

Letters to the Editor

Book Exchange Begins To Catch On

To The Editors,

The Book Exchange, opened for the first two weeks of the Winter term, was a great success for quite a few students.

The Human Awareness Committee reports, though, that its success was only partial. More students could have taken advantage of the services of the Book Exchange. Many members of the H.A.C. felt that the idea of the Book Exchange was foreign to many of the students. That is, no profit was made except by the individual student, thus cutting out the middle man.

The H.A.C. does not feel that limited participation was caused by an "I don't care about other students" attitude. It just needs time to catch on. Perhaps by the Spring term it will be a complete success.

Human Awareness Committee

Yearbook on Sale

On Monday, January 29, the 1973 edition of the campus yearbook, The Capitolite, will go on sale for the first time in the new year. The sale will last through Friday, February 2.

Student salesmen for the campus publication will be on hand from the second through the six periods at the table in Vendorville.

Editor Jan Marks states that "Yearbook production is going well, and it promises to be an excellent book." The staff on The Capitolite was greatly encouraged by the overwhelming sign-up for senior portraits, over 400 students.

The staff signals that "many surprises" are in store for those who are wise enough to purchase an annual. The 1973 Capitolite sells for seven dollars.

Tom Ogden

The Capitolist

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Business Program Defines Rules

We wish to call your attention to the following Capitol Campus rules on schedule changes. (Rules J-2 and J-3).

"J-2 With his adviser's approval (on the regular change of schedule form, with payment of a fee of \$2) a student may add a course during the first ten calendar days of a term and may drop a course during the first twenty-one calendar days of a term.

"J-3 A student may not add a course to his schedule after the first ten calendar days of a term. Under extenuating circumstances a student may drop a course after the first twelfth calendar days of a term and then only upon the approval of the Division Head. (The regular change of schedule forms and the \$2 fee are required.)"

The faculty of the Division of Administration and Business has voted to accept a liberal definition of "extenuating circumstances" through the 7th week. After the 7th week, acceptable "extenuating circumstances" will be limited to proven non-academic situations such as medical, financial or other disasters. In keeping with overall Capitol Campus rules any course drop after 21 days must be signed by the advisor and the Program Chairman acting for the Division Head.

Dr. Ralph W. Frey
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ANNOUNCING

Efforts are being made to form a Soccer Club at Capitol. Anyone interested in playing please contact: Dan Fichtner 367-4474 or Barry Deacon 944-0205 or Bob Stanley at the Athletic/Rec Center.

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Now is the Time

by R. W. Bonaker

Well, it looks as though we will have a spring "music-arts" festival after all.

On Monday night, approximately 40 persons gathered in the Gallery Lounge to view slides from last year's "Harrisburg Rock Festival II" and sign up for the various production committees which include the stage crew, concession, Head Shop, publicity, trash, and traffic marshalls.

Yet, much more in the way of a plan must be finalized in order to make the three-day event work. As of now, indecision reigns. As far as I can see, the only aspect that is definite is that we will have a weekend spectacle of rock and folk music, art presentations, and the like. Details are missing.

As we undertake the monumental task of organizing such an event, we must realize that it will not be on a scale as large as last year's rock festival. At "Harrisburg Rock Festival II," nearly 30,000 people gathered on campus. A great majority of them were junior and senior high school students, with all the drug problems and trash problems involved. The site for the event will be changed, and speculation has the new site on a location between the University Apartments and the engineering laboratories.

Those of us who participated last year realize what a difficult task it was to TRY to control the festival. Conceivably, many of our juniors do not realize how challenging it was. The organizers of last year's concert worked night and day for several weeks to finalize plans.

In order to avoid us becoming physical and mental wrecks, let us begin NOW to organize the event. And we must move quickly. 40 people are not enough. In the end, 100 may not be sufficient. It will take all of our efforts to pull off a successful event.

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administration. Perhaps the senate can alter the wording and vote on it again in the future.

Due to the resignation of a senior business senator, Mike Dini proposed, and the senate agreed, that that vacancy should be filled by a senior senator at-large, Bob Thompson, who had the next highest number of votes in the student elections for that seat. Dini also nominated Marilyn Levin to fill the vacancy provided in the senior senator at-large position. The senate will vote on the latter next week. Ron Snyder opposed the whole Thompson switch, saying that he felt it was unconstitutional and he intended to take it to the student court. (yawn...sorry, couldn't help it.)

