

From SGA President, Duane E. Brooks:

Most of you probably could agree with me that this year's election was an interesting one. I hope all of the candidates that ran for office grew from the experience of running for a seat in the Student Government Association.

There were many times throughout the campaign I felt attacked or wrongly accused, but I was able to overcome those situations with the help of great friends.

My father once told me that running for a political office was not easy and not always clean. Professionalism is an utmost importance to me and I vowed not to run a negative campaign. With that in mind, I tried to focus my campaign around the students and their concerns.

I would like to extend my thanks to those who supported me and continue to do so. My goal for the 1995-96 school year is to continue to focus on the students and their concerns which merit attention. I would like to host student open forums for the whole student body. The purpose of this is to hear and address student issues in a positive manner.

Finally, I would like to extend an open invitation to all students to contact me at any time with their concerns. I will try to address them in a timely and appropriate manner.

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Award Winners Honored

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Dr. Allida Black, adjunct assistant professor of American Studies and history was named recipient of the 1995 James A. Jordan Memorial Award at the Student Awards Ceremony on Friday, Apr. 21.

The Jordan Award is in honor of former PSH faculty member, Humanities Professor James A. Jordan. The award is given annually to a faculty member who best exemplifies dedication and achievement in teaching.

The nominations are made by the student body during SGA spring elections. A committee of students, one from each division, interview the finalists and choose the winner.

Black could not attend the ceremony, but she sent her acceptance speech. In her letter, she "thanked the students for understanding that knowledge is a powerful tool."

She also apologized for not being there, explaining that she had to be in New York, but she said, "my heart is right here."

Black will receive a plaque and have her name engraved on the wall plaque in the Gallery Lounge.

The ceremony also recognized individuals for their efforts in clubs and organizations on campus. Club members and officers, student leaders, faculty and staff gathered for dinner followed by the presentation of awards.

Dr. Kiffer, interim provost, began the awards ceremony by speaking about his experience and feelings about Penn State Harrisburg.

"I have to get involved," Kiffer said. He explained how he does this by eating with the students in the Dining Commons, living in Meade Heights, stopping in labs and visiting staff offices.

Kiffer mentioned a "breakthrough" he had while walking from the bookstore. He saw a student coming towards him and he raised his hand and said hello.

The student replied, "How ya doin' Ted?"

"That made me feel good," Kiffer commented through the audience's laughter.

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Student Court Governs PSH

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Penn State Harrisburg's administration took away one of the Student Court's rights, to govern in the area of traffic violations.

"This right was, basically, taken away overnight," said Chris Ackerman, former Chief Justice of Student Court. "We (Student Court) tried to be serious and fair."

However, the administration thought that the Student Court was too lenient and decided to let police services and the vehicle registration office handle the violations, Ackerman said.

The administration told the Student Court that they were letting too many issues slide. Issues such as students saying they forgot their parking pass, someone else had it, or they misplaced it, were reasons given to show the leniency of the court.

"I feel vehicle registration could easily check the number on the pass, if a student brings one in, to verify that the student is telling the truth," Ackerman said.

Ackerman said students really should not have to pay to park and that the expense should be lowered or taken away completely. Presently, the Student Court is in

Ethnic Graffiti Found on Campus

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Ethnic intimidation will not be tolerated, according to a letter to all students, faculty and staff from Theodore Kiffer, Penn State Harrisburg's Interim Provost and Dean.

Kiffer's letter was in response to two recent acts of racial intolerance expressed as graffiti in the first floor men's rest room located in the west wing of the Olmsted Building.

Grants, Loans and Scholarships

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Students seeking tuition assistance should be aware there are many options open to them.

Carolyn A. Bryan, Penn State Harrisburg's student aid advisor, offered these tips to students seeking financial aid: "Students should apply for aid early in the year. They also need to explore all avenues. If students have any questions at any time I encourage them to please stop by the Financial Aid Office. We're here to help."

The two main branches of student aid are scholarships and grants, which do not have to be paid back. Another form of financial aid are loans, which do have to be paid back.

Scholarships can pay for a student's tuition either fully or partially. In order to get one, a student must meet certain criteria set by the people or organizations endowing the scholarship.

Bryan said in order to obtain a grant, which helps pay a percentage of a student's tuition, a student must have at least a 2.0 grade point average while carrying 24 credits. Unlike scholarships, which each have different criteria, grants are based on financial need.

The different grants that are awarded are Pell grants, which are federal aid and PHEAA grants, which are state-based aid. In

charge of exercising all judicial powers delegated to the University.

The Student Court is lowering the number of its members. Michael Flory (Chief Justice), Mitsuko Bosserman, Tracy Lewis, and Ackerman are the students that currently preside on the court.

