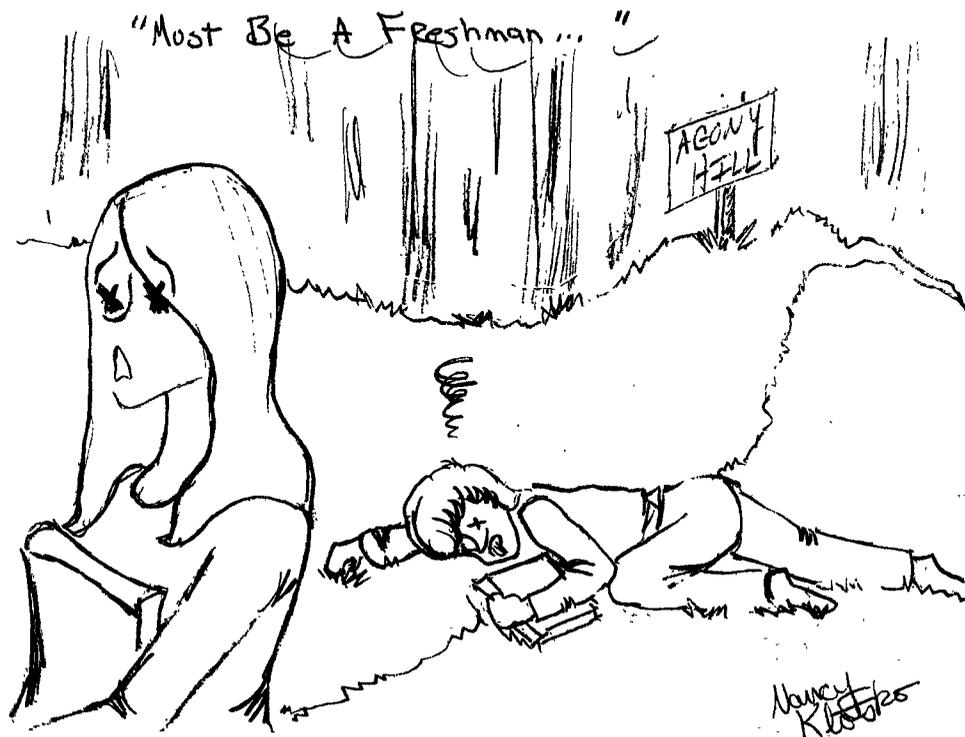


Editorial Opinion

*from the desk of
the director*

A Best Buy-- At 60 Percent Off

by Dr. William J. David
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Freshmen Bring Enthusiasm to Highacres

This year, approximately 500 freshmen were admitted to our campus. Along with them, they brought along a certain quality which has eluded this campus-enthusiasm.

Most of these students came to this campus frightened: for many of them it's the first time they have been away from home, and others wondered what was in store for them. (I'm sure the sophomores can remember how it was for them last year: wondering if they would flunk-out; what their teachers would be like; etc.)

But this year's freshmen seem to be putting these fears out of their minds. At the dance held the first week, the

freshmen thoroughly enjoyed themselves. In looking around the dance floor, one could see the enthusiasm being generated by the freshmen.

On Friday at the activities sign-up, they were eager to sign up for the various clubs and organizations. (The freshmen on the COLLEGIAN staff are just one example of this enthusiasm. They have helped the editors and given up many hours of their time to help put together this paper.)

The freshmen class has done a fine job so far and we hope that through them, the entire campus can become more enthusiastic.

BEATLES WILL NOT APPEAR AT HIGHACRES

by E. Grossman

As of the last publication date of The Highacres Collegian, May 1976 plans were in the making to bring the legendary Beatles back together once again for a performance at the new Highacres Physical Education Building. It is reported that all of the

Beatles, John Lennon Paul McCartney, George Harrison, and Ringo Starr had agreed to do a concert at the new Physical Education Building sometime in early October provided the famed Highacres Faculty Chorus would also perform.

The Student Union Board, the organization responsible for setting up concerts on campus announced that it would get the \$20 million needed to finance the concert by selling Hazleton to the Indians. However, as of the last assessment of Hazleton's worth, Hazleton's value amounted to only \$1.49.

Despite the steady increase in tuition over the last half-dozen years, an education at Penn State is still one of the best bargains you can find. For each student on the roster, the University has to spend about \$2500 a year for faculty and staff compensation, instructional supplies and equipment, maintenance of facilities, utilities, and miscellaneous expenses. Fortunately, the taxpayers of Pennsylvania, through their legislators, are picking up the lion's share of this cost, about \$1500 per student.

This cost-sharing in your education by Mr. Taxpayer is not altogether altruistic. Society is investing in you and expects to get a return on that investment. For the forty years of your productive career, most of you will be paying more taxes. This financial return to the state, however, is only part of the pay-off. The intellectual leadership of the nation comes, in large measure, from the college and universities. Were it not for the continuing supply of new scientists, humanists, engineers, lawyers, educators, etc. to keep the vast, complex system of society functioning properly, the United States would slip into stagnation and decline. University-trained leadership is essential.

So, you have a job to do. Spend your time at Highacres wisely. For your dollar and the state's matching dollar and a half, get full measure of education. You owe it to yourself and to society.

In the late spring of 1976, The Student Union Board was very optimistic about this fall's concerts being that The Physical Education Building was to be in use. The number of people the building will be able to accommodate would be a great asset in luring big name rock groups. However, as of the publication date of The Highacres Collegian The Physical Education Building has not been completed and the Student Union Board has not been able to reschedule the concert with the Beatles.