

Responsibilities:**YOURS & MINE**

High quality instruction is an ultimate goal of the administration, faculty, and the student body of any academic institution. It should be apparent that attainment of this common goal is dependent upon the extent to which each of the above groups responds to its respective responsibilities. This note is concerned with these responsibilities as they relate to the academic instruction at Highacres.

With regard to faculty responsibilities, the fact that teacher performance has been recently and extensively discussed by the faculty may be welcome news by students. It is to be hoped that such discussions will encourage individual endeavors to enhance and promote better teaching practices on campus. One might reply, "As teachers, should you not be concerned with improved teaching as a matter of course?" Certainly! The faculty should be concerned with their effectiveness in the classroom; however, on most campuses, the primary interest of many faculty members is research, not classroom presentations to students. In this respect, the faculty at Highacres, in general, do a limited amount of research; the primary emphasis is, as it should be, on undergraduate instruction. Consequently, the students at Highacres have an academic advantage that is virtually non-existent at University Park, for example. This is a recognized fact. I am sure, but it is not appreciated until students are faced with the "number" system at University Park.

As indicated, quality instruction also requires the concurrent recognition by the student body of their responsibilities. Unfortunately, "getting an education" does not mean simply occupying a seat in a classroom. Realistically, it is necessary for the student to participate as an active member in the educational process: it is his responsibility to raise unanswered questions in or out of the classroom, to avail himself of Instructor office time when necessary (not when it is too

ALL UNIVERSITY COUNCIL URGED

University Park, Pa. Oct.—An all-University Council, a Black cultural center, and a revised judiciary system are among the recommendations made by a student-faculty commission which for the past four months has been examining policies and procedures at The Pennsylvania State University.

Since the commission was organized last June, the 16-member group has put in hundreds of man hours studying the workings of the University's institutional machinery.

Three sub-committees dealing with University governance, the disciplinary system and Penn State's relationship with its Black students took testimony from relevant officials, students and staff, and are now in the process of drawing up reports.

The all-University Council will be proposed by the sub-committee on governance, according to its chairman, Deborah I. Chapman, of Washington, D.C., a graduate in philosophy. The Council would include trustees, alumni, students, faculty and administrators among its membership, which would number about 57.

late), to take part in class discussions, and above all, make an honest effort toward the course lessons and assignments.

It is not enough to simply protest and/or criticize a given situation, group, or agency — it is far more difficult and more productive to accept responsibility to improve the situation or alleviate the problem. This, of course, applies to the faculty, the student body, as well as the administration in this specific case under consideration. The educational advantages of instruction at Highacres will be fully realized only through mutual understanding and fulfillment of these respective responsibilities on the part of all concerned.

Anthony Galanti

Senate Report

The Hazleton Campus Senate held its first regular meeting on Oct. 23. The following officers were elected: chairman, Joyce Rupp; vice-chairman, Mr. R. Alan Price; and recording secretary, Dean Joseph McCallus.

At that meeting, the Senate discussed the problems involved with the present method of registration and the need for additional courses on our campus.

The next meeting was held on Nov. 6 in the SGA office. Barbara Sipler, president of SGA presented two major problems for the Senate's consideration. The first issue dealt with the feasibility of a common hour. Mr. William Schneider, administrative representative, said that a common hour was possible and that he would attempt to initiate it into the schedule for the winter term. The second problem dealt with the overcrowded conditions on our campus. Mrs. Sipler stated that the present facilities are not adequate to meet the immediate needs of the student body. The issue was discussed at length and the Senate agreed to invite Mr. Paul Cerula to their next meeting to discuss the situation.

Also, in dealing with the problem of additional courses, the Senate agreed to invite Mr. McAllister, administrator of Continuing Education, to the next meeting.

The registration procedure was also discussed at this meeting. A tentative committee consisting of Mr. Richard Campbell, Tom Beltz and Joyce Rupp was assigned to evaluate the present method of registration to present suggestions to improve the procedure.

The Senate is a body consisting of representatives from the administration, the faculty, and the student body. It deals with issues that concern two or more of these factions in our academic community. The Senate is an evaluative and recommending organization, and attempts to give an unbiased analysis of the problems which are presented to it.

You are cordially invited to attend all meetings of the Senate. If you desire to present some issue for discussion, you should contact Joyce Rupp at least 4

CLUB NEWS

The Delta Delta Tau Fraternity held a meeting on October 30 at Rossi's restaurant. The following officers were elected: president Don Jacoby; vice-president, Vince McGinnis; secretary, Don George; and treasurer, Jere Shank.

The Theta Sigma Pi Sorority held a hay ride on October 31. The girls are now planning a pizza party for November 21. All members are urged to pay their dues.

The Fraternity and the Sorority are planning a Christmas party for underprivileged children. It will be held on December 21. Anyone wishing to help please contact Cheryl Fetterman or Don Jacoby.

The Belles-Lettres Society held its organizational meeting on October 31. Anyone interested in joining the organization should contact Chris Pickle as soon as possible.

On October 29, the History Club sponsored a discussion on the developmental problems of the Hazleton area. Guest speaker at the discussion was Donald Pachence. At a meeting held November 3, in M-5, the club elected Janet Ammon, secretary, and Dave Reading, treasurer. The club is also planning a field trip.

The Drama Club is a new organization on our campus. It gives people the opportunity to express themselves in their own way. Anyone interested in doing "his own thing" should contact Mrs. Miller. At a meeting held on November 5 the following were elected: president, Thom Muscavitch; vice-president Rau Cooke. The club will perform a 1-act play at the Coffee house on Nov. 20.

days before the meeting at which you wish to speak.

The Senate represents you, whether you are a member of the administration, the faculty, or the student body. It is your responsibility to employ the Senate to its fullest extent.