## Fellowships and assistantships remain unclaimed

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Several fellowships and assistant-ships are available in the Environmental Pollution Control Programs. Stipends up to \$1,200 per month and full tuition waivers are available for full-time graduate students. The Environmental Pollution Control Program offers Master's of Science, Master's of Engineering, and Master's of Environmental Pollution Control degrees.

Under normal circumstances, acquiring a graduate assistantship is a very competitive process. Most departments struggle to provide support for full-time students and often have long waiting lists of students eager to be interviewed. Not so with the Environmental Pollution Control Programs. As strange as it may appear, funding is available for approximately six students. However, finding six students to apply appears to be the unsolved mystery.

It is possible to hypothesize that the

word is just not reaching the right people, or perhaps current seniors are just not interested in going straight into a graduate program. Whatever the case, the Graduate Student Association seeks to assist in solving the mystery of the missing EPC students.

The following fellowships and assistantships are available: EPC Fellowship, Environmental Consortium Assistantships, SPWSTAC Assistantships and the Sustainable Engineering Graduate Assistantship. Interested students should contact Sue Hipple in TL177 or call 948-6358

GSA is committed to providing a model that will allow seniors who are interested in graduate school to network with current graduate students and gain valuable insight into the various graduate programs offered at PSH. Through this networking, students will receive helpful tips that will assist in a smooth transition into a graduate program that is fully funded.

## PARKING LOT FUND-RAISERS OFF TO A GOOD START

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The Graduate Student Association has started taking orders for the Spring Flower Sale that will take place April 9-12 in the Olmsted lobby and the CUB. Additionally, the collection for the Silent Auction to be held on April 17 and 18 is off to a very good start.

Items donated to the Silent Auction thus far include dinner for two provided by Carolyn Julian; dinner for one at the Brownstone Cafe; a Penn State Bicycle Club provided by the PSH Bookstore; a scanner and home-baked goods provided by the staff assistants in the school of business administration.

The purpose of these fund-raisers is to provide trees, shrubs, benches and trash cans for the new parking lot that will be located south of the library. Currently, the budget for the new parking lot entails asphalt and concrete. In the future, there are plans to provide aesthetics.

Members of GSA feel that students deserve to come back in the fall to a new parking lot that gives them a positive feel-

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ing about the upcoming improvements to the campus community. In order to jumpstart the fund-raiser, Dr. Howard Sachs, dean of graduate studies, provided a \$100 check, qualifying him as a Five-Star Patron.

The entire college campus is asked to become involved in the efforts of the GSA as they seek to ensure that the new parking lot is more than a sea of concrete and asphalt. Those who wish to make cash contributions should make their checks payable to Penn State University. Otherwise, please be sure to order a flower or two from your friendly GSA members and provide an item for the Silent Auction. For more information, please e-mail pshgsa@psu.edu.



