

Local high school students attend Model United Nations Conference.

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The International Affairs Association (IAA) hosted a model United Nations Conference on campus Feb. 18-19.

The model U.N. Conference is an annual program that was initiated 21 years ago by Dr. Clem E. Gilpin, advisor to the IAA.

The program is designed to create international awareness for capital area high school students by recruiting them to act as would-be delegates of the 123rd U.N. countries in the world. In order to vote on international concerns within the U.N. forum, students need to become familiar with the political and socioeconomic policies of their respective countries.

Participating in the model U.N. Conference were around 380 students from 31 different school districts in south-central Pennsylvania. There were even a few students from Mont Clair school district in New Jersey.

The IAA organized the conference by assigning student delegates to four separate U.N. committees.

The Political and Security Committee discussed terrorism, the Palestinian homeland issue, POW's, and international drug enforcement practices.

The Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee discussed the issues of AIDS, deforestation/soil conservation, population growth, world hunger, apartheid, and religious conflicts.

The Special Political Committee debated on the war in Yugoslavia, nuclear weapons control, security council membership, as well as recognition of independence movements.

The Security Council voted on the war in Yugoslavia and Security Council membership, as well as recognition of independence movements, Israeli occupation of the West Bank, and the military embargo of Liberia.

Besides passing resolutions on these issues, student delegates were also treated to lectures about counter-terrorism, armed intervention for Yugoslavia, and strategic defense initiatives.

"The program was a success," said Jason Wingert, president of the IAA. "The student delegates had fun and learned a lot about international affairs in relation to the framework of the United Nations."

The conference ended at 9 p.m. on Feb. 19 with a delegate dance in the Student Center.

Proceeds collected by the IAA from this program will be used to send PSH students to a collegiate model United

Nations at Penn University in November 1993.

The next upcoming IAA event is Spring International Week, April 5-9. The theme for the week is "Pacific Rim,"

focusing on countries like Asia, Australia, Mexico, Japan and the United States. Activities will include a Cambodian dance demonstration and a cooking/tasting session of ethnic foods.

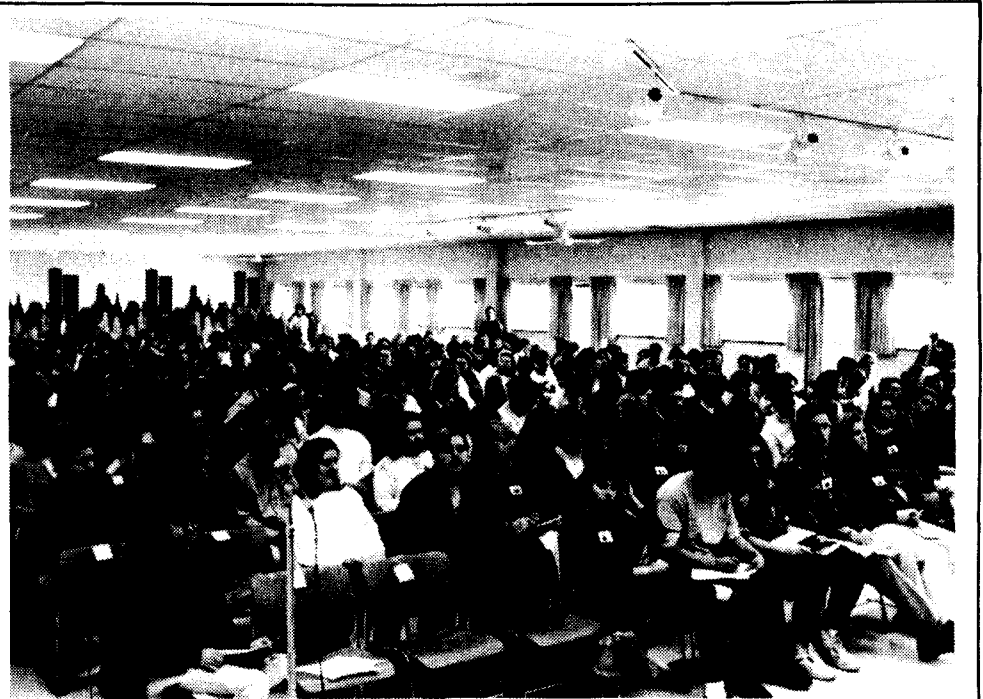


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High school students brainstorm for world peace at Model United Nations Conference.

Despite warnings, students continue to party in Heights

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Nine PSH students arrested at two parties in Meade Heights on Oct. 23, 1993, pled guilty to charges of disorderly conduct.

PSH police, aided by three local police departments, investigated a number of complaints about loud parties in the Heights on Friday nights.

"Because they pled guilty, they pay the maximum fine. In this case, that is \$300," said District Justice Robert Yanich.

Yanich said that police decided to file less severe charges because, during the investigation, the people involved did cooperate with police.

The investigation resulted in the arrest of eleven people. Two were legally unable to drink alcohol. They received the disorderly conduct charge instead of underage drinking. Neither of these people was a student of PSH.

As for violation of university policy, officials could not comment because the students' cases are protected by privacy acts.

Since this incident, police have visited a number of parties in the Heights; the Student Government Association has provided students with a guide to help them "Party Smarter;" and students continue to party in their homes on campus.

Stepping up for bucks

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The Black Student Union (BSU) and the Student Government Association (SGA) joined together to sponsor a Greek step show in celebration of Martin Luther King's birthday. The event was held on Feb. 20 in the Capital Union Building (CUB).

The CUB was packed with spectators from PSH and surrounding campuses.

"The Greek step show was awesome," said Paula Eiland, a junior

communications major. "Those who did not attend it missed a treat."

Delta Sigma Theta won first place by singing an a cappella vocal tribute to their Greek letters. The brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha won first place over Omega Psi Phi.

The show was held to raise money for a Martin Luther King scholarship.

Besides raising money for the scholarship, the BSU encouraged spectators to bring canned goods for the Bethesda Mission of Harrisburg. Nearly 150 cans were collected.



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Greeks step around during a Martin Luther King scholarship fund-raiser held at PSH last month.



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