

ASA plans to build hopes with homes

By Melissa A. Jago
Staff Reporter

After a stressful day of work, most people return home, eat and relax. But what about the people who don't have jobs, yet have the stresses of not being able to feed, clothe and house their families? The Association for Student Accountants (ASA) is seeking volunteers to assist in a housing project for Habitat for Humanity, an organization established to house low-income families.

On Saturday, Sept. 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., volunteers are needed to help construct and paint a house in Harrisburg. No experience is necessary.

Along with other ASA members, club president, Michael Benson says he hopes to make a difference in the community.

"We want to help dis-

advantaged people; they need housing too," said Benson. "This housing project is also a great way to get some notoriety for Penn State Harrisburg, as well as ASA."

Chris Marinelli, ASA vice-president said, "Habitat for Humanity will also provide ASA members with the chance to become familiar with each other, the community and other students."

If interested in getting to know other students, while helping those less fortunate, please call Marinelli at (717) 266-1527, or submit your name, phone number and area of interest to the Student Activities Office.

The first club meeting of the ASA will be Thurs., Aug. 29 at 12:30 p.m. in the Gallery Lounge.

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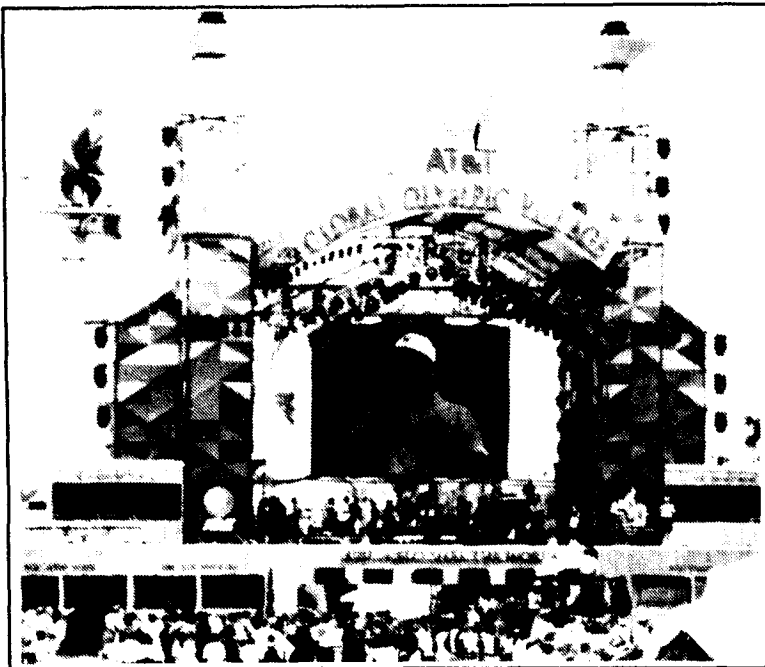
their experience wasn't ruined by the bombing, an attitude that seemed to prevail after the explosion.

"It was an incredible experience," Karl Martz said. "I would definitely do it again in Australia for the 2000 Games."

"Volunteering meant working long, hard days," Marylou Martz said. "But it was

a very worthwhile experience."

"Olympic Replay" a video production chronically the group's trip to the Games, will be held on September 11, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in the Gallery Lounge. PSH Olympic volunteers will be among the speakers. The entire PSH community is invited to catch a glimpse of Olympic Gold.



View of the area that was bombed at Olympic Centennial Park in Atlanta, Georgia

Photo by Karl Martz

New Director of Information Service Technology Named Two year vacancy was filled in June 1996

By Debbi Mallek
Staff Reporter

Following a two year vacancy, Penn State Harrisburg (PSH) has named Robert Brinkley the director of information services technology. This position replaces the previous computer center director position.

When the computer center director left in 1994, PSH decided to restructure the job to better accommodate the changing needs of its computer department.

Until the new position could be defined, Terry Majzlik, assistant computer center director, acted as interim director.

The newly created position incorporates all the responsibilities of the computer center director plus those of the information

and technology department, which used to report to the library.

