



Honor group names award after Oswald

To honor student leaders in five categories, the Laurel Crown Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa last night announced the establishment of the John W. Oswald Award for Outstanding Student Leadership.

The award, which will be presented for the first time at the Spring Semester 1984 graduation ceremony, will be presented in five categories: scholarship; athletics; social, service and religious activities and student government; journalism; speech and the mass media; and creative and performing arts.

David Cushing, president of Omicron Delta Kappa, Laurel Crown Circle, an honorary society that recognizes leadership and academic excellence, announced the award at the organization's annual Spring Term dinner last night, saying it was established to "honor a man who has continually supported the ideals and goals of Omicron Delta Kappa."

The students who receive the award, a bronze medallion designed by University professor of art John A. Cook, will be selected by the president of the University after receiving suggestions from a nominating committee.

Oswald, who called the award a splendid honor, was inducted as an honorary member of Omicron Delta Kappa shortly before arriving at Penn State as the University's 13th president. Since his arrival, he has hosted the spring dinner and initiation for the organization.

Oswald retires from the University on June 31. His successor, Bryce Jordan, executive vice chancellor of the University of Texas System, takes office on July 1.

—by Phil Gutis

USG welcomes new members

By ANNE McDONOUGH
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New Undergraduate Student Government President Emil Parvensky said the strength of student government comes from unity and USG must use the strength it has to improve itself in 1983-84.

New senators were sworn in and outgoing members were awarded plaques at a reception last night at Gatsby's, 100 W. College Ave.

Parvensky said USG must have unity or it "will not get anywhere." This strength will be a factor in making next year "the best year Penn State has ever had."

"Some people have accused me of being idealistic but student

government will not go anywhere without ideals," Parvensky said.

Parvensky commended this year's USG officers — President Leni Barch, Vice President Lee Facetti, senate President Steve Ripp and Academic Assembly President Chris Hopwood — for their dedication and hard work throughout the past year.

Barch addressed the incoming senate, saying they are getting an education by working within the University bureaucratic system.

"Penn State really is the real world," she said; life within the University is just as bureaucratic as the real world.

The senate is a very fortunate body because it was chosen by the students, Facetti said. No matter who is in charge in Old

Main or the USG office, student input starts with students, he said.

"If you think that you represent the students, then represent them," he advised the new senators.

USG members are privileged and know much more than most students about the University and student government, he said. The average student is ignorant about these things, he said.

Keynote speaker Rosemary Schraer, University associate provost, said the keys to a successful student government are trust, close working relationships and a supportive environment.

USG is a select, privileged group with an enormous responsibility, she said. If USG is to lead effectively, she said, it must: have the respect of those who lead; have a purpose and a need for change; involve concerned people; foster communication and accurate information; and work for gradual progress.

Ambassador critical of U.S. intervention

By MIKE NETHERLAND
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U.S. foreign policy toward Central America should not be based on a loose application of human rights policies nor on maintaining friendly governments via military intervention, a former U.S. ambassador to Nicaragua said last night.

The alternative to these two policies, neutrality, is not plausible because of intervention by other governments, said Mauricio Soluan in a presentation sponsored by the University's Latin American Studies Society and the College of The Liberal Arts.

Soluan said it was the "wishy-washy" application of the Carter administration's human rights policy which led to the Sandinista takeover of Nicaragua in July 1979.

"(Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass.) just before I left for Nicaragua (in August 1977), claimed there were only 50 Sandinistas," he said. "Our intelligence said there were more Sandinistas in the San Francisco area than in Nicaragua."

The human rights campaign forced Somoza to adopt measures that weak-

ened his control, causing unrest, but not forcing him to step down. As a result of government relaxation the Sandinista movement gained momentum.

But by failing to bring enough pressure to force Somoza's resignation, the United States alienated itself from the opposition — as well as from Somoza — by threatening sanctions if he did not conform to the human rights policy.