Flory said the Student Court needs to be contacted when a club wants to form.

The club or organization then goes to the Student Government Association (SGA) and in turn the SGA hands it over to the Student Court for approval, Flory said. The Student Court must approve the club's constitution.

If the Student Court approves the constitution, the SGA takes over and the Student Senate makes the final decision to approve the club or organization.

"Any questions concerning SGA, go to them and state your problems," Flory said.

The Student Court is a way for students to come together and get their organizations up and running, Flory said.

The primary concern of the Student Court is working on three or four constitutions a semester. Unfortunately, the Student Court was not able to get together as much as they wanted to this semester, Flory said.

accidents and safety in the labs.

Jackson also said that Police Services has officers on campus 24 hours a day, seven days a week. If someone locks their keys in their car on the weekend Police Services around to help. The officers patrol the entire campus, including the dorms and Meade Heights.

Many students are probably unaware of the extent of the responsibilities of Police Services, Jackson said. Through open forums and seminars, the students and the officers could interact.

"That would be helpful. I think that is a good idea," Elizabeth Ebersole, a junior Humanities Communications major, said.

"I think it would be good to know who the people are wandering around here, but I still don't think they should carry guns," Greg Smith, a junior Humanities Communications major, said.

Jackson said that there are currently five full time officers and one supervisor position. All officers have to qualify each year in different policing areas and they also must pass the weapons qualification even though they don't carry guns.

"They go through the regular training that all other local officers go through," Jackson said.

According to Police Services at Penn State Harrisburg, on Wednesday, February 22, they responded to the rest room after a janitor discovered a racial slur and swastika in a bathroom stall. The racial remarks were scratched on the door of the stall.

Charles Aleksy, Supervisor of Safety and Police, said there were no witnesses to the incident and the actual time of the ethnic intimidation is unknown.

This was the second incident of ethnic intimidation. A racial remark was found on Thursday, February 16 on a bathroom stall

in the men's room at the Olmsted Building.

"On the bathroom stall in black magic marker the words 'Black Power' were written," Aleksy said. "There was also a swastika aside of this."

Police Services at Penn State Harrisburg have contacted agencies and other universities to see if they are having similar problems. Police Services took this action because this incident may signal a bigger prob-

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addition to these, there are campus based aid grants, which are the College Work Study and Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants.

Bryan also said financial need is determined through the student's and/or family's previous year's income. So, if a student, or the student's parents, receive a significant raise in pay that exceeds the amount warranting the grant, the grant will not be reduced or taken away until the next year.

Scholarships are divided into two types at Penn State Harrisburg. One kind includes those that are offered by Penn State Harrisburg, such as the Ernst and Young Scholarship, the Olga Mead Scholarship and the Patriot News Scholarship. These scholarships all have the same basic criteria: financial need and a 3.0 grade point average. However, they also have their own unique criteria. For instance, the Patriot News Scholarship is offered to communication majors.

In addition to these scholarships, there

Tarnhelm Holds Awards Reception

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An awards reception to honored six students whose works were published in Penn State Harrisburg's Literary Magazine, *Tarnhelm*, on April 20 in the Gallery Lounge.

First and second place winners were acknowledged in three categories, short story, poetry and photography.

Dr. Tace Hedrick, Assistant Professor of Humanities and Comparative Literature, presented the awards for the short story entries. She awarded Louise Yanick first place for her short story, "Pas de Deux."

"I've been trying to talk myself into believing this isn't a big deal for me," Yanick said. "But it is."

Yanick also thanked members of the faculty for their support of her writing.

"Dr. Wilson taught me that you have to trust your own story," Yanick said.

Hedrick awarded second place to David Broderic for his short story, "Baseball At Dusk."

Dr. Matthew Wilson, Assistant Professor of Humanities and Writing, presented the poetry awards. He awarded Christine Benecke

first place for her poem, "Sweet."

Benecke read her poem and said, "The voice that reads a poem inside you head is different from your regular voice...maybe it's the voice inside your head that really matters."

Wilson awarded Daina Savage second place for her poem, "Full Moon Night."

Dr. Troy Thomas, Associate Professor of Humanities and Art, presented first and second places for the photography division.

Thomas, who designed the darkroom at PSH 18 years ago, awarded Priscilla Page first place. He said that Page's picture showed an "incredible imagination at work."

Second place was awarded to Bradley Boyd. "This is the highlight to my educational career which has been eclectic," Boyd said.

Dr. Theodora Rapp Graham, Associate Professor of Humanities and English and Dr. Patricia Johnson, Assistant Professor of Humanities and Literature, served as advisers to the *Tarnhelm*.

This year's edition was dedicated to the late Dr. Francis L. Ferguson who died in January. Ferguson was a Professor of Humanities and Architecture at PSH.

