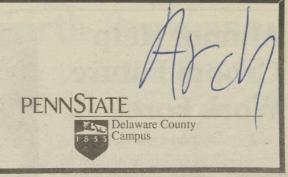


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Speakers to Inspire Delco

By Paul Basilio

This year, in order to usher in the various diversity appreciation months, Penn State Delco will play host to a variety of different speakers ranging from an ex-Congress representative to a star on TV's Sesame Street. These speakers will no doubt present thought provoking ideas, plans, and powerful life stories.

On October 7, Steve Gunderson will delve into the struggle for gay rights in America. He is a recently retired U.S. Congress representative for the western district of Wisconsin. In 1994, he became the highest-ranking Republican official in U.S. history to publicly disclose his homosexuality.

On Monday November 17, Sonia Manzano will explore the need for Positive Role Models in the Hispanic Community. Ms. Manzano writes and appears in the award-winning show Sesame Street. She has received an Emmy nomination for Best Performer in a Children's Program. Ms. Manzano will stress the need for developing one's personality and character.

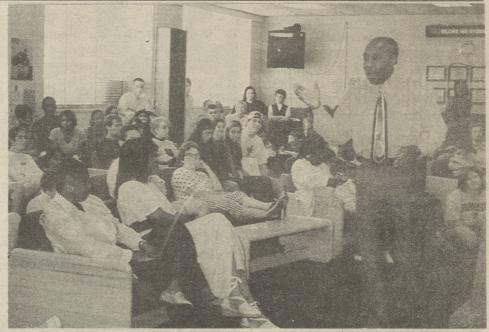
Monday January 19 brings Judge Louis H. Pollack. From 1950 until 1978, Pollack was associated with the NAACP Legal Defense Fund. He will help commemorate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a speech entitled "Learn: Reliving the Freedom Ride."

On Tuesday March 3, Nadine Strossman will present her thoughts. "Empowering Women" will be the theme of her lecture. In 1991, she became the first female head of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), the oldest and largest civil liberties union in the nation. Ms. Strossman has received many honors, including the "Women of Distinction" award from the Women's League of Conservative Judaism.

Friday April 17 brings Phoebe Eng, director of the DMI Group, a New York based media company specializing in cross-cultural communication. Pheobe's speech, entitled "One World, One Culture," celebrates Asian American Heritage Month. Eng is currently working on a book about women and empowerment called *Warrior Lessons*.

Joe Clark, former Army drill instructor and subject of the film Lean on Me, kicked off the new year of speakers. Clark, nominee for the National Association of Campus Activities 1996 Speaker of the Year Award, spreads his

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It was a full house when Joe Clark (inspiration for the movie Lean on Me) lectured about self-pride to the campus on September 16.

Picture Perfect PSU IDs

By James Conroy

"Your bill comes to \$29.95. Will that be cash, check, charge, or I.D.?"

I.D.? Yes, that's right! You too can have an authentic Penn State I.D. card. It slices, it dices, it proves you are who you say, and in the near future you will be able to use it for payment. And it's all yours for the introductory price of...nothing.

Well, maybe it doesn't slice or dice, but starting this year, Penn State introduces a brand new identification card. In the future, "This single card will have many uses," explains Barbara Daniel, Coordinator of Student Life.

By now most returning students must be wondering what this is all about. Well, it means you are going to have to get your picture taken again, but with the possible capabilities of this card, it seems well worth it.

The University has been exploring this idea for some time, but its progress was given a boost when the company that produced the old cards went out of business. The

University studied over 50 schools in their quest for the perfect I.D. card and finally came up with one similar to the model used at Purdue.

The University has agreements with numerous banks throughout the state. That means you may be able to use your current financial accounts with this I.D. and a 16 digit identification number. This may eventually lead to the ability to make tuition payments and deposit University grants and loans into student's accounts using this one card.

Another function of the I.D. card will be as a debit card. Eventually, every campus will have an ATM machine, and the Delco campus hopes to have one by January. Those of you with MAC cards know that there is usually a small fee for using ATM's. These machines will be no different, with the fee going to the University to cover the cost of the system. The campus also hopes to come to agreements with local businesses to

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Breaking Down the Bill; Explaining PSU Tuition By Len Damico a flat tuition fee is assessed.

Do you remember back to the middle of July, when you realized that summer was already half over? You looked in your mailbox one day and found a document that confirmed your fears: the Fall 1997 tuition bill. Perhaps you just filed it away, still in denial over your soon-to-be lost summer. If so, then you might not have a concrete idea of what exactly is on it. The three main fees you'll find on your semester bill are the tuition, the computer fee, and the activities fee.

Obviously, the tuition is the part of the bill associated with your classes. The amount you pay is directly related to the number of credits you're taking. For a student taking one to eleven credits, tuition is determined on a percredit basis. Twelve or more credits is considered a full-time course load, and

But notice, if your course load is fifteen credits, your tuition averages out to \$545.00 per three-credit class. On a stand-alone basis, that same three-credit class would cost \$657.00. (Figures are for Pennsylvania residents.) As can be expected, these figures are not static, and do change from year to year.

However, this year's tuition increase of 3.7 per cent for lower-division students (that's most of us: the first- and second-year students) has been the lowest increase in decades. The \$96 increase will go toward, among other things, hiring more faculty to lower the student-to-faculty ratio. Donald Waslyk (3rd semester, Corporate law) seemed to sum up most students' opinions of the tuition increase: "It could always be lower, but I'm not going to complain."



The British exchange students share a laugh with John Terrell, coordinator of the Thames Valley University exchange program.

Thames Valley University Sends Exchange Students

By Aaron Mixon

"The British are coming, the British are coming!" cried Paul Revere as he rode through the city of Boston over two hundred years ago. The British were here then, and they are here with us today. Here at Delco, six students from the Thames Valley University in London are part of the campus community this semester courtesy of the campus foreign exchange program and the efforts of John Terrell, coordinator of the program and accounting instructor.

The students involved are: Phil Davis of Liverpool, Tom Hubberstey of London, Tom Vincent of London, Jane Dee Middleton of London, Andraula Managhan of West London and Stewart Tippett of Reading.

Of the six, Phil Davis and Tom

Hubberstey have visited the U.S. before. The remaining four never expected anything extravagant from America or the citizens.

However, because of living in the city, they were not used to people and stores being so far apart from each other, "Everything is so big and spread out," Tom Vincent observes.

The enlightening and inspiring attitudes of the Americans was no surprise to our guests, "People are the same wherever you go," Davis said. "There is not as much formality here. People are blunt; they say whatever is on their minds," Tippett added.

The exhange students will be at Delco during the fall semester working on their American Studies degree. After this semester, they will return to London to finish their degree, and graduate in June, 1998.