Smith outlines semester change

By Joseph Hart

Students at Capitol Campus next fall will see a birthing which took 17 years before it came to term, or should I say semester. The early semester calendar which will start in the fall of 1983 is going to change the daily pattern of both students and faculty while making life easier for the administration.



Photo by Joe Hart

In a discussion sponsored by the Resident Assistants, Dr. Duane Smith, Assistant Provost and Dean, fielded student questions about the upcoming change from terms to semesters.

For juniors the transition next fall could be good or bad depending on what classes they took in the '82-'83 school year. If a required class was failed or not taken through some oversight, the student might have to stay an extra year to make up the missed course(s). With over 100 new courses being added to the catalogue the various departments here at Capitol are making changes in both the required classes and prerequisites for incoming juniors. These changes will not affect currently enrolled students who intend to graduate next year.

The administration has decided to give students time over the noon hour to eat lunch. No classes will be scheduled for a 20 minute period on M, W, F, and a 75 minute period on T, Th. Cultural events usually scheduled when students aren't around will now be scheduled on the T, Th, lunch hour.

Classes for non-engineering majors will be held on M, W, F, or on T, Th. The M, W, F, classes will run for 50 minutes while the T, Th, classes will last 75 minutes. For classes requiring a lab, T or Th is usually a lab day. Engineering majors will be on a different schedule. Their classes will run M-F for 50 minutes.

Student registration will begin next fall on August 22 instead of the usual mid-September students have come to expect. Winter break will run between December 23, to January 10. Spring of '84 will end with commencement on May 19, 1984.

Course load will increase next fall from the current 18 course/72 credit load to a 20 course/60 credit load. Students will be taking five classes every 15 weeks instead of three classes every 10 weeks.

Dr. Smith emphasizes that students should try to keep up with their classes next fall and not put studying off until the final week and try to cram.

This year's juniors will have a lot of headaches before they graduate next year.

Extravaganza introduces pageant hopefuls

On Saturday evening, May 14, the Capitol Times will sponsor "Entertainment Extravaganza '83" in the school auditorium. Among the featured in the program will be three young women who will vie for the title of Miss Pennsylvania in June, a dance trio from Northeastern PA, some local talent, and talent from right here at Capitol Campus. The event will kick off the "Rites of Spring" week on campus.

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Junior George Yanoshik, a free-lance public relations consultant for Miss America
Pageant preliminaries; and senior Kim Guzzi, Capitolite editor, are serving as codirectors for the show.

"There She is... Miss
America." This song has not
been sung to a young woman
from Pennsylvania since 1954
when Evelyn Ay (Sempier) from
Ephrata, won the title of Miss
America in Atlantic City, N.J.
This does not stop Pennsylvania
women from continuing to compete for this prized title and the
educational scholarships
available.

Scholarships are the driving force behind the competition. What many people fail to realize about the Miss America Pageant and its preliminaries is that they award over \$2 million annually on the local, state, and national levels to contestants.

"We would like to conduct our program in the tradition of a regularly franchised Miss America Pageant preliminary with some minor alterations," says Yanoshik. "If young women on campus are interested in competing, we will do just that. Otherwise, we still have a really exciting, talent-filled show put together which will be entertaining for all who attend."

The original contestant deadline of April 18 has been extended to Monday, May 2 to accommodate all young women on campus who may have been unaware of what this program consisted of and what it has to offer.

adhered to in this competition.

"All entrants must be female, between the ages of 17 and 26, single and never have been married or had a marriage annulled, of good moral character, and a U.S. citizen," she explains.

Details are available in the Capitol Times office, W-129.

"Our goal is to bring recognition to the talented young women currently attending classes here at Capitol," says Guzzi. "We do have many outside entertainers

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> George Yanoshik Co-Director, Entertainment Extravaganza

A successful pageant here could mean the opportunity for a young woman from the area to compete in a traditional local pageant if she is interested. The local pageant is a young woman's first step to the title of Miss America. Whether she is a high school graduate, a college student, a college graduate, or employed, the young women who enter Miss America Pageant preliminaries have an underlying goal — continued education either on the academic level or in the performing arts.

According to Guzzi, a few rules similar to those of Miss America Pageant preliminaries will be booked to perform in our show, in the event we do not have anyone from campus interested in performing and competing."

To date, entertainment for the show includes: Miss Pocono, Jennifer Eshelman, a vocalist and 1982 Penn State grad; Miss Lebanon Valley, Cheryl Bergen, a student at the University of Pittsburgh and also a vocalist; as well as Miss Cumberland Valley, Eileen Shull, a singer and student at Messiah College.

From Wilkes-Barre, PA, Candice Kennedy and Company, a professional dance trio, will also perform.

A talented and scholastically ambitious Capitol Campus

woman may very well become the next Miss Pennsylvania and ultimately Miss America. "If we have an adequate entrant response to a pageant here of this nature, I am prepared to see that the winner has every opportunity given to her to compete in the Miss America Pageant system," says Yanoshik, who currently serves as PR chairman of the Miss Pocono Pageant. "I am willing to share my time and talents with any young woman interested in this type of competition. Capitol Campus is a starting point.'

It is emphasized that if the interest is here and a pageant takes place within the "Extravaganza" format, the winner is under no obligation to compete any further. Professional entertainers, models, cosmetologists, make-up artists, wardrobe consultants, etc., though, will be available to offer contestants guidance, help and suggestions — information that will be valuable for a lifetime.

"Fun is the bottom line for all involved," says Yanoshik.
"Through our show we will be able to bring about a statewide awareness of Capitol Campus and our talented students here. We need support, cooperation, and encouragement on all levels to do just that."

For ticket information, contact Yanoshik or Guzzi. Or, stop by W-129 or the Student Activities Office W-104. Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.