

Stop Wondering In Class; Go Meet Your Adviser

By Maureen McAndrews

Just five minutes left. You still have to run across the parking lot to the Main building for your 8:30 a.m. class. You grab your books and sprint through the other students to make it just as class begins. You start to wonder why you're even taking this class and if it's necessary. Do you feel uneasy and wonder what to do? Here's the solution: Meet with your academic adviser.

It's imperative you meet with your adviser to obtain some idea about the direction of your education. Your adviser has been assigned to you by the University for this specific purpose. You should in no way feel intimidated by your adviser because he or she is a faculty member or a DUS professional adviser. They are in "your corner" and want you to succeed at college.

Being a new transfer student to

Penn State last year left me in absolute bewilderment about courses in general. However, after meeting with my adviser, I had a much clearer vision about my classes.

The first time I met with my adviser, she was happy to see me and welcomed my interest in courses and other general information. She "mapped out" what classes were required and when I should take them. I had questions about Penn State that I considered stupid, but my adviser listened to them and assured me that no question is dumb.

So, you must take the initiative yourself! This isn't like high school where your guidance counselor is going to send for you. Go meet with your adviser so when you're rushing to that 8:30 a.m. class, you'll know that you have to be there to get those three or four credits that will go towards your major.

Lion's Den Top Ten!

By Van Polhemus

When I received my tour of the campus on Freshman Orientation Day, I was convinced that I had seen all the sights that Penn State Delco had to offer. It wasn't until my third day of classes that I discovered that one major landmark had been left off the tour... the Lion's Den.

This haven for the slack hardy quickly became my home away from home, and I learned the ins and outs of time spent there with surprising speed. For the benefit of those that have not yet discovered its usefulness, I have compiled a list of the Top 10 Things To Do While At The Lion's Den.

#10. Get yelled at for sitting on the

- air hockey table
- #9. Scratch on the eight ball
 - #8. See Van (Hey, there's nothing wrong with a little self promotion every once in a while, is there?)
 - #7. Skip class
 - #6. Find out what just happened in the class you just skipped.
 - #5. Duck really low when the teacher who's class you just skipped walks in
 - #4. Watch *Happy Gilmore* ... again
 - #3. Avoid the arduous process of doing your homework
 - #2. Watch *Happy Gilmore* ... again
- And the number one Thing To Do While At The Lion's Den:
- #1. Make fun of the people who take ping pong too seriously

White Zombie's Supersexy: Soulcrusher Or Sellout?

By Rich Passarella

"Perhaps you had better start from the beginning".

Perhaps you have heard those words. They are the opening line to "Electric Head (Part 1: The agony)", The first song on White Zombie's, *Astro-Creep 2000: Songs of Love, Destruction and other synthetic delusions of the Electric head*.

White Zombie is one of the heaviest groups around, and they have put out five albums to date, two of which received critical acclaim. They have, since the beginning of their career, had a feel that is something akin to a sledgehammer smashing in to your skull rapidly and repeatedly.

They combine elements of thrash and speed metal, grunting and howling, with samble from B-horror movies resulting in a sound that is pleasing to the ears of goat worshippers, infernal creatures, and inquisitors. (I fit into two of those categories, but I'm not telling which ones.)

They recently released an almost unheard of project: an album composed of remixes, entitled *White Zombie presents Supersexy Swingin' Sounds*. It contains redone versions of most of their *Astro-Creep* album, leaving out one of the better songs, "Creature of the Wheel", in favor of

"I'm your Bogeyman".

Most of the remixes on the album lose their crushing, screaming feel and take on an irritating metallic sense. The only exceptions are "More Human than Human" and Electric Head Part 2, which were mediocre to begin with.

"Supercharger Heaven", The song whose chorus of "Devilman! Devilman!" is something of an anthem to Zombie listeners as almost entirely lost its feel. It has replaced its racing guitars with jungle drums. If I wanted jungle drums, I'd eat dinner at home. "Electric Head Part 1: The Agony", "Greasepaint and Monkeybrains", and "Real Solution #9", three of the best songs on the *Astro-Creep* album have been either butchered or sexually abused.

The real question presented by Zombie's new releases is this: Are they selling their souls to the God of Fruit? Are they becoming another band that plays to their audience, just to make money? I hope not. They were far, far better as a pure metal band than as this new techno-ish fruity amalgam of sound that irritates the ears like poison ivy. They are due out for a new release in March of '97, so that will be the true deciding factor in determining if they will stay true to their beauty or if they will betray their true fans and sell out. Let us pray.



