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**Billy Joel** 

### BSC gets "piano man"

by JIM PEFFLEY

Billy Joel, "The Piano Man," is coming to BSC. How he was decided on, how other groups that were considered failed and how the student body will benefit from the concert comprise a series of turning, and sometimes twisting, events.

### CAS

#### confab

The Commonwealth Association of Students (C.A.S.), the statewide student advocacy for the Pennsylvania State Colleges and University, will hold its second weekend conference of 1977 during the weekend April 1,2,3. The conference will be held in Kehr Union on the Bloomsburg State College campus.

At the Saturday noon luncheon at the Hotel McGee, guest speaker Caryl Kline will give the Keynote Address. Ms. Kline is the Director of Continuing Education Programs for Women at the University of Pittsburgh. She currently holds a seat on the Pennsylvania State College and University Directors Board, and is a strong candidate vieing for the Secretary's post in the Department of Education. The present Secretary of Education is Acting Secretary Robert L. Hendershot.

Other guests include Pennsylvania Senator Franklin Kury, Representatives Ted Stuban and George O. Wagner, Democratic Chairman of Columbia County Richard K. Walton, Republican Chairman Edward Hermanski, President McCormick of the College, along with other college officials and the student trustees around the state. An appearance by U. S. Congressman Dan Flood is not definite, but could occur.

A topic to be discussed at the conference will surely include discussion on the severe tuition crisis the state college system faces for the upcoming year. Workshops taking place during the conference include a seminar of Student Consumerism from 3-4 pm. This will be conducted by Elaine El-Khawas from the American Council of Education, Washington D.C.; Dick Dumeresque from the Department of Education and Cathy Downey, Chairperson of the Board of Student Government Presidents.

According to Matt Connell, vice-president fo CGA, the Bloomsburg State Concert Committee had tried to reschedule Al Stewart since his cancellation last February. Unfortunately, Stewart plans to appear on Saturday Night Live and weekend the BSCC slated their concert.

The rock group Heart was considered, but dropped. Heart broke off their touring engagements recently.

Renaissance was also thought upon. However, Bucknell University scheduled them after an offer of \$12,000. BSC can only pay up to \$10,000 for a group.

Joel, who appeared at Bucknell last December, had his concert schedule for 1977 previously made. The night BSCC needed a group, however, was open on Joei's schedule. Therefore, he opted to perform at BSC. A major benefit for the college is that Joel reduced his price from \$10,000 to \$8,500 for the BSCC.

Ticket prices have also been reduced for the concert. Tickets will be \$3 with a student ID card and \$4 without — a dollar less than the usual concert ticket cost.

There are two reasons for the reduced prices, according to Connell. BSCC has a subsidy which will be used to pay the dollar reduction. Also, the BSCC reduced the rate in an effort to make up the students for Al Stewart's cancellation.

BSCC contacted Billy Joel through Harris Goldberg, an agent from Woodstock. A written contract is being prepared and should be signed by Joel this week.

When asked if Joel's previous concert at Bucknell would hinder its success at BSC, Connell thought not; rather, he considers the students who saw Joel at Bucknell an asset, since most of them enjoyed the concert and, by word of mouth, told friends of the concert.

Joel will be at Nelson Field House on April 21 at 9 a.m. The concert should be a sell-out, according to Connell. However, one hindrance still remains—Renaissance will be at Bucknell the same evening. Decisions, decisions.



GO FLY A KITE.....Gina Scancella gives careful instruction on the art of kite flying to one of the many siblings participating in Saturday's Events held during Siblings Weekend. See related article on page two.

(Photo by Paglialunga)

# Bomb threats blow classes

A series of five bomb threats over a period of 15 days has resulted in an extensive disruption of classes. To minimize further interruptions in case of future threats the following procedure has been adopted by the College Division of Safety and Security.

Any building involved in a bomb threat is to be evacuated at least one half hour before the time mentioned in any threat. Classes will be rescheduled whenever possible, and a revised listing of rescheduled classes will be posted at the building entrances. The Security personnel will assist in providing rescheduling information whenever possible.

"The students are the losers in this type of situation," Dr. Frank Davis, assistant vice-president for administration commented. "Unless the class can be rescheduled on short notice, the instructional period is lost. The work cannot be made up. When a laboratory period is involved it is especially serious. Because of the insensitivity and thoughtlessness of some student or students,

Davis said the major concern of the college in any bomb threat situation is the safety of the students. He added that although many believe the threats are merely pranks and that there is no real danger, the college will not take any chances.

more than 3,000 student hours have already been lost."

