

# Entertainment

## Poetry Fest Revisits Delco

By Cynthia Moore

It's spring time once again, and thoughts of greener days are evoked by the warm breezes of April as we walk from one building to another. One way to enjoy the passion of life, while at the same time not having to go any further than the lounge at the Vairo building, is by stopping in for a reading of poetry at this year's Litapalooza. It is the third annual literary festival hosted by Penn State Delco.

The lounge will be set up like a coffee house with various refreshments to eat and drink while you enjoy the readings of poetry, fiction and a dramatic presentation by the campus's drama club. Litapalooza will feature readers from Altoona, Wilkes-Barre and Berks campuses, as well as students, faculty and staff of PSU Delco.

Take a few minutes and stop by the lounge in the Vairo library building on April 14 from noon until about 5 p.m. This may also be an opportunity for someone who wants to show off their literary talents. An "open-mike" reading will happen from 3:30 - 4:30, so stop by.

## Local Bands to Play at Delco

By Rob Coyle

Sex, drugs, and rock 'n' roll without the sex and the drugs. That's what you can expect at Rock Fest, a concert featuring local talent from the Delaware County Area. Rock Fest will transpire Friday, April 17 at 8pm and will take place in the Cafeteria in the Commons building. Admission is free.

Session, The Matt Petrilla Band, Pete Mani & Brian McIntire, Forever 27, and Fuzebox (with Penn State's own Rick Garecht on guitar) are the bands scheduled to appear. All five bands are local college bands and cover many different rock styles to appeal to a number of different people.

The event is being coordinated by Delco students Rick Garecht and Josh Korson, who put a lot of time and effort into the event. They hope for a good turnout of students. Garecht points out, "I really am pleased our campus is so interested in this event."

2nd semester Archaeology major Julie Kiley is also excited about the concert. "It'll be cool to have all the different bands in one place. I'm really looking forward to it."

The Rock Fest will run from 8pm to 12 midnight. Although admission is free, donations of canned food or clothing will be accepted and later donated to a local charity. "Anything you can bring would be a great help for a worthy cause," commented Korson.

Live bands, lots of fun, and a way to help people in need all in one night. You can't go wrong with that.

**Canned food donations will be accepted during the Rock Fest. Please help those in need.**



Loretta Ramsey, campus Diversity Counselor, models African garb, which she wore to the March Women's Commission Luncheon.

### LITAPALOOZA

Tuesday, April 4  
12-2 P.M. Performances  
4-5:30 P.M. Open Mike  
Vairo Lounge

### Club Review:

## "The Bank" Re-opens in Philadelphia

By Aimee Stone

The Bank, one of Philadelphia's best nightclubs, re-opened its doors on March 11 under new management and a new name, The District.

Located on the corner of 6th and Spring Garden, the club opened for "Nocturne", the industrial goth dance night under supervision of DJ Knobhead.

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### Spring Week to Excite & Delight

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JoAnne Johnson, SGA secretary. "We think it will be a beautiful gesture to plant a tree on campus for Earth Day." The SGA will also sponsor the "Blizzard of Bucks" game show during common hour in which winning participants enter a chamber with whirling dollar bills. All of the money will be up for grabs.

Thursday is full of awards. The Annual SGA Awards Luncheon will take place in the Large Conference room of the Commons building during common hour. Everyone on campus is invited. Among those being honored are all students, faculty, and staff who helped make Delco a thriving campus this year. Also, three prestigious awards will be presented: the Walker Award for outstanding scholarship, leadership and service; The Outstanding Service Award, and the Outstanding Adult Student Award.

Friday April 24 is sure to entertain. The Asian American Student Theatre Group from University Park will perform enjoyable and thought-provoking skits during Common Hour.

On Saturday, the Black Student League's annual Marcel Carter Basketball Tournament will provide tough competition for area high school and college teams.

Instead of sitting inside wishing for summer and the end of finals, students can come out and support the Spring Week activities. Signs will be posted throughout the campus with further information.

## Warm Weather Brings New Options for Excitement

By Ryan Boldosser

The unexpected nice weather last week left everyone scrambling through their closets to find the summer shorts and sandals they had packed away from last year. After all the rain and wind in March, it was a refreshing break to be able to get outside and enjoy the weather.

"After being cooped up all winter, it was nice to get out and enjoy the sunny weather," said Barbara Rostick, Athletic Trainer. "The nice weather should give everyone the incentive to get out there and exercise while enjoying the sunshine." Rostick also encourages students to participate in Spring inturmurals, like tennis, which started on April 1. For more information contact Vince Screnci or Barb Rostick in the Commons Building.

With Spring approaching, Its

time to get out of the winter mode. Instead of going to the movies or taking a trip to the mall, why not see an outdoor concert or take a walk down South Street. If you're up for a trip drive to Baltimore's Inner Harbor, and check out the Hard Rock Cafe, Maryland style.

The Philadelphia Zoo is always a fun place to take kids or to just be a kid yourself. Spring is also a good time to go to Longwood Gardens and relax in the peace and quiet of nature. The Riverdeck in Manyunk, Maddy's in Frasier, and Maui on Delaware Avenue are just a handful of the many clubs that have outside decks.

"The best thing about spring is day trips to the shore and Dairy Queen," exclaimed Dominic Capone (First Semester, Business). The latest sneak preview of Spring has left everyone looking forward to warmer days.

are not the only things that changed. The entire decor of the club has been completely refurbished.

At the entrance to the club is the industrial goth dance floor, still in the same place. But as you walk into the club and look to your right you see a second floor dance room with a wall of glass. This is where I was all night, it played mostly 80's goth with a little industrial music.

"I love how they re-did the place. There is a lot more room to dance, and a selection of music to dance to," states Sarah Stover (undecided, second semester).

I had heard there were four dance floors, but I only found three, two really. A third dance floor is downstairs in the bar. I'm not twenty-

one and couldn't even make it by the bouncer at the top of the stairs.

One thing I really liked about the new club was the lounges. Upstairs there are three lounges where you can just sit and talk, or wait until you hear a good song. There was also a refreshment bar with soda and water. Downstairs was about the same way, just a lot more people.

For anyone interested in industrial goth clubs, I highly suggest The District. You must be 17 to get in, and the cover is just five bucks. Doors open at 9p.m. and close at 2a.m.

Industrial-goth is not the only type of dance night. On separate nights The District plays dance music for other group types. For more info call The District at (215)351-9404.

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