On the other hand, Soluan said he does not approve of the Reagan administration's intervention in El Salvador in which "we claim the old role of King-maker." Soluan said it is resurgence of the cold war spirit that created the Somoza regime and fostered other client states in Central America ultimately leading to the present turmoil.

Despite his objection to interventionist policies, Soluan said he would not like to see a Marxist-Leninist regime take power in El Salvador as was the case in Nicaragua.

He said there is no doubt that this would happen if the United States pulls out of El Salvador given continued support of the insurgency by Nicaragua and Cuba.



Photo by Carl Goodall

Mauricio Soluan, former U.S. ambassador to Nicaragua, speaks last night on campus. Soluan said policy toward Central America should not be based on human rights policies or on maintaining friendly governments via military intervention.

North Halls votes in Mohny and Cetnar

Tami Mohny (9th-biochemistry) and Robin Cetnar (8th-biology) were elected president and vice president of North Halls Residence Association last week.

Current president Ed Hess said 618 people, or 53.6 percent of North Halls residents voted in the election.

Hess (12th-general arts) said the voter turnout was exceptional compared to past years. Last year, about 200 students voted, he said.

Hess explained that candidates for president and vice president run together on a single ballot. Therefore, single votes must be cast for a pair of candidates, not individual candidates. Mohny and Cetnar received 191 votes.

Other candidates for president and vice president were Ed Doherty (6th-landscape architecture) and Rob Larsen (5th-business administration) with 156 votes. George Tay (8th-chemical engineering) and Karen Fry (5th-business administration) received 140 votes. Randy Miller (5th-electrical engineering) and Mike Rycheck (3rd-business administration) got 101 votes.

Meg Meloy (8th-agricultural engineering and rural sociology) was elected treasurer with 247 votes. Steve Schlegel (9th-accounting) received 209 votes for the same office and David Meyers (6th-business administration) got 95 votes.

Andra Asars (9th-nuclear engineering) ran unopposed for secretary. She received 475 votes.

Two representatives elected to the Association of Residence Hall Students are Susan Butler (5th-microbiology) with 427 votes and Bill May (6th-engineering) with 397 votes.

The two Residence Hall Advisory Board representatives elected are Jim Kramer (4th-business administration) with 463 votes and Cherie Massimo (9th-division of undergraduate studies) with 22 write-in votes.

Hess said Gary McGee (8th-liberal arts) also received 20 write-in votes for RHAB representative.

—by Laurie Jones

Consumers Week marked by awareness events

In conjunction with national and state Consumers Week, the Undergraduate Student Government will sponsor consumer awareness events this week.

This year marks the first time USG, which formed its senate consumer protection committee in November, has participated in National Consumers Week.

President Reagan proclaimed this week National Consumers Week to highlight the need for consumer awareness and education, said James Koval, a spokesman for state Attorney General LeRoy S. Zimmerman.

"Consumers supply demand" is the theme announced by Reagan.

On campus today, USG will distribute consumer information kits on the HUB ground floor.

People will be available to answer any questions about consumer rights, said Bill Kraftsow, chairman of the USG Senate's consumer protection committee.

Other events sponsored by USG include a forum with speakers from three consumer protection agencies at 8 p.m. Thursday in the HUB main lounge.

Speakers, who are scheduled to discuss topics ranging from apartment leases to mail-order fraud, are: David Rosenberg, deputy attorney general of the Consumer Protection Bureau in Harrisburg; Sally Horseman, vice president of Consumer Affairs of the Better Business Bureau; and Robert Shirk, Treasurer of the State College Chamber of Commerce.

The speakers will discuss how their agencies work and how to file consumer complaints.

Although states do not have to recognize consumer week the same time it is recognized on the national level, Gov. Dick Thornburgh

named this as Pennsylvania Consumers Week. Six state regional offices are setting up booths in malls, staffed by attorneys and investigators, to distribute consumer protection kits and answer peoples' questions.

"Each regional attorney gears up for heavier public appearances this week," Koval said.

This year's state consumer week has not received the publicity it did last year because of the cost involved, Koval said.

Last year advertising costs were \$17,000, he said.

—by Christine Murray

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