

The Penn State Christian Association Launches Drive

Student PSCA Cabinet Guides Association Policies

Policies and coordinations of plans for the Association are decided by the Christian Association cabinet, headed by William Renshaw, president.

The cabinet, meeting weekly, points its whole program toward the center objective of the association—Christian faith. The cabinet is composed of the association officers and the co-chairmen of each commission.

A new project of the cabinet will be a Sunday afternoon fireside session, at which members may discuss various religious matters as they pertain to the association. By this means they hope to bring cabinet members closer together than business meetings alone allow.



MEMBERS OF THE ALL-STUDENT CABINET

Top row, left to right: Charles Delp, publicity chairman; Jack Kooker, Club 51 president; John Kockalka, co-chairman of World Relatedness Commission; Don Seipt, co-chairman of Personal and Campus Affairs Commission; George Rhoad.

Second row: Dot Fleagle, co-chairman of Social Responsibility Commission; Nancy Smith, co-chairman of World Relatedness Commission; Norman Wheeler, co-chairman of Christian Heritage Commission; Marjorie Gorham, co-chairman of Christian Heritage Commission; Walt Gabel, co-chairman of Personal and Campus Affairs Commission.

Bottom row: Marjorie Allen, associate secretary; Ted Allen, vice-president; William Renshaw, president; Patricia Woods, secretary; and James Thomson, treasurer.

Circle of Faith Sets Objectives

The Circle of Faith and Action, a wheel with Christian faith as its hub, is the symbol of the National Student YMCA and YWCA.

The Circle is divided into four parts, each part representing a commission or worship-study-action group. These commissions, Christian Heritage, Personal and Campus Affairs, Social Responsibility, and World Relationships, guide all programs and activities conducted by the Penn State Christian Association.

During the past semester the PSCA commissions have been particularly active. The Christian Heritage commission, for example, has sent deputations to the County home and the County jail to conduct church services, and hopes to send deputations to rural churches.

The Personal and Campus Affairs group conducts the Saturday Night Open House, sponsors a dancing class, inaugurated the Social Recreation Institute, and holds discussions on personal relationships between men and women.

The commission on World Relatedness promotes correspondence with students in foreign lands, initiates the annual World Student Service Fund drive, and at present is investigating possibilities for the erection of an International House on campus.

Each commission is a study group as well as an action group. Christian Heritage emphasizes Bible study, Christian worship, churchmanship, and evangelism. Personal relations, association procedures, campus affairs, and Christian vocations are studied under the Personal and Campus Affairs commission.

The Social Responsibility commission studies in the fields of community work, higher education, racial equality, economic justice, and political effectiveness.

World organization and movements uniting Christian students the world over, such as the World's Student Christian Federation, are studied under the World Relatedness commission.



Did You Know?—CA Notes

The PSCA was founded in 1875, and completes its 72nd year of service this month?

PSCA was first housed in a one-room shack which stood near the present Old Main?

The Artist's Course was first begun by the PSCA and the department of music?

The Ralph Watts Cabin has been used for cabin parties every weekend this semester?

The handbook has been edited annually since 1895?

PSCA is affiliated nationally and internationally with the Y.M.C.A. and the Y.W.C.A.?

PSCA now owns over 36 acres and \$9,000 cabin?

The PSCA found rides home for 56 students this year for election day?

Over 55 rooms were found for students this fall by the PSCA?

PSCA Sponsors Radio Programs

The Christian Association presents a fifteen minute radio program every other week at 8:45 p.m., Thursdays, over WMAJ.

There have been four such programs this semester. The first presented an interview with Dr. Werner Striedieck of the German department at the College. Dr. Striedieck had just returned from a summer in Germany, and told listeners of his observations there.

A discussion of the coming presidential election was the subject of the second program. Charles Oerkvitz, La Vern Seth and Nancy Smith comprised the panel. Ted Allen announced for both programs.

The third program consisted of a play entitled "Mr. & Mrs. America," concerning winning of the peace. Announced by Robert Loughry, the play included in its cast Marjorie Allen, David Binns, John McCool and James Thomson.

The last radio program was planned by foreign students of the College in commemoration of International Student's Day.

Faith and Heritage

The Christian Faith and Heritage Commission recognizes the need of each member of the Christian Association to grow in his experience and knowledge of Christian faith.

To acquaint students with the resources of the Bible, a study group is held under the direction of a competent leader. They seek insight through worship and plan worship services for special occasions as World Student Day of Prayer. They co-operate in planning Religion-in-Life Week and send deputations to near rural churches.

