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27th Annual Conference SEVEN SPRINGS October 22-25, 1995

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Articles, position openings, or newsworthy items can be submitted to any of the Board members according to the following publication schedule:

Winter 95 issue: Spring 96 issue:

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artticles due June 1 articles due August 15

#### 3. IMPORTANT MESSAGE

The opinions expressed by individuals who contribute articles to the newsletter do not necessarily represent the position of PASFAA.

1. MOVING OR CHANGING POSITION? PASFAA membership belongs to the individual and not your institution. All changes in name, address, or title should be submitted to Georgia Prell, Financial Aid Office, East Stroudsburg University, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301. This is where our membership list is maintained.

2. 1994-95 PASFAA COMMITTEES

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3. MEMBERSHIP IN PASFAA

Subscription to the PASFAA Newsletter is included in your yearly membership fee. Contact Ronald L. Shunk, Gettysburg College for information about 1994-95 PASFAA membership.

4. LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Do you have an opinion to share? Do you have a question to ask? Do you want to vent your frustrations? Do you wish to send a message to the readership? Do you wish to share an anecdote? If you have answered yes to any of the questions above, then you will be happy to know we are beginning a new column in the Newsletter to specifically address those types of issues, thoughts, and feelings.

Please send your letters to: Joyce M. Ballaban, Editor PASFAA Newsletter Albright College P.O. Box 15234

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All letters must be signed and we reserve the right to condense or edit if necessary.

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear PASFAA Colleagues,

I'm sure that by now most of you have your fall term well underway and as soon as you file your FISAP, you can breathe a sigh of relief, even if only briefly. Autumn has always been an exciting season with many activities vying for attention. One of the most delightful and dynamic of these is PASFAA's Annual Conference!

By now you should have received your registration materials for the conference to be held at Seven Springs Mountain Resort. Mike Bertonaschi and his committee have done an outstanding job in preparing for this event. This is PASFAA at its finest and I hope that many of you will be able to participate in this year's activities. Training and development are critical components of our ability to be able to meet the needs and challenges of our profession. The conference offers the best opportunity to fulfill these educational needs.

Autumn is also the time for PASFAA to elect new officers to serve the association. I would like to applaud those members who have stepped forward and have agreed to take leadership roles with our organization. Many other opportunities are available for members who would like to take a more active role in their profession by volunteering for the Guidance Counselor workshops, PASFAA Hotline, PAATP training, or other committees. Please contact me if you are interested in pursuing any of these activities.

And speaking of volunteers, Pennsylvania has the honor of having the "ultimate" volunteer this year with Bill Irwin from Lock Haven University assuming the national chairmanship of NASFAA. It was quite moving to see 2,200 colleagues from across the country stand and applaud as Bill was inducted into office at the NASFAA Conference in San Antonio, Texas. Bill's start on this path to National Chair came from humble beginnings in professional activities that blossomed into full flower with his election last year. Let's not let Bill be the first and last Pennsylvanian to serve in this national leadership role.

Exciting times are ahead but then times are always exciting in financial aid! The Federal Budget, the FFELP /Direct Lending debates, need analysis revisions, and yes re-authorization looming on the horizon all provide no end to the issues that we must face. But at least we have a tremendous resource in our professional colleagues with whom we can share our thoughts. Hope to see you all in October!

