TWO DANCES OPEN SOCIAL CALENDAR



The social season for fall of 1963 opened at Highacres with two dances, the most recent held on October 11, and the first on October 4.

Theme of the opening event was "Welcome, Freshmen," and decorations featured frosh penalty signs customs week. The second affair, "The Royal Dance," featured medieval decorations and sketches of knights in armor. Even the band fitted the theme, since the Kingmen were

the performers. Band for the freshman welcome affair was the Valmonts.

Chaperoning the "Welcome, Freshman" dance was Mrs. Mary Ferry, while Messers. Leister and Price chaperoned the second dance.

Both events drew record crowds, and Student Union Board members look upon these past successes as indicators of increased future particapation in student affairs.

Molinari Heads Business Club

The Business and Economics Club of the Hazleton held their first meeting Oct. 16 to elect officers. The results of the election were as follows: President: Anthony Molinari; Vice-President: Richard Dudinyak; Secretary-Treasurer: Geneva Avillion.

The Business Club will sponsor a trip to The New York Stock Exchange and the American Stock Exchange, and the United Nations Building sometime in the Spring term. The club also will sponsor several movies and lectures concerning businesses throughout the country. The club is noted for their lectures which are usually given by prominent businessmen in the community.

Mr. John Longo, faculty adviser of the club, is looking forward to a very active schedule for the club and hopes to spur the students into looking into various business problems and the various careers to be found in the business world.

Belles-Lettres Society

The first meeting of the Belles-Lettres Society of the Hazleton Campus for 1963 was held October 8.

Plans for the printing of the historical booklet about the Hazleton Campus were discussed. A trip to New York City in early November to see the Broadway play, "Spoon River," is being organized by the group. Parnassus will join in this activity.

The officers of Belles-Lettres are: President, James Scarcella; Vice President, Frank Tito; Secretary, Paulette Vetter; Treasurer, Carmen Serignese; and Chairman of Public Relations, Noreen Reytar.

23 GIVE BLOOD

Twenty-three students donated blood in the recent drive. This is seven short of the schools' thirty pint quota. On November 26 another bloodmobile will be available for all students who have not donated and wish to do so. Remember if students want protection for themselves and their family this quota must be reached.

LIBRARY NOTES

The Hazleton Campus Library contains over 8,000 books, plus pamphlets, magazines, and newspapers. If all students obey a few simple rules, the library will continue to offer invaluable assistance.

- 1. The library is open daily from 8:40 to 4:50.
- 2. Books may be charged out for two weeks with the privilege of renewal.
- 3. A fine of two cents per day is charged for overdue books.
- 4. A fine of twenty-five cents for the first hour and ten cents for each additional hour is charged for overnight books.
- 5. Periodicals may be charged out for one week with privilege of renewal.
- 6. There will be no smoking or loud talking in the library.
- 7. If you have any questions, please ask your librarian.

Among the many new books and periodicals available this year, are the following:

Esquire Harper's Bazaar Hi Fidelity P. M. L. A. Theatre Arts

FELLIN'S

DIAMONDS CHINA
WATCHES CRYSTAL
JEWELRY GIFTWARE
14 E. Broad St. Hazleton, Pa.

THE BIG BREAK — COLLEGE

College remains today, as it did twenty years ago, an enigma, a mystical combination of fact and fancy. The new freshman, no doubt, is obsessed with various ideas about college and college life. One of those ideas will probably dominate the attitude he'll acquire toward his studies and social activities. Some immediately assume the attitude that college is merely a "glorified high school," and, come what may, they'll "get by." For others, it's a round of parties, campus dances, and V-neck sweaters. However, the majority realize that college is truly an institution of higher education and should be treated as just that. In fact, it is practically essential that sooner or later a student adopts this attitude as a prerequisite for a successful encounter with college

Indeed, the break between college and high school is a big one. To begin with, college can't possibly be compared to high school. In the first place, college is more adult. The responsibility to make the "best" of each term rests solely on the student's shoulders, not in parental coaxings or teachers' threats. The individual shoulders the heavy burden by himself. If he doesn't have the desire to learn and the will to work, the student soon finds himself floundering under the weight of his own laxity.

Can't Catch Up

Of course, there is no miracle drug for producing good grades or good steady habits. Various intakes of black coffee, cold milk, "No-Doz" usually fail to or achieve the wondrous miracles their users would desire. The student who "loafed" or "fooled around in high school was often able to "catch up" with his homework on weekends. However, should he carry this tendency toward procrastination to college, after one week, he'll find himself "snowed under" with assignments he could never make up. Even in similar subject matter, the college student has to face more intense reading and more challenging assignments. Whereas one chapter in a course such as history would be covered in a week in high school, usually three or four chapters are completed in college work.

Longer Assignments

Penn State students must cover an eight hundred page history text in ten weeks, along with supplemented readings. Facts like these are nothing to fool with, especially when there are two or three other subjects on one's schedule. Should a freshman ask a sophomore how he covers such reading matter, the answer would no doubt be as follows: "Keep up by doing the assignments when they're assigned; fall behind, and you're dead." Although slightly facetious, the latter comment is

morbidly true.

ADJUSTME

Most of the time, study techniques are developed by the individual. He knows where his weaknesses and strengths lie. An Associate Degree student must learn to adapt himself to a barrage of day classes with little or no free time in-between. A Baccalaureate Degree student will find more spare time between classes, but more involved and detailed outside assignments. Regardless, the student must learn to budget his time and get the work for the day completed. Then, and only then, will he have sufficient time for the college's social activities and personal recreation.

Broader Social Interest

Not only must a student's study habits be altered or intensified, his social outlook must also be enhanced. This is a second difference between high school and college. The transition brings him not only a round of parties and dances, but, also, an array of films and lectures. It is also an opportune moment to join clubs and ac tivities which are organized to stimulate interest in special fields. These are activities in which a student can find enjoyment and satisfaction for himself and broaden his social horizon by meeting others whose interests are similar. It's a time when he can make new and lasting friendships while enjoying campus social life.

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