

# Opinion & Review

## Editorial

### A Crime of Violence — A Controversial Crime

By Lisa Colucci

Rape is a very frightening crime that no individual would like to encounter. This is a very controversial issue that troubles our society. Well, I have a few opinions of my own, coming from many different angles.

College campuses are full of parties, alcohol, drugs, and sex. Women have been raped; this crime is not going to disappear any time soon.

Feminists have clouded women's judgement when it comes to safety; they have taught women today that they are capable of anything and everything. Feminists forget to stress fear. Every individual should be alert to this intense crime of violence.

Women today need to educate themselves about crime in their communities. They should be careful where they go and who they go with; they need to take responsibility for their actions. If all women do this, many rape cases would not take place.

Sex is a very confusing situation. People either want it, are not sure if they want it, or they don't want it at all. If one out of the two people does not want to have sex, and they state it clearly, any further action is rape.

Women sometimes send out mixed signals; I know it sucks guys, but you can't make them pay for your inconvenience. Some women send out

mixed signals because they are not sure what they want, and others; the ones who do it just to be bitches. The fact is, mixed signals or not, "no" means "no".

Women today need to clearly state what they want and do not want from a man. Come on, women, they can't read our minds, just like we can't read theirs.

A lot of women have had sex, regretted it, and cried "rape". My reply is, if you didn't want to have sex, you should've said no. No one is taking that right away from you. If you don't say no, you are taking that right away from yourself. Therefore, it is your fault.

Men and women have to learn to be respectful of one another, and also to be straight forward. Increased communication has the capability of eliminating some cases of rape.

"Date rape", "acquaintance rape", what is that? Rape is rape, no matter where it happens or who it happens with. If two people go out on a date, and one rapes the other, it is rape. The date has nothing to do with the rape. I find it very odd that people classify rape.

All people, both male and female, need to be careful of the situations that they submit themselves to. I am not saying that this will prevent rape, but I think that it would reduce the risk.



### Security To The Rescue For Student In Distress

By Jaclyn Fried

On a memorable day of the 1995 Spring semester, I discovered the overwhelming kindness of two members of the Penn State Delaware County staff.

I had gotten myself into a typical freshman jam. Without thinking, I had slammed my car door shut, with the only set of keys to the car locked inside, staring at me from the place where they were flung on the front seat.

What should I do? A flashback from freshman orientation rushed through my mind, "If you lock your keys in the car, don't call Mom! Ask security for help."

So I headed off to the security office in the Main Building, expecting them to call Mom for me. There, I explained my problem to the campus security guard, John McKnight. Without hesitation, he came out to my car, armed with a thin metal rod with which he tried to "slim jim" the lock.

He worked on it for at least forty-five minutes, trying each door and returning to the security office a few times to retrieve more hi-tech devices, like a coat hanger.

I was ready to just break a window and grab the keys off of the seat. Instead, he radioed to a maintenance worker, Jim Duffy, to see

if he could try his hand at slim-jimmed the door. Duffy came riding out of the hills on a John Deere tractor, seeming happy to try the lock.

Neither McKnight nor Duffy could get the doors unlocked, and realizing the impossibility of the situation, they offered to the drive me to my home more than thirty minutes away. However, since there were no other existing keys to the car, this tactic would be useless.

Instead, they suggested contacting my dealership to get a key made. We called Carousel Toyota, and after Duffy ran out to the car several times to confirm the serial number, the dealership agreed to have a key made immediately. Duffy offered to drive me to the dealership, so McKnight could stay on campus and keep the area secured.

After a pleasant ride in the security's station wagon across the Delaware County countryside, Duffy and I arrived at our destination. Since I had also locked my wallet in the car, Duffy kindly paid for the key.

When we returned to campus, like a gentleman, he refused payment for either the key or his services. Both he and McKnight went far beyond the call of duty in helping me. This article sends them the thanks that they so well deserve.

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## Editorial:

### Elections Hit A Sour Note

By Nicholas Felici

I begin by congratulating Jason Mills on his victorious campaign for Student Government president. You did not earn it.

I don't want to be misunderstood. This is not a personal attack on the winners of the elections, nor campaign techniques. This editorial is simply my evaluation of the quality of the actual election process.

A large majority of the students on campus may not know all the details. I wish to make it clear that I, though somewhat of an insider, do not know all of the details either. But I can tell you that a lot of the things concerning these elections were not

exactly straight. That is to say, crooked.

Posters were displayed all over campus declaring the deadline to sign up for the opening positions in SGA. Deadlines (plural) were established and errantly disregarded. Not enough candidates signed up for the positions in order to hold elections, so they were postponed.

Another issue was that of the required GPA a student had to have to run for any office. The GPA needed was a 2.5, and it still is, despite some members of the SGA Executive Committee's wishes to lower it to a 2.2, which many said would retain more potential candidates and create a better election.

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