The senate also passed a motion to donate \$52 to the hospital which was bombed in Hanoi on Christmas day. This figure represents twice that which was collected from students in Vendorville last week.

Capitol Calendar of Events

JANUARY 25-- Lecture and discussion: "EcKanKar, Ancient Science of Soul Travel," 3 PM, Auditorium. At 3:15, the Christian Science organization will meet in room W-202. The Pennsylvania Society of Professional Engineers (PSPE) meets at 7 PM in room E-310. Finally, the Cultural Programs Committee presents the film "Outcasts of Poker Flat" at 8 PM in the Auditorium. A discussion about the film precedes the showing at 7:30. The movie will also be presented in the social science course "Westward Movements" during the second and third periods. Admission is free.

JANUARY 26-- The XGIs stage another Keggar from 9 PM to 1 AM at the American Legion, Middletown. Also, the Social Affairs Committee had planned a "Surprise Weekend."

JANUARY 27-- The Social Committee presents "Flap," starring Anthony Quinn, at 8 PM in the Auditorium.

JANUARY 28-- At 3:45 PM, a Mass will be held in the Student Center.

JANUARY 29-- The campus yearbook, The Capitolite, will conduct a sale all week from 9:15 AM to 4:30 PM in Vendorville. The Cheerleading Squad conducts a regular practice session in the Student Center at 6 PM. The Head Shop meets in the New Birth, 946 A Kirtland Ave. in the Heights, at 6:30. The Student Government Association meets at 6:30 in room E-335.

JANUARY 30-- Delta Tau Kappa, the international social science honor society, stages a conference in the T.V. Lounge at 7 PM.

JANUARY 31-- The Capitolist, Capitol's infamous newspaper, holds a staff meeting at 7 PM in the staff offices, W-104, with pictures for the yearbook to be taken. At 8 PM, there will be a "Faculty Rap" in the New Birth, the guest to be announced at a later date.

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FACT - A structural change took place so that Dr. Grimm, our dean of students, no longer will have a direct line between the student body and Dr. McDermott. He is reporting through Mr. Dressler to the provost instead.

All of the above facts were disclosed at Monday night's SGA meeting. The following consists of speculation and questioning on my part when dealing with those facts, some separately and as a "package." Please keep in mind two things as you read: (1) items such as these do tend to be relative and (2) that this is speculation, it may or may not be the "reality." (For myself, I much prefer to believe the latter but feel that there is enough validity to be at least partially the former).

This particular campus of PSU is suffering from growing pangs. We need more money. Some sources for such money are the allocation of funds received by PSU from the government, then handed to us, possible donations from interested parties (that's why the elaborateness of Dr. McDermott's installation), possible separate alumni associations, and tuition increases (which includes inflation and additional enrollment of students). The common denominator of these sources rests with the reputation of this campus.

There is another way to increase funds, and that is by "cutting corners" of what we have now. I do not question this practice in/of itself. My quarrel is with who suffers by such cuts. In this particular case, it appears that the Student Affairs Office will suffer first, but the undergraduate students will suffer in the long run.

When you add the facts together, it appears that the Student Affairs Office, if not phased out of existence completely, will be cut enough that there will be an ever wider

communication gap between the student body and the administration than there is presently. The non-filling of Kathy King's position "immediately" (we are a 2-year school, "immediately" could be stretched to 2 years) points to this, as does the possibility of Housing and Food Services being relocated here. (Much of Student Affairs Office operation deals with Housing and Food. The remainder of their work could conceivably be shifted to both the counseling office and academic services).

Now let's take a look at Dr. Grimm's position. He is now in the middle of two conflicting bodies. Also, his power (and our means of communicating our needs) has gone to an "administrative officer." The job of an administrative officer is just what it says...administrate! This chain of command has also dropped the undergraduate students' position on the organizational chart by one notch...which is below everyone else. What will this do to our needs? Our power as a group?

Could Student Affairs be following administrative orders (doing that part of their jobs) that could tend to get the student body so upset with that office so that we might not care at all if it should be phased out completely?

No doubt I am missing some details. Those and any more I continue to search for, in the hope that if all this is the case, it might be stopped or altered and also that if I am dead wrong, I may at least learn what is indeed so and report it to you.

One final note: I have purposely left some facts out of this report that again bring up the idea of moral obligation on my part. Due to that and the nature of this report (its possible repercussions), I cannot and will not disclose those missing facts or any of my sources concerning them or others in my report. I am assuming full responsibility for the content of this report and any further ones of the same nature.