

Budget Cuts May Cost Campus Photographer His Job

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University budget cuts have left Darrell Peterson unsure of his position as Senior Photographic Technician at Penn State Harrisburg.

For fourteen years Peterson has done copy slides for the Art History files, documented different events, press releases, catalog work for advertisements, publicity for performers, and faculty and staff file photos.

But all this could be changing with the

advent of a ten percent budget cut all around the University.

The "Future's Plan" devised by Penn State President Joab Thomas three years ago will reduce the budget by \$1.3 million by the 1995-96 school year, said Dr. James D. South, Associate Provost of Administrative Operations.

"If we continue doing business as we've done, we'll be in bad shape," said Dr. South.

The budget cuts, which will deprive Penn State Harrisburg students and faculty of the

campus photographer, have eliminated 17 other positions. These positions have simply not been filled when vacated or when someone retired.

According to Dr. South, many of the things Peterson does will be done in different ways. Modern technology is always changing.

Peterson remains optimistic. With a change in the administration scheduled, there may be a change in lay-off plans. Peterson has not yet received official notification. However, the fiscal year of this year's budget ends June 30, 1995.

"If it is to be reconsidered, they could rethink the position so that it's more involved with the media and the classroom," Peterson said. The position could include

helping the faculty develop more multi-media materials.

Computer generated slides, overheads in full color—more graphic kind of packages could be processed. We don't have any of this now, he said.

Other issues to be considered in eliminating Peterson's position are cost, where the work will be done, and who will do it. If the work is done at the Medical Center or University Park, they'll never be able to photograph an event, because it will be cost prohibitive, Peterson said.

"Everything I do now will cost the University more and less will be used." The University wants to be more visible for publicity, not less.

Also, when professors from Penn State

Harrisburg go out to present their research with their professional groups, their projects may not be as good, Peterson said. They won't have the visual aids as readily available to them.

Steve Hevner, Manager of the Public Information Office, who uses Peterson's services, said there are questions yet to be answered.

"His parting affects my operation," he said. "I'm going to have to resolve it when the time comes."

Dr. South doesn't know who will do the work or how the work will be done, but said it will be done in accordance with university standards.

"It's a very very difficult position to change the way you do business, especially when it affects people's lives," Dr. South said.

Mark Singel Teaching Political Science at PSH

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Politics.

The silver arena.

He's been the second in command of Pennsylvania for the better part of his political career and now he's passing his expertise on to others.

The former lieutenant governor is at PSH this semester teaching a political science class and, apparently, his expertise is welcome.

According to the registration office, Singel's class filled in less than 45 minutes after the announcement of who would be the professor.

Though he has never taught before, he referred to his return to PSH as a homecoming. Singel said he worked in the PSH records office in his younger days.

"I'm honored to be with PSH," he said. "It's truly a distinguished faculty."

And what a better political science teacher than one who has helped shape Pennsylvania since 1986 when he and Bob Casey were elected to the governorship after an eight-year Republican stint.

Singel was defeated in November for the governor's seat, losing to Erie-based republican Tom Ridge.

As lieutenant governor, Singel's career had some fluctuating high and low points.

He was applauded for his accomplishments as acting governor during Casey's dramatic recovery from a heart-liver transplant in June of 1993. But he was branded for

his apparent "softness" on crime during his campaigning, as opponents criticized him for early parole votes for violent criminals.

"I first want to see what's on the minds of students with the present government," he said. "But I hope to share current information and the experiences I have with the students."

Students aren't the only people he's sharing his political knowledge with.

Since his term ended, Singel has been focusing his attention on beginning a management-consulting business in Harrisburg. Singel-Associates helps companies develop ways to deal with the federal government.

He refers to his teaching as another way to stay active in the community.

"I don't intend to make a living at this," he jokes.

Singel said this is his first time teaching a class though his old job often required teaching students in a different way.

"As Lt. governor, I was often in the classroom at the elementary and high school level," Singel said.