Sincerely,

Christine A. Zuzack

President

## PASFAA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL - June 12, 1995 PHEAA Conference Room A, Harrisburg, PA

submitted by: Bonnie Lee Behm PASFAA Secretary

- The meeting was called to order at 9:28 A.M. on June 12, 1995.
- Council reviewed and approved a recommendation to set the 1995 conference fee at \$100.
- Fran McKeown reported that the contract for the 1998 Conference site was signed.
- The first Council meeting of the 1995-96 year will be held at Split Rock Lodge on December 3 & 4, 1995. Split Rock Lodge is the site of the 1996 Conference.
- There are approximately 561 PASFAA members to date.
- Ballots for the various Council positions have been sent to the membership.
- Bob Heyl is continuing to have the PASFAA business/vendor contracts reviewed by his school's law department.
- Don Shade reported on the Loan Forum that was held at Dickinson. Eighty-six people attended the forum. A report on the results of the Forum will be published in the next newsletter.
- As a result of the Loan Forum an SLSC Advisory Committee was formed. Its goal is to increase communications between the SLSC and schools.
- The Professional Standards and Training Committee met with two guidance counselors from the Harrisburg area to review the curriculum for the Guidance Counselor Workshops. Letters to solicit volunteers for the Workshops will be sent to the membership.
- This year there will be thirty-eight workshops, not thirty-six as announced before.
- Chris Zuzack and Carolyn Wharton met with Arlene Hassinger of PHEAA to discuss the past year's
  Hotline results and plan strategies for the 1996 Hotline. Last year there were 1,036 calls. The 1996 Hotline
  results will be closely evaluated.
- Chris Zuzack requested each Council member and Committee Chairman to submit their annual report to her by October 1, 1995.
- Georgia Prell suggested that a two day planning retreat be held in November, 1995, at Toftrees. Council members and invited guests would meet to discuss various issues to lead PASFAA into the future. Council approved the recommendation and plans will be made for this retreat.
- Sector Reports

Marge Karl - SSHE - A meeting of the sector, was held on April 27, 28, 29, 1995 at Toftrees. Representatives from PHEAA and the Chancellor's Office were present. Additionally, Business Officers were invited to participate in the meeting.

Fran McKeown - Two year public - A meeting of the sector was held on April 20 & 21, 1995. Ken Ostberg, Ken Bretz and Kathleen Smith made presentations to the group.

- Chris Zuzack made a motion to form and ad hoc finance committee composed of the president, past
  president, chairman of the Hotline and current and future Conference Chairs with the purpose to develop
  a concise and coordinated plan for external financial support and contributions to the organization. The
  motion was approved by Council.
- The next meeting will be held in conjunction with the 1995 Conference.

### 1995 PASFAA CONFERENCE SEVEN SPRINGS MOUNTAIN RESORT

submitted by: Michael J. Bertonaschi Camp PASFAA '95 Chaitperson

By now you have received your packet with all of the conference information. As if all of the sessions and activities aren't enough to make you want to join us for this event, I submit to you the creative song writing abilities of Michael D. Price of Saint Francis College who penned the Camp PASFAA theme song to be sung around the campfire. Soooo Mistro if ya Please !!!!!!!!!!

CAMP PASFAA (To the tune of "On top Of Old Smokie")

We've come to Camp PASFAA
To learn the new regs,
So far all we've gotten
Are scabs on our legs.

About Direct Lending
We want to know more,
But storm clouds are gathering
It's starting to pour.

We sit 'round the campfire With sodas and brews Relate tales of horror From program reviews.

Today at craft hour From cornhusks and wire, Made dolls of Newt Gingrich To throw in the fire.

New campers are hungry, Of food there's no trace. It's thirty long days 'till Disbursement takes place.

We've heard the camp's owners Were hauled off to jail. For excess cash drawdown They're held without bail.

> To pay for the treatment of a mosquito bite, Written authorization Was nowhere in sight.

One camper got homesick,
He's tied to a tree.
To work out his refund
Is too much for me.

And so, dear Camp PASFAA, Nineteen ninety-five, I will not contribute To your scholarship drive.

# NOMINATIONS FOR 1995 ELECTION

submitted by: Ron Shunk Membership & Elections, Chair

The first phase of the PASFAA nominations process is now completed. Nominations have been received for each of the positions to be voted on at the October annual conference in Seven Springs. The positions for this election are President-Elect and the seven Sector Representatives.

In accordance with the PASFAA By-Laws, the two persons receiving the highest number of nominations will have their names placed on the ballot. Each candidate has been contacted to secure their agreement to run for office, so that the persons listed have been duly nominated and have agreed to run.

