

Campus Holds 1994 Honors Convocation

By Jane Resides

Angela Schaeffer, a Delco liberal arts student, said that last year's Academic Honors Convocation was, "much more emotional than I expected it to be." Angela received a special award for academic excellence and was the recipient of *The Judith Davis Memorial Scholarship*. She said, "I wondered why I had applied for the scholarship, but when I found I had won, I was so excited. It was nice for someone to say, you've done a good job."

Judith Davis was a campus professor at Delco, and her scholarship is funded by her family and friends. Angela said she received "a heartfelt letter" from Davis' mother, telling her how important Davis' work and her students were to her.

Caps and gowns of various academic styles, adorned with colorful hoods, will sweep into the library at 7:30 p.m. on April 13 for this year's Honor Convocation. With all the pomp and ceremony of a graduation exercise, the faculty will bestow honors upon Delco students who have an academic average of 3.5 or higher.

Connie Kirker, lecturer in art history, art, and art education, and winner of the Outstanding Teacher Award in 1993, will give the address.

The 1994 winner of the Outstanding Teacher Award will be announced by Campus Executive Officer, Dr. Edward S.J. Tomezsko. This teacher will have been selected by the Delco student body, via ballots the University sent recently to all students.

Dr. Tomezsko will welcome participants after the academic processional and invocation. Awarding of certificates and recognition of University Scholars and Campus Honors Program participants will then precede the address. The special awards for academic excellence, the President's Freshman Awards, and recognition of adult student award recipients will follow. Last year seventy adults were eligible for this award.

The Gateway Awards and inductees into the Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society will be next. Recognition of Campus Scholarships and Prize Recipients will then be made.

The last announcement will be the winner of the 1994 Outstanding Teacher Award. The evening will end with a reception for participants and their families.

Financial Aid Reminders

By Phillip Hoertz

Students who have financial aid must complete 24 credits by the end of spring semester '94. If the student drops a course or does not receive the credits, financial aid will be withheld. In order to complete the required number of credits, the student must take summer courses here at Penn State or at another college that will transfer the credits. If a student has a GPA under 2.0, the summer courses must be taken here at Delco or another Penn State campus. See Mrs. Silvia Schaffer in room 106J in the main building if you have any questions.



Seventh grade students work together making tower of straws.

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Touch Tone Registration

By Martyna Sliwinski

Just when you thought the Spring semester would never end, here is some good news: advance registration for Fall '94 starts April 4.

In March, letters were sent to students informing them about their options. The touch-tone registration is no longer just a plan, now you can pick up the phone, dial the number of your choice and schedule your classes in a matter of minutes.

However, the students are still urged to consult with their advisors before making the final decision. Even though the touch-tone registration lets you get around having your advisor sign the form, the best bet would be to talk to him/her anyway.

The touch-tone registration is available to all students who have at least 13 credits, both completed and currently scheduled. In addition, the traditional registration is also available. If you prefer to register in person, bring your schedule form complete with your advisor's signature to room 105 Main. The earliest date you can come in is based on the number of credits you have earned so far, as well as the credits you have scheduled for Spring '94. After the assigned date, your schedule will still be accepted although the selection of classes will become increasingly limited.

Remember, after you pick your classes, you are in the "scheduled" status, not "registered" as it was mistakenly indicated in the previous issue of *The Lion's Eye*. You have to return your semester bill to complete your registration process. If, for any reason, you will not be able to return the bill on time, bring it to the Delco campus, rather than sending it to University Park.

Ms. Joyce Rigby, Campus Registrar, urges all students to ask questions. "We are here to help the students, but without them asking, we can't help them!" she states. "If you have any conflicts, come and talk to us, we'll find a solution."

'Greedy' Stingy With Comedy

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McFly-nice guy image as Uncle Joe's favorite (and least greedy) nephew.

The movie was a tad predictable, but enjoyable all the same. Highlights include a dinner scene in which the relatives try to sabotage one another by pulling out the skeletons from each other's closets in front of Uncle Joe. Another interesting and surprising scene was that in which Michael J. Fox bares his behind, sporting a cool tattoo

PSU Delco Offers Math Options Again For Seventh Grade Girls

By Jane Resides

Susan, a typical sophomore at PSU Delco, is trying to decide on a major so she can fill out the required forms on time. She leans toward history or English, simply because she has had a lot of courses in these subjects. She has taken only the required science and math courses at PSU, mainly because she did not take them in high school and is not confident she can handle them. Susan, who was good in math in middle school, has begun to realize that this lack of math experience and confidence limits her career choices.

Susan says the reason she failed to take math courses in high school was because her family, friends, and high school counselors discouraged her interest in math. She concluded that it was not something girls did well. Now she wonders if she might have liked math, but she is already four or five years behind in the math that could lead her to broader choices and perhaps a more lucrative career.

Fortunately PSU Delco offers a program that keeps other young

women from making this mistake. The Math Options Career Day for seventh grade girls is aimed at encouraging young women to consider careers in math, science, engineering, and technology, and to continue math and science course work throughout their schooling, especially in high school, in order to maximize their career options when they reach college. The program is being offered May 10 and 12.

Patricia Van Leuvan, Assistant Professor of Education at Delco, who directs the program, said that the Delco Math Options Career Day program began in 1992 with an enrollment of 97 students from 19 schools. In 1993 enrollment increased to 157 girls from 31 schools, and this year there will be 200 girls from 40 schools. Area Middle schools from Delaware and Chester Counties each select five seventh grade girls to participate.

The University recruits women from the corporate and research sector, who have careers in math, science, engineering, and technology, to conduct workshops and share career information pertinent to their fields. Dr. Van Leuvan said, "There is a high level of commitment from these women." This was confirmed by the long commute of one presenter who is a research scientist from the National Institute of Drug and Alcohol Abuse in Baltimore, MD.

An important component of this program is the twelve to fourteen Penn State undergraduate women recruited from Delco, who serve as group leaders and as campus ambassadors to assist presenters.

The Career Day starts with an ice-breaker activity in which mixed groups from different schools build towers with straws and tape as they get to know one another. Each group then attends forty-minute workshops presented by the professional women from different fields, including engineers, doctors, accountants, financial managers, research scientists, computer scientists, and economists.

At the end of the morning, the students gather in the lecture hall, where a panel of professional women answer questions from the program leaders and the seventh grade students. Lunch follows and the day concludes with an open career fair so that students may seek information about careers of their choice.

The Math Options Career Day has been primarily funded by the Arco Chemical Company with additional support in 1992 by Bell of Pennsylvania.

Thanks to a grant from the Mobil Oil Corporation, an additional Math Options program is in development and will be offered this summer. The Math Options Summer Institute for eighth graders will feature a week of activities that will incorporate three themes: (a) health and wellness, (b) energy, and (c) the environment. Field trips to the Mobil Oil refinery in Paulsboro, NJ, and to the John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge in Tinicum are planned.

Delco students who would be interested in serving as a group leader for the Summer Institute should contact Dr. Van Leuvan in her office at 123 Library Learning Center or at 892-1462. Group leaders will receive a stipend and have the opportunity to meet and work with professionals from the medical, engineering, and environmental science communities.

Admissions Office News

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***If you have a friend or relative who is interested in attending Penn State Delaware County Campus, we want them to know...It's not too late to attend Penn State! We are having campus information programs on the following dates: Tuesday, April 26 and Tuesday, May 24, both from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Reservations can be made by calling 892-1200.**



(left to right) Gopal Patel, pharmacy, Tricia Keene, business administration, Gedion Teklegiorgis, political science, and Jacqueline Brown, DVS in costumes for fashion show by Multicultural Association.

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