Singel said students are fortunate they are seeing an amazing transition in politics.

"Students are watching history unfold every day," Singel said. "Life is about change. Politics is about change. And the only constant in our system is that it will change."

Is there still a future in politics for Mark Singel? Gubernatorial candidate in 1998?

"It's still a possibility," Singel said. "There are a lot of people who invested a lot of money in my candidacy. I'm not fulfilled and I have a lot more to offer. When the time is right, I will be back."

WPSH Growing, But Needs Help

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It was 12:30 p.m. on a Wednesday last semester, when WPSH's disc jockey and chief engineer Greg Smith offered a \$100 bill to the first person who called or came into the radio station on the third floor of the Olmsted building.

No one responded.

That was then, this is now.

Although still broadcasting on AM frequency, WPSH has become one of the biggest and most popular clubs on campus. Membership has expanded to over 30 students who broadcast more than 60 hours a week.

The local community has encouraged this growth with sponsors such as Harry's Hot Wings, Domino's Pizza and Pizza Hut sponsoring the Big Guy Tiny, Dr. Knob & Frenchy and Baba Time shows, respectively.

"We are at the point now where we are more

popular than God, but we still have not achieved our main goal," said DJ Aaron Fry.

The main goal of WPSH is to broadcast over the FM band.

As of now, WPSH can only reach the dorms and the Lion's Den.

Unfortunately, there is no knight in shining armor galloping to the station's financial rescue. What the station needs, is the help of students, so they can be heard all over the campus on stereo FM.

WPSH is starting a fundraiser to solve this problem.

"If we can get one dollar from every student, we would be guaranteed the necessary equipment for FM transmission," Smith stated.

A table will be set up over random hours outside the library starting on Thursday, Mar. 2 and will continue after the spring break.

"Once we get the ball rolling, I see greater things to come," Smith said.

Donations can also be made at the Student Activities Office in room 212. For more information call the radio station at 948-6395.

Registration To Be Done Over Phone

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versity needs to same money where it can to keep our tuition cost down."

Student registration will bring no additional costs to the student, said South. However, students will pay for the long-distance call to University Park in order to register by phone.

Caralyus thinks that since students already pay a computer fee every semester, registration ought to be toll-free.

Once students register by phone, they will receive a confirmation of their schedule in the mail, said Mahar. They should also give a copy of their schedule to their advisor for their file, he added.

Penn State Harrisburg hoped to have touch-tone registration in place for Spring 1995, but the computer capacity at that time would not have been available to handle it, said South.

University computers were upgraded in De-

ember.

The program has already been in use at a couple of Penn State branch campuses and at University Park, said South. Graduate students here have been registering by phone for some time.

"The new registration system is progressive because University Park has been doing it for years, and we should be afforded the same opportunities," said Caralyus.

Touch-tone registration for undergraduate students will continue through March 17; graduate students may use the system through September 1.

Hours of operation are: Monday to Friday, 7:45 a.m. to 10:45 p.m., and 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Walk-in registration will be available to all students beginning on March 20.

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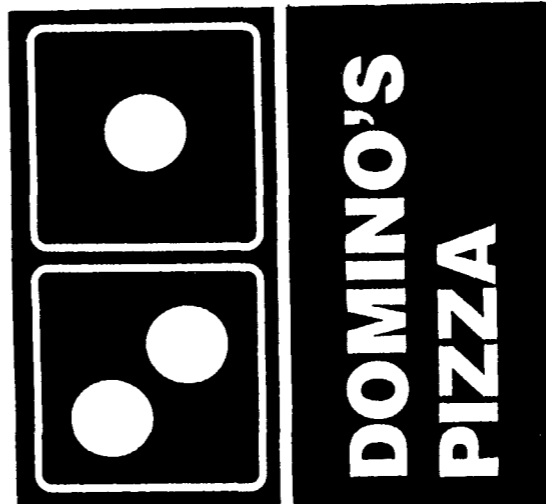
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