

## PSH Performance celebrates the lives of ordinary women

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On Thursday, September 5, 1996, Kelli Kauterman Eberlein presented a one-woman performance piece in the Penn State Harrisburg Auditorium. A second performance took place at the Schuylkill Campus on September 12, 1996.

The work was developed in partial fulfillment of her requirements for a Master of Arts in Humanities degree. Eberlein graduated with her Bachelor's Degree in Theatre from Penn State in University Park where she acted in several productions. She also has accepted an offer by the Bloomsburg Theatre Ensemble to participate in their upcoming presentation of A Child's Christmas in Wales as a guest artist.

I wish I could have preserved the emotional climate that suffused the auditorium at the end of Eberlein's masterful performance, "Where Are Their

Voices?: Portraying the Lives of Schuylkill County Women." The "willing suspension of belief" which characterizes an audience's reaction to good drama was palpable as the audience struggled at the end of the performance to reorient themselves and to once again don their public veneers. Members of the audience confirmed my own tremendous appreciation of the experience we shared.

"Heather," "Linda," "Lois," and "Jennie" became real women in front of my eyes. Knowing the actor personally and recognizing the true identities of some of the characters should have made me more resistant to the magical spell induced by theatrical technique, but that familiarity actually enhanced the empathy which I experienced as Eberlein temporarily

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## Campus club is committed to promoting student involvement in the university community

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"Once a Penn Stater, always a Penn Stater" is the motto that a club at Penn State Harrisburg (PSH) promotes. They are committed to promote PSU among students, alumni and the community, instill that the students' involvement with the total university can and should be a lifetime commitment, and also aid, assist and promote PSH and its Alumni Association.

Who are they? They are the Lion Ambassadors.

This club participates in campus events such as orientation, graduation, retirement receptions for faculty, and assist at the hospitality desk in Provost

Bruhn's office. They also help at Alumni Society events including the upcoming Fall Arts and Crafts Festival in October. In addition to their involvement with their own projects, Lion Ambassadors make available their services to other clubs and organizations with projects and activities.

The club's president, Renee Stonesifer, a second semester junior Elementary Education major, only became involved last semester. She became involved after her own orientation when she saw now vice-president Jody Gebhard giving tours and speaking to almost everybody in the halls. Stonesifer said that being involved in Lion Ambassadors has given her, and many others, the opportunity to, "meet lots of peo-

ple, faculty, and students," in addition to keeping her informed of activities on campus.

Mike Smith, a junior Marketing major, said that the basic philosophy of promoting PSH is what sparked his interest in becoming a Lion Ambassador. Like Stonesifer, he saw members during orientation and questioned them about the club. He and others were inducted as new members on September 9, 1996.

Meetings are twice a month, and are scheduled to accommodate as many members as possible. The next meeting is on September 24. If you would like to join, applications are available in the Lion Ambassadors' Office, in the Alumni and Special Events office.

## Alumni mentor program helps students become more knowledgeable of career goals

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HELP WANTED: Former alumni looking for current student at Penn State Harrisburg (PSH) to help. Student must be motivated, interested, and willing to learn about their potential job field. Benefits may include networking, internship, career opportunity, and professional reference.

What I am referring to is the Alumni Mentor Program at PSH. The program was started in 1992 and has since helped over 200 students become more knowledgeable about their career goals. It also helps students make decisions about their future plans.

The program is offered to all majors and to every student who comes to PSH.

In order to have a mentor, you have to apply. The application can be picked up from the Alumni and Special Events Office or there is an application in your orientation package.

The application requires some general information: name, address, phone. Then you must list your academic information. Don't panic about your GPA- it is not asked.

You do need, however, to write an essay about what you hope to gain from the program and what you plan to do after you graduate.

Actually, it helps to be clueless. This will give you a chance to see if you really want to spend life looking at numbers in columns. Also, enclose your resume.

After all of that is completed, James R. Malm, alumni and special events coordinator advises you to RUN, not walk your application to his office because about half of the Alumni have been matched.

If you're wondering how you will be matched - you get to do it. The alumni office has a binder of alumni who are willing to be mentors. It will have information about them: their title, who they work for, and what they do. If you want to be a probation officer then do not choose a bridge engineer as your mentor.

"Students get what they put into the program," Malm said.

The Alumni Mentor program selects the best to be

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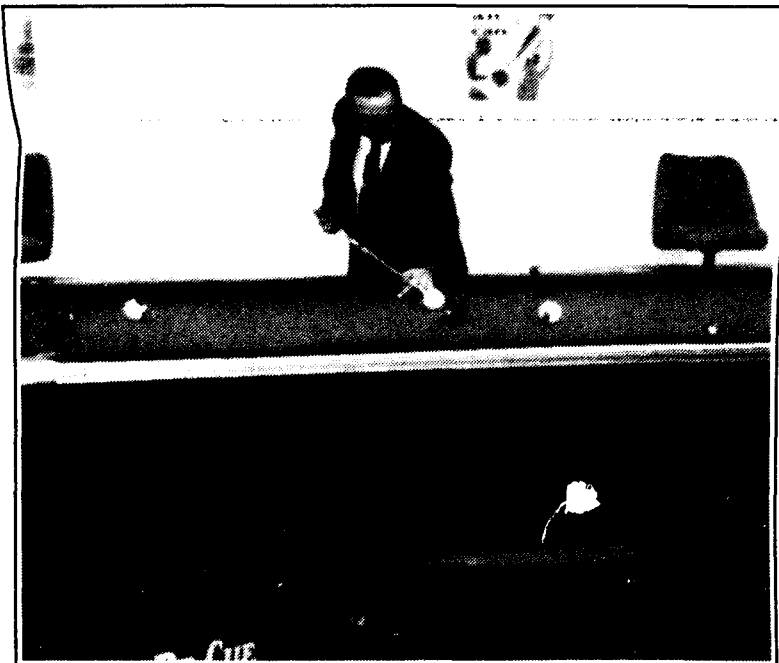


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To celebrate the opening of the new game room on Sept. 12, Tom "Dr. Cue" Rossman, World Open Masters Champion, provided a pocket billiard exhibition for students. Rossman demonstrated trick and fancy shots, performed a one arm shooting demonstration and invited students to show their billiard skills in an audience challenge.

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Stressed? Is the college work load becoming overwhelming? Why not try the physical fitness center in the Capital Union Building.

The CUB building is located on the Penn State Harrisburg campus directly in back of the book store.

According to Gordon Moon, secondary education major and coordinator of intramural sports, "The CUB facilities are available to all Penn State students, faculty and alumni and is designed to serve all the recreational needs of the Penn State Harrisburg community."

The first floor recreational areas consist of the main gymnasium, with a full length college basketball court, where basketball, badminton, indoor soccer,

and volleyball are played.

There are three racquetball courts and one squash court which may be used by reserving them 48 hours in advance.

Also on the first floor is the physical fitness room which consists of two Club track treadmills; two Stairmasters, four Schwinn Air Dyne bikes; ultimate crunch machine, curl machine, Concept II rower and assorted benches.

On the second floor there is a multi-purpose room where karate classes and personal defense, and aerobics are taught.

There is no charge or pre-registration required for the aerobic classes. Participants, however, must be currently enrolled Penn State students, staff, faculty, or alumni.

The second floor also houses the quiet study lounge, stu-

dent center, snack area and weight room. The weight room has Olympic free weights, variable dumbbells, squat rack, incline benches and much more.

Gordon said, "We have just remodeled the game room and have planned several activities for the Fall Semester. Some of the planned tournaments are, table tennis, table soccer, chess, pool, and table speed hockey."

The aerobics classes are held on Monday and Wednesday, from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m., and 5:00 - 6:00 p.m., in the multipurpose room of the CUB. The classes are led by instructor, Sheri Still, sociology major. Still began teaching the classes in the Spring 1996 semester.

For more information about these activities, call the recreation and athletics office at (717) 948-6226.