

From the Editor's Desk

Welcome to issue five of 16. If you understand why five is spelled out in that sentence and 16 isn't, you just passed your first *AP Stylebook* quiz. The *AP Stylebook* spells out conventions for newspaper grammar and punctuation. If you want to know more about how to write for a newspaper, stop by *The Capital Times* office at Olmsted W341 or register for either Writing for the Media or Journalistic Writing next semester.

But that's not what I want to talk about. Last week, the staff of *The Capital Times* received notification that our budget had been approved. The color printing in this issue is the glorious result. This year's budget request included increased funds to cover the cost of adding color to the front and back page.

The budget's approval gives us reason to celebrate, and I know our readers will appreciate the improvement. But we're not finished yet.

On page two of this issue is a survey. Before we continue to run our regular features, or arbitrarily add new ones, it makes sense to ask our loyal audience for feedback.

Please take a moment and complete

the survey. There are three places on campus to deposit completed forms: our office at Olmsted W341; the student lounge at Olmsted 101; and the circulation desk of the library.

Our staff will carefully review feedback and results will appear in the next issue. Future changes will reflect readers' thoughts and suggestions.

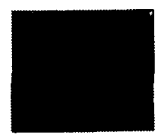
The next challenge is putting *The Capital Times* online. I have been working with Lisa Busch and Chris Spak of ACM, PSH's computer club, to place each issue on our Web site. We're looking for help from anyone with experience translating Quark Express documents to HTML or someone who wants to learn. The skill may prove helpful since papers like *The New York Times* use the same layout program.

As always, we enjoy hearing what you think - any way you want to contact us-(717)948-6440; captimes@psu.edu; or in person.

Keep reading - we'll keep writing.
Cathie McCormick Musser

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Letter Prompted by Tragedy

Student Jenny Proust included The Capital Times in the circulation of a heartfelt e-mail letter she wrote after suffering a tragic loss. With Jenny's permission, we are sharing her excellent advice with the PSH community.

Hello everyone,

Recently, 2 days ago actually, two guys that I graduated with died tragically in a car accident. One of them had just turned 21 the day before his death.

A tragedy such as this is one that brings many emotions to my mind, but none as important as being thankful for who you have with you still today. You never know when it is time for a certain person close to you to leave. Take advantage of all the time you have with any and all friends and family close to you. Tell them you love them. Tell them that they are a good friend to you. Tell them you care about them. Just because you never know, it just might be the last chance for you to say it.

It truly scares me to hear of such untimely deaths, as of those of my 2 friends from high school. Mostly because they are so young, had so much life left to live. So what I have to offer is this: when you feel as if nothing is going right in your life, or you just had a fight with your boyfriend/girlfriend/husband/wife or anyone close to you, or if you're just having a bad day remember this. . . our time that we have here is

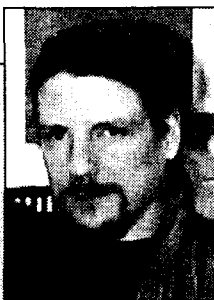
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very precious so take advantage of it, see the positive things in life not always the negative, and be happy that you and your loved ones are alive to enjoy life everyday while we all still have that chance.

Love,
Jenny Proust

Introducing More Capital Times Staff Members

Mitchell Davidson Bentley



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