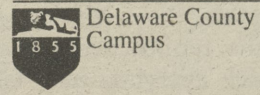


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SGA Elections

New Officers Chosen for '97-'98 Academic Year

By Lisa Colucci

Two hundred and four students voted in the March 3 elections for next year's Student Government Association officers. Elected to serve in '97-'98 were Anton Shuford as president and Maria Iannarelli as vice-president. Running unopposed for secretary and treasurer, respectively were JoAnne Johnson and Rob Mathews.

Anton Shuford is a member of the Adult Student Organization at Delco who decided to run for president of SGA in effort to bring the student body together as a whole by offering more activities after classes and more interactivity between clubs. "I am down to earth and honest," says Anton. His favorite thing about PSU Delco is the faculty/student/administrative relationship.

The other candidate for president was Eileen Milliken, a Delco basketball player who feels that her leadership

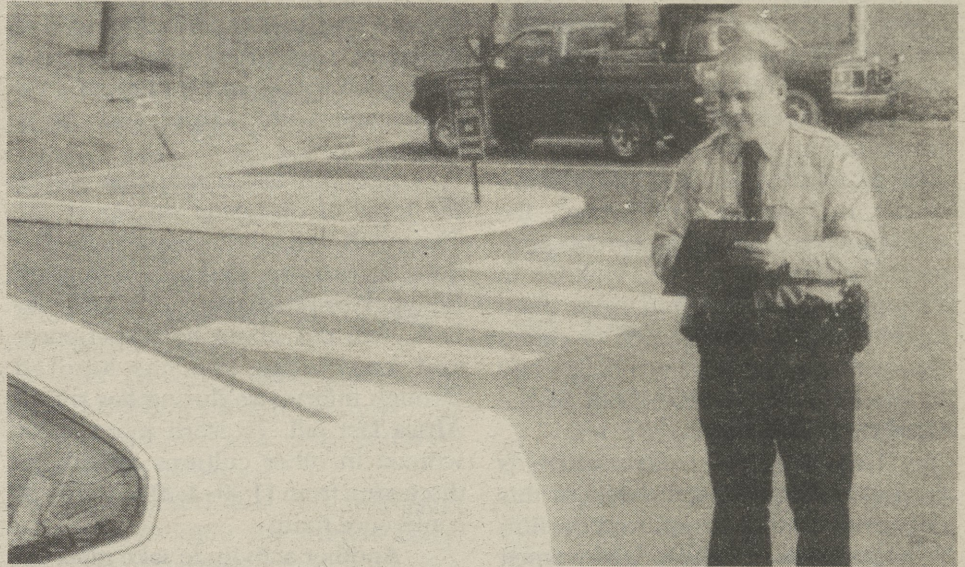
skills can create an enjoyable college experience for all students at Delco. "I believe that I would be able to serve the students well and provide a great environment. My present SGA experience as co-secretary and freshman representative would be a valuable asset to this campus," said Eileen.

Student Government has always been a big part of vice-president Maria Iannarelli's schedule. She was president of her senior class in high school and currently serves as SGA co-secretary and freshman representative. "I hope that together we can change the campus for the better," says Maria. Her favorite thing about PSU Delco is the people. When asked what one word best described her, Maria replied, "tenacious".

A second semester electrical engineering major, Jay Lewis, also ran for vice-president because he wanted to "get more involved and do more for the campus". He believes in diversity and loves our Lion's Den. Jay is a member of the Campus Allocation Committee, the Volleyball Club, Lion Ambassadors, and he tutors for the Learning Center. Jay says, "Remember, I'm here for you guys."

Rob Mathews, candidate for treasurer, is a member of our Multicultural Club and involved many

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Head of Security, Brian Finney, tickets an illegally parked car in the campus effort to enforce parking regulations. Photo by Audie Miller

Student Security Corps Nails Illegal Parking

By Audie Miller

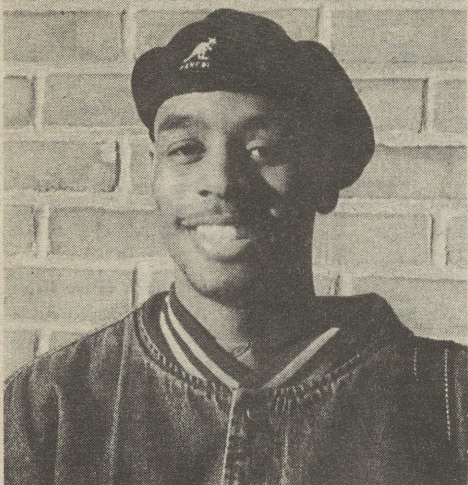
Have you gotten a parking ticket, yet? The new Student Auxiliary Security Corps has been very busy the last month writing all the parking tickets that security itself could not get to. And the Security Corps will continue throughout Spring semester and into Fall semester.

