



**HOT LION**

The Hot Lion is published to inform the Capitol Campus community of all activities on, or concerned with, the Campus. Everyone should feel free to use this service by completing the entry cards available in the Student Affairs Office [W105]. Deadline is Thursday Noon, the week prior to date of publication.

**April 15**

State and federal income tax due.  
1:00 p.m.-Bertel and Anette Soeborg Ohlsen, Danish cellist and pianist-Gallery Lounge.  
Film-"Journey Through the Past" by Neil Young.

**April 16**

Good Friday-Holiday- No classes.  
5:00 p.m.-1976-77 Resident Assistant Applications due-Residence Living Program Office (946 A Kirtland Avenue).

**April 17**

Holiday-No classes.

**April 18**

Easter  
12:30 p.m.-Mass-Student Center.

**April 19**

Holiday-No classes.  
5:00 p.m.-Fencing Club-Rec/Ath Bldg.  
7:30 p.m.-Martial Arts-Rec/Ath Bldg.

**April 20**

9:00 p.m.-XGI meeting-Tiltin Hilton.

**April 21**

12:00 noon-Maranatha Bible Study-W-202.  
2:00 p.m.-BSU meeting-BCAC.  
7:00 p.m.-Co-ed volleyball-Base Gym.

**April 22**

6:30 p.m.-Slimnastics-Rec/Ath Bldg.  
8:00 p.m.-Bob Doyle and the Buffalo Chipkickers-Adm. \$1.00-Aud.  
HACC-11:00 a.m.-Mini Concert-Cafeteria.

**April 23**

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**April 24**

Test date for gre.  
Annual veterans softball tournament at University Pary.  
HACC-8:00 p.m.-Concert-College Center.

**April 25**

12:30 p.m.-Mass-Student Center.  
Annual Veterans Softball Tournament at University Park.

**April 26**

9:00 a.m.-Conference on productivity and Quality of Working Life-Host Inn-for more information contact George Bell-787-7753.

5:00 p.m. - Fencing Club- Rec/Ath Bldg.

7:30 p.m. - Martial Arts- Rec/Ath Bldg.

8:00 p.m. - Penn State Singers- Aud.

HACC - 12:00 noon- Discussion of Poetry with Mark Epstein - A-106.

8:15 p.m. - Poetry Reading- Mark Epstein- A-106, Free.

**April 27**

6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.- BSU- Gold Skate.  
7:00 p.m.- 9:30 p.m.- Solar Energy Conference- (first meeting of second session)- Room 216.

**April 28**

8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.- Laboratory Workshop- Aud. and Room 216.

12:00 noon- Maranatha Bible Study- W-202.

2:00 p.m.- BSU meeting- BCAC.

7:00 p.m.- Co-ed volleyball- Base Gym.

HACC- 8:15 p.m.- HACC Jazz Ensemble- A-106, Free.

**April 29**

6:30 p.m.- Slimnastics- Rec/Ath. Bldg.

XGI Blood Drive.

Last day to mail PHEAA Grant Applications for the 76-77 academic year.

## Attention! Graduating Students

This year SGA has made arrangements with the campus bookstore for baccalaureate degree graduating students to purchase their academic regalia.

The regalia consists of a cap, gown and tassel. The gown is made of a light acrylic material. The cost is \$8.00.

Master degree students graduating in June can rent their academic regalia. The rental charge is \$12.75 and includes a cap, gown, tassel and hood.

June graduating students can order their academic regalia through the campus bookstore. The bookstore has extended the deadline for ordering the regalia until Tuesday, May 4, 1976. After that date, there will be a late fee charge of \$10.00.

If an order must be canceled, the bookstore will refund the purchase price if the apparel has not been picked up from the bookstore. The late order fee, however, is NOT REFUNDABLE.

Invitations and announcements are also available at the bookstore. Place your orders as soon as possible.

## Malaysian Dean Visits Campus

Parid Wardi bin Sudin, dean of the faculty of Built Environment, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia is visiting here until tomorrow.

Parid is here to obtain information on our Urban and Regional Planning, Public Administration and Civil Engineering Technology programs.

During his stay, he will meet with faculty and administration, examine our

## XGI Reporter

By Jom Jenson

Its been quite a while since the last Reader issue, and there's been a lot happening. Here are the results of the frat's elections last term:

President: Myron Lebo

Secretary: Keith Millison

Vice-President: Sally Wallace  
Treasurer: George Winterstein  
Appointments made by the new administration were Sports Chairperson- Ricardo Mosley, Social Chairperson- Vince Johnson and Master-at-arms- Joe Horochak.

Some spring term activities include another keggar, according to Vince Johnson. The date is not yet set.

The spring blood drive will be Thursday, April 29. The sign-up sheet will be in the frat lounge.

The bathtub race will be May 5. Once again the XGIs will be represented with their beautiful red tub. Dan Martin is in charge of the frat's entry in the race and yours truly will be helping to push the frat tub.

The Phillies baseball trip will be May 21. I would guess that there will be beer and hoagies again this year for the trip. June 5 is the date for the picnic at Braun's farm.

Vince Johnson still needs help from the frat for the spring concert. If you want to help, let Vince know.

Keith Millison will soon be taking over the XGI Reporter article as a part of his secretarial duties. The secretary is the logical person for this job since the secretary is constantly in contact with what's going on in the frat.

