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Registration in Sight for Spring Semester at Delco

By Pete Howard

Have you thought about registering for classes next semester? Well the time has come already and everybody should get on the ball as soon as possible.

By registering early, students get a wider variety of classes to choose from, and this also gives the registrar's office time to make more space in certain classes. Registering early gives the registrar information on the demand for certain classes.

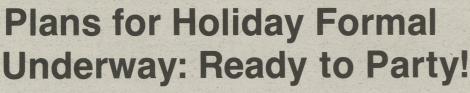
To register, students should go to room 105, or do it over touch-tone phone. No matter how you do it, you must see an advisor first. Joyce Rigby, campus registrar, can't stress this enough, "Some students register over the phone, but in order to finalize the process, they must have an advisor's signature." One reason an advisor is crucial is that some classes have

prerequisites, and a student might not know this.

Registration began October 23 with students scheduling classes based on the number of credits they have earned. Honor students should go to the registrar's office because they have separate classes. Two year students should also register at the office because of their course selection.

All students should register by November 29th, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. Also, students should pay attention to when tuition payment is due. Students who have questions about financial aid should contact the financial aid office or talk to Mrs. Schaffer.

Classes end this semester on December 8th, and they start up again on January 8th. But before you think about enjoying that long break, register for your spring classes.



By David Whiteman

It's getting close to that time of year, the best part of the year where everyone eats a lot of food, spends a lot of time at family gatherings, and on one day, gets a lot of really cool presents.

Perhaps the best part about this time of year is the fact that it's time for the annual Delco Holiday Semi-Formal Dance. This SGA-funded activity usually gets the best turnout of all the semester's activities, and is usually a lot of fun

This year's dance, which will be held at the Ramada Inn in Essington, will take place on December 8,1995.

This is the last day of classes for the fall semester and the social event is looked forward to as a sign that the semester is over and it's okay to breathe.

Ticket prices will be approximately \$30, and should be well worth the money. Interested persons should seek out A.J. Russo, Vice President of the SGA by contacting him at the SGA office which is located on the first floor of the commons building.

"I'm really excited about this year's dance," said Russo "We're working on getting some really high-budget entertainment at a really classy hotel. It should be great."

Student Ideas for Changes Revealed in Welfare Survey

By Janine Furillo

The Delco Student Welfare Committee is ready to write a proposal for money from the University's Improvement Funds to help better the campus. However, the students attending Delco need to share some ideas on things needing improvement, or just things needed on campus.

At their Wednesday, October 11 meeting, the SWC decided to release a survey to students all around the campus. "I think it was a great idea on the part of the SWC to release a survey. I have a lot of confidence in what the committee can do to help the students," said Mike Hyde, SGA President. Thirty-five of the surveys were returned to SGA members.

Some of the suggestions the

survey included (not in any particular order) were: 1) Lights for the sand volleyball courts; 2) A van or vans for sport teams and special trips; 3) A scoreboard for the baseball and soccer field; 4) A stereo system for the new lounge; 5) A p.a. system for the three buildings (commons, Main, Library); 6) Pencil sharpeners for classrooms.

Some additional ideas that were given were: 1) An auditorium and performing center; 2) Accessories for the weight room; 3) A Rugby Team for our campus.

"We had a lot of good ideas returned to us through the SWC survey," said Lance Spear, SGA treasurer. "We will do our best to utilize these ideas in order to better our campus for the students."

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Registrar Assistant Lisa Maturo hands Jermaine Kannard materials for spring registration.

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New Counselor Welcomed to Offer Career Counseling

By Bill Campbell

Students who have been hoping for additional counseling staff on campus have got their wish. Today, November 1, Delco will be welcoming a new personal and career counselor to its staff, Mrs. Sharmon Bryant.

Mrs. Bryant's primary responsibilities will be in personal and career counseling, responsibilities that have not been fully met since Dr. Mary Bell left Delco in June of last year. Some of Mrs. Bryant's general responsibilities will include helping students with decisions about majors, organizing interview and resume workshops, coordinating internship programs, and arranging career fairs.

"I hope to help students do as much as they can for the first two years of college," said Mrs. Bryant. "It's important that students work hard now to prepare for the work-world."

Mrs. Bryant is leaving full-time work at the Germantown Family Center where she helps make education and counseling accessible to students and families. She will continue working there, but only as a consultant. "One thing I like to focus

on," she says, "is education for non-traditional students: people over forty, single mothers, and the economically disadvantaged."

Mrs. Bryant already has an idea of some of the things she would like to bring to Delco. "It would be nice if the campus had a gospel or musical group for people who like to sing. Maybe we can organize something like that."

"Mrs. Bryant was the most qualified of twenty applicants," said Mrs. Barbara Daniel, Coordinator of Student Life. "There was a ten-person search team that reviewed twenty applicants, but only interviewed six. We were impressed with her background in career counseling and with her rapport with students and faculty.

"Mr. Virgil Perry has been bearing quite a load this past semester, spending half of his time in admissions counseling and half working in Student Life," Mrs. Daniel added, "Mrs. Bryant will help to expand student services in these areas."

Mrs. Bryant's office will be in the career center on the second floor of the Commons Building.

Ski Trip Report Smugglers' Deposits Due

By Jackie Roth

Delco's Student Government Association is sponsoring their second annual ski trip to Smuggler's Notch, Vermont, January 1st through the 6th.

Those attending will leave from the Delco parking lot at approximately three-thirty a.m. on January 1st. All deposits of fifty dollars cash or check is due by November first. Checks should be made out to the Student Government Association, for fifty dollars. The total cost is \$250 for five nights housing and transportation to and from the resort.

Housing will be in slopeside condos that can accommodate approximately twelve people. Each condo is equipped with a full kitchen to keep the cost of dining down. Each group has the right to choose whom they will room with. Also, Student Government has made arrangements with Smuggler's Notch to provide housing for everyone who attends despite the response they get, so that no one will be turned away for housing. This trip is not only open to

Delco students, anyone who pays the cost may attend.

Additional costs will include ski rental, which for the length of stay will be seventy-five dollars; food; spending money; additional lift tickets; and twenty dollars for a night's trip to Canada. Those interested in the bustrip to Canada must bring a valid driver's license or passport in order to cross the border.

Jim Young, freshman Liberal Arts, stated that last year's trip to Montreal was great. "Since we aren't able to get into bars down here it was a great opportunity to sit back, relax, and not have to worry about the cops walking into the bar and getting us on underage drinking charges."

Bryan Pfeil, freshman Engineering, also attended and said "the entire trip was great. All we did was ski by day, party by night and just have a chance to get away from stuff like school and jobs for a few days."

SGA reminds interested students that deposits are due by November 1st to Student Government.