The Security Corps has been giving out over 100 parking tickets a week. Considering the ticket fines are either \$5 or \$8, that means a lot of money being filtered back into the Student Government Association.

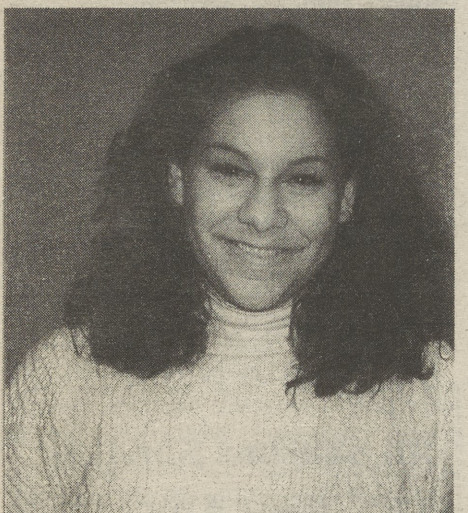
Because of the efforts by the Corps, many parking permits are being acquired by students and staff, who

are not exempt from parking tickets. Permits are still available in the Security Office, 116 Main. The permits are free. All one has to do is fill out the registration form. A car is then registered with security, and as long as students don't park in spaces with yellow lines or handicapped spaces, you will not be ticketed.

Parking at Penn State Delaware County Campus is not difficult. If this were main campus, one would be lucky to find a space within a 15 minute walk. Avoid getting tickets by registering vehicles and parking in the designated spots. If not, the Student Security Corps will be looking for your car next!



President, Anton Shuford



Vice President, Maria Iannarelli

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PSU Proposes Arming Campus Guards

By Greg Jurkowski

The most recent national report on violence on college campuses shows that in 1994, 10,000 acts of violence were recorded at 5,292 colleges across the country. These included homicide, assault, and forced sexual acts.

On September 17, 1996 violence came to Penn State. Two University Park students, Melanie Spalla and Nick Mensah, fell prey to a sniper outside of the HUB building near Center Halls.

In response to this tragic shooting incident, the University has put forth a proposal which they hope will better protect the students, faculty and staff in the future. This proposal deals with the arming of security guards at UP as well as other campuses in the CES system that have dormitories. This proposal is officially fairly new. However, it has been discussed within the University administration for several years.

When questioned over the phone about the requirements a security officer must meet to carry a handgun, Mr. David Stormer, Vice President of Safety and Environment at UP, listed the following: 1) the person must be a trained police officer; 2) the person must be a staff employee of the

University; 3) the person must have a baccalaureate degree; 4) the person must be trained and authorized to carry a handgun.

The policy behind the proposal is being worked on by three executive officers of the University. Such items like who these security officers will report to, the Department of Safety and Environment or the CEO of the campus on which he or she works, and others of this nature have yet to be ironed out.

Mr. Stormer was able to say that if a residential campus in the CES system feels the need to arm their security guards, the CEO of that campus will have to make a formal request to UP to do so.

The proposal has sparked much controversy and concern. Many groups have voiced their opinions about the proposal already. It is scheduled to go before the Board of Trustees to be voted upon in April.

What's Your Opinion?

Please fill out and drop off to either one of the Student Life Secretaries on the second floor of the Commons building or to Lisa Maturo in the Registrar's Office, Room 105 Main by Wed., 3/12.

Do you think that security officers at select PSU campuses should be allowed to carry handguns?

Yes No

Do you presently feel safe on campus:

During the day? Yes No

During the night? Yes No

If it was possible, would you feel safer if our security guards carried guns?

Yes No

Semester _____ Major _____

I am a Day / Night / Adult student.