

Letters to the Editor

Installation Ceremonies Hypocritical

To the Editors,

The Administration has once again demonstrated its preoccupation with pomposity and academic bullshit and indicated its total disregard for the student population.

This time it was with the bourgeois event accompanying Dr. McDermott's installation. Hypocrisy reigned as the school's facilities were spruced up for the happening. Signs were taken down. Buildings were painted up. The cosmetic effect would have done justice to Elizabeth Ardens'.

We felt it especially significant that most of the students in attendance were only serving in the capacity of ushers or guides. A small number of students were invited as a token tribute to acknowledge that we do exist.

Was the nature of Capitol Campus (the innovative institution?) reflected at the event?

Did the sterile hallways reflect the student spirit?

Were the times of student involvement adequately demonstrated? (WHERE WERE THE STUDENTS?)

In the formative years, as Capitol Campus searches for its identity, the Administration has turned its back on the innovative promises offered to students and faculty. Have they not regressed to the dream world of ivy-colored walls, tweed suits, and the publish-or-perish syndrome? It's all very nice to see the postmark on the school's letters with the inscription "New ideas in Higher Education", while a cute arrow points upward. Very impressive, but unfortunately hypocritical.

One can't help wondering if the money spent on the "coronation" would have been better spent on some of the innovations which this school is supposed to be making, and the Administration keeps promising.

Paul Mirabile
Berni Boule
Becky Emery

Humanities Grad Program

To the Editors,

Your correction to the graduate information still neglects to mention (as did your original article) the thriving graduate program in Humanities and its illustrious coordinator, Dr. Melvin Wolf.

We had our first presentation and defense of a master's production this past week.

Deborah Kraus presented an exciting and innovative multi-media study of three local artists and their methods of artistic creativity. She will be our first graduate with an M.A. in Humanities.

Dr. Nancy Tischler
Program Head
Humanities

Parking Fee Lambasted

John S. Lencioni, speaking on behalf of the Campus Republican Club, has criticized the \$7.50 per term parking fee.

In a letter to Provost McDermott, Lencioni said, "The Capitol Campus Republican Club would like to see the University extend some of its compassion to the students. Tuition, housing and food services have all gone up this year. Now is the time for the University to help lower the financial burdens of our students. We would like to see the University reduce the parking fee."

The Campus Republican Club intends to take action on this issue and will lobby the Student Government Association and the Administration to take positive action in reducing student costs.

Lencioni went on to say that Capitol Campus is a commuter college and it's time to give the commuters a break.

IEEE Meeting Held

The Electrical Engineering Society at Capitol Campus held an informative meeting last Wednesday night on October 25, 1972. Bringing the meeting to order, the chairman explained that the organization has an office in W-110B and that important notices would be placed on the club's bulletin board on the second floor - east wing. He also asked for more volunteers to help on the Standing Committees. Concluding the club's business, the chairman introduced Mr. George Goodrich, Vice President - Marketing, from Frank Electric Corporation (York, Pa.) as speaker for the evening.

Mr. Goodrich informed members that Frank Electric is a manufacturer of electric control panels. During his informative talk, Mr. Goodrich showed pictures of product application found in quite a wide variety of industrial processes. He explained that electric control panels are found in such places as large steam-turbine power plants all the way down through motor and process control in industrial plants to the control systems found in the local sewage treatment plants. He also showed blueprints of several panels and the instruments and wiring that were put on them. Following his talk, a question and answer period was opened and members asked questions about job possibilities and production procedure.

Concluding the meeting, Mr. Goodrich invited members to visit his company to get a first-hand view of his company's operation. The chairman adjourned the meeting and distributed copies of the club's constitution and gave new members their pins. Punch and donuts were the refreshments after the meeting.

Advisement

Pre-registration advisement for the winter term 1973 will be held during the ninth week of classes during the current fall term, November 16-22.

On Black Student Enrollment

by Doloras Garrison

A few weeks ago the Black Student Union met with Dr. McDermott and Mr. Slygh to discuss the enrollment of black students at Capitol Campus.

The B.S.U. was concerned because while the total student enrollment had increased, the percentage of black students had continued to decline.

Out of 1,600 undergraduate students, only about 70 had been identified as black students and out of approximately 800 new students enrolled in this Fall semester, only about 30 had been identified as black.

Some of the recommendations that the black students proposed to increase black student enrollment were:

- a) Black Recruitment Officer
- b) More cooperation between

the Black Student Union Scholarship and Recruitment Committee and Mr. Slygh's office

c) Program expansion to offer wider variety of majors.

d) Concerted effort to attract larger share of the 12% black enrollment at Harrisburg Area Community College

e) Increased identification of Capitol Campus as a part of Penn State University, possibly through changing the name.

f) Increasing black faculty in every division and the strengthening of the Black Studies Program.

Even though the meeting was initially called to discuss black recruitment, many of the issues touched upon by the black students were of concern to all students at Capitol Campus.

Next Week belongs to Women

The week of November 6th will explore the role of women in the United States.

Monday, November 6, 1972
8:00 p.m.
Auditorium
Free - Open to the Public
Sponsored by the Cultural Committee

"DAWN OF FREEDOM." A three person show (two women and one man). This one-act performance traces, in dramatic form, the development of the struggle of women for equality and liberation in the United States. A series of dramatic sketches employ basic source material by such writers as Sojourner Truth, Helen Keller, Emma Goldmann, etc. The show will be followed by a question and answer period.

Thursday, November 9, 1972
8:00 p.m. Film- "Growing Up Female" by Julia Reichert and James Klein

8:30 p.m. Panel Discussion - "Liberation and Beyond" moderated by Theodora Graham.

"Growing Up Female: As Six Become One" Shows the socialization of the American Women through a personal look into the lives of six females. Their ages range from 4 to 35, and their backgrounds vary from poor black to upper - middle class white. We see in action how many forces shape them: Their parents, teachers, guidance counselors, the media and advertising, pop music, and the institution of marriage. It is a compelling film that demands one to respond.

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Auditorium