

Vendorville

Something Old Something New

MIDDLETOWN—Five months of work have gone into renovating the Olmstead Building cafeteria at Capitol Campus. As the commercial says, "... and it shows."

The cafeteria will be dedicated at a ceremony September 24 at 9:30 a.m. The ceremony, open to the community, will be followed by an open house at which coffee, soft drinks and snacks will be served. The cafeteria will not be in operation until after the 9:30 dedication, and breakfast will not be served that day.

Gone are the wall murals, the cafeteria line, the plastic chairs and broken tables. In fact, one word describes what's left of the old facility: nothing. The ceiling and floor and everything in between have been renovated, and the new cafeteria has no resemblance whatsoever to Vendorville.

Initial renovation plans for the facility were for the lounge area only, according to Joseph A. Kemp, manager maintenance and utilities operations. However, the appropriation from University Park for the project enabled renovation of the serving area, too, he said.

Rough cut fir planking is used as a wainscot and is topped by wall-paper that coordinates with the flooring, table and counter tops. Oak tables and chairs match the color of the fir, which also was used in the construction of booths and room dividers that section off different seating arrangements throughout the lounge. Live plants and Tiffany-style lamp shades round out the decor.

The renovation dealt not only with the aesthetics of the cafeteria but also with the service characteristics.

Seating was designed for adaptability. Nine booths for four persons and five booths seating two each are on the lounge perimeter. Movable tables for two or four can be clustered for larger groups. Con-

versation pits featuring bench seating have been included.

A former vault now is a small dining room separate from the main lounge. With seating for 23, the dining room is intended for group usage and may be reserved for meetings and luncheons, according to JoAnn Nesgoda, Supervisor of Dining Hall Services.

The serving area, located across the hallway from the game room, features a scramble system, which eliminates the traditional cafeteria serving line. In the scramble set-up, seven separate areas each serve a different menu item, and a customer can go to any area without having to pass by or wait in line at the others. Customers can go directly to the self-serve, soup/chili, grill, deli, special of the day, munchies, or beverage area.

The only service eliminated from the previous cafeteria set-up was the salad bar. Ready-made salads, Nesgoda said, will be available in the self-service area, along with yogurt, desserts, fruit, and prepared sandwiches. The deli section will feature a special daily sandwich, such as corned beef or pastrami. Potpourri or the special of the day area will serve a different item daily and, according to Nesgoda, if there is a demand for it, a platter or full dinner might be offered. The munchie area will include pretzels and freshly popped popcorn.

Clean-up in the lounge is the responsibility of each customer, Nesgoda said, and bins have been provided for wastes. "The arrangement," she said "is exactly as you find in most fast-food restaurants. Disposable utensils allow us to serve customers fast. Hoping that customers will dispose of their own waste, we will not need additional staff to bus tables and can keep our overhead and prices down."

While clean-up of the facility will depend upon campus-wide pride in

the new cafeteria, the tone for campus-wide cooperation in the project was set during the renovation.

A special five-member committee was established to set the tone for the renovation. This committee, consisting of students, faculty, and representatives from administration, was responsible for identifying color schemes, determining the aesthetic quality for the facility, and came up with ideas such as the inclusion of live plants and conversation areas. The committee consisted of Kemp; Dr. Barbara L. Bleau, assistant professor of mathematics; M. Jean Egenrieder, senior accounting clerk in the Fi-

nance Office; and former students Sandy Shirk and Rosanne Rosenberger, who was then president of the Student Government Association.

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In households with incomes of \$35,000 and over, 84 percent of the adults read a newspaper daily. In households with incomes between \$25,000 and \$35,000, 79 percent are daily newspaper readers.

COBCSG

On August 23, 24 and 25 The Capitol Campus hosted the annual Leadership Conference sponsored by the Council of Branch Campus Student Governments (COBCSG). The Council was formed to represent all branch campuses of The Pennsylvania State University and to provide the opportunity for interaction among campuses.

Each year, shortly before the beginning of Fall Term classes, leaders of student government, clubs, and organizations from all of the branch campuses are invited to attend the Leadership Conference. Roberta Bronson, SGA President, Steve King, SGA Vice President, Tish Whalen, SGA Secretary and Darrell Reider, Chief Justice represented The Capitol Campus.

Conference activities included "Towers", a game designed to develop team building and group interaction skills, Leadership Workshops, such as Conflict Management, Leadership Strategies and Time Management and a session on Leadership Theories. Throughout the three day period, students were encouraged to become acquainted with one another and to develop an awareness of their individual styles of leadership.

After a busy day of workshops and meetings on Monday, students dressed up for a banquet in the Dining Hall. Provost and Dean Theodore Gross spoke to the students on "Reaching for Excellence". Afterwards, everyone enjoyed "New Games" with Bud Smitley. Finally, after students were instructed on relaxation techniques and how to deal with stress, Red Taylor & The Toppers entertained a Student Center full of square dancers and country western music lovers.

When the participants left on Tuesday for their own campuses, the goals of the COBCSG Conference — unity and interaction — had a good chance of being realized. Students now have a better understanding of their leadership responsibilities and everyone looks forward to a successful year.

Counseling Center News

Welcome to all new students and welcome back all returning students. The Counseling Center staff is looking forward to meeting with all you new students at 8:00 a.m., Monday morning at the Student Affairs Dividing meeting at which time we will be announcing expanding programs and services.

Two upcoming "Directions '81-'82" workshops are Study Effectiveness Training Workshop (S.E.T.) and the Graduate School Preparation Seminars. Both are free and open to all students.

S.E.T. is a 4-session workshop devoted to learning 1) test taking techniques and strategies, 2) time management, 3) note-taking skills, 4) improving reading and retention skills as well as other topics of interest to help improve a student's coping with academic life here. S.E.T. begins October 14 and runs 4 consecutive Wednesday afternoons from 1:30-3:00 p.m. Advanced pre-registration is requested, so pick up your form from the Counseling Center.

Two sessions of the Graduate School Preparation seminar - one for day and one for evening students - will be held on Monday, October 5, 1981 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. and Wednesday, October 7, 1981 from 1:30-3:00 p.m. both in the Gallery Lounge. These sessions will be devoted to developing strategies for choosing and applying to graduate and professional schools.

Marian Krieger and Ed Beck are the staff Counselors and Joanne Meinsler is the Secretary. We are located in the Main Building in Room W-117 (next to the Gallery Lounge). Information on all of our services, programs and resources, which include personal, educational and career counseling as well as testing and skill building programs is available from two brochures, "The Counseling Center, More Than a Place to Talk..." and the exciting schedule of "Directions '81-'82" workshops free to all students. Be sure to look for more news in this regular column.

Again welcome, to Capitol Campus and here's to a good year for all of us!

Engineers popular

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Starting salaries for engineers are eight to ten percent higher this year than last year.

Petroleum engineers are in the highest demand. Starting salaries for petroleum engineers is \$26,244 per year.

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