Tarnhelm editor Christine Brooks, thanked those who submitted works.

Fulbright Scholar Speaks at PSH

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A Fulbright Scholar explained ways to integrate computers and new technology in Polish businesses at Penn State Harrisburg on Tuesday, April 11.

Only three faculty members and two PSH students attended.

Danuta Maria Kisperka-Moron, Ph.D. discussed logistic management, which is the process of planning, implementing, and controlling the effective flow and storage of raw processes related to materials for inventory.

Kisperka-Moron's purpose is to do research for Poland and learn concepts in management.

These concepts include management in logistics processes and logistic management that creates real impact on decisions to overcome barriers and traditional problems.

"Polish businesses don't have the competitive advantage," Kisperka-Moron said. "The pro side is the planned economy."

The current integration for businesses is low. However, individuals working for these businesses will never be eliminated because there is an abundance of jobs concerning logistics in Poland.

Kisperka-Moron went on to explain how everything changes month to month in this field. This management is suitable in low-cuts if properly done and better revenues for potential buyers.

"Most companies are lacking when it comes to really knowing their competitors," Kisperka-Moron said.

Thirty percent are not interested in implementing new systems, but most do not even know they exist, Kisperka-Moron said. These businesses underestimate competition in the market.

Retirement Reception

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A retirement reception on April 13 honored 18 members of the faculty and staff of Penn State Harrisburg who have retired since June 1993.

Each retiree was given a replica of the Penn State Nittany Lion by Dr. Theodore Kiffer, Interim Provost and Dean, for their years of service at Penn State Harrisburg.

Kiffer, who was called out of retirement to serve as Interim Provost, gave advice to the 16 retirees in attendance. He told they should keep busy and have a good time. Kiffer said the three and a half years he spent in retirement were filled with tough decision, such as whether to weed his garden or play golf.

Among the retirees were: Frank Williams, Assistant Manager of Housing and Food Services, 31 years; Melvin Wolf, Professor Emeritus of Humanities and English, 26 years; and William R. Miller, Associate Professor of Physics, 25 years.

Martha Keiffer, food service worker, 19 years; Millie Landis, Director of Enrollment Services, 18 years; Stiles Mader, electrician, 17 years; and Patricia Rodkey, staff assistant, Provost's office, 17 years.

Herbert Swope, janitor, 17 years; Gail Kay Walker, janitorial worker, 17 years; Ella Mae Schiefer, staff assistant, Graduate Admissions, 16 years; and Dorothy Matinckek, janitorial worker, 14 years.

Florence Salinger, associate librarian, 14 years; James Hudson, Professor Emeritus of Social Sciences; and Sociology, 12 years; Benjamin Horst, maintenance worker, 10 years; and Virginia Horst, staff assistant, athletics, 10 years.

Robert Hummel, mason/carpenter, 10 years; Mary Cowher, staff assistant, library, 6 years; and John Holbert, instructor of Behavior Sciences and Education, 5 years.

Change in Police Services

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The motivation behind the newly created managerial position for Penn State Harrisburg Police Services is to upgrade the services which are provided to the community.

Business Manager, Sandra Jackson said the University will be advertising for the position in the near future because they hope to have it filled by the summer.

"There is a new area being emphasized in policing, which is to improve community relations and provide better quality services to the community," Jackson said.

She said the ideal candidate for this managerial position would have experience in the area of community service relations. Other desired qualities include a police officer from the outside with a higher education who has customer service abilities.

"I think someone with that background will approach policing different," Jackson said.

As Business Manager, Jackson said she will continue to be the person responsible for safety and police services. Her goal is to hire someone who will implement a program of pro-active interaction between the PSH police officers and students.

"I think it is a great idea and the department will definitely go along with it," Charles Alexi, Chief of Police Services, said.

"I want to see more interaction between officers and students," Jackson said.

The type of interaction Jackson said she foresees is some type of open forums where students can express their concerns and ask officers questions. Another suggestion was the possibility of seminars where officers can provide safety tips and crime prevention methods to students.

"I think the implementation of those types of programs is a good idea because now about the only time I see police is when they're writing tickets," Priscilla Page, a senior Humanities Communication major, said.

Jackson said there have been a lot of similar complaints from students. She also said that police services has offered programs on date rape and crime prevention tactics in the past which have not had very good student participation.

"I would like to improve that involvement," Jackson said.

The emphasis would be on the other functions which Police Services provides. Jackson said that Police Service does more than write tickets. They are responsible for things like safety on campus, prevention of

"I feel the apathy on this campus is high, the fact that we (students) do not participate is awful," Stacey Deiter, a junior Public Policy major, said.

"Moron was an excellent speaker and explained integration well," Shinagawa said.