In accordance with the procedure instituted by Council, candidates have been requested to complete a nominee resume form and to submit a photograph if available. That information appears in this newsletter and will be posted at the conference registration desk for review by the membership.

Ballots will be placed in the conference packets of all active members who attend the conference. Each active member may vote for the office of President-Elect.

Active members will receive sector - specific ballots and can vote for the sector representative from their respective sectors.

At the first session of the annual business meeting on Sunday, October 22, the candidates will be introduced to the membership, and nominations will be received from the floor for any of the open positions.

Following that meeting, voting by active members present at the Conference will begin, and the ballot box will be available at the Conference Registration Desk at all times that the desk is staffed. The balloting will end at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, October 24, at which time the membership and elections committee will count the ballots. The election results will be announced at the second session of the business meeting later that day.

In keeping with the procedures adopted by PASFAA, absentee balloting will be made available to persons unable to attend the conference. Please refer to the article listed on page seven concerning absentee balloting procedures.

## PASFAA 1995 CANDIDATE SLATE

### PRESIDENT ELECT

George J. Walter Villanova University

#### PUBLIC TWO YEAR SECTOR

Jean M. Walker Butler County Community College

#### PRIVATE TWO YEAR SECTOR

Barbara Schmitt Johnson Technical Institute

#### **SSHE SECTOR**

Robert J. Thorn California Uninversity of PA

#### **NURSING SECTOR**

Adrienne Miller Shadyside Hospital School of Nursing

#### PRIVATE FOUR YEAR

John A. Pergolin St. Joseph's University

Arlina B. DeNardo Lafayette College

#### STATE RELATED SECTOR

Dan Wray Penn State University

#### PROPRIETARY SECTOR

Rob Reddy The Boyd School

## ABSENTEE BALLOTING PROCEDURES

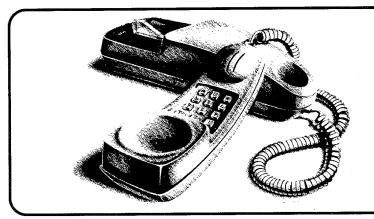
At the 1987 Annual Conference, the membership approved an absentee balloting procedure. This was proposed by PASFAA Council to allow individuals who cannot attend the annual conference to vote in PASFAA elections. The 1988 election was the first time that the procedure was implemented.

In order to vote by absentee ballot, a person must renew membership for the next fiscal year and request a ballot in writing. On the 1995 conference registration form, there will be a provision for individuals who cannot attend the conference to renew their membership for 1995-96. Also, on that form will be a place to check to request an absentee ballot. Any Active Member who cannot attend the conference should use the registration form to renew membership and, if they wish, to request an absentee ballot.

Absentee ballots must be requested by September 22, 1995. Ballots will be mailed upon receipt of a request.

The voted ballot must be returned to the Chair of Membership and Elections Committee at least **one week** prior to the start of the conference, using the double envelope method. The chairman will then bring any such ballots to the conference where they will be opened and counted by the committee prior to the counting of ballots cast at the conference. Individuals who cast absentee ballots will not be able to vote for any candidates who may be nominated at the business meeting. Since write-in votes are only acceptable for nominated candidates, absentee ballots cannot contain write-in votes.

It should be emphasized that absentee ballots are available to individuals who know in advance that they will be unable to attend the conference. Also, once an absentee ballot is requested, that person cannot receive a ballot at the conference, if they attend. The procedures described above are as contained in the By-Laws of the Association. Any questions about the procedure should be addressed to Ron Shunk, Chair of the Membership and Elections Committee.



PASFAA
HOT LINE
1996
SIGN UP DURING
CONFERENCE

## **Employment Opportunities...**

Below is a listing of position openings which have come across the PHEAA Terminal . . . Positions may be filled by press time.

