



Who says chivalry is dead? Army ROTC Capt. Mavracick, MSG Phifer, and cadet Lou Mandich came to the rescue of a Penn State student who encountered two blow-outs on I-95. Thanks, Guys!

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— Club Update —

By Diana Miceri

Adult Student Organization — In conjunction with Student Programs and Services and Continuing Education, there will be two Chat 'n Cheese Get-Togethers on October 26 and 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the Main Lounge.

Karate Club - Instructing in Isshinryu Karate and the principles of traditional Martial Arts. Training in the club includes conditioning and flexibility, self-defense skills, traditional forms known as Kata, and competitive point sparring. Training in the auxiliary gym is on Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Keystone Society — A pie throwing contest is tentatively scheduled for this semester. The exact date will be posted on signs around campus.

Lion Ambassadors — Collecting food for The Food Drive (for Thanksgiving) until Friday, November 20. See Marianne Rhodes in Room 111E in the Main Bldg. for more details.

Lion's Guard — Training and organizing for parades and drills; at least 4 different events are scheduled for this semester. See Rich Bauman in the Lion's Den for details.

Rangers — Currently training for Flash Testing. For more information see Lou Mandich in the Lion's Den.

Student Athletic Association — Planning a 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament. See Trina Ieradi in the Lion's Den for details.

Obituary

Death in the Family: John Mellusi, Everyone's Brother

By Mike Jamison

Death, it seems, unifies us all. A puzzling yet strong statement to make, and yes, it is true, death makes us all one, a family of sorrow. I did not know John Mellusi; I shared a History class and a love for Hunter S. Thompson and Tom Clancy with him, but there the unknown association ended. But on that unforgiving Monday, the day I heard he had died, he became my,

Spain Hosts Recent International Exposition

By Rosa Laborde

Everyone knows about the '92 summer Olympics in Barcelona this past summer. Well, Spain also hosted the 1992 Universal Exposition (EXPO '92). EXPO '92 was held in Sevilla on the island of Cartuja.

But Spain's great Universal Exposition opened its gates to the public on April 20th. More than one hundred countries from all five continents, companies, top



Chat and Cheese Gathering Helps Students Meet Teachers

By Caroline Kalafut

The Adult Student Organization (ASO) is hosting an adult Chat and Cheese on Monday, October 26 and Tuesday, October 27. Faculty and staff will be present in the main lounge between 6 PM and 8 PM to welcome all guests.

A two-day affair is necessary to accommodate part-time students who attend Mon-Wed-Fri or Tuesday-Thursday classes. The purpose of the semi-annual open

ROTC Experience Technique For Survival and Safety

By Peggie Cahall

On September 12 the ROTC program experienced an Adventure Day at Fort Indiantown Gap. They learned the skill of repelling and how to negotiate 30 and 60 foot towers. The cadets encountered a timed obstacle course in buddy teams, along with cadets from other campuses. First year cadets, Sgt. Goodman and 2Lt Ehrhart won the obstacle course competition.

Adventure Day also consisted of the slide for life, in which cadets slide on a cable from a 60 foot tower into a lake. These obstacles taught the cadets to trust their equipment despite their fears. Adventure Day is basically a confidence builder.

Since the cadets are responsible for the organization, the margin for error is very slim. Delco ROTC is the only campus in the system which allows the cadets to plan the events. "I learned that you always have to think on your feet, so if something goes wrong you can fix it," said c/ISG Pietras after he learned the skill.

Later, on the weekend of September 18-20, the Penn State ROTC program went on a Survival Weekend in Shunk, Pennsylvania. The cadets learned how to plan operations, with certain variables such as aviation. Then the aviation planned for the weekend fell through, the cadets were responsible for other means of transportation. "Nothing in the ROTC program goes according to plan, so we learn to think on our feet," said c/ISG Peitras.

The advanced party team went up early to secure the area of operation for the main body by preparing the training sites and communication. The main body moved up on September 18. A safety briefing of the area took place, then the cadets were placed with a buddy, another cadet, for the weekend. "You learn how to work with others, how to rely on someone, and how to be relied on," c/MAJ Mandich stated.

The cadets were taught individual camouflage, first aid, rope building, knots, and night tactical operations. They also built shelters and fires, to protect them from the elements. "Overall, the operation went well. Learning how to plan and execute operations is the most difficult part, because it can cause your operation to fail," said c/MAJ Mandich, who was glad the weekend was a success.

On October 3, ROTC assisted the Global Awareness Group with the Ridley Creek State Park clean-up. On October 4, the cadets learned aviation skills with a helicopter orientation, which took place on the soccer field.

Blood Drive Does Help!

By Roger Lee

The Campus Blood Drive was held on two days this October: Wednesday, October 7 and Friday, October 9 in the Student Lounge, Main Building, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This semester, almost 100 pints of blood were donated by students and staff. A total collection for last year's two blood drives neared 290 pints. Blood drives have been held on campus for the last four years. These drives have been very successful—approximately 400 people had registered to give blood.

The only requirements for giving blood are that you must be 18 years of age, eat well before donating, and wait 56 days between donations. Of course, you can not get AIDS or any other disease from donating blood. In fact, one pint of blood can be broken down to help save five different lives.

house is to introduce the older student to all the resources available on campus. It is an attempt to duplicate the orientation of younger students.

Last year 238 students took the opportunity to meet each other and to establish closer contact with members of the faculty. This year the ASO hopes attendance will be higher. As usual, announcements about this event will be made in class. Wanjiru Kamau, Retention Specialist, said "This is a very good way to say we care."

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