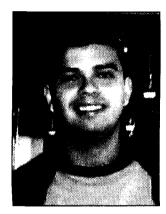


What was the highlight of your



Going on a cruise to Bermuda."



**Chris Torres Communications** 

"Going to Rehoboth Beach for a week. I had a great time. I love the beach."



**Nick Galgon** 

Electrical Engineering

"Doing a job on Carswell Naval Air Station in Fortworth. Texas."



M.J Meredith Interdisciplinary Humanities

"I went to California to visit my aunts."



Leokadia **Bordlemay Mathematical Sciences** 

(With sarcasm) "Being here. I was here all summer."

## Move-in day a success

## Last year's 'nightmare' avoided

By PETE STRELLA

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**Food Services** 

Harrisburg's on-campus housing this year with only a few minor problems.

Fortunately for them, this year's move-in day was easy compared to last year's nightmare.

"I think it went a lot better this year," said Jo Ann Coleman, director of Housing and Food Services. Many of the returning residents agreed and those new to the experience were quick to say that the process ran smoothly.

Coleman said one of the main reasons move-in day was a success was because residents were not permitted to drive their vehicles through the housing area this year, making it easier and safer for parents and students to move their belongings into the dorms. Last year, heavy traffic around the buildings delayed resi-

dents as they attempted to weave their vehicles through crowds of people.

Another factor behind this year's success was the volunteer orientation team, which directed residents to the sign-in table and answered any general questions posed by the residents. This year's orientation team had more volunteers than in previous years.

There were a few glitches. Some residents were forced to wait for handcarts so they could transport their belongings into the housing. Coleman said that only 12 carts were available, and some residents suggested that more were

Coleman said it would not be cost-effective to buy carts to use only once a year. She also ruled out the possibility of renting more carts. "We tell people in the assignment letter to bring their

Over 200 students moved into Penn State own carts," said Coleman. Residents responded well to the situation and shared the carts.

Penn State attempted to borrow shopping carts from the Main Street Giant Supermarket, but was told such arrangements could not be made.

Student Government President Lee Cutchall said that the community assistants, Penn State's equivalent to resident assistants, could have been more visible after the students were moved in. "Instead of going out and helping build

community, a majority of them simply locked themselves in their rooms for the night," said Cutchall, who added that he expected more from the assistants because they receive free room and board in return for their services.

Some residents were given the wrong keys

for their apartment this year, but the problem was easily fixed, unlike last year when some of the keys did not open the doors they were assigned to.

Coleman said she is not expecting to change move-in day procedures for next year, though she may move the refreshments table into the quad of the Village to give it more visibility.

Last year was the first year that students were moved into the Village, which is the name of Penn State Harrisburg's current on campus housing. Many of the first-year problems were addressed and did not resurface this year. "We're learning every year with this," said Coleman.

On-campus residents lived at Meade Heights until the spring of 2002. Penn State currently houses 292 students in the Village.

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