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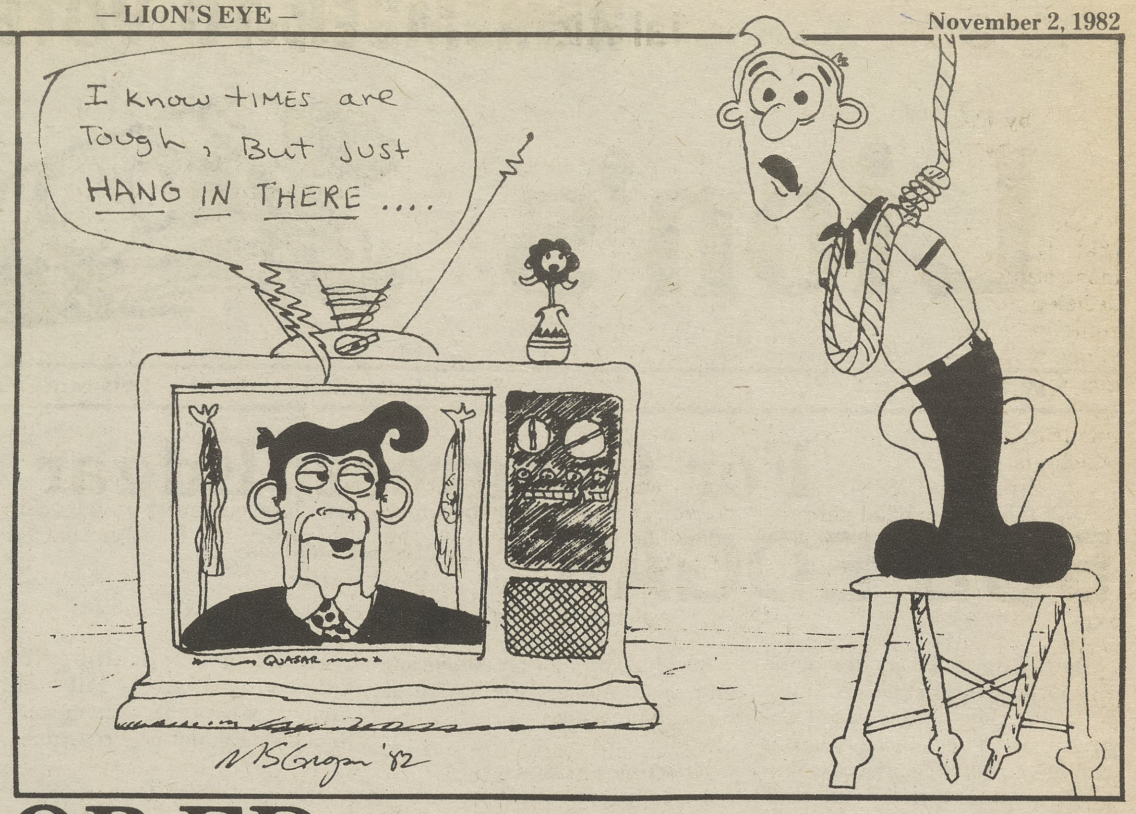


OP-ED Praises Steven Friend

by Dan Loney

Representative Steven Friend is an ambitious, affable personality who functions for and as a part of our community. he is a relatively young man, a young man who in a short period of time has extended his benevolent hand to the entire community. Mr. Friend is a family man who realizes the importance of his job. A job influenced by his moral values to work hard. This drives him to push for laws that make this commonwealth safer for its inhabitants. Steven Friend is a man who knows what is wrong, but more importantly, he is a man who has the will, resources and intellect to make it right.

He expressed his views to me in a short talk that we had one day not long ago. I asked him about legislation in Harrisburg that had any bearing in state colleges and universities; he replied yes, a major one. The legislation under consideration would shift the responsibilities of who runs the system, currently the governor, to a chancellor and his committee. The shift in responsibilities would result in cleaner policies and would make the system itself more autonomus.

I then mentioned that the voting bloc for people in the 18-21 year old range is weak, and what would he suggest we could do about it? He replied that we should become more active and that we should participate with local politicians in an effort to make our voice heard. He then became very excited and he said that people our age generally don't participate in voting and elections, but we then turn around and complain when something goes wrong that we don't like but we could change.

I then asked Representative Friend how he manages to keep that close, personal touch with his voting constitency. He believes that a certain blend of using the commercial media and hard work is essential. He also is an easily accessible person, willing to share much of his time with the surrounding community.

I finally presented Representative Friend with the question of political science as an academic major for a college student. His view was clear: A political science major becomes too bull headed and narrow minded. He suggested that a person interested in pursuing a political career should field a solid base in English and History. And if you want to realize your goals such as Steven Friend did, "You have to work you tail off!"