Well that's about it for this time. Hope to see some participation in these upcoming events.

## New Generation Is Silent

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their insistence that college curricula reflect the needs of the job market, they are just telling us that the world is leaving them fewer and fewer choices.

While the 1950s generation saw politics as something they could take or leave, today's young seem deliberately to be shunning it. Close to 50% of those under 30 do not affiliate with either political party. This is not the politics of apathy and conformity but rather of disgust and retreat.

Some may greet this phenomena with a sigh of relief. The politicized student of the 1960s upset some adults more than the Vietnam War itself. This retreat to the 1950s and beyond, no matter what its justification, has left an enormous gap in American Life.

Students should hold a society up to its ideals rather than mirror its deepest cynicism. Idealism may be the luxury of youth; but their luxury may be our necessity.

One wonders where the Vietnam War would have led without the student peace movement? How successful would the civil rights movement have been without the enthusiastic support of students, both white and black?

Yet we adults cannot always expect the young to save us from ourselves. The student movement may have died by its own hand, as its politics became more violent and bizzare.

But one wonders why there are so few adults of stature ready to provide them with effective moral, intellectual or political leadership. Most adults either catered to their whims or were implacably hostile.

Those who are awaiting a rejuvenation of our political life have no moral claims on the young. This time we will have to find our own way out of the desert.

By Dr. Robert J. Bresler  
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## Message to Penn State Students from President John W. Oswald

At the beginning of this term I am continuing what I started last fall, an open letter addressed to the student body. In this spring of 1976, just as families are preparing income tax returns and governments are developing future budgets at all levels, students here and all over the country are concerned with the costs of education including tuition. I now want to discuss this topic frankly and realistically with you.

First of all, I want you to know what both my official and personal position is concerning the level of tuition at a public institution. My entire professional career in education has been with land-grant institutions and I am totally committed to the unique mission these universities hold. One of these missions is the special emphasis on student accessibility regardless of financial status.

As we know, both the individual and society itself benefit from the education of its members. Perhaps from a practical standpoint in this country the individual student has come to share a part of the financial burden of the advantage he derives from higher education. My continuing concern in Pennsylvania is the level that our students in a public institution are asked to share through tuition payments. I have repeatedly spoken before the legislature of the unique public responsibility of Penn State through its charter as the Commonwealth land-grant university in which we are to be responsive to the educational needs of people of all financial backgrounds.

As for the benefits to society, a qualitatively sound, advanced industrial society cannot exist without large numbers of highly educated and technically competent people. Certainly the professional, cultural and economic contributions of our 95,000 alumni now living in Pennsylvania are significant to the Commonwealth; and many, many of them fill key positions in all walks of life in the state. An overall total of 150,000 Penn State graduates throughout the nation and the world also contribute their share to society in general.

We are now faced, however, with the realities of 1976 in Pennsylvania. State funds are in short supply for all agencies and institutions, including Penn State in which budgetary needs are greater than current resources will support. In understanding the Penn State 1976-77 budget situation, we must realize the following: (1) there is almost no indication of significant new tax resources for state funds; (2) our entire budget request is based on recognition of inflationary costs—operating costs which include the salary needs of our personnel, both faculty and staff, who face the same inflated costs personally, just as do student families; (3) we are making every effort inside the University with our present funds to accommodate to this financial actuality—indeed over the past five years we have reallocated some 10

million dollars; (4) our reception at the appropriation committee hearings has been positive and attentive, but the statement of the Chairman of the Senate Appropriation Committee, Mr. Henry Cianfrani, illustrates the problem: "We're fond of Penn State and we're aware of the University's tremendous progress, but we don't have the dollars. This is a trouble period and you can't get blood out of a stone."

My principal concern involving tuition in my presentation to the budget hearings in both the Senate and State. We still have a full enrollment and indeed have applications from more persons than we can accommodate next year in the total University. But in the last few years there has been a significant decline in the number of students from lower middle income families.

At the legislative budget hearings I also pointed out that while costs to educate students have gone up, the state's proportionate support of those costs has not kept pace. At Penn State we now have one of the highest tuition rates of any land-grant university in the nation. Although each year the dollar amount of our legislative appropriation has gone up, the amount of real dollar support per student has decreased. Each year the increase in appropriation has been used primarily for increases in fixed costs. This has put a heavy burden on tuition and its important contribution to our total educational program cost.

Let me, however, put the matter of tuition in another context. In all fairness to a complete understanding of the tuition matter, every student may not realize that Pennsylvania has one of the most helpful educational assistance programs in the country. At this time at Penn State 16,353 of our students are receiving about \$9.7 million in direct (PHEA) state grants, in addition to the Federal Basic Educational Opportunity Grants. This PHEA aid average for the student recipient about \$600 apiece which can be applied toward tuition.

Here is where we are at the moment. We have urgent need for \$10 million more than the amount recommended in the Governor's budget. I have stated that this circumstance is bound to have an effect on our educational programs on the salary increments for employees who just like students and their families are faced with inflationary costs, and some impact on tuition.

What we must do now is to attempt to balance all of these forces in such a way that we maintain the quality of Penn State's educational programs within the fiscal realities, and at the same time maintain as a high priority the holding of any increase in tuition to a minimum. Simultaneously, we must do all we can to convince those in the General Assembly to increase if at all possible Penn State's proposed appropriation.