

## Officials Begin Sci-Tech Expansion

According to, state officials the expansion of the Science and Technology Building at Penn State Harrisburg (PSH) ushers in a new era of partnership between the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the College.

As the College broke ground for the \$1.1 million, 6,000-square-foot expansion, DEP Secretary James M. Seif announced his agency is providing a \$500,000 grant to support the project to enhance PSH education—including its new Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering.

For its contribution, DEP will have priority use of a state-of-the-art multimedia classroom, pilot water treatment facility for hands-on training and research, and an administration office. In addition, DEP will have access to other class-



rooms, laboratories and equipment in the Science and Technology Building and throughout the campus.

Above, DEP Secretary James Seif Presents a check for \$500,000 toward the Sci-Tech building expansion.

## WIDOFF/OSA Is Hub of Student Activities

club officers with bookkeeping skills and office responsibilities. "I enjoy working closely with students," says Leister.

What will the recent merger between the Schuylkill and Harrisburg campuses mean for the Office of Student Activities? Widoff says, "It's a marvelous untapped opportunity. There will be more heads to work together and pool creativity." Widoff believes the merger will offer benefits to students on both campuses. "It will give students another pool of people to network with," says Widoff. She hopes to aid communication between organizations from each campus and to help Schuylkill students in their transition to the Harrisburg campus.

"Those students coming from Schuylkill can now see continuity in organizations," says Widoff.

The OSA also cooperates with other campuses in the Penn State system in bringing entertainers to campus. Widoff explained that the entertainers that come to campus would be too expensive for any one campus to afford, so campuses block-book entertainers. To select entertainers each campus reviews videos of acts from which they select their favorite to invite to campus. "Students select acts after watching the videos. The night of watching tapes of entertainers is open to all students."

Widoff speaks energetically of forthcoming activities sponsored by the OSA.

Leadership Workshop '98, scheduled for February will feature community leaders speaking about their experience with teamwork. "We invite leaders to speak to students. In the past we have had everyone from Lieutenant Governor Mark Singel to DJs," says Widoff. "The Women's History Committee is sponsoring three speakers this fall, and the Cleveland Ballet Dancing Wheels will be here," adds Widoff.

The office also provides activities for evening students. "Elections for the Student Government Association (SGA) are held in the evening, SGA holds an Open House for evening students, and Gallery talks are held in the evening," says Widoff. She adds, "Our office strives to be responsive to students."

## Tarnhelm Seeks Literary Submissions For 1998 Issue

Tarnhelm, the literary and arts journal published annually at Penn State Harrisburg, is seeking the work of writers, artists, poets and photographers for this year's edition.

Tarnhelm is published in the late spring each year and encourages students from all majors to submit their creative endeavors to be judged for publication. All works will be judged anonymously and prizes for best poetry, fiction and visual arts will be presented during an award ceremony at the end of the spring semester. The finished publication will be distributed to the campus at that time.

Tarnhelm accepts poetry, essay, articles, short stories and one-act plays for consideration in the writing categories. Visual art submissions may include black-and-white photography or black-and-white (i.e. pen and ink) drawings.

Submissions will be accepted from students of all majors, alumni, staff or faculty members.

Guidelines for submissions and deadline dates will be posted on bulletin boards around campus and will also be available in Humanities office (W-356).

The editors of this year's edition strongly encourage writers and artists who submitted unpublished material last year to re-submit their works for consideration in this year's publication.

Students from all majors, whether submitting works or simply interested in working on the staff, are invited to join the staff of Tarnhelm by attending meetings which are announced regularly in "This Week". You can also get involved by leaving your name, address and telephone number with Cindy Leach in the Humanities office (W-356).

## IAA Hosts Fall International Dinner

On November 1st from 6pm to 11pm the International Affairs Association will be hosting its annual fall international dinner. The dinner will be held in the student center of the Capital Union Building.

Live entertainment will be provided by the "Olympic Flame" Greek dance group and Ms. Nidia Jarr a vocalist who performs Latino and Hispanic music.

Admission requirements are a covered dish reflecting your heritage or culture. The idea behind the dinner is to bring together people from the campus and the

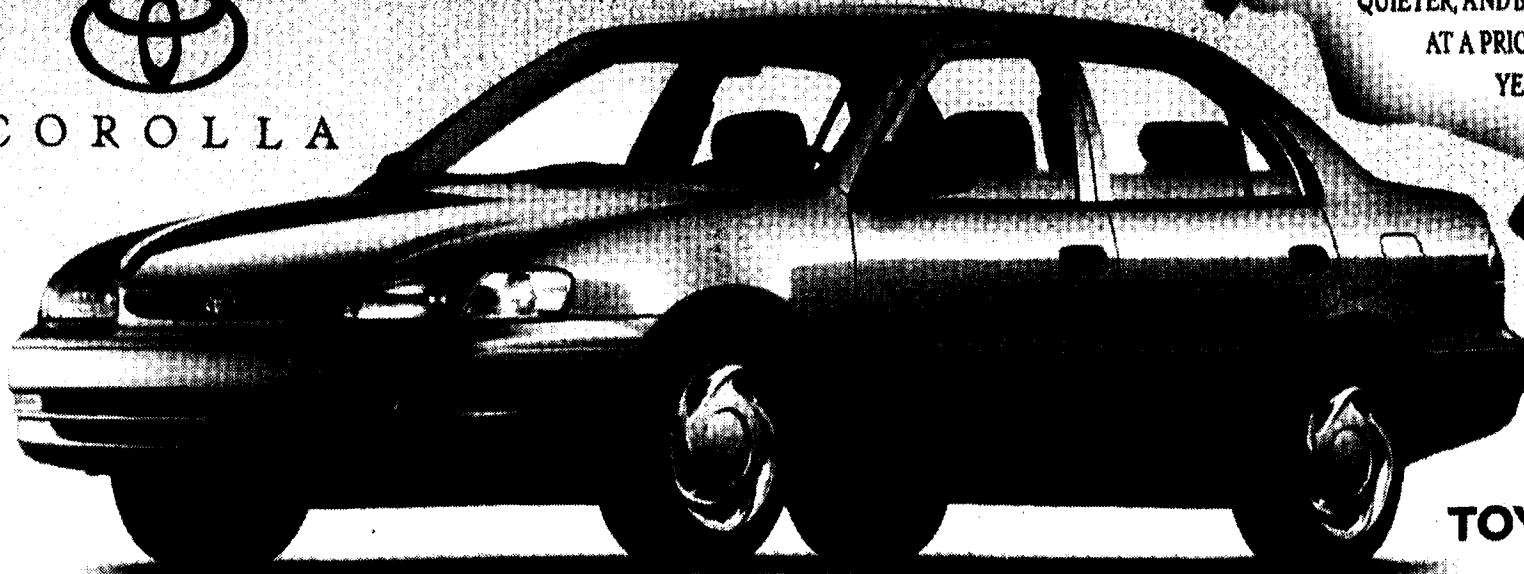
community in a pleasant, friendly setting for an evening of good food and good company, Dr. Clem Gilpin (Advisor to IAA) said.

This annual event is one of the biggest student lead cultural events on campus during the fall semester. All students and staff of Penn State Harrisburg are invited as well as members of the community. If you need any further information concerning the fall international dinner, please drop a note to Garry Hutchison in room 212 (student affairs office) or leave Dr. Gilpin a note in the behavioral sciences office.

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