

SUB Makes Changes For New Semester

by Virginia Rodino

The Penn State Hazleton Campus' Student Union Board is experiencing an exciting resurrection this spring semester. The cause of this delightful renaissance is due to members who are anxious to contribute their time and work in an effort to raise SUB to its full potential.

The Student Union board plans and coordinates student activities on the Hazleton Campus. The Board also controls the distribution of the Commons Improvement Fund in order to properly maintain the Highacres Commons Building.

past activities include a winter semi-formal, a Halloween dance co-sponsored by WPSH, various comedians, and cultural events.

Newly elected president Virginia Rodino foresees continued success of SUB because of the tremendous leadership and the promise exhibited through the accomplishment of the freshman members.

Rodino maintains higher expectations in the future and eagerly awaits the day when the whole campus realizes how important the Student union board is to their college experi-

ence.

Upcoming events SUB has planned are a spring semi-formal, Valentine's Day Dance, cultural events, outdoor movies, lunchtime entertainment in the Commons, and many more.

All students and faculty are greatly encouraged to participate in the activities provided for them.

The Student Union Board would like to thank those students and faculty who have already attended past functions. These people have unknowingly benefitted their campus by their show of support.

Rodino would like to congratulate newly appointed officers April Yocum, secretary, Jared Leitzel, treasurer, Sandy Heinz, corresponding secretary, and appointed senators, Kelly Walch, Scott Lieberman, Erik Schaible, Tony Kapuschinsky, and Dori Petrtsch. Many thanks go out to all members and special gratitude is expressed to SUB's advisor Cy Falatko.

The Student Union Board meetings are held on Tuesdays at noon in the Lower Commons Building. All are welcome!

President's Corner

by Joe Spado

Belated welcome back from your winter recess. I hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday and I hope that everyone is doing well in their classes.

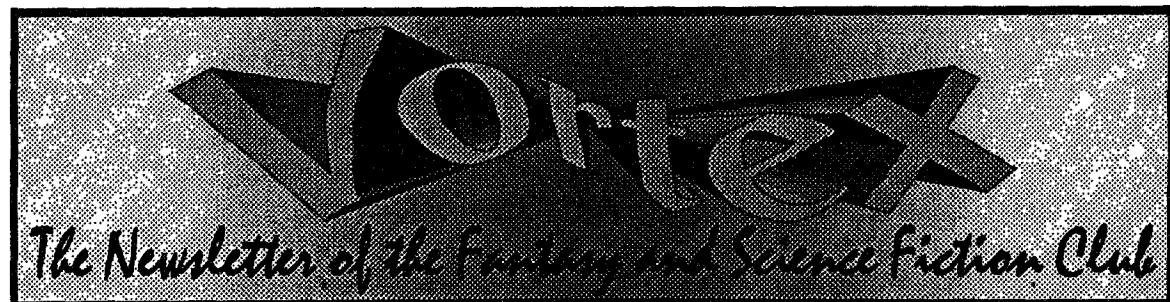
Your Student Government Association is tackling many issues this semester, including an academic advising poll that should help clarify the current system of how academic advising works and how it should be improved.

Several SGA senators will be around to your English classes. Please pay diligent attention to the questions and be honest when answering the questions.

We are also working on getting the campus snack bar to take off the current restrictions as well as getting it opened longer.

We have tried to address the current problem of snow removal on the campus. We had a meeting with Barry Jais in South Hall Lobby to allow students to address their concerns to him.

Last weekend we went to a Council of Commonwealth Student Governments' meeting where Dr. Joab Thomas, president of Penn State University, spoke and answered questions of council members. The meeting was very informative and more information will be sent in my next President's Corner.



By Eric Kreiger

Hello yes and welcome once again to yet another issue of Vortex!!! Once again, it has become necessary to inform readers about how this article works. Vortex is written and produced by the Fantasy and Science Fiction Club and will, therefore, be biased. That's fair warning. And now for something completely different.

An article. The Fantasy and Science Fiction club is here to support all those who like Fantasy and Science Fiction. If you're into comedy, role-playing, sci-fi novels, fantasy movies, etc., then, we're the club for you!!! Our office is in the Lower Commons, room 117. The phone number is 3131. Our regular meeting times are at 5:00p.m. in the lower commons conference room.

Currently, we have many RPG's underway with room for more players. Anyone who is interested in: Cyberpunk, Shadowrun, GBI, Top Secret, MERPS, or the Hero System, give us a call or stop in at the office. Office hours are from approximately 10:00a.m. until we leave or the Commons staff tells us to leave, whichever comes first. Usually, the staff tells us to leave before we leave on our own, so come on down.

Contained in Vortex, usually, are reviews of Sci-fi movies, novels, or games. For example, last semester there were articles ranging from a comparison of Dracula and Lestat to a review of the newest games for SEGA, SNES, and Neo-Geo. This time, however, it's just generic overview material, sort of like the first two weeks of any class, review.

The officers of the Fantasy and Science Fiction Club are as follows:

Eric - President

Jared - Vice-President

Chris - Secretary/Treasurer

Roger - Gamesmaster

OTIS Plans Trip to Boston

by Tom Gilligan

Success of the care packages and the Thanksgiving food drive has allowed the Organization for Town Independent Students to be able to take a trip to Boston, Massachusetts. The club will be staying in Boston on March 18, 19, and 20. While there the club will experience historical sites, a sporting event, such as a Bruins or Celtics game, and a variety of cultural enlightenments.

The club is planning on preparing care packages for students once again this semester. If you are interested in the club, have any questions about off-campus living, or just need a place to hang out, come and join in on one of our meetings. Meetings are held on Thursdays at 12:45 p.m. in the lower commons.