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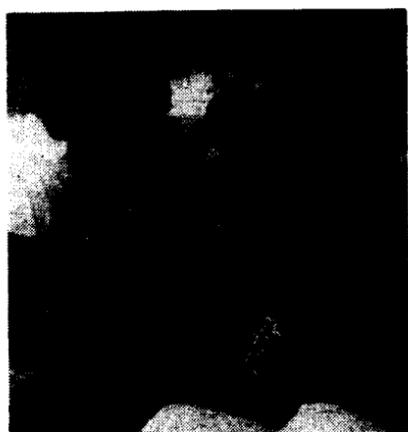
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An Out Of The Way Experience

Student Leadership Conference

By Kevin Spiegel



Karen Kurek and Mark Clauser enjoying themselves at Stone Valley.

It started out as a reunion for returning students after a long and hot summer. But in the end, it was an experience never to be forgotten by the students.

On Friday September 11, 1981, the student leaders of Capitol Campus met at the Student Leadership Conference at Penn State University, Civil Engineering Camp, Stone Valley. The reason for the conference was to help the students become aware of their leadership responsibility. There were different seminars planned for the students, and each one gave a different perspective on leading a specific club or organization.

Students that participated were the new Resident Assistants, the Student Court, members of the SGA, Editor of the Capitolite, Members of the Meade Heights Board of Governors, Graduate Student Union, WNDR, C.C. Reader, DPMA, Public Affairs Association, RSC, PSPE, ASME, XGI's, Married Student Union, Photo Club, Beta Chi, Black Student Union, Delta Tau Kappa, IAA, Phi Beta Lambda, Returning Women, Social Committee, and of course Young Democrats. The "leaders" of the leadership conference were led by the Director of Student Affairs, Dr. Jerry South, and the coordinator of Student Activities, Kathy Branigan. Other people that directed the students along were Clem Gilpin, Ed "Action Photo" Beck, Kathy Lavety, Pat Murphy, Peg O'Hara, Bud Smitley, Leslie Zuidema, Bob Hamill, Dr. Marian Krieger, and John "Speedy" Pellecchia.

One of the highlights of the conference came early Saturday morning when Ken Varcoe, Penn State — Assistant Vice-President, said that we were going to play a game called Prisoner's Dilemma. After spending a long Friday night partying, students seemed hesitant to play the game. The game came down to trusting your oppo-

nent in making financial decisions. In the end there were a lot of surprises and arguments but everyone who played the game enjoyed it tremendously.

Throughout the weekend, seminars were set up for the students. Dr. South introduced everyone and welcomed us back. The students were then introduced to Bob Curry, a man who runs his own Management Consulting Firm. He talked about leadership and even had us drawing pictures about our upcoming plans for the school year. Kathy Branigan, who deserves a great vote of thanks, said her part about Time Management along with Dr. Marian Krieger. In that session, all of the students must remember: Do your A's not C's, and do it now! Organization is the name of the game. Peg O'Hara and Bob Hamill discussed Planning and Conducting Effective Meetings. Then we moved on to Pat Murphy and Clem Gilpen who discussed Motivating and Maintaining your Organization's meetings. Here we discussed recruiting new members, and keeping them interested. Finally we talked money with Dr. South and SGA Treasurer Karen Kurek. (For those clubs that have not submitted a 1981-82 budget, contact Karen immediately.)

Everyday started with an optional event for the students, entitled "Wake-up Jog with Bud Smitley." For some reason, this was not a popular seminar because it began at 6:30 a.m.! I told Bud, "don't even come near my tent at the dreadful hour." So, rumor has it, Bud jogged alone.

On Saturday night, the students were treated to some country music and some square dancing. It was a sight to see. Usually I am accustomed to seeing the staff all dressed up and sitting behind a desk squandering with their problems. But that night, it was to be very different. It started out when I saw Dr. Marian Krieger in her purple suspenders, so from then on, I would have to be ready for what was to follow. It was square dancing time, as Bob Doyle and the Allegheny Strings treated us to a great time. Couples were formed and groups performed to the delight of the bystanders. Not being in my Fred Astaire shoes, I was delighted to see many couples dancing their "feet away." Some of the "eye catching" couples were, SGA President Roberta Bronson, and RA Mike Riotto, Bud Smitley and Dr. Krieger, Ed "Travolta" Beck & RA Donna Ashby, Kathy Branigan and Clem Gilpin, Dr.



Bud Smitley getting things organized for the "New Games".

South and Judith Polliard, Henry Rebinski and Corrine Blouin, and Tish Whalen and Chief Justice Darrell Reider. There were many other great dance teams dancing, so I commend all of them. By one o'clock it was over and there were a lot of tired people, but most of all I think that new friends were made.

On Sunday morning the students were pleased to hear that Dr. Theodore Gross, Provost of Capitol Campus, came out to speak to the students and answer any questions we had. As a side note, for some students it was the first time they met Dr. Gross, but all thought he was very gracious to talk to us, and very interesting to listen to.

Talking to some students who



Chuck Kormanski discussing the styles of leadership.

attended the conference, all of them mentioned that they had a great time, and met a lot of new people, got to know the staff better, and getting a better grip on themselves for the upcoming year.

A special thanks to Kathy Branigan for her help and her patience with us (especially since the debut of the new singing group Kathy Branigan and the Pips makes their first world tour next summer). Dr. Jerry South deserves thanks for the arrangement and for his part in the conference. Dr. South deserves even more credit, for feeding the students with an "A-1" meal plan for the entire weekend. To the rest of the staff, thanks, on behalf of everyone.

Student Activities

By Kathy Branigan

We would like to extend a warm and pleasant welcome to all new and returning students. Capitol Campus' Fall 1981 Orientation should prove to be the best in our fifteen year history. Various activities have been planned throughout the week to help all students become acquainted with each other. On Sunday, September 20, there will be a mouth watering chicken barbeque picnic on the Student Center lawn, and following that, there will be a swinging square dance at the Student Center. During the day on Monday, there will be a Student Affairs Meeting, Admissions meeting, library tours and program meetings which all students should attend. Consult the Orientation brochure for time and place. Monday night, there will be a film festival featuring Cheech &

Chong's smash hit "Next Movie". Advising and Registration are the main events of the day on Tuesday; in addition, the Returning Women's Club will meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Gallery Lounge and the MSU will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Gallery Lounge. All interested students are encouraged to attend. Tuesday night's highlight will be a concert with the popular band "Friends". Another film festival is planned for Thursday, when Alan Alda's recent movie "Same Time Next Year" will be screened at 8:00 p.m. in the Student Center.

In addition to the Orientation events, all recreational facilities are available, these include racquetball, tennis, volleyball and pinball.

If questions come up during Orientation, look for the gold "ASK ME" T-shirted people.