

# Opinion & Review

## Editorials

### Leaving Limited Legacy Behind

By Emmanuel Seabrooks

A year ago judges in Los Angeles ruled that all the police officers involved in the brutality against Rodney King were not guilty. Of course, shortly after that decision was made the city of Los Angeles was in havoc. There were many angry citizens found all over the city, crashing into store windows, fighting among gangs and races. All these incidents erupted out of anger.

Once again the four officers charged with the beating of King went to trial. During this time the country awaited the verdict, fearing the outcome would once again spark riots in Los Angeles. Why were we in fear? The riots that happened last year were then. And we have to think, in a year's time, have we changed any?

There have been a lot of changes in Los Angeles since the riots: gangs have come together, races are learning how to understand one another, and an entire city is in the process of being rebuilt. The verdict was made Saturday, April 17. Two officers were convicted, and yet the city has remained calm.

Things have changed since the riots, and there is no reason to fear another eruption like the last one. We must live in hope not in fear, for fear will only make us as a people weaker.

### Rebuilding on Hope

By Kaspar Stromme

This is it. The end. It is the season when many of us look toward migrating north-west to wonderful Happy Valley. Or wherever else you're headed. The fact is that about half of this campus will leave after finals week and never come back. With them will go whatever little student life this campus has.

An often heard comment is that this campus has no student life because it has no dorms. This is only partially true; the real problem lies in the transitional nature of the campus.

Every second year there is a complete change of leadership among the students here. As soon as the officers start to fully understand their duties and familiarize themselves with the campus and people here, they have to move on. Because of this the clubs are unable to make any long term plans that could benefit them. Instead they work from year to year, starting all over again every August. This situation is common among many of the clubs and organizations here on campus.

The two new baccalaureate programs will help a little bit, boosting the number of four-year students here. Delco needs more of these programs, maybe boosting the number of four-year students to as much as 25% of the student body. That would create a more stable environment for the clubs and organizations to grow in.

In closing, I'd like to thank all of our 5 readers.....only kidding! Hope you've enjoyed the XXIV volume; I've had a great time working on it. Good luck to Mike Jamison, who will be in charge of XXV. In the end it was well worth the troubles.

### A Call to Arms!

By Wes Tomlinson

How much longer can the people of Western Europe and the United States stand idly by and watch innocent unarmed civilians be slaughtered daily in Bosnia? The outrageous genocidal criminal conduct by the Hitler-like leader of the Serbs cries out for decisive action.

Every night, we witness on our TV sets the mangled and maimed bloody bodies of young children being dragged from their schoolyard playgrounds, victims of Serbian aggression. Yet, the United Nations does nothing.

It is time for the United States to take the lead and commence surgical air strikes against the artillery and tanks of the Serbs. Even if this does not stop the war, it will give the Bosnians a fighting chance to survive.

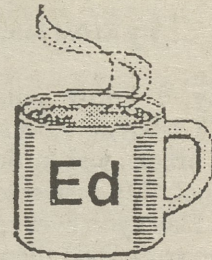
It is the very least that we can do as members of a civilized human community.

(Wes Tomlinson is an adult student at Delco, who is a former US Marine fighter pilot and Commander of Media American Legion Post #93.)

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## THE FRONT DESK

by Ed Tomezsko  
Campus Executive Officer



Another one of these ultra-fast years has come and almost gone. It's time for lots of thank yous to lots of people. First, a very large

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to Editor Kaspar Stromme and the staff of *The Lion's Eye*. This is a great campus newspaper and we are very grateful for the hard work put into making this paper a reality and a regular feature of the campus life.

Tracy McLoughlin and the other officers of the Student Government Association deserve an enormous

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for keeping the quality of student life high on our campus.

Our athletic teams continue to excel and to bring recognition to the campus. Tiz Griffith, our esteemed Athletic Director, deserves an extra large

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along with all of the coaches and staff to help us field teams. Hopefully, our budget condition will allow us to bring back one or more of the varsity sports next academic year.

Our student scholars make this campus great. Thus year we gave out more than \$43,000 in scholarships to these excellent students. We give them an even larger

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for academic work well done and for continuing to enhance the reputation of Penn State and our campus.

If anything glues Penn State together in the continuing pursuit of excellence, it is the faculty and the staff. Connie Kirker received two awards for teaching excellence, one from the campus and one from her College of Arts and Architecture. Sibyl Severance received a University Award for teaching. George Franz received his college's award for excellence in academic advising. Our faculty and staff are good.

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Here's the point: you can never have too much of a good thing. And I want more of the good things we have. We will continue to pursue excellence with a passion. As I have said in the past, time goes by too quickly. Enjoy the Summer and see some of you in August. Thanks!

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