

Perspectives

Acting Like...

Are the students of Capitol Campus really college students or are they merely high school students disguised as college students? The intention of this article is not to attack the students, but to make you think of the consequences of your actions.

First off, I would like to bring to your attention the fact that many students complain about the Student Center study lounge not being open as scheduled. This is being taken care of; however, it is not very convincing when we are asked about the missing lamps, the broken pool cues, the damaged pinball machines, and the abused table soccer and pool table.

Secondly, we have a unique privilege at Capitol Campus--to serve alcohol at functions held on campus. University Park just may revoke our unique privilege if we, the students of Capitol Campus, don't get our act together and start behaving like college students.

Point in question, last week there was vandalism after a keggar. This week there was more vandalism after Tuesday's keggar. Someone stuffed a whole roll of toilet paper down the john in the men's room causing it to back up, which was not very pleasant for the continuing-ed classes Wed-

nesday morning. Someone also backed into an electrical pole, drove around on the lawn, and spread toilet paper all around the Student Center. Also, there was trash left cluttered around the building.

To a lot of people these irresponsible actions do not demonstrate that we are to be entitled to our unique privilege. To overcome these negative actions and feelings the students must work together at insuring that these acts of vandalism and negligence do not persist. You may ask "how can we do that?" It is quite simple--peer pressure. If you see people doing something that could jeopardize things for the rest of the student body, confront them and let them know that you don't think they are being "cool." Also, remind them that they are ruining things for the rest of the students here at Capitol Campus. If that doesn't work, report them to someone who can do something about the situation. Don't think of it as squealing--think of it as preserving your privileges as a student at Capitol Campus. If you students don't think about holding onto your privileges, there are those around who wouldn't hesitate to remove those privileges.

Craig R. Hocker
President SGA

Letters To



The Editor

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SGA News

The third SGA meeting of the term took place on October 10.

Craig Hocker began the meeting by reminding the Senators of their senatorial duties. Under general concerns the rear parking lot problem was once again discussed. We can not use a student patrolperson because the student would be liable; the administration contacted PENNDOT in consideration of erecting a traffic light or building a new road which would reroute Freuhauf traffic. The situation is not yet resolved.

Clubs are reminded that each club is required to send one representative to the Presidents Council meeting. Also, each club should be keeping in contact with Scott Summers relating to their upcoming week's activities.

Nominees for SGA advisor were accepted at the meeting. If you have an instructor who you would like to see advise the SGA, please let us know.

GPP has once again started their behind-the-scenes work for organizing a concert. More information will be forthcoming.

Two Senators submitted a constitutional change to the SGA constitution. If you are interested in learning more about it, stop by the SGA office.

In the only action of the evening, the Senate passed the 78-79 Budget by a vote of 13-0-2.



Chaos In SGA

It's just as well that students don't get involved in student government; they might just get in the way.

Every week the SGA meeting begins late because they have to wait around until enough members show up to constitute a quorum, (the number required by the constitution for voting). The members of the SGA are representing the interests of the student body but so few students appeal to them to make changes or to vote a certain way that there is no urgency for the senators to attend all the meetings or to be on time. In fact, in the third SGA meeting Craig Hocker, the president, felt obliged to give a lecture, to those present, on their duties and responsibilities; he urged them to take their positions seriously and to be more conscientious.

Reviewing the chaos of the past few weeks in the SGA, it is questionable how many members have a clear idea of what's going on and it is obvious how few are actively involved in making important changes and decisions. For instance, last week the budget was defeated, for rather enigmatic reasons, after a fairly tedious discussion. This week a new budget, which was not greatly different from the old budget but which was much more thoroughly presented, was given a few minutes of discussion and then passed almost unanimously, (there was one abstention). There may be a very reasonable explanation for this odd switch but the student body in general, because it chooses to know practically nothing of the workings of the SGA, will not be concerned or even curious.

Also, in the last SGA meeting, a constitutional change was proposed which would radically alter the structure of the funding procedures. It will, if passed, effect all the clubs and anyone who is a member of any club, all the social activities--specifically, it will probably effect the number of keggars--and it will delegate a great deal of power that is now decentralized to essentially one committee. Admittedly it also has advantages but it is doubtful that the students will dwell on its good points when they are affected by it.

This proposal was drawn up by a few people and there are a relatively small amount of people who will ultimately judge it. The SGA will discuss it and vote on it; if it passes, it will come before the student body on the ballot and it will probably be instituted. (Who do you think votes?) If concerned students, who aren't familiar with procedures or who might disagree, would come to the SGA meetings or ask questions of their senators and officers, the progress of this proposal would certainly be hindered; perhaps it's beneficial to the SGA to have apathetic students.

Last year the SGA almost got away with throwing TOO big a party for themselves; this term they are only proposing a structural reorganization.

If you are a fairly apathetic student I wouldn't worry too much because there are a few very responsible people running things. And, even though elections are on now, don't concern yourself; they will go quite smoothly without you.

Student Opinions

The question of the week was: **What kind of music would you like to hear at future keggars?** Here are the answers Vito collected.

If I were 12 years old I would have to say Disco. However after 20 years of listening I occasionally like to hear a different beat. I therefore would like to see progressive rock and Disco to go.

Wallace Dacphowski

I'd like to see a live group which plays several types of music--rock, easy listening, country, etc. A group of artists with multiple talents (even

with a touch of comedy) would be real entertainment.

John Stackowiak

I'd like to see more rock groups at keggars. A major part of the student body is males who would rather listen to rock than Disco to Go. Disco has been at keggars long enough, it's boring.

Paul Werner

I took a survey of my friends on campus, all of whom strongly opposed Disco and said Disco brought out frustrations in them due to the lack of listening enjoyment.

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