7/25/95:	Counselor - Harrisburg Area Community College
8/07/95:	Adm. Coordinator - MCP & Hahnemann University
8/07/95:	Assistant Director - Rosemont College
8/09/95:	Assistant Director - Temple, Main Campus
	Counselor - Temple, Main Campus
8/11/95:	Counselor (2) - Lincoln University
	Assistant Director - Lincoln University
8/15/95:	Counselor - Widener University
8/16/95:	Financial Aid Representative - Eastern College

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#### PRESIDENT ELECT



GEORGE J. WALTER

Director of Financial Aid Villanova University 1989 - Present

#### PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

ORGANIZATION:

POSITION:

EMPLOYMENT DATES:

ORGANIZATION:

POSITION:

EMPLOYMENT DATES:

1984 - 1989 St. Joseph's Univ.

LaSalle University

Director Fin. Aid

Assistant to the Dir. 1981 - 1984

#### **EDUCATION**

- LaSalle University, Philadelphia, PA Bachelor of Arts in Secondary Education May, 1977
- St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA Master of Science in Education, May, 1984

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Member of NASFAA, EASFAA, and PASFAA
- Member of PA Aid Administrator Training Program Advisory Committee (4 years)
- Chairman of PA Aid Administrator Training Program Advisory Committee (1 year)
- PHEAA Congressional/Federal Methodology Advisory Board Member
- PHEAA Automated Loan Advisory Member
- CICU Financial Aid Sub-Committee Member
- PASFAA Government Relations Committee Member
- Chairman of PASFAA Financial Aid Hotline
- Member of NASFAA High School Counselor Training Committee
- PASFAA Conference Presenter

"As a result of my affiliation with PASFAA I've had the pleasure to serve in a number of ways and to work with many of my colleagues. I believe that our organization's strength is directly related to the involvement of its members. It is critical that more people become involved in order to ensure our continued growth as individuals and as an association. As a result, we will be prepared to effect decisions to be made at the federal, state, local, and institutional levels regarding the future of financial aid."

## SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE **PROPRIETARY**

NO PHOTO **AVAILABLE** 

#### **BOB REDDY**

Director Financial Aid The Boyd School 1993 - Present

#### PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

ORGANIZATION:

**PHEAA** 

POSITION:

Compliance Officer

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1991 - 1993

#### **EDUCATION**

- BA -University of Pittsburgh, Political Science
- MPIA University of Pittsburg, Public Administration/ Public Policy

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Guidance Counselor workshops
- PAATP Faculty Summer Institute
- PAATP Faculty Fundamentals Basic Workshop

"To provide an active and vocal voice to PASFAA and PHEAA regarding the needs of proprietary schools in particular and the financial Aid community in general."

## SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE **PUBLIC TWO-YEAR**



JEAN M. WALKER Associate Director of Financial Aid **Butler County Community College** 1995 - Present

#### PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

ORGANIZATION:

Butler Co. Comm.. College

POSITION:

Assistant Director

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1993-1995

POSITION:

Financial Aid Assistant EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1988-1993

POSITION:

Financial Aid Secretary

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1986 - 1988

#### **EDUCATION**

- BS Geneva College
- AAS Butler County Community College

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- SLSC Advisory Board, June, 1995 Present
- PASFAA Government Relations Committee, Nov., 1994 - Present
- PASFAA Hotline Volunteer, 1994, 1995
- Co-Chair, BCCC Middle States Subcommittee, Catalog, Publications, and Other Promotional Material, Sept., 1994 -
- · BCCC Act 101 Advisory Board, July, 1995 Present

"Since becoming a member of PASFAA eight years ago, I have benefited from the strong leadership we have had in the public two-year sector. I would like to offer my time and energy to the sector in hopes of continuing this tradition while also facilitating the vast amount of idea-sharing and problem-solving that so many of us have come to rely upon."

# SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE PRIVATE FOUR-YEAR

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#### ARLINA B. DeNARDO

Associate Director of Financial Aid Lafayette College 1989 - Present

#### **PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT**

ORGANIZATION: Remax Realty Group, CT.

