

Going to U-Park?

By Alita Rovito

Recently Dr. Michael Santulli, a professor of humanities and philosophy here on campus, went out to University Park to teach as a visiting professor. He took a survey of former Hazleton Campus students and how they are surviving. He asked four questions and got general answers to all of them.

The first question was "What would you like to have known before coming to U. Park?" The answers were all basically the same, as they were for all the questions. The students stated they wished they would have been more familiar with the campus and its procedures.

The second question was "What problems were encountered in transferring from the Hazleton Campus to U. Park?" Most of the students said that adjusting to the size of the campus and of their classes was the most difficult of all the adjustments. For some of the students, it was the first time they had lived away from home. Other students said that cliques had already been established,

especially when you go out in Winter or Spring terms, and it was hard to become accepted into one of them.

The third question was "How does the Hazleton Campus appear in retrospect?" The students replied that Hazleton helped them make the adjustment from high school to a large university easier. It also helped them learn to live with and be more considerate of other people. The study habits and skills learned from this campus are a valuable asset.

The final question was "What do you find most attractive about U. Park?" This question brought a variety of answers. The answers range from athletics to course choices and activities to a great social life to preparing them for life.

Doctor Santulli made some observations of the problems and opportunities for students transferring from Hazleton to University Park.

1. Contact your department and get an advisor as soon as possible.

2. Expect high costs for all items such as food, housing, and other routine items.

3. Expect large classes and thus the need for sound and independent study habits.

4. Expect more social, athletic, and academic alternatives. The choices are almost overwhelming.

5. Expect more bureaucracy. It frequently takes the better part of a day to solve a problem.

6. Expect a more impersonal atmosphere all over.

7. Expect problems of adjustment similar to those encountered in moving to a large city.

8. Expect legal contracts, rules and prohibitions in both town and dorm relationships.

Dr. Santulli also stated that the move to U. Park requires maturity, planning and organization. Dr. Santulli gave the Collegian all this valuable information with the hopes of helping the sophomores going out to University Park.

Students face parking fines

Each student who drives a motor vehicle to Highacres is required to purchase parking stickers, which enable him or her to park in either Lot A or Lot B. Along with the stickers, each person also receives an official copy of the rules and regulations for parking on this campus. Unfortunately, however, the guidelines contained in the rules and regulations are abused by

many Penn State students and, as a result, many receive traffic fines.

Most students think that the money that the Business Office collects from fines is used for funds which benefit the University, such as parking, pamphlets, salaries, etc. The fact is that no percent of this money is allocated to any of these areas. Instead, the Student Government Association

receives 100 percent of the money collected and uses this money for various campus activities, which, of course, benefit the students. The Business Office is merely in charge of collecting the money that the students pay.

What the Business Office staff is NOT in charge of, however, is receiving the abuse given by many students who want to reconcile their tickets. If students are too lazy to read the parking rules and regulations or simply ignore them, then they deserve to face any penalties involved with the violations. With a campus enrollment of over 1000 individuals, parking provisions must be developed and enforced.

Backgammon Players compete

On March 19, the New Horizons Literary Magazine headed by Chris Nash and Dr. Marchesani, sponsored a backgammon tournament. It was held in the Commons and started at 8 p.m. with about fifteen anxious players.

The tournament was set up into two divisions: division A, which was for advanced players, and division B, which was for beginners. Jack Slotterback took first place in division B and Chris

Tarlar took second. The final game for division A was an interesting showdown between Tim Bixler and Nader Amirhabirian. Bixler seemed to have a commanding lead when Amirhabirian succeeded in taking Bixler out of play for several turns. When Bixler finally reentered the game, Amirhabirian had enough of a lead to end the game.

Commons to be Renovated

The Hazleton Campus of The Pennsylvania State University has recently received funds from University Park concerning the renovation of the Commons food service area.

Mr. Karl Krone, Manager of Food and Housing at the campus, said that the renovations will serve two purposes. (1) to allow for more seating in the commons dining area by replacing tables with smaller cafe style tables

that will add sixty additional seats to the Commons; (2) and to further eliminate long lunch lines to allow for more freedom of movement within the Commons food service area.

The "new look" in the Commons will be similar to a French sidewalk cafe, with wrought iron treatment around the food service area and vending area, smaller round tables and a canopy.

Pageant Orientation Date Set

The annual Miss Pocono Scholarship Pageant, a preliminary of the Miss America Pageant for Carbon, Columbia, Luzerne, Monroe, and Schuylkill Counties will take place on September 19, 1981 at Gus Genetti's, Route 309, Hazleton. This will be the second Miss Pocono Pageant held in Hazleton; and, it will provide an opportunity for talented young women in the five-county area to earn scholarship monies for further education. The winner of the pageant, in addition to her scholarship and wardrobe prizes, will have the opportunity to compete for the crown of Miss Pennsylvania, and ultimately the title of Miss America.

Presently, Candy Kennedy, 24, from Wilkes-Barre, wears the crown of Miss Pocono 1981; and, she will compete in Altoona on June 18, 19 and 20 for the Miss Pennsylvania title. "Through my experiences with pageantry," said Candy, "I have won over \$2000 which I put towards my education. My current scholarship money is being used to pursue a Masters degree."

The main objectives of the Miss Pocono Pageant are to establish a considerable scholarship program and to find a Miss America in our section of Pennsylvania.

The new Miss Pennsylvania, whoever she may be, will be a featured performer at the 1981 pageant.

Scholarship monies are provided through donations, advertising sales, and patronships.

Entry blanks for eligible young woman (who are: 17 to 26 years old, never married, and able to perform a talent routine) are available from Entries Chairman John Loptat, 669-9279; Pageant Director Robert Missmer, 645-4688; or Assistant Director Jacqui Yanoshik, 929-2032.

All entries are due no later than June 1, 1981. Preliminary auditions will be conducted June 27 at Boscov's-Laurel Mall, Hazleton.

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