Richard Neufer, director of safety and security, pointed out that bomb threats are a violation of State law and that legal action will be taken against anyone identified as being a party to such a "terroristic action."

He added, "The legal ramifications of what might be intended as a prank are enormous."

The college urges anyone who might have information concerning the source of any of the threats to contact Chief Neufer at the Security office, extension 2617, or Dr. Davis, Waller Administration Building, extension 2115.

All information will be handled with strictest confidence.

# Mini-courses offer computer/childcare

Two non-credit mini-courses "Introduction to Computers" and "Child Management and Self-Help Skills" will be offered at the end of March and continuing through April.

"Introduction to Computers" will be offered on Tuesday evenings from March 29 through April 26 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in Room 4 of the Ben Franklin Building. After 10 hours the student will know

# Easter basket contest

M.r Ruggiero of the Kehr Union Snack Bar is announcing a contest that will be fun for you, the students, and beneficial for the children attending the special education classes here at BSC.

The contest involves designing and filling a container or basket of your choice, (not returnable) to be judged in an "Easter Basket Contest". The entries will be judged on suitability and neatness. The categories will be prettiest, funniest and most original. There will be three \$25.00 first prizes plus a \$5.00 runner up in each category.

Each participant will receive a free hot dog and coke courtesy of Mr. Ruggiero.

Entries will be accepted April 4 and 5. Judging will be April 6. Bring in your entries and make some children happy!

what a computer is; know how the computer is used to solve problems as well as process information; be familiar with various types of data processing equipment; have a working knowledge of the terminology unique to the field; and be aware of the job opportunities and skills necessary for employment in the field. Jack Hartzell will be the instructor.

"Child Management and Self-Help Skills" available Tuesday evenings from March 29 through May 3 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in Old Science Hall, Room 12 will involve several trained students from the child psychology course who assisting with films, small group discussions, invited home visits, and the Psychology TV Laboratories.

Instructor Dr. Robt. B. Hessert hopes to: Establish the importance of consistency in parent behavior helping them to develop a rule of their own to guide their child's behavior in a specific area in which they are experiencing management difficulty; explore various ways in which the parent can make the enviornment more comfortable and free from unnecessary tension, so that the child has the freedom to grow; develop specific self-help skills to suit the individual needs of the families represented; and explore other applications of behavior modification and social learning of family life.

The course deals with principles and possible applications, but is not intended for therapeutic use.

Contact the Office of Extended Programs, telephone 389-3300, for additional information.

# Siblings take to the air via kites

by GENE W. WALTERS

Bloomsburg's first annual Kite Contest opened Saturday afternoon at Redman Stadium. Highlighting the activities were a skydiving demonstration, and the flying of dozens of fancy kites sailing in the crisp spring wind.

Dave Kellner, Craig Conway, Neil Tomasetti and Larry Croll jumped from 7,500 feet above the stadium from a Cessna 180 aircraft. For a 30 second free fall dive, the four accelerated toward the ground at about 120 miles per-hour. The four men landed in the pre-designated area, adjacent to the baseball field.

Kellner, team leader of the "Rip Chords" skydiving club of northeastern Pennsylvania, called his free fall dive "dead silence ... where you are alone

by yourself." He said "there is always a risk when plunging through the air at around 100 miles an hour."

In 25 years of skydiving, Kellner has made over 3,500 jumps, and his group jumps regularly, usually meeting every weekend.

Jerry Fachet, public relations man for the "Rip Chords" said the group dives "just for fun." So far, the group has demonstrated their aerial skill in New Jersey, Ohio, New York and elsewhere in northeastern Pennsylvania.

There are 20 to 30 "hard core jumpers" associated with the Rip Chords," Fatchet said. Skydiving is a high risk sport, rigidly controlled by the FAA. and the US Parachute Association. The FAA and

USPA establish standards for training, safety and equipment necessary for anyone who participates in skydiving.

Fabric, homemade, plastic and commercial kites were flown around the stadium area and playing field. About 300 people were on hand to see the skydiving and kite fliers.

Nearly two dozen prizes were awarded by student judges to the young and old competitors. Some of the more unusual awards went to: Susan Bernhart and Johnnie Garvey, voungest kite fliers; Bill Hess and Gene Burns, oldest kite fliers; Brian Reidy, kite with the longest tail; Laura McCorsh, nicest homemade box Karen M. kite; and, and Mike Neisenheimer DeMarco for the most spastic kite. Dave Bechtel, on hand with a hang gliding demonstration said that he will be on BSC, April 4 for enrolling people who are interested in a hang gliding course.