POSITION: Realtor

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1986 - 1988

#### **EDUCATION**

- BA -Newcomb College, History-1980
- MBA- Tulane University-1992

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Presenter at EASFAA Re: Verification
- Chairperson (3 yrs.)
- Financial Aid Nights' Comittee, member (5 yrs.)
- Reader for Sponsored Scholarship Proframs (ETS), (4 yrs.)
- Member Stafford Loan Workshop Series (1 yr.)

"To express concerns of 4-Year Private Institutions to all appropriate parties as well as keep sector appraised of changes, points of interest and/ or developments."

# SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE PRIVATE FOUR-YEAR



JOHN A. PERGOLIN
Director of Financial Aid
Saint Joseph's University
1971-Prtesent

#### PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

ORGANIZATION: Saint Joseph's University POSITION: Lecturer-English Department

ORGANIZATION: Archbishop Wood High School

POSITION: Athletic Director, Coordinator of Activities, Chairman of

Business Department, Moderator of Parent/Teacher

Association.

ORGANIZATION: Saint Joseph's University Evening College POSITION: Head Academic Counselor, Academic Advisor,

Director of Special Programs: Introduction College and

Motivation.

#### **EDUCATION**

- · M.A. Education-Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA
- B.S. Industrial Management, Education Saint Joseph's University. Some course work completed toward Doctorate Degree-Temple University

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Planning and Program Development Committee PAATP
- PASFAA Council-Private Four-Year Sector Representative
- District Liaison Coordinator For PASFAA Gov't. Relations Committee
- Advisory Committee for PHEAA State Grants for Part-Time Students
- · Co-Chairman, Scholarship Committee-Saint Joseph's University
- Board of Governors-Saint Joseph's University Alumni Association
- · Member of Board on Atheletic Policy-Saint Joseph's University
- · Member of Empoyee Appeals Committee-Saint Joseph's University
- Advisory Committee for the PHEAA Automatic Student Loan Processing System

#### ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES WILL BE LISTED AT CONFERENCE

"Over the past five years I have witnessed and participated in the growth of our Association. Progams and activities were initiated that served our members effectively and we were an important part of our profession's development. The availability of financial aid was made known to families, encouraging students to realize that a post secondary education can be affordable.

It is my desire to see this growth continue, with the Private Four-YearSector being an active and effective participant in all activities and developments. With my background, experience and desire to serve I will be a contributing leader and asset to our Association."

## SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE STATE RELATED

NO РНОТО **AVAILABLE** 

#### **DAN WRAY**

Assistant Director (FFELP) Penn State University 1989 - Present

#### PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

ORGANIZATION:

Penn State

POSITION:

Officer of Human Resources

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1977 - 1988

**ORGANIZATION:** 

U.S. Coast Guard

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1977-1988

#### **EDUCATION**

BS - U.S. Coast Guard Academy

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

 PASFAA Government relations committee SLSC Advisory Board

"Id like to facilitate the sharing of knowledge that will make a positive difference in shaping student aid delivery systems."

## SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE **SSHE**

NO РНОТО **AVAILABLE** 

#### ROBERT J. THORN

Director of Financial Aid California University of Pennsylvania

#### PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

ORGANIZATION:

Ohio University

POSITION:

Associate Director of Financial Aid

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1986 - 1993

ORGANIZATION:

Alderson-Broaddus College

POSITION:

Director of Financial Aid

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1983 - 1986

#### **EDUCATION**

- Master of Education Ohio University, 1990
- Bachelor of Science Alderson-Broaddus College, 1981

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Southeast Ohio Guidance Counselor Trainer 1992-93
- MASFAA Site Committee 1987
- West Virginia Grant Advisory Board 1983-86
- West Virginia Guidance Counselor Trainer 1984-86

<sup>&</sup>quot;This position will provide me an opportunity to be actively involved in an association that is clearly committed to the profession, and most importantly, to the recipients of our services. I strongly feel that as sector representative for the SSHE schools, I too will reap benefits from my involvement and service to my colleagues in PASFAA."

## SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE PRIVATE TWO-YEAR



BARBARA SCHMITT Director Financial Aid Johnson Technical Institute 1995-Present

#### PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

ORGANIZATION:

Keystone College

POSITION:

Director of Financial Aid

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1990 - 1995

ORGANIZATION: POSITION:

Keystone College Admissions Counselor

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 1986 - 1990

#### **EDUCATION**

BA -North Carolina State University, Business Management

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Member PASFAA
- Member EASFAA
- Member NASFAA
- Sector Representative 1993-1995
- Professional Standards and Training Committee 1993-1995

"Active participation in PASFAA provides opportunities for leadership and growth within the Financial Aid Community. Additionally the twoyear private sector has special concerns and issues that I feel need continued recognition from the organization.

## SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE NURSING

NO **PHOTO AVAILABLE** 

#### ADRIENNE MILLER

Financial Aid/ Student Information Coordinator Shadyside Hospital School of Nursing 1992 - Present

#### PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

ORGANIZATION: POSITION:

University of Maryland Financial Aid Assistant

ORGANIZATION:

Public School

POSITION:

Music Teacher (all level)

#### **EDUCATION**

- BA in Music Performance and Music Education
- Public School Teaching Certificate (music all-level)

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Secretary Southwestern Pennsylvania Nursing Sector Association
- Member Faculty Organization
- Member Recruitment & Admissions Committee
- Member Student Support Services Committee (Shadyside Hospital Nursing School)

"Because Hospital-based nursing schools all have unique curriculums and Financial Aid procedures (i.e., Clock-hours vs. credit-hours), it is impertative that the Financial Aid Officers be kept informed of the latest changes and updates. I would like to serve PASFAA in this position because it would give me an opportunity to learn more about upcoming changes/updates so I could work with nursing schools in implementing these changes to our Financial Aid programs. PASFAA has an excellent reputation in the Financial Aid Community and I feel it would be an honor to serve on the committee."

## **PAATP**

## PENNSYLVANIA AID ADMINISTRATORS TRAINING PROGRAM

A Cooperative Effort of PHEAA and the Pennsylvania Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators

#### TRAINING SCHEDULE

Fundamentals Workshop
 Registration Form and information is in your PASFAA Conference Packet.

October 21-22, 1995

Guidance Counselor Workshop
 Announcements mailed early September.

November, 1995

Support Staff Workshop

TBA

### WATCH YOUR MAIL

# Opportunity is Knocking!

submitted by: Diana Miller

PHEAA/PAATP Specialist

Here is an opportunity to become involved in professional training through PAATP (Pennsylvania Aid Administrators Training Program). PAATP is recognized as a leader among other states and has received national recognition. If you are new to PASFAA, you will want to request copies of the series of articles (3) in last year's PASFAA Newsletters which explained the workings of PAATP. PASFAA membership involvement is vital to our training initiative because PAATP depends upon volunteers as both committee and faculty members.

A special session is being presented at the PASFAA Conference in Seven Springs on Sunday, October 22 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m., entitled "How to be a PAATP Volunteer in 10 Easy Steps". Members of the Planning and Program Development Committee will be presenting this session. We hope conference attendees will drop by and hear the presentation, speak with committee members and become involved.

## Common Policy Manual

PHEAA is participating with 18 other guaranty agencies in developing a common policy manual to assist schools and lenders with Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP) administration and to simplify the FFELP for students. The manual will incorporate into a single document the FFELP provisions of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, federal regulations, and guarantor policies. The manual will replace the PHEAA Guidelines manual and should be available for distribution to schools and lenders in Fall, 1995.

More information about this manual will be forthcoming from PHEAA.

## THE GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Government Relations Committee had a busy and productive year in 1994-95, and is already making plans for activities to be conducted in the coming year. Any PASFAA members interested in serving on this committee should contact Don Shade at 717-327-4766 or CG01271 no later than October 1, 1995.

In 1995-96, we can expect to see continued deliberations over budget issues, continued debate over the loan programs, preliminary discussions on the 1997 Reauthorization, and certainly much more. The Government Relations Committee will continue to be involved in all of these activities. If you wish to be a part of it all, become a member of the committee and join the fun.

