

# Perspectives

## Candidates Present Platforms

My reasoning for wanting to run for Graduate Senator is two-fold. First and foremost, I plan to represent the graduate student while he/she is attending Capitol Campus. One way I plan to do this is work toward a revision of the SGA constitution. In its present form, the constitution leaves many questions concerning full and part-time graduate students.

My second reason for wanting to run for graduate senator is that as a resident student at Capitol, I have observed many problems that need SGA assistance. One of these problems is the present search for more diversity in student activities. I feel that SGA, together with Student Activities, can reach favorable solutions. I would like to be a part of the process to aid my fellow students.

Michael E. Benner

When I was approached with the idea of running for a Junior Senatorial position I felt that the first thing to do was to find more information on the subject and then consciously weigh the "benefits and costs." So I questioned my R.A. about the campus' SGA. She gave me an idea of what the organization's responsibilities were, how often it met, etc. But more she gave me some insight to the next step I must take. I learned that I could grow. I am a business student and today's business world cannot escape government. Belonging to this

organization I would gain knowledge in governmental procedures. I would also expand my understanding of finances and funding since this is one of the responsibilities of SGA. Another important aspect--the most important--is people. I'll get to meet many of my fellow students, learn how they feel about certain subjects and be representative of these people.

The "costs" must also be considered. Can I afford them? There would be the responsibility to the students and the time it takes to be involved and to participate. The effort seems small compared to the rewards. I believe that I am being honest with myself and my fellow students when I say yes to such a challenge.

Stacy Brubaker

There are several issues of concern to the Student Body at Capitol Campus, that must be resolved in the upcoming months. Some of these issues concern our keggars, concerts, and the yearbook. These topics encompass many previous events that have taken place, and now modifications are needed to preserve them. The students of the SGA have worked to bring them about, and our representatives are currently debating an "Activities Planning Board" to coordinate social events.

I would like to work as a member of SGA and with the

help of other clubs and interested students upgrade our keggars, contain vandalism after them, and work towards reinstating our concert in the spring. These are goals which I feel are of the most important. Other issues that I am interested in involve the encroachment on the Student Center by the Continuing Education Department, mismanagement of student funds, extending the hours for the use of the Multi-Purpose Building, and the cancellation of the tennis team.

Consistent awareness, through proper publication, is the main determinant concerning student involvement. Students should be aware of the influence we have here at Capitol. With increased involvement, proper organization and publication, we will produce a moving concern!

These issues I have stated above are basic goals that can be achieved through comprehensive planning and proper direction. With your help and the desire of fellow students, these, and other goals are surely attainable.

Henry G. Bieryla

As your student senator, I will perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability. These duties will not only include my voice and vote as a representation of the feelings of the student body, but also as a communication link in return from the University to the student body. I will maintain

these duties with as honest and open opinion as possible, staying always available to comments and suggestions brought to me. Of particular concern, I will investigate and try to find workable substitutes to the spring concert. This event seems to be the single most important social event of the spring term. It will be a great loss to the student body if this event remains totally cancelled. Being new to this campus, I have noticed that other problems do exist on this campus that need action. These include the parking problems in Meade Heights, coffee machines in other areas of the campus then Vendorville, and the purchasing policy of the bookstore. There also seems to be a large block of students that would like to have breakfast served on the weekends in the dining hall. When elected, I will look into these problems and any other problems brought to my attention. By being an active senator, I will try to solve these problems for the benefit of the student body.

Douglas Cook

I, as a nominee for the social science senatorial position wish to add my voice in the concern for student safety on the Main Street by the Main Building. As a representative of students here on campus, I can present the feelings of my fellow-students on this subject. Many other current issues need to be wrestled with...the above is an

example of such issues. I hope that my honest concern for Penn State Capitol Campus and its students will provide the needed motivation to do an admirable job. As a part of the student government, I will attain valuable experience for my future. Upon these thoughts, I wish to place my name in contention for senator of the social sciences.

David L. Dunkle

I, Michael Cocciardi, am running for senate simply because I feel that my opinions are as good as anyone else running. I feel that no other qualifications, other than the willingness to give and contribute different viewpoints and ideas are the best qualifications available. And my viewpoints and ideas are as different as anybody's.

Michael Cocciardi

Scott Heller: Candidate For Graduate Senator of the SGA.

**Qualifications:** currently a senator in the SGA. A graduate-student on campus for one year

**Reason for seeking office:** to continue to work for the Capitol Campus Student Body and serve their interests through involvement in the Student Senate.

**Platform:** Enrich the campus environment through a strong activities program and strive ever harder to respond to student needs.

## Study Skills

### Workshop Offered

The second program to be offered in the Direction Series '78-'79 by the Counseling Center on campus will be "Study Skills Effectiveness Training." This workshop will be presented on four Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3:30 pm beginning November 1 and continuing November 8, 15, and 29 in the auditorium. Students interested in participating in this workshop are required to pre-register with Joanne Meinsler in the Counseling Center by

Monday, October 30.

The Study Skills Effectiveness Training program is designed to assist any student who has a desire to improve their study habits and skills. The content of this workshop will include topics such as effective note-taking and reviewing, test anxiety, organization and writing of research papers and dealing with distractions. A differentiation will be made between the approach to comprehending and retaining technical versus non-technical materials. The skills taught in this program have been proven to be especially helpful to the "returning" student who is seeking to sharpen skills after some time away from formal coursework.

Other programs upcoming in the '78-'79 Directions Series will include Assertion Training, Career Development, and Human Growth and Development. Dates for these workshops will be announced soon.

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## Deadline For Scholarship Application

All students who wish to apply for the Memorial Scholarship and Bethlehem Loop Scholarships to be awarded Fall Term, are reminded that applications are due Tuesday, October 31. The Capitol Campus Committee on Academic and Athletic Standards,

Awards and Scholarships will select the recipients for these awards during November. The Memorial Scholarship, in memory of Professor Charles Hary, will be presented at December Commencement for use during Winter Term 1979 and Spring term 1979. The

Bethlehem Loop Scholarships will be awarded for use during either Winter Term 1979 or Spring Term 1979.

Anyone classified as an 8th, 9th, or 10th term student during Fall Term 1978 is eligible to apply for the Memorial Scholarship. The Bethlehem Loop

Scholarships are limited to those classified as 8th, 9th, 10th, or 11th term students during Fall Term.

Additional information regarding the selection criteria and applications may be obtained from the Admissions Office.

**VOTE!**



**Elections**

Junior & Graduate  
Senatorial Elections

Vote in the Lobby  
Mon. Oct. 30



**VOTE**

**Weather  
Day  
Center**

The Public Information Office, E-104, will once again be the Weather Day Center. Any information about class cancellations will be available in this office. Faculty members are asked to announce the weather day information number to their classes. The weather day center will be operational from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on weather days.

When a severe storm, flooding, icy road conditions, a heavy snowfall, or other severe weather conditions prevent faculty members from holding class, they should notify the secretary in their program and the Public Information Office, 787-7737.

Please note that cancelling of classes does not automatically mean the closing of offices.

Local radio and TV stations will be notified if and when the school is closed completely.