LOOK OUT BELOW!...David Kellner of the "Rip Chords" skydiving club floats to earth for the siblings below.

(Photo by Paglalunga)

#### 'Sandsational' George mystifies multitude

by STUART DUNBAR

The old saying "the hand is quicker than the eye" somehow seemed true last Tuesday evening in Carver Hall, as George Sands alias "Sandsational George" did his thing, that being magic, in front of an audience of approximately three-hundred

Clad in a hot pink ruffled shirt and a blue crush velvet suit, Sands performed tricks that left young children in what seemed a state of shock, as their eyes lit up and their mouths hung wide open, waiting for more. The adults also seemed somewhat bewildered as to how it was possible for this man to perform so many tricks and not make a mistake once.

For an hour and a half Sands performed some of his tricks that he did whilest going around the campus such as rope tricks, and various card tricks. ESP was included in Sand's as he read the mind of a girl holding a one dollar bill then proceeded to write down the serial number of the dollar bill of which he had never seen. Other ESP tricks were reading the mind of a girl who was holding a book in her hand and telling the audience what the words on the fifth line of a certain page were, and once again he did all these parts of the show without mistake.

Being the author of two books on balloon sculpturing Sands included this into part of his show. Taking challenges from the audience he manipulated long thin balloons into various animals such as a aardyark, camel parakeet, monkey, and even a giraffe.

Sands incorporated many people from the audience during his show, and with his final act there were approximately fifteen people as hypnotized them on state. Using only people eighteen years or older Sands put these people to sleep and had them do short skits such as stirring batter, catching birds and petting them, and two girls from another planet ended up talking in a foreign nonsensical language from their planet.

Everyone in the audience was pleased with the show and left the auditorium the same way as when the show began, amazed and bewildered.

#### Irene Miller

## Kehr displays artifacts

Irene Miller, mother of Diana Beishline, of Bloomsburg, has loaned a collection of textile artifacts from around the. world, on view in the Presidents' Lounge of the Kehr Union at Bloomsburg State College for the month of March. Many of these folk pieces are no longer made. There are bags from Nomadic tribes, mud paintings from Africa, weaving and embroideries by children, even a donkey girth of handspun horse hair from Mexico.

Mrs. Miller, who started her art studies in sculpture, has written a book on embroidery "The Stitchery Book." She is owner of a famous establishment known as "The Niddy Noddy" in Croton-on-Hudson, New York, named after a textile tool. This shop and school

combination is described as a "total environment of the textile crafts".

The handsome variety of works on display provides a sweeping and colorful survey of textiles from around the world. The exhibition is open to the public without charge.

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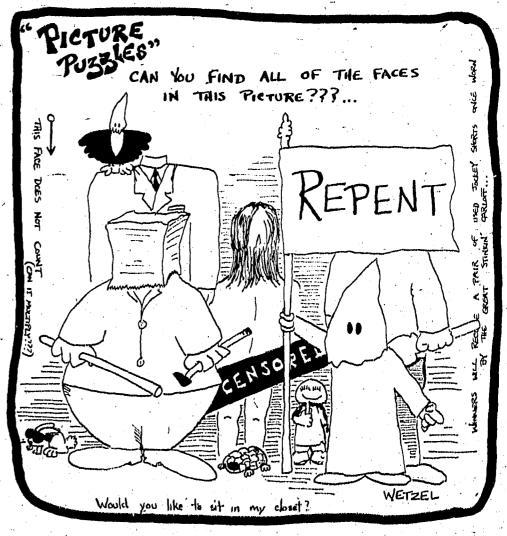
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## Parking or enjoyment?

by EILEEN CALLAHAN

Parking and vandalism have been subjected to scrutiny these past few weeks. The Campus Beautification Committee has come up with an idea that will

Choir presents

Gershwin concert

'Swonderful! 'Smarvelous! 'S an all-Gershwin concert, to be

presented by the Bloomsburg State College Department of Music

on April 1! Dr. John Master will "Strike Up the Band" at 8:15 p.m.

in Haas Center to begin an evening of entertainment devoted

The concert will feature BSC's Concert Choir, directed by Dr.

George Gershwin, born in Brooklyn in 1898, became one of

