

# Alumni fellow South speaks on campus

**PSH grad addresses humanities/business and public administration students**

Gail T. South, who has been named Penn State Harrisburg's Alumni Fellow, spoke to students majoring in humanities/business and public administration, the returning women students group and spent time with faculty and attended formal functions during her Oct. 24-26 visit to campus.

The designation as an Alumni Fellow is one of the highest honors bestowed by Penn State.

South, strategy adviser in the national Service Division of IBM, earned her master's degree in American studies from PSH in 1976 and said it was a key event in determining her future.

"Going to Capital meant I was going back to school to go into the real world

of work," South said. She has held a variety of positions in the National Service Division including positions in the areas of Distribution and Equal Opportunity.

She assumed her current position, where she helps develop business direction for the division, in January

1986.

South said she tried to maintain and develop outside interests despite the fact that she devotes most of her time to her career.

In 1982, she was a National Semi-finalist in the White House Fellows

Program and was an invited participant in the 1979 National Security Seminar at the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle.

Currently, most of her free time is spent working with the Literacy Volunteers of America.



1988 Alumni Fellow Gail South

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After earning a bachelor's degree in political science from Dickinson College in 1965, South worked for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in Philadelphia, and as administrator of a program of grants for public works construction for needy municipalities in New York.

Upon completion of her degree, South's ties to PSH remained strong. She served as administrative assistant to the chairman of the business administration program, as a lecturer in technical and business writing, and as a personnel administrator at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center.

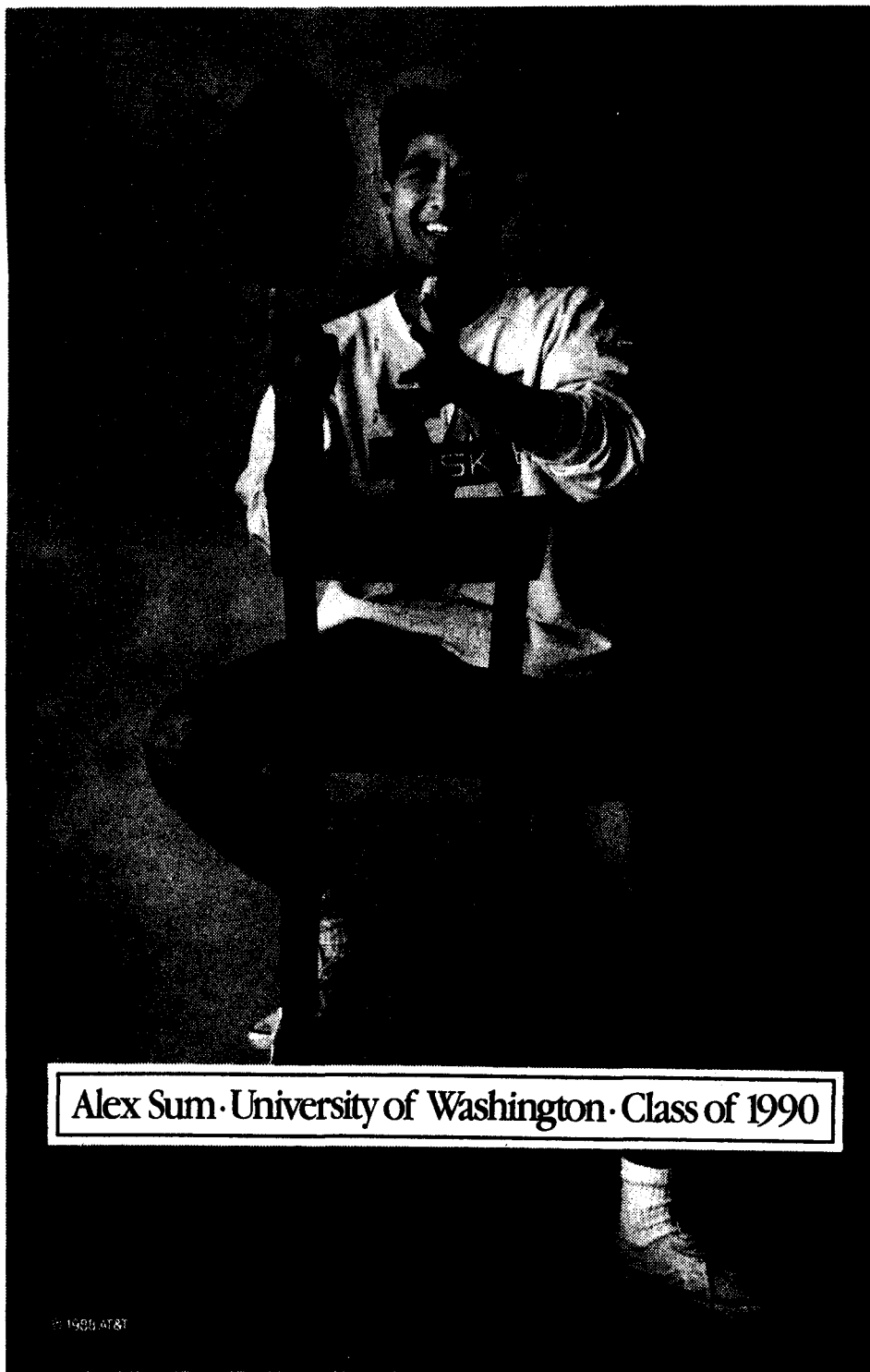
She also maintained strong ties to the community, serving on the board of advisers of Youth and Urban Services for the Harrisburg YMCA, and the Camp Curtin branch of the YMCA.

South was also a member of the board of advisers of PROBE Counseling and Referral Service at Capital College, and a member of the board of advisers of the Early Childhood Development Center at Harrisburg Area Community College.

According to South, she left the Harrisburg area to take a position with IBM "with a mixture and anticipation and regret."

But, she said the move was a good one for her career.

**"I wasn't rubbing it in—I just wanted Eddie to know the score of last night's game."**



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