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# **COMMENTS FROMTHE EDITOR**

Well gang it is time for a whole new school year. Aren't you glad? The Capital Times is now under new management. Yours truly will be taking over as Editor in Chief and Dr. Peter Kareithi has stepped

in as our new Club Advisor. As the new Editor in Chief of The Capital Times I would like to welcome you all to (and back to) PSH. This is my first crack at "The Editor's Comments" on my own so there are a ton of issues I would like to share and address.



As part of the Penn State Harrisburg campus community there are many things that you need to be aware of and I, along with my out-

standing Captimes staff and contributors, have the opportunity to bring this news to you (well, most of it anyway). Throughout the semester, *The Capital Times* will be covering campus events like welcome weekend, music, lectures, art exhibits, Clubfest, and other club activities. We also provide students with a campus calendar and police report to keep the students informed about what is happening and what has happened on campus. Besides all this great stuff, we provide an even bigger service to the campus community; we are the voice of PSH. Through sections of the paper such as "Speak Out" and "Letters to the Editor, I encourage all students, faculty, staff and alumni to offer opinions on what they think of the paper and also what they would like to see in *The Capital Times*. Letters to the editor are always welcome.

Thus far this semester has been full of not only fun events to bring the campus community together, but also some problems. There has been an almost "Jeckyl and Hyde" mentality in the new Capital Village Housing Community. By day students participate in events such as Welcome Weekend, band performances, ice cream socials, comedians, and even the occasional class or two; however, it seems that after 9 p.m. all that changes. In the first 2 weeks of the semester there have been several incidents of noise complaints, open alcohol containers and underage drinking. There have been several citations and at least one arrest (to my knowledge). I'm not going to stress no drinking, but I do believe in drinking responsibly. If you or your roommate are under 21, don't leave or let them leave the apartment. I live in the village and I have had 2 drunk guys, that I didn't know and weren't even residents of my building for that matter, walk into my apartment. One was a freshman that was way too proud of the fact that he was 18, drunk, and his parents were nowhere to be found. If anyone in police services became aware of his public intoxication and underage drinking, he would be seeing his parents sooner than he expected. Why throw your college education and potential career away for a few beers? It's not worth getting kicked out of school, terminating your housing contract, or paying anywhere between \$600 and \$1000 in fines for walking around making an ass out of yourself... at least I would think so.

This first issue is a transition from last year's staff to this one. I was fortunate to have people come forward and express interest in The Capital Times. This was a good thing. I was left with roughly 5 staff members and an alumni contributor and that is by far not enough people to run a paper. So without further ado, I would like to welcome back: Mitchell Davidson Bentley, who passed the hat of Editor in Chief to me and accepted a position designed especially for him, Technical Advisor; Sarah Elkalban, my all around get it done girl who does things ranging from office management, to the calendar, to editing and proof reading; Brooke Potteiger, who has been promoted from Features Editor to Assistant News Editor; Amy Shur, our beloved Speak Out Coordinator; Sharilyn Klinger who offered to take up the position of Ad Manager last semester and will take her first real crack at it this year; Chris Patterson, who will be continuing his fine job as staff writer; and John "Hambone" Hemsley, who was our Departments Editor and took care of some of the music reviews, and is returning to us as an Alumni Contributor. Now for the new staff, lets have a warm hand for Pete Strella, Assistant Layout Editor; Rachel Shepherd, Production Assistant; Renee Chrustowski, Police Report Coordinator; and new staff writers, Robert Trishman, Sara Costrell, Julia Danner, and Krista Kegerise. I hope to be welcoming more additions to our "family" as the semester progresses, so don't think that this is the "be all, end all" of the staff list.

Well, best of luck for this semester and the semesters to come, stay out of trouble, and get involved.

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#### Contributed by SGA

It's a new semester and time to get to know who the Student Government Association (SGA) are and what they are up to.

This years SGA members are: President - Parul Luthra Vice President - MaryAnne Nguyen Treasurer - Lawrence Leynes Executive Secretary - Andrea Nye Public Relations - Justin Rishell Committee Secretary - Christine Meck Senior Senator of Business - Michael Lamb Senior Senator of Humanities - Sarah Elkalban Senior Senators at Large - Daniel Storm and Written by Stacy De Angelo Jamie Meikle

Faculty Senate Member - David Breslin Open possitions include:Senator for Behavioral Sciences, Senator for Public Affairs, Senator for Science and Technology, Freshman and Sophomore Representatives, Junior Senators from all of the Schools.

Fall elections for the SGA will be held on October 1 to 3. If you are interested in running, please see somebody in the Student Activities Office, C200. Meetings for the SGA are public and are held Tuesdays at 12:30 in E202.

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