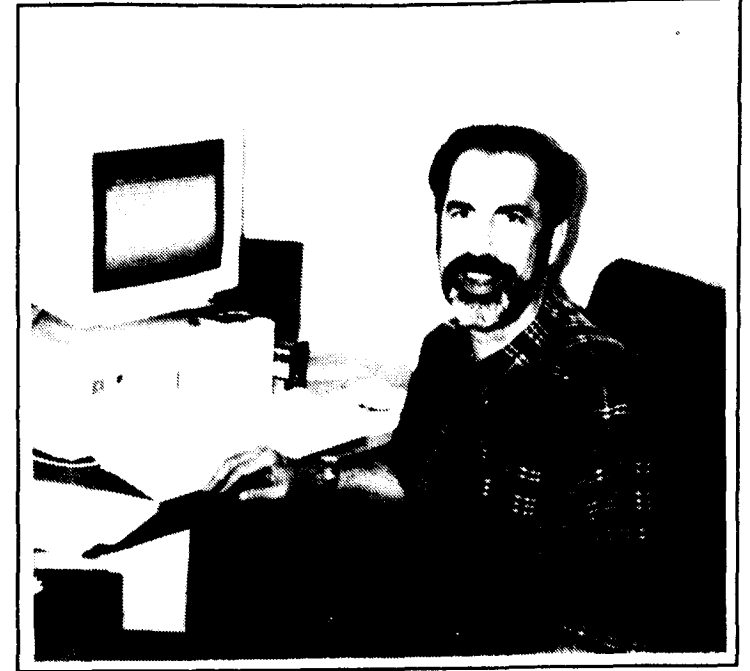
The new director is also responsible for pictel, the television studio, and distance education.

Once the position was defined, a search committee a search resulting in the naming of Robert Brinkley as director of information services and technology.

Originally from Indiana, Brinkley joined the PSH faculty from the Hardin County School District in Kentucky, where he served as director of instructional technology.

Brinkley said that he integrated technology into the school curriculum and was responsible for creating an Internet infrastructure for the district.

Brinkley began working



Director of Information Services and Technology,
Robert Brinkley

Submitted photo

at PSH in June. He says that his initial goals in this new position are to reorganize the department and complete a strategic plan which will be submitted this week.

His wife, Amy, will join

him here in Harrisburg once she completes her bachelor's of fine arts degree at the University of Louisville.

Brinkley said that he looks forward to making Harrisburg his permanent home.

Campus events are scheduled for the fall semester

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Staff Reporter

Events, events, and more events are on the agenda for the Fall semester at Penn State, Harrisburg.

Musicians, comedians and lectures are some of the many activities that the Student Government Association, Student Activities Office and University Park, have sponsored to make the students experience on campus a learning endeavor as well a cultural one.

Some of the entertainers selected are: Flying Colors Acoustic Trio; Mark Pittman, Hypnotist/Mentalist; Malestorm, Classical Music; Metamorphosis Performing Company and Gary Ewing, comedian.

Metamorphosis Performing Company will be performing "Strange Like Me" Sept. 18, at 10 a.m., 12 p.m., and 1 p.m. in the auditorium of the Olmsted Building.

The Company uses a method called "Intervention

Theater" to deliver programs addressing many issues, such as coping with problems of modern living.

According to the Performing Company the purpose of the theater is to get the audience involved in talking to actors about their characters' action, attitudes, thoughts and emotions.

On Sept. 24, at 9 p.m., Mark Pittman, a professional entertainer who has performed over 1,000 shows, will perform at the Dining Commons. He is a certified hypnotherapist, who claims to be able to recite all 50 states in alphabetical order from memory in less then 20 seconds.

According to Programming Magazine's Artist Performance Reports, his show is highly acclaimed in the college circle and is rebooked over and over again, especially when he performs his hypnosis act on the audience.

Other events scheduled for this semester include:

• Ice Cream Social: sponsored by SGA, Sept. 4, at noon in the Vartan Plaza.

• Flying Colors: jazz, folk and blues music, Sept. 4, at noon in the Gallery Lounge.

• Open House with Dr. Bruhn and SGA: Sept. 9, 12, 18 at 7:15 p.m., in the Gallery Lounge. Ken Gehret, guitarist will be performing.

• Mark Pittman: hypnotist, Sept. 24, at 9 p.m., at the Dining Commons.

• Chris Santiago: jazz, Oct. 2, at noon in the Gallery Lounge.

• Fourth Avenue, pop/rock a cappella quintet Nov. 6, at noon in the Gallery Lounge.

Further information can be obtained by calling the Student Activities Office at 948-6273.

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PSH mourns the death of Dr. Donald C. Conrad

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Dr. Donald C. Conrad, 78, who served more than 20 years as Penn State Harrisburg's Clinic Physician, died Monday Aug. 16, in Blue Ridge Haven

Convalescent Center.

Dr. Conrad, who had retired in 1984, held clinic once a week in the Olmsted Building and saw students on an as needed

basis, not just through appointments.

"He was an old fashioned doctor, who gave treatment in the "Mom and Pop" way," said Marylou Martz, coordinator of health services who worked with him in his last two years of time at PSH.

"Some students were surprised by how old fashioned his office was, or the way he talked, when he asked them to lift a

wing' if he needed to check under their arms. He was a general good guy, with an old fashioned sense of humor."

If his office was old-fashioned, his practice wasn't. Dr. Conrad attended seminars on a weekly basis at Hershey Medical Center to stay up-to-date with new medical advances.

His friendly professionalism will be missed by all that knew him.

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