Experienced upperclassmen (left-right) April Best, Jermaine Kinard, Michael Liberatoscoli, Megan Miazza, Anthony Golden, Geena Joys, Johanna Licciardello and Sadjia Brown, talk to the freshmen seminar class about "What I would do differently in my first semester."

Filmfest For Sexuality; Learn The Differences

By Mary Doolittle

If you had a choice to be heterosexual, homosexual, or bisexual, which would you choose? An assumption would be that most people would choose heterosexuality. However, people are not always able to make this choice. Unfortunately, you often can feel an uncomfortable attitude when the subject of sexuality arises, perhaps such comments like, "If any of those gay motherf---ers comes up to me I'm gonna pound'em."

The Second Annual Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Film Fest is an anti-dote to such comments and is now in full swing.

On September 11 Delco launched the Second Annual LGB Film Fest. This year it is sponsored by Student Life and the newly formed Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Friends Alliance. Films being shown during fall semester include: *The Wedding Banquet* on October 10 and on November 13 *Go Fish*. The film fest has already presented *Threesome* on September 11,

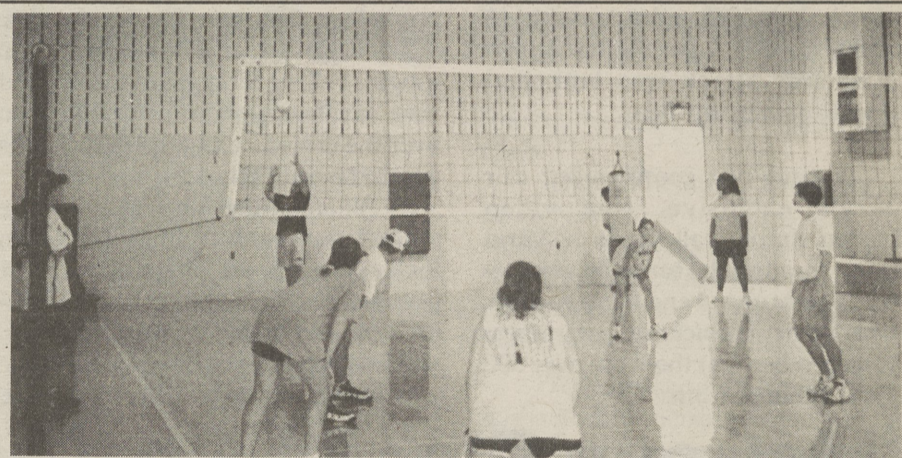
a comedy about sexual affairs between two men and a woman living in the same house.

Christian Root a third semester Education major says, "I saw the movie *Threesome*. I thought that it was pretty good, but I never thought too much about what it was about"

The film fest is open to all audiences in hopes that people will gain a greater understanding of lifestyles that are different than their own. The films start at 5pm in the Lion's Den, Commons Building and will include free food and discussion.

Brandon Hamm, President of the LBG says, "We hope to desensitize students from stereotypes on homophobia. It is an opportunity for everyone to watch some good films and at the same time become aware of Lesbians, Gays, and Bisexuals in today's society."

Eric Dinklemann a 4th semester Art major commented, "It's good for everyone to learn about different lifestyles!"



Delaware County's volleyball team in action during a recent practice.

Photo by Greg Jurkowski

Pres. Spanier Recognizes Achievements Of Freshmen

By Tamica Beckham

The President recently visited Penn State Delco to speak to students and the rest of the campus community.

No, not Bill Clinton, but Graham Spanier the sixteenth president of Pennsylvania State University. And not exactly here at the Delaware County Campus, but at the Eisenhower Auditorium at University Park, transmitted here via satellite.

The President made his annual State of the University address on September 6 to formally welcome all new and returning students and to update everyone on the accomplishments of the past year and the plans for the future. Among the many things he spoke of, the topic I found most intriguing was the profile of the new freshman class. Too often

upper classman criticize the freshman and for not knowing much about the college scene, but Dr. Spanier told us the freshman class is not just a bunch of babies who know absolutely nothing.

These freshmen are extremely intelligent. Over eighty percent of all our freshmen graduated in the top ten percent of their class. They have scored over 1,000 on there S.A.T.'s. And many of them were the valedictorian at their high school graduations.

These freshmen are hard workers who are striving for success, and out of all the colleges and universities in the world they chose ours. That was a smart choice all on its own.

Accept our freshman class with open arms and welcome them on to our team they are the future of Penn State.