Dr. Moyer Addressed Group; Heads Explains Campus Drive

Faculty Chairman



Dr. Leffler

PSCA 'Bible' Helps Bewildered Sophs Through Maze

Bewildered and burdened sophomores have found aid in the Student Handbook for 54 years. With the "Bible" as their guide, generations of new students have come and gone through the College.

Tradition does not fail even though the freshmen, for whom the book was first intended, do not come these days, for the PSCA continues to edit the handbook for transfer sophomores, veterans, and other students who are unfamiliar with the campus.

In the first handbook, in 1895, along with instructions on conduct for the first day of classes, details on Bible study, athletics, and weather signals were included. As in the present edition, a history of the College was given, but the description of the campus in 1895 is almost unbelievable compared to the campus as it is now.

Beaver Field, so students were told in 1895, was located directly in front of Agriculture building and behind Chemical Engineering building. That was quite a span, including land where today stand Frear and Pond Laboratories and Burrowes building.

All freshmen met a 9 o'clock curfew unless accompanied by an upperclassman in the "good old days."

Plans for the 48th annual PSCA fund raising campaign, which opens Monday, December 6, were shaped Thursday night at a banquet for division and section leaders at the Faith Evangelical and Reformed Church. The Reverend Andrew E. Newcomer, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, gave the invocation.

William Niering, graduate student at the College, served as toastmaster and introduced the principal speaker, Dr. James Moyer, vice-chairman of the PSCA. Dr. Moyer spoke on the subject, "The Meaning of the Christian Association."

An outline of the work being done currently by the Association was presented by William Renshaw, PSCA president. After enumerating the many services which the Association renders, he assured all who are working on the drive that their time and energy are being used for the direct benefit of the student body.

Bobbie Jo Morris and Frank Richardson, Student co-chairmen of the drive, and Dr. George Leffler, faculty chairman, were also introduced. Miss Morris and Mr. Richardson thanked the many volunteers who are contributing their time for the drive and outlined the duties of the division and section leaders. Miss Morris announced the "Kickoff Rally" to be held at 4:15 Sunday afternoon in 121 Sparks building. At that time the finance drive volunteers will receive final instructions and materials preparatory to the opening of the five-day campaign which ends Saturday, December 11.

The banquet was planned and arranged by Mrs. Harriet Nesbitt, assistant professor of public speaking at the College. She was assisted by the following students: Ted Allen, Walt Gabel, Pat Woods, Shirley Brown, Nancy Mendenhall, Jane Lohr and Danforth Dellow.

Penn State CA Born in 1875

The Penn State Christian Association has a long and interesting history.

Organized in 1875, the Association affiliated two years later with a national intercollegiate movement called "The Young Men's Christian Association," and down through the years this group has been referred to familiarly as "The Y."

For the next 54 years the PSCA, the oldest student organization at the College, grew and gained in influence. In 1903 the first full time secretary was hired, and in 1907 the large number of co-eds on the campus made possible the organization of the Young Women's Christian Association. In 1925 it was possible to secure a full-time secretary for the women.

By 1931 the work of the two groups was found to be so similar in objectives and programs that the YMCA and the YWCA were incorporated as the Penn State Christian Association. Four years later the cabinets of the two groups were united.

The purpose of the PSCA is to unite Penn State students, faculty, alumni, and friends in their desire to discover, understand, and appreciate the highest ideals of Christian living, and to make these ideals operative on the campus and throughout the world.

A student cabinet composed of 16 members and a student-faculty board with 30 members guide the organization. Normally the staff consists of a General Secretary, and Associate Secretary, and an Office Secretary. At the present time, however, only two of these positions are filled.

The seventy-three year record of the PSCA is an impressive one. Continued on page four

Student Leaders Ask Support As Annual Canvas Opens



Bobbie Jo Morris

Bobbie Jo finance drive, have Richardson, student co-chairmen of the PSCA finance drive, have issued a joint statement in an appeal to students to strive earnestly toward the attainment of the \$4800 goal in this year's drive.

The co-chairmen and Dr. George Leffler, faculty chairman of the drive, stated last night that they were confident of reaching the goal set by the Association. "I am convinced the students will give generously because they know they are contributing to a worthy cause," Mr. Richardson said.

Dr. Leffler stated that faculty division and section leaders are well organized and that all anticipate a hearty response from faculty and staff members.

The PSCA drive starts Monday and will continue through Saturday, December 11. Over 300 students and faculty members will take part in this, the 48th annual PSCA fund raising campaign.



Frank Richardson