

LETTERS

Dear Editor:

As a new member of the faculty at The Hazleton Campus, I was delighted to find that THE HIGHACRES COLLEGIAN was a campus newspaper which reported intelligently (and intelligibly) on a wide variety of topics of interest to the Highacres community. I would like to compliment you and your staff especially on the high quality of reporting of campus news. The columns, furthermore, are witty and informative, though I must admit that I do not always understand the modern idiom in which they are written (a sure sign of my aging process, I am afraid).

There was, however, one small advertisement which continues to bother me. It was the advertisement for a term paper service in California. I am aware that a small campus newspaper walks a financial tightrope and that advertising is one of the most agreeable aids to economic balance. On the other hand, running an ad of this nature strikes at one of the very foundations of the college experience: the nurturing of the ability to arrive at and communicate ideas honestly and clearly. I have been my experience that the students at Highacres do not need to plagiarize to produce competent work. Also, there are possible legal hazards in carrying such an advertisement. Points 3 and 6 under the Code of Conduct of University Policies, Rules and Procedures Governing Conduct for Students clearly state Penn State's attitude toward plagiarism. (Incidentally, the State Attorney General for New York is prosecuting such phony term paper companies—Pennsylvania may soon follow.)

Again, let me emphasize how much I have enjoyed reading THE HIGHACRES COLLEGIAN. I look forward to future issues and wish you continued success.

Sincerely,

Alan Price

See editor's comments on page two.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

Dear Highacres,

After three issues of the HIGHACRES COLLEGIAN, a small group of people are very tired, but happy. We, the Board of Directors, have worked many hours on the writing, organizing and printing of this newspaper. There are a few people to whom we owe a debt of gratitude. Their help has made our impossible task of publication less difficult. A grateful thank-you to:

—The parents of the composition staff, Mr. & Mrs. Pat Fisher, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Crofcheck, Mr. & Mrs. Harold Walck, Mr. & Mrs. William Gallagher, Rev. & Mrs. George Harris and Mr. & Mrs. Floyd Busher, for the use of their respective children and for allowing them to spend so much time at the print shop.

—The faculty, especially Dr. Harold Aurand, Mr. Richard Campbell, Mrs. Deidre Jago, Professor Andrew Kafka, Mrs. Susan Miller, Mr. Alan Price, and Dr. Michael Santulli, for encouraging us, offering constructive criticism and leading us to news stories. It is nice to know somebody cares.

—Our friends, Debbie Berger, John Busher, Mary Angie DeLazio, Mark Denke, Bob Henry, Warren Faust, Edna, Jon Gross, Becky Harris, Gloria Holoneck, Cindy Lauer, Janilou Maderick, Cathy Mulligan, Mike Petresky, Maria Rovito, Mark Rusin and Jack Yatsko, for writing articles, running around campus and generally being helpful in promoting free press.

—Our "neighbors," Dean McCallus, Mrs. Mary Bast and all the tenants of the Memorial Building, for putting up with our constant flow of traffic and other annoying habits. We know that we are not easy to live with, but hopefully we will soon move to other quarters and will take the noise with us.

—Our advertisers, whose financial backing is needed and appreciated. When patronizing these places, please mention our name; it helps.

—Tom Zubach, the printer, for turning over his home, office and equipment to us.

—The mystery tree hunters, Jeff Jacobs and Barbara Houck, for finding it first. Honorable mention goes to Ken Heydt, Joe Morris and Steve Wilson. Nice try, guys!

—Anyone who took the time to read the HIGHACRES COLLEGIAN. We hope that it caused you to think, smile or gave you something to do for a few idle minutes.

—Finally, and most important, to Highacres itself.

We cordially invite anyone interested in the paper to contact us during the Winter Term. Thanks everybody, you have encouraged us and given us hope. We shall return!

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Tricia Fisher
Dave Crofcheck
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The first, consisting of Warren Faust and Vic Brown, will look into the cost of getting lights for the basketball and tennis courts and the feasibility of setting up a fund to pay for the lights. The second committee set up was the Public Relations Committee with members Warren Faust, Bruce Karchner and Betsy McKinstry. This committee will look into the possibility of getting free 15 minute spots on WAZL to explain the activities at Highacres in the hope of establishing better relations with the surrounding communities.

President Bob Henry closed the agenda with a reminder that such activities as these committees are the responsibilities of the SGA members. He further reminded them of their elected offices and asked for increased support on these new matters.

Collegian staff

attends workshop

On November 17 and 18 your friends and ours, Tricia Fisher, Dave Crofcheck, Maria Rovito and Dale Walck joined the staffs from other campus newspapers at University Park for the annual newspaper workshop sponsored by the Press Association of the Commonwealth Campuses.

The areas discussed were designed to make the local campus newspapers run more smoothly and efficiently. Basic areas included Advertising and advertisement placement, Business management and budget, Photography, Page layout, Feature writing, and Newswriting workshop. Roles of editors and staff were also discussed.

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In the closing assembly an issue of great import was voted on. This issue concerned the payment of back dues by the local SGA's. This particular point was dropped from the resolution by a unanimous vote of all present.

Other activities included a rap session (where people from all the papers got together and talked about problems incorporated in putting out individual papers) and a get-together breakfast sponsored by the Press Association.

The workshop was well attended and of great benefit to all attending.

We the staff of the HIGHACRES COLLEGIAN hope that through this conference we, we may better serve you our readers.

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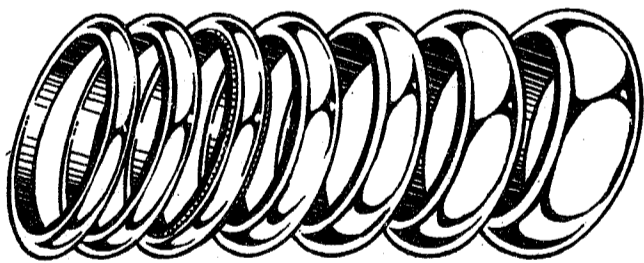
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