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Celebrating the 50th

it's Been Quite a Yeari

We toasted the past and we toasted the future at the grand kickoff dinner last September and we've been making the most of our golden anniversary celebration ever since.

Those of you who live in the Greater Hazleton area have seen a multitude of articles in the newspapers about our faculty, our alumni and our activities. We've been featured on television and on radio, our "ambassadors" have gone out to speak at clubs and business groups, we sponsored free seminars and a host of cultural activities that were open to the public.

University and community dignitaries helped us start off the celebration in the proper spirit. Penn State President and Mrs. Bryce Jordan were among those who came in from University Park for the Kickoff Dinner as were Executive Vice-President and Provost William Richardson and Vice President Robert J. Scannell.

Former President Eric Walker, who was responsible for so much of the expansion of this campus, and his wife, honored us with their presence as did many of our distinguished alumni.

Prior to the dinnner, they joined us at a reception on campus and helped dedicate the new hillside rock garden with its recycling brook.

Alumni Achievements

In October, the anniversary committee mounted an exhibit of alumni and faculty accomplishments and then celebrated them at a reception in the Highacres Room. At that time a number of presentations were made honoring the memory of Professor Leonard Shaevel.

Economic Progress Seminars

February saw a remarkable example of community-campus cooperation as the leaders of the business community joined with Penn State experts to try to improve the economic climate in the greater Hazleton area.

Three free seminars were arranged by the anniversary committee with the cooperation of CAN DO and the Chamber of Commerce. Dr. H. LeRoy Marlow came here from University Park to explain PENN-TAP (Pennsylvania Technical Assistance Program). Thomas Beaver Jr., executive director of industrial development for Penn State, spoke on The Ben Franklin Partnership.

Dr. Harold Aurand, president of the faculty organization at the Hazleton Campus, conducted the last of the three seminars. He spoke on the potential value of the local campus and its faculty as a resource for the community and also commented on how much the community has contributed to the local campus.

Still Celebrating . . .

All during the year, we have enjoyed a remarkable number of art, music, theatrical and educational presentations, all open to the public. In addition, the campus community took part in a number of community service projects, most with student as well as faculty and staff participation.

In March, a sculpture exhibit opened on campus, Bloomsburg Theatre Ensemble performed here, a former New York Times correspondent lectured on Nazi Germany and our own Dr. Margaret Cote conducted a seminar based on a recent, most interesting consulting project.

A very special presentation in March was the "Evening of Readings" in Highacres Library. It was arranged by Dr. Harriet Rudolph with Dr. William David, a number of faculty members, some students, and some friends presenting excerpts from literature written when Hazleton Center was just getting its start.

And there's still more to come . . .