Will BAACHUS Come to Campus

by Rachel Reed
Staff Writer

BACCHUS, or Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students, seemss a long-overdue approach to creating alcohol awareness. Nowhere in the program's philosophy does it say not to drink. The program is solely for the purpose of educating people in how to make responsible decisions about alcohol use and misuse.

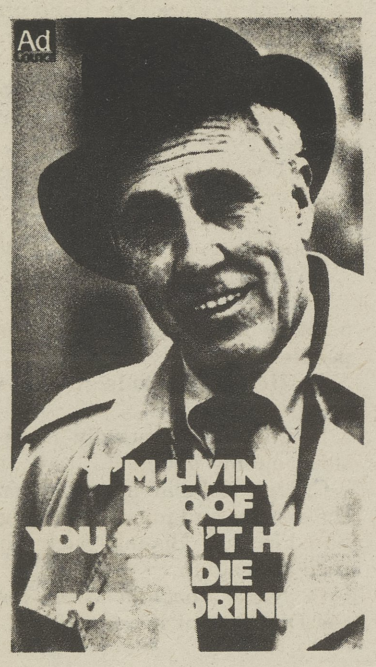
The BACCHUS philosophy consists of four points:

1. Don't make drinking the primary focus of an activity.
2. It is everyone's right to drink or not to drink.
3. Don't encourage or reinforce irresponsibility when it comes to alcohol.
4. Drinking is limited by laws governing drinking and driving; respect these laws.

BACCHUS was founded in 1977 at the University of Florida. Now there are over fifty chapters located in twenty-five states and Canada.

Efforts are now being made to start a BACCHUS chapter on this campus. Through BACCHUS, those interested could gain an understanding of such organizations as Alcoholics Anonymous, Ala-Teen, Alanon, and other concerned organizaitons. BACCHUS would coordinate activities with these groups so as to distribute information and promote responsible behavior concerning the use of alcohol.

For anyone interested, information about BACCHUS can be obtained in the Health Services office. Getting a chapter started on this campus promises to be an interesting, enlightening education to the many faceted issue of alcohol use and abuse.



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Letter To The Editor

We owe a questionable thank you to the U.S.A. for their efforts in planning and executing the 1983 SPIRIT WEEK. It lacked one principal ingredient — SPIRIT. Of the twenty-one events scheduled, at least eleven were never held.

What assistance, if any, did U.S.A. seek from faculty advisors and club presidents? One meeting can hardly assure the success of any event.

What, if anything, can be done to generate enthusiasm within the student body? The last issue of **LION'S EYE** featured an interview of students by Denise Weaver and Patricia Matkowski. Most of those interviewed complained about lack of social activities. However, now I ask, was it student apathy or lack of leadership that robbed SPIRIT WEEK of its intended purpose?

Brian Shaunessy

Penn State Spirit?

It is hard to say whether last weeks SPIRIT WEEK was a failure because of student apathy, weak organization, or the weather. I think it was a combination of all of them.

It has been said over and over again that students should get involved with campus activities. That is true, but it shouldn't stop there. A student will join a club to get involved and be apart of something. In that club they are looking for a place where they can contribute what they have. However it is the leader of the group who has the responsibility to provide a place for that person and encourage them to get involved. If any link in that group is weak the group will be weak. For example if the club is holding an event and one or two people that are needed forget to help out at the event, chances are that the event will fail.

What then can be done to solve this problem? One solution is better organization and communication. If all the details are worked out before hand then chances for success are greatly increased. Also if communication between members in the group is kept alive everyone will be aware of what is going on and problems will be discovered before they cause any damage.

At this campus we are privileged to have excellent leaders in the student government, the student activities committee, and the other organizations. They are without a doubt the finest leaders ever put together under one roof. They have great ideas for the campus but they need to help and the support of**YOU** the students of the Delaware County Campus. Without you and your support this campus is just a bunch of concrete buildings.

Peter D. Cook
Editor-in-Chief Lions Eye

Attention All Women!

by Heidi Gold
Staff Writer

Penn State students are invited to participate in Glamour Magazine's 1983 Top Ten College Women Competition. Young women from colleges and universities throughout the country will compete in Glamour's search for ten outstanding students. A panel of Glamour editors will select the winners on the basis of their solid records of achievement in academic studies and/or in extracurricular activities on campus or in the community.

The 1983 Top Ten College Women will be feature in Glamour's August College Issue, and the ten winners will receive a $1,000 cash prize.

Any woman who is interested in entering should contact Carl Vairo for more information. The deadline for submitting an application to Glamour magazine is December 1, 1982.

Good luck to all who enter.