## New Appointment

Marian Snyder

was promoted to Assistant Director of Financial Aid at Allentown College effective 6/1/95. Debbie Berry

will fill marian's position of Financial Aid Assistant at Allentown College effective 7/24/95.

### MARRIAGE

Lisa Cooper, Phila.Coll. of Textiles & Science, recently wed Martin Gilbert on July 9, 1995. In Memory Roger "Chip" Smith PHEAA Special Services Division, Died July 30, 1995. A memorial service was held August 3, 1995.

#### BIRTH

Nora Downey, Gordon Phillips Beauty School gave birth to a little girl. Bridget and mom are doing fine.

#### TRAVEL

Michael Price, St. Francis College, participated in a 10 day concert tour of Spanish and Portugese cathedrals and churches in which he performed as an organist.

## SLSC EXPANDING SERVICES TO SCHOOLS

ubmitted by: Tim Balfour SLSC-PHEAA

Improving service to schools is the goal of the SLSC's School Coordination Group. A school advisory board was established this past spring. This fall they are introducing a toll-free line for schools and additional staff to address school concerns.

The toll-free line, 800-826-5082, is available for school officials to contact the SLSC regarding borrower account issues, to clarify SLSC policy and procedures, or to discuss general servicing concerns. Operation hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 PM E.T.

Two school Coordinator are being added to represent the SLSC to school. They will participate in state and regional conferences, respond to school inquiries and be available to visit schools to develop better understanding of school's concerns related to servicing issues.

Questions or comments can be directed to Tim Balfour, Manager, School Coordination Group, at 800-826-5082 or 717-720-2200.

(The following article appeared in the Gettysburg Times 8/1/95 edition. The comments by Mr. Gooling are neither supported nor refuted by PASFAA. This information is presented for informational purposes only)

## Keep education under control

In recent months, the new majority has been subjected to endless criticism for our willingness to make difficult choices to balance the budget. These attacks have been particularly reckless when they relate to higher educa-

tion policy.

Students and parents have been led to believe that student loans and Pell Grants will be made unavailable and college will become unaffordable for many of our young people. The truth is that eliminating student loans has consideration. been а Unsubstantiated rhetoric was simply part of a political plan designed to scare the American public.

Economic The House Educational Opportunities Committee, which I chair, needs to save \$10 billion over the next seven years as our contribution to balancing the budget. We have found that President Clinton's Direct Lending Program will not save the taxpayers billions of dollars as supporters of the program have claimed.

In fact, the Congressional Budget Office has provided me with cost estimates which indicate that direct lending is even more expensive than the Goodling



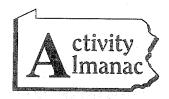
guaranteed loan program. This is the same program which certain direct lending supporters wanted to eliminate in 1993 because of its alleged excessive expense. In fact, if we maintain the program that has served students well for the past 30 years and stop the Department of Education from becoming one of the largest banks within the country, we will save taxpayers \$1.5 billion over the next seven years.

One-point-five billion dollars is a large sum of money that could be used to help lessen the subsidy reduction to students currently under consideration by Congress. My guess is that many graduate students would love to have this \$1.5 billion go towards an interest subsidy rather than to pay the salaries of more Department of Education employees.

It should come as no surprise that the proposal to make the Department of Education into a large bank would be costly and unwieldy. We argued that very point when the president pushed the proposal two years ago. In addition to the cost, there are other obvious reasons to oppose the expansion of the Department of Education. Quality of service would likely decline, scarce funds would be wasted, and mechanisms would not exist to enforce repayment of loans.

Balancing the budget will not be easy, but it can be accomplished. We simply need to eliminate wasteful spending, oppose future bureaucracy and ensure scarce federal dollars go directly to those most in need. Eliminating the direct lending program and assuring federal dollars are placed in the hands of students will preserve our nation's higher education system and assist us in our goal of balancing the budget.

> U.S. Rep. Goodling's district includes parts of Adams and York Counties



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