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# COMMENTS FROM THE EDITOR

By PETER STRELLA, Editor in Chief

Mixed emotions. That sums up how I feel about graduating, finding a job, leaving this newspaper, and starting from scratch. I am tired of doing schoolwork all the time, but I know that after I work for a couple months I'll miss this place.

Mostly, I'll miss some of the people here. I have a lot of respect for my professors. After scraping through Dr. Peter Kareithi's journalism classes, I know that I can conquer most things in life, even small hurricanes. I learned a lot from Professor Eton Churchill and Dr. Victor Viser, two of the most intelligent professors I've ever encountered. And Charlie Kupfer's Sports in Amercian Culture was the most fun I've ever had in a classroom.

Lastly, even though I never had him as a professor, I always enjoyed the company of Dr. Clem Gilpen.

I also met a lot of close friends along the way. After graduation, I know it will never be quite the same, but I hope to keep in touch with you all. Rachel, Matt, Mike, Jodi, Kate, Eric, Brooke, Jen, Standridge, Ishaan, Stacy, and Marko: I will miss you all.

But it's time to move on.

There are a couple loose ends I want to tie up because I didn't get to write about all of the issues I wanted to cover this year. First off, I think it is ridiculous that we have to pay for printing past 150 copies, especially when other campuses don't have to. Also, I think that the SGA election tables need to expand their hours so that adult students who only attend during the evening hours can also have the opportunity to vote. Unfortunately, SGA Senator Ted Miller told me that they just don't have enough people to do it. In the future, I encourage the students to volunteer their services for this. Just stop by the SGA office and they can tell you how.

Lastly, I want to thank my parents for supporting me while I was responsible for this newspaper. I couldn't have done it without you guys. I want to give a very special thanks to my two assistant editors Marko Primorac and Rachel Shepherd, who were with me every step of the way. A special thanks to Jodi Preisler, who was an excellent copy editor and will make a fine editor and chief next year.

I had a great staff this year and I wish you guys the best of luck.

And best of luck to all of our readers. I hope you were able to learn a bit about Penn State Harrisburg through this newspaper because that's why it's here. Thank You.

## Letter to the Editor

A story about my experience with Fred Hockenberry. I first met Fred my freshman year at Mont Alto and have purchased my books from him for 3 years now.

Over my first winter break between the fall and spring semesters, I came to the bookstore shortly after finals because I wanted to get a head start on my classes for the next semester. I asked about the book situation and found that they had not been ordered yet. I explained my intent and Fred went in the back, went through several boxes and personally delivered my entire collection of books for the next semester. He went out of his way for me then, as I have seen him do countless other times for a number of other students. In previous years at our campus, the bookstore had little to nothing to do with the student population. It simply milked the students based on their need for textbooks and returned nothing to the campus community. Fred has already started to change that. He made several contributions to THON this year, has given extra stock as free giveaway items for campus events, and has made a variety of other contributions.

I am not disagreeing that the book situation, as this semester started, was bad, but one, he was new to this environment, and two, I highly doubt any information on how this campus population utilizes the bookstore was passed on to him when he took over.

I think the bottom line is, we have all been new once, and it takes time to get to know your population and work environment. Give the man a chance. Barnes and Noble would not have sent him here if they didn't have faith in his ability and we should too.

Lee Cutchall

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