

Day care draws SGA support but no money

The Student Government Association (SGA) displayed a unanimous support for the establishment of a day care facility on campus and appointed an acting SGA vice president, during their weekly meeting Tuesday.

SGA president Peter Mekosh told the attending senators that he had received a letter from 15 students indicating a desire for a day care facility on campus, and suggested that SGA get involved in seeing that desire become a reality.

"I don't know if we can fund it, but it is something we could help establish," he said. Mekosh said the high average age of Capitol's students increases the likelihood that they may need the use of a day care facility.

The senators voted unanimously to support the creation of such a facility on campus, although no definitive plans exist at the moment. Mekosh suggested that faculty and students involved in the elementary

education curriculum at Capitol become involved in the project, and suggested that the facility would have to be open to all faculty, staff and students in the campus community.

All of the senators at the meeting agreed with the importance of establishing the facility.

"It may also be a big recruitment plus for the campus [for both faculty and students]," said Senior Senator Jim Crest.

Mekosh also accepted the resignation of vice president Bob Dopkosky because of "too many conflicting activities," and asked the membership to appoint Keith Garrison to the position. The senators disagreed for a few minutes about the proper way to fill the position, after which they appointed Garrison acting vice president until a permanent decision is made.

Garrison, who lost his bid for a Junior senatorial seat in the fall election, has already been accepted by the screening com-

mittee and, according to Mekosh, has experience working with a student government from a college with a larger budget than Capitol's SGA.

In other actions, the members of SGA:

- ✓ Indicated that Assistant Provost James South is currently checking on the possibility of an "all-the-time teller" being installed on campus. Mekosh said the students would be inconvenienced by the presence of an electronic banking machine but said finding a bank whose officials would be willing to agree to the installation would "take time."

- ✓ Posed the possibility of moving the date of the annual phonathon to avoid conflicts with mid-term exams during the Spring semester. Senior Senator Jeff Schnier said the project goal is raising \$30,000 and said the use of the money will be decided "by the end of November."

- ✓ Reported that the use of unclaimed general deposits may

be used to purchase a class gift to the campus.

"We'd like to do something that's noticeable on campus," Ed Bardella, head of SGA's newly-formed Class Gifts Committee, said. Bardella said Provost Ruth Leventhal likes the idea of a class gift and said park benches were being considered as gifts.

The committee was formed last week after Mekosh suggested the use of the \$50

general deposit that all students pay for a class gift.

"It's not like it hurts you because you haven't seen it in two years anyway," Mekosh said.

The use of the deposit would be voluntary, Mekosh said, and the gift would include something identifying it as a class gift.

-Tony Perry



Photo by Neil Myers
S.G.A. senators Christina Veltri and Beth Horne take the oath of office.

Anti-nukes seek attention

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sonalize the issue by thinking about their options.

But thinking about suicide could foster a defeatist attitude and actually drive students away from the campus freeze movement, warns Sanford Gottlieb, executive director of United Campuses to Prevent Nuclear War (UCAM).

"I think (stockpiling suicide pills) is a very poor idea because it doesn't offer hope," Gottlieb says.

Instead, he argues, students should work to educate each

other about the horrors of a nuclear confrontation and "discuss solutions to the arms buildup."

While the Brown students "were sincere in wanting to raise consciousness" of the imminent dangers of nuclear war," he says, "they miscalculated what effect it would have: It makes people feel more hopeless."

"But nuclear war is suicide," counters Brown's Salzman. "If I'm not dead, I want to be able to kill myself. Life after nuclear war is a fate less than death."

Besides, Salzman adds, "I'm more optimistic about the future now just by seeing everyone's growing concern and awareness" since the referendum was introduced.

"We're trying to use the momentum we've started to get other campuses involved," he says. "We're sending out information to campuses to hold rallies on November 2 against nuclear war. It's coming up fast, but we want it to be before the (November 6th presidential) election."

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BIRTHRIGHT

Student arrested for disorderly conduct

By Tony Perry

A Meade Heights resident will be arraigned before District Magistrate Mary Cross tomorrow following his early morning arrest on disorderly conduct charges last week.

EDET major Joe Rushin, of 955B Flickinger St., was charged with one count each of criminal trespass, harassment, public drunkenness and disorderly conduct after campus police received complaints about a "loud party," according to campus police reports.

The reports said that campus police received a telephone complaint from a student about a "loud party" at 955B Flickinger St. on Oct. 24. The police officer arrived at the location to find Rushin "drunk and disorderly," the report said.

Rushin came out of his house "several times...yelling obscenities," according to the police report, and entered the residence at 955A Flickinger. He was asked to leave and when he refused, was taken from the residence, police said.

The police record also said that many efforts were made to calm Rushin by the officer, Rushin's housemates, and the residence assistant for that house. Although Rushin was given "12 to 15 warnings" from midnight up until 1:15 a.m., police said he verbally

abused the residence assistant and threatened to enter the 955A housing unit through the bedroom wall.

Police officer Dave Buckwash arrested Rushin at 3:15 p.m. and transported him to night court where he faced a preliminary arraignment before District Justice Semic.

In an unrelated incident, a West Reading resident was injured last month during the Autumn Buzz Sharks concert.

Police reports said the non-student, William Feick, of the 200 block of South Fourth St., was running along the railroad tracks between the dorms and the heat plant on Oct. 12 when he tripped and hit his head on a railroad tie.

Feick was taken to Community General Osteopathic Hospital and treated for a laceration to his head, according to reports. Police said Feick was intoxicated "to a minor degree" when the incident happened.

Two tires on the car of a maintenance employee were also found slashed that evening, according to police reports. Janitorial worker William Blockson had parked his car in front of the maintenance building and discovered that his right front and right rear tires were found to have been "slashed," police said.