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it. Other goals include increasing enrollment and collaborating more effectively with sister campuses in Hazleton and Scranton. "We need to pull our resources together and expand the opportunities we can provide to this region," she said.

Hines said a series of partnerships with businesses, local school districts and other Penn State campuses will be key factors in moving PSU ahead. "I look forward to the challenge of moving this campus to a significant role in the community," she said.

Internally, PSU plans to improve its facilities. A capital campaign is in the works to improve, enhance and expand, Hines said.

Hines believes her background in philosophy is an asset to her for this new post. "Philosophy helps you to see the big picture," said Hines, whose main area of study is social and political philosophy and ethics. "It (philosophy) gives you a very comprehensive world view." Her background helps her to make appropriate inquiry as to how things ought to be, she said.

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PSU Wilkes-Barre executive officer

Hines, who said one of her great loves in life is to teach, believes her position as executive officer is an extension of that. "As an administrator I am a teacher too," she said. "But, every day I am learning," she adds. Hines credits a bright and generous staff for making her transition a nice one. "It's a wonderful community and the advising board has been very helpful."

As she stands on the brink of challenges, Hines is definitely looking forward to doing all she can to help make our local PSU campus all it can be. "There is a very positive mood on campus. We're moving ahead and strengthening ourselves."

Campus shakeup no big deal for Wilkes-Barre, yet

By JESSICA APPOLO
Post Staff

LEHMAN - Penn State students now have more options for where they can complete their education within the Penn State University system.

Tom Robinson, director of development and university relations at the Lehman campus, says that recent surveys show nearly 50 percent of P.S.U. students would prefer not to transfer to University Park to complete degrees. Responding to that desire, Penn State has decided to concentrate its efforts on expanding branch campuses rather than University Park to meet increasing enrollment demands. For the first time, U-Park will impose an enrollment cap of 40,000 on incoming students.

The concentration on branch campuses provides the foundation for what will be known as the Commonwealth College Plan. Robinson explains the Commonwealth College as a "reorganization of the Penn State system." Penn State Wilkes-Barre is one of 12 sites selected to be academically restructured as part of the plan.

Each campus will be affected differently. Some, like Altoona and Abington-Ogontz, will change to four-year colleges. The Schuylkill campus and Penn State, Capitol College, will merge into one college. The Scranton extension (a two-year facility) will be offering a new four-year degree program in business starting in September.

Corrections

• Janine Marie Chalk's name was spelled incorrectly in an article about a summer program at College Misericordia in the July 23 issue.

• Michael Glicini's name was omitted from the caption of a photo about Cub Scout Pack 281 at Camp Acahela in the July 23 issue.

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Singin' in the sun

Kristin Faerber of Dallas sang the National Anthem at the start of the Pocono 500 at Pocono Raceway June 20. The Dallas High School graduate will attend Boston University in the fall.

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

Mary Powers Sprau, Shavertown, was recently promoted to Director of Occupational Therapy at East Coast Rehabilitation, River Street in Plains. She currently directs the Industrial Rehabilitation program at the Plains facility and outpatient Hand Therapy at the Hazleton, Plains, and Odyssey Fitness facilities of East Coast Rehabilitation.



Ms. Powers-Sprau received a B.S. in Occupational Therapy from College Misericordia and is certified in administering the Key Method of Functional Capacity Assessments. She serves on the Executive Board of the District III Occupational Therapy Association. East Coast Rehabilitation provides a unique approach to physical, occupational, and aquatic therapy, with the personal attention and commitment to quality that gets people back to work and back to living their lives.

Pregnancy Series to begin August 4

Wyoming Valley Health Care System will present a three-class Early Pregnancy Series on Mondays, Aug. 4 through 18 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the Nesbitt Medical Arts Building auditorium, 534 Wyoming Avenue, Kingston.

Reservations are required for this complimentary series. For more information or to make a reservation, call 552-8632 or 1-800-838-WELL.

Luzerne County Fair premium books available

The premium books listing categories and prizes for the Open Class and 4-H Arts & Crafts, livestock, horses and small animal competitions are now available for the 1997 Luzerne County Fair.

With the potential of over \$15,000 being awarded in premiums and ribbons to county residents, the books are sure to move quickly. According to Ayleen Landon, Open Class Arts & Crafts Co-chairperson, exhibitors of the 1996 Luzerne County Fair will receive their premium books in the mail. However, only one book was mailed to a household. Extra entry forms are available at the fair office located on Rte. 118, Dallas and the Back Mountain Servi-Star located in Shavertown. Books were mailed to Luzerne County residents during the week of July 21. The 1996 fair had a record number of exhibitor entries with over \$16,000 awarded in premiums.

Other locations where premium books are available are as follows: Dallas: Sue Hand Imagery, Main Street; Hilbert's, The Tractor Store, Memorial Highway; Back Mountain Memorial Library,

Huntsville Road; Luzerne County Fairgrounds, Rte. 118; The Craft Room, Memorial Highway; Senator Lemmond's District Office; Parker Fuel Company, Fernbrook, Harveys Lake; Drury's Deli & Restaurant, Sunset; Rich & Charlottes, Sandy Beach; Javer's Store, Alderson.

Pikes Creek: Shelly's Diner; Red Rooster Restaurant. Sweet Valley, Representative George Hasay's Office.

Entry registration deadline for small animals, livestock, 4-H horses-ponies and fun show is August 15; open class arts & crafts is August 16; open class horses and 4-H arts & crafts is August 22.

The 1997 Luzerne County Fair is scheduled for Sept. 3 - Sept. 7, at the Rte. 118 location. This year the fair is celebrating its 35th anniversary and will offer the pay-one price admission for the second year.

The \$5 admission includes unlimited S&S Amusement Rides; parking, gate entrance, entertainment, shows, exhibits, a petting zoo and more for a day of good old fashion family fun.



10th Meadows blood drive Aug. 6

August will usher in the 10th anniversary of the Meadows Nursing Center sponsored blood drive. The Meadows sponsored their first blood drive, for their employees and friends of the nursing center, on Aug. 7, 1987. Since that date, they have collected 980 units of blood for the Wyoming Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross. To celebrate the occasion they will be sponsoring a blood drive on Wed., Aug. 6, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. The nursing center has traditionally sponsored drives during difficult time frames for the Red Cross. Summer is the most difficult. Show at the planning meeting for the drive: Janice Kotz, Linda Wolfer, CNA, Susan Swartwood, Restorative Aide, Kelly Rogan-Soprano, Field Representative, Myrtle Coolbaugh, Volunteer, Marilyn Gregorski, Director of Resident and Community Service, Maureen Jordan, R.N. Director of Blood Services, Wyoming Valley Chapter and Barbara Barakat, Blood Drive Coordinator. Call 675-8600 for more information.

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