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# P.A. System Gives Rise to Delco "Radio Station"

With the resumption of Winter Term in January came a new sound to the student modules at Delco. The sound was and is the new Delco 'Radio Broadcast' Program. "Radio Broadcast" is in quotes because the program does not broadcast on any frequency like typical radio stations, but is transmitted over the Public Address system of the mod. Therefore a broadcasting license is not required. The "radio station" at Delco was the idea and creation of Steffi Stern, a Journalism major with a minor in Mass Communications. "Star", as Steffi calls herself on the air, originally broadcast over the U.S.A. Public Address System as a of the "radio station" as a

joke this past fall when she discovered how to properly run the equipment. When Mark Huber took over the U.S.A. Presidency upon the resignation of Dean Ashenfelter in January, "Star" decided to make the broadcast program official. She accomplished that by drawing up a tentative program format which was approved by Dean Linder. Next she enlisted the aid of Mr. Steve Sciscione, a new Career Development Counselor at Delco, who became the Advisor to the program. The program is not a separate club and is currently an extension of U.S.A.

Steffi explained part of the reasoning behind the creation

desire to keep students informed as to what is happening on campus. For instance Steffi declared that in her opinion many people are half-blind and half-illiterate. When asked to explain what she meant she clarified her statement by saying that students don't read the posters on the walls or the newsletters put out by the campus. On the other hand many students congregate in the mods to talk, eat, and to just pass the time. Therefore when she broadcasts over the Public Address System she knows that at least some students will hear the campus news if they won't read it. "Star" concentrates mostly on upcoming concerts and different club news.

By no means is everything running as smoothly as Steffi would like. About a week ago the mixer, a piece of equipment which enables the announcer to speak while he is playing music, broke down. As a consequence it was no longer possible to play records over the system. As of this writing the mixer is still broken. The music being heard now is either the radio or cassette tapes. The selection of music played is determined by a sign-up sheet located in the U.S.A. office. At first one album was played once in the morning and once in the afternoon. However it came to Steffis' attention that the people who heard the album in the afternoon were the same ones who had heard it in the morning. Now one album is played in the morning and another one in the afternoon. If anyone is interested in hearing their favorite record or tape they need only bring it in for the day they had signed-up for on the sheet in the U.S.A. office.

There have been complaints from some students that they cannot study during the broadcast. Admittedly the music tends to be louder during the broadcast than at other times. One would like to remind those students that the library and lounge in the main building are available for such purposes. A definite problem with the sound system that existed before the radio program is that of poor

speaker alignment. Currently the two speakers in the mod are directly opposite each other at one end of the room. As a result that section of the room gets blasted away while the other part of the room can hear the music comfortably. The other alternative is to play the music at a moderate level in the "speaker section" in which event the other end of the room can't hear the music. Hopefully the speaker arrangement will be altered to afford the optimal sound and noise level for the entire mod.

Steffi has mentioned that she would like to cut back on the amount of dead air, or no sound, between broadcasts. To do so requires a quick maneuvering of the dials on the stereo. Therefore anyone interested in learning to broadcast must have some experience or knowledge of stereo equipment. Steffi said "I went into this not

knowing a damn thing and the more I work with the equipment the more I learn and the more it pays off." Aside from Steffi two others, Adam Gray and Amy Epstein, are acting as announcers for the new Delco

Since the Delco "Radio Station" is not a club there is little or no money available for improvement, and participation is limited to those who are currently announcing. Possibly for Spring Term there will be more people trained to work the equipment. Steffi mentioned that she would be glad to teach anyone interested what she knows about broadcasting. Presently she is applying for a permit to work at a live radio station on the air. Who knows, perhaps this is the beginning of a new club at Delco for anyone interested in Mass Communica-

Chris Megargel

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