

# SGA Tutoring Service To Publish 1st Directory

By SANDY YAGGI

(This is the first in a series of articles concerning the work of the Student Government Association committees.)

On Monday the SGA Tutoring Service Committee will publish a directory of tutors available on campus.

The directory will include a list of townspeople, graduate and undergraduate students who wish to tutor for a small fee; also a list of honorary societies which offer free tutoring

# Department Studies Teaching Methods

By JOAN MEHAN

In many ways the Department of Academic Research and Services is like a large movie studio since it maintains television, film production and still photography facilities.

These departments are maintained, however, to contribute to the instructional facilities of the University.

# Former Student, Grad, To Train For Peace Corps

An alumnus and a former student at the University have been selected for training in the Peace Corps project for teaching assignments in the secondary schools of Nigeria.

Edward R. Pautienus from Giberton, who received his master's degree in biology and secondary education from the University last year, and Thomas C. Marinkovich, who studied here two years ago, began their training Sept. 20.

They are training with 50 other men and women at the University of California at Los Angeles in a 10 week program.

Their program will include Nigerian studies, American studies, health education, preventive medicine and training in the language of the area in which they will be teaching.

Before he began his training in the Peace Corps project, Pautienus was employed at a General Motors assembly plant in Linden, N.J. In high school and in college he was active in basketball, baseball and football.

Marinkovich had been employed as a lab technician for a coal company in Library before he was notified of his selection. He also has had experience as an auto mechanic and working with farm equipment.

Marinkovich received his bachelor of science degree in physics in June from the California Teachers College in California, Pa.

# Willard Conducts Study

Basic research on the chemistry of explosive compounds used in solid fuel rocket propellants is being carried on by Dr. Mary L. Willard, professor of chemistry.

The studies are being supported for the fifth year by the U.S. Office of Naval Research. The current one-year grant is for \$20,000.

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and Departments which in themselves have a tutoring service.

This is a culmination of almost a year of work done by the members of the SGA Tutoring Service Committee.

Last spring, a committee, chaired by Ruth Falk, I.-Fr., was formed to investigate the possibility of SGA running such a service. Prior to that time the Division of Counseling had been responsible for the compilation of this list. In order for the SGA to conduct such a service, a workable plan had to be presented to and approved by DOC.

When the investigation was completed, a bill was drawn up and presented on the Assembly floor by Wayne Ulsh, I.-Jr., and Miss Falk.

Following passage of the bill and approval by DOC, Miss Falk's committee began the actual compilation of the directory. During fall term registration, booths were set up in Recreation Hall to enable interested students to sign up to be tutors.

"The response to the request for tutors was overwhelming," Miss Falk said. "Over 500 students have signed up to be tutors and this does not include the honorary groups and other organizations on campus who have expressed interest in participating."

"If the response is as great in the future," Miss Falk said, "perhaps we will be able to raise the requirements necessary to be a tutor."

At the present time the only requirements for students who wish to tutor is that they have an A or B in the course.

Before the directory is released on Monday, it will go to the Division of Counseling where the list of tutors will be checked and the final printing will be done. Pearl H. Guest, psychologist for the Division of Counseling, has been acting as advisor to the committee, Miss Falk said.

A new list will be compiled each term and copies will be available through their junior residents and counselors. Other copies will be available at the Hetzel Union Desk and in the department offices of the various colleges.

SGA feels, Miss Falk said, that by giving a greater publicity and wider distribution of this directory, more students will be encouraged to seek help before an academic problem becomes hopeless.

# Research Projects

# Rainbow of Flowers Aids Seed Research

By KAY MILLS

Thousands of visitors flock to campus every summer to view the rainbow of flowers — from asters to zinnias — in the University's Flower Test Garden near East Halls.

But there's more to the garden than meets the eye.

Seeds for different annual flowers are tested there for

performance — flower production, color, trueness to type and color and general garden usefulness, R. P. Meahl, professor of ornamental horticulture, said.

Meahl, who directs the program, said the results of testing here would hold true throughout most of Pennsylvania and regions of the world with a similar climate.

Seeds used are supplied annually by seed companies and are checked as to whether they are as good or better than past varieties, Meahl said.

"Ultimately the average amateur gardener benefits along with the seed companies, distributors and professional plant growers," he said.

The average person wants to buy the best seed for his money. He needs to know that he has seed which will run true, Meahl added. "If he wants to plant salmon-colored petunias, he wants true salmon, not a mixture of salmon and white."

The program also benefits the flower seed industry, Meahl said. "We may test two competitors' seeds, so they are kept on their toes trying to improve their products."

The garden, he said, has an international reputation among flower seedsmen. On Flower Field Days, seed growers from all over the United States and other countries come to observe the test results.

In addition to the testing, the garden is also planned to provide an attractive display for visitors, he added.

While nobody knows definitely how many students, apartment dwellers and visiting horticulturists tour the garden annually, "we have estimated about 50,000 a summer," Meahl said.

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These visitors can see samples of almost all kinds of flowers available. The predominant ones numerically, however, are those most popular from a sales standpoint, Meahl said.

Consequently, producers supply more petunia seeds, he added. Other flowers well represented are snapdragons, zinnias, marigolds, asters, begonias, pansies and many more, Meahl said.

Working with Meahl is Samuel Atmore, who supervises the planting and care of the plants.

# Hat Council--

(Continued from page one) atmosphere to the University, Steinhauer said.

"It's getting pretty big and pretty cold around here," he said. Hat men and hatwomen could help by greeting students, showing the campus to their parents or by acting as guides on University-sponsored tours.

The council will meet once each term to plan activities for the entire term. Other officers elected last night are Ed Grinberg, vice president, and Pat Zakian, secretary-treasurer.

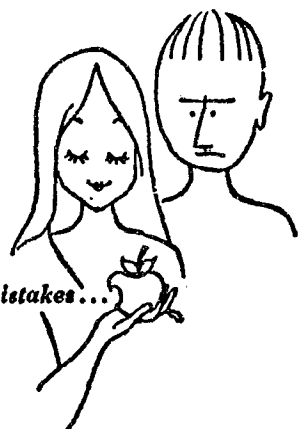
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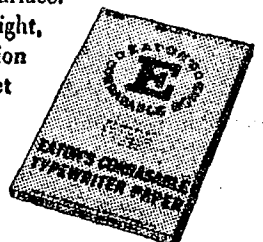
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