

Opinion & Review

Editorial

That Yellow Brick Road

By Bill Campbell

Hey, Dorothy, you're not in high school anymore. This is the big-time, Penn State University big-time.

But don't worry. After all, there's the Yellow Brick Road. Follow it, and you'll be fine.

Watch out for the Wicked Witch, though, 'cause she's out there. She's in every clique and dead-end loser group you'll find.

You'll see her in the lounges and the cafeteria looking conspicuous and unsure of herself, poking fun at and mimicking everyone and everything else. Don't fall prey to her false charm and false group-identity, though. She's a sham, and she'll lead you nowhere.

Follow the Yellow Brick Road. You'll be fine.

Along the Yellow Brick Road are campus clubs, groups, services, and activities that are genuine. You'll meet all kinds of different people and discover talents you never knew you had. But most of all, you'll make great contacts and develop yourself professionally.

The Yellow Brick Road begins at the Commons/Athletic Center: Raquel Arredondo, Student Services Specialist, in Room 138; Tiz Griffith, Athletic Director, in room 138; Sean Worthington, Volunteer Service Center Director, in room 137; and Sharmon Bryant, Career Counselor, in room 214. All can help show the way.

Follow the Yellow Brick Road to Delco's *Community of People Learning*, and most of all, to a bright and rewarding future.

Review

Can't Beat Mother's Kitchen

By Greg Jurkowski

It's Saturday night. You and your friends just got out of a movie at the Painter's Crossing AMC and you still have some time to waste. You decide to go over to Friendly's for some coffee and a bite to eat, but it's crowded. As you stare blankly across the parking lot, trying to figure out where you and your friends could go, you see a sign and it says, "Mother's Kitchen...Open 24 Hours." You decide to give the place a try. I did and since then my life hasn't been the same.

In my opinion, Mother's is an excellent restaurant. The outside of the building is fairly plain, but the inside of it jumps out at you in a multitude of pastels and earthtones, a welcome change to the drab decor of other restaurants. They have a small country gifts section and the ever infamous Skill Crane there. The only bad thing there for some people is that the restaurant is non-smoking until 10:00pm.

The food is very good and you get what you pay for. I recommend the chicken cheese steak and the Foot O' Rings, which is a stack of onion rings that comes with barbecue, honey mustard and ranch sauces. If you're not so hungry but still want some

"rings", you can order a half-foot of them.

Let us not forget Mother's crowning glory, their coffee. Forget having to flag down your waiter or waitress for a refill. They give you a whole pot for the table. They even have International coffee creams, five excellent flavors: French Vanilla, Irish Cream, Amaretto, Cinnamon Hazelnut, and Chocolate Mocha.

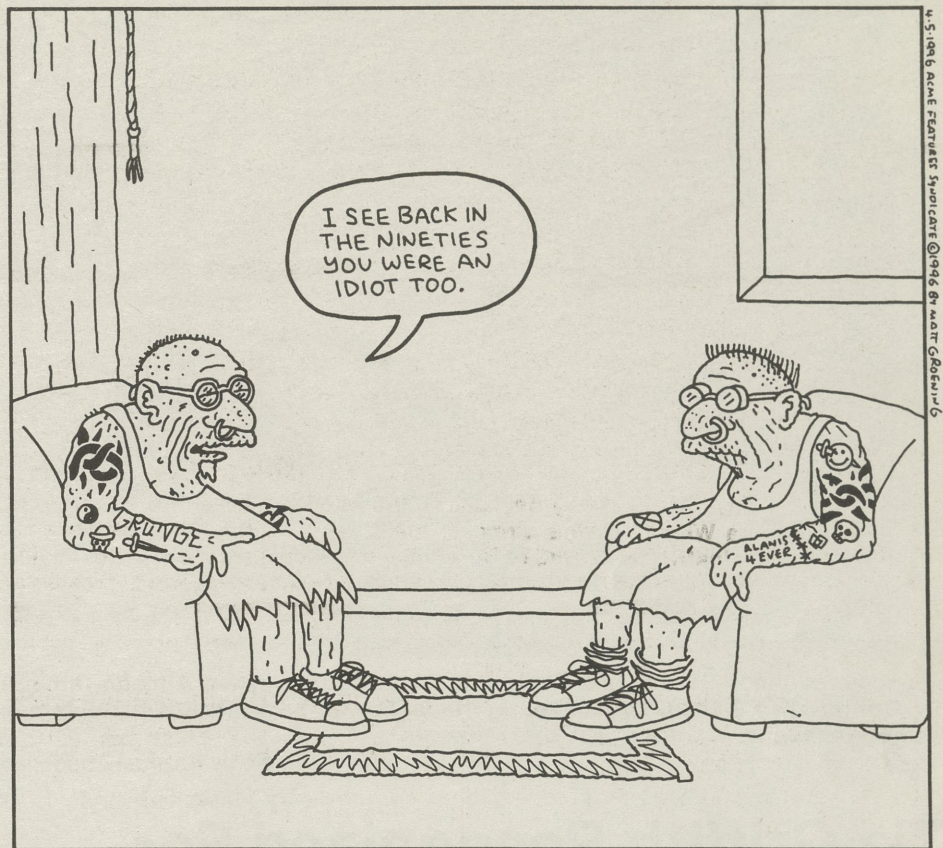
Mother's has some ties to Penn State. Over the summer, if you walked in on a Saturday night, you might have had Kevin Anderson (3rd Sem, Kinesiology) or Beth McCall (9th Sem, CMLit), two students from University Park, wait on you. You might have also seen Reid Caster (5th Sem, DUS), Dan Abbondi (3rd Sem, Sociology) or Jay Mills, SGA president, enjoying their food and a quiet conversation. You might have also seen Brian Budzinski (5th Sem, Engineering), one of Delco's students lost to University Park, behind the salad bar as he cleaned it up for the night.

If you decide to check Mother's out in the future, you'll find me there at 10:00pm on the dot in the back corner of the smoking section, writing what will become never-to-be-published poetry.

LIFE IN HELL

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OLD FOLKS' HOME CONVERSATION, 2050 AD



The Front Desk

by Ed Tomezsko
Campus Executive Officer

Welcome to Penn State! Some of you are new, some are returning. Whatever the case enjoy your time with us.

There is little doubt that the next several months will be historic and significant at Penn State. In the course of the next year, several new colleges are coming into existence.

Students new to the University, and some of us who have been here for a few years, have a hard time understanding the differences between University, College, and School. We use the terms interchangeably, yet they mean very different things, depending on the institution.

"University" is an organization usually composed of one or several colleges and one or several professional schools. A professional school is law, medicine, veterinary, etc. A college is a group of scholars with common interests, that is these scholars can develop and confer academic degrees.

The good part is that what these words mean have little meaning on your education. What matters is that over the course of the coming year, we will become part of a college and our faculty will be able to develop degree programs which will allow you, if it necessary for you to do so, spend your academic career here at the Delaware County Campus and receive the degree that you want.

We have determined that students who need to stay near to Delaware County want to have access to a general business administration degree and to an allied health degree. You the students and the faculty will have the opportunity to build a degree program which will meet the needs of the students.

While it may sound trivial to build a degree program, it is not. Building a degree program allows you to form the educational processes which will affect your career, both faculty's and student's. It is a moment of creation. Universities like Penn State tend to get into a rut and do a little modification on existing programming. Any modification done is usually done to recover some lost budget money, not necessarily to make the educational experience better.

Penn State, however, has broken out of the mold and decided to create degree programs which have meaning and value to the students and to the economic welfare of the local community. This is a futuristic step of the first magnitude.

So when the call comes to participate in the curricular development, organizational development, governmental development, get involved. Your future depends on you and, without sounding melodramatic, it is a chance of a lifetime. Take the chance to be different and to be creative.

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Why not take it home to your family?

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