Students explore Ghana during lunch

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Students, staff and faculty members were treated to lunch with a little international flavor and culture in the Gallery Lounge on Jan. 29.

Lunch With an International Flavor featured the West African nation of Ghana hosted by graduate student Daniel Ackah, a public administration major.

Ackah, a native of Ghana, presented both historical and cultural information about Ghana. Ackah was assisted by Elizabeth Jacob, a native of Ghana.

Before the lecture, the crowd tasted Ghanaian food prepared by Jacob.

Donna Percapio, a graduate student in elementary education, said, "The fish is so wonderful, I'm going to ask her for the recipe."

The foods served included kenky (corn meal loaf), jaloff rice, peanut butter soup and fried peach fish.

While the audience sampled the food, Ackah described the history of Ghana, starting from Portuguese and British colonization and eventual British domination to present-day Ghana.

"From 1957 to 1966, Ghana was the torch for Africa," Ackah said. "Independence is meaningless untill all of Africa is independent."

Ackah praised Flight Lieutenant Jerry

Rawlings for guiding Ghana from poverty and economic recovery from 1984 to present.

Students also learned about the culture, traditions and problems of Ghana.

According to Ackah, life in Ghana is based on the British system. There are 10 different ethnic divisions in Ghana which play important roles in the country's development. He said that women also played an important role in Ghana's national development.

Ackah and his assistant wore kenite (*ken-tay*) cloth. Once worn only by chiefs, this hand-made colorful cloth is now only worn during important occasions.

"We have to accept and honor our Chil

traditions," said Ackah.

The knowledge he has gained from his Penn State Harrisburg education will be used as tools for his future of his country, Ackah said

"The professors have given me the knowledge to see the problems of Ghana," said Ackah.

Ackah's plans after graduation include returning to Ghana to pursue politics. He said his goal is to become president of Ghana.

Other international events during February include the 20th Annual Model United Nations, Feb. 20-22 and Lunch With an International Flavor, featuring Chile, Feb. 24 in the Gallery Lounge.

WPSH SPRING SCHEDULE					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9 AM	The Fungis	Starview 92.7	Starview 92.7	Starview 92.7	Larry Luv and the Luv Ones
10 AM	Mourning Zoo	5tal view 32.7	Terry's Classic Rock Hour	Joe Sliver The Cutting Hedge	Morning Show
11 AM	Terry's Classic Rock Hour	The Kay Stohler No-Format Hour	Karen Simons	Starview 92.7	Terry's Classic Rock Hour
12 PM	Sing Along With	Brian G. Classic/Alternative	Not Top 40 Show		Star's Classic Rock Hour
1 PM	Stacey and Hilary	Madame Whoopy and the Whole	Trinh Ngo Alternative	Mike Scheer Classic Rock	The Dickster's
2 PM	John Bedoya's	Wheat Jellyfrogs	The Kay Stohler No Format Hour	Chris Mercanti Classic Rock	Alternative Review
3 PM	Alternative Show	The Android's	John Bedoya's Alternative Show	Big B's Anything	Starview 92.7
4 PM	Happy Harry Honus	Pitiful Plee for Help	Michele Loeper Classic Rock	and Everything	
5 PM	and More Alternative	Starview 92.7	The Wow-man Album of the	Mike 'N Jay 90 Minutes	Call the WPSH
б РМ		Dave and Mike Bench Talk	Week Show	of Radio Bliss	on-air
7 PM	Starview 92.7	Starview 92.7	The Infamous Mike Stone	Sharon and Candy What Format?	request line at 948-6395
8 PM			Aaron Croop	Starview 92.7	
9 PM			Songs from the Suburbs		
10 PM					