

But Sunday, May 14, turned out to be a depressing day. IT RAINED! Although the sky cleared in the afternoon, the ground was too wet for the spectators. Resigned to their fate, the students of Capitol Campus psyched themselves for the concert rainedate. It was the second consecutive year the Rock Festival was postponed because of inclement weather.

On Thursday, May 19, the Meade Heights String Band, an impromptu group comprised of

celebrating softball players, some of them notable campus faces, serenaded Meade Heights residents. "Roll Out the Barrel" was a favorite selection of the crew. One member was reported to have come down with a terrible cold due to tramping through the wet grass without shoes.

On Saturday, May 20, optimism again gripped the campus party-goers. Yet one could feel a sense of apprehension among the participants. Everyone realized that the next day was now-or-never for the Harrisburg Rock Festival II. Everyone enjoyed themselves immensely, trying to shove any pessimism about the weather into the back of their minds. The celebration actually matched the quality of the one held the week before.

But WOW* the morning of May 21 dawned with overcast skies and cool weather. The uncertain weather conditions did not deter loyal festival fans, as several gathered on the concert grounds hours before the inception of the Festival. At about Noon, the cloud cover began to break, and sunshine prevailed. If you wish to see how well the sun prevailed, stop by the office of THE CAPITOLIST and see Geronimo.

With the beautiful weather, more spectators than expected came to listen to the music. Estimates of the crowd size varied between 25,000 and 35,000 persons. It is a wonder where the marshalls for Goodpeople Productions placed all the cars. Parking lots were filled in the back lot, Fruehauf, the Placement Office and the playing fields, roadsides - all the way down to Olmsted Plaza.

As the day passed, there was little trouble from the huge throng which packed the front lawn of Capitol Campus. There were no disturbances as everyone came to enjoy himself. However, there is substantial evidence that some arrests, made by the Lower Swatara Police, were made. Most of the violations concerned under-age drinking. The arrests took place in mid-afternoon, at the height of the high influx of vehicles. Big City Music Band returned,

donating much of its sound equipment for use during the Festival. Big City played at 6 o'clock, when the crowd size was at its peak. Big City's blaring, psychotic music aroused the entire crowd, everyone standing and clapping - keeping time with the music.

The groups came to Middletown from Philadelphia and Washington, as well as Central Pennsylvania. Among the groups were: Big City, High Gate, High Tension Acres, Mark, Eden, The Elvis Davis Band, Legends, Shanghi, Willow Mill Park and Beloved.

Big City presented a well rehearsed program of funky rock and roll songs. Another of the daytime standouts was Mark, which did an acoustic set of fine folk music.

The highlight of the Festival began at sunset. World Control Studios, under the auspices of the Capitol Campus Social Committee, presented a light-show, displaying a never ending variety of color slides, films and blobs of color.

Eden, featuring Capitol Campus student Ed Wambach, was probably the most talented and most popular group of the Festival. Unfortunately, the program was running behind schedule, consequently, the group had to relinquish its encore to assure the remainder of the performers adequate time to present their program.

Appropriately, one of the better groups - Legends, ended the Harrisburg Rock Festival II. It is unfortunate that Legends could also not do an encore, due to lack of time.

The Festival was an exhilarating experience, one which may not be forgotten. Included in this issue, is a collection of memorable photographs of the concert. See you at Harrisburg Rock Festival III - if there will be one.

All-Athletic Picnic

On Sunday, June 11, the Social Committee will sponsor an Athletic Activities Picnic, to be held at Jednota Farm.

The affair will run from 2:00 p.m. to 7 o'clock. The purpose of the picnic is to honor athletes who participated in campus varsity sports as well as the cheerleaders. Awards will be presented to those individuals.

All students and faculty are invited to participate. Some food will be provided, and admission is free. No alcoholic beverages will be permitted at the picnic.

Sports activities available at the feat include: tennis, volleyball, basketball, baseball, bobbin' for apples, sack races, girl-boy games, and swimming. Lifeguards are needed for swimming activities. No beachhouse facilities will be available for swimming.



Senate Run-Off Election

TODAY, June 1, a special run-off election for the remaining at-large SGA senate seats will be held. The polls are in the Student Government office, W-104.

The candidates are Evon Golphin of Social Science and Judith LePere of Elementary Education. Golphin and LePere tied at 33 votes in the SGA General Election on May 18. New executive officers and senior senators were elected at that time. Mike Dini was elected President and Max Brady

Vice-President. Debra Young is the new corresponding secretary and Bernie Boyle the recording secretary. Tom Dixon was elected Treasurer.

Ron Edwards was elected Social Science senator. Bonnie McSweeney and Ron Snyder, from Humanities and Engineering, respectively, won uncontested races for their seats. The new at-large senators are Robert Thompson, Joe Kubiak and Elyse Paul. Joe Perretta will represent the Business program and Jim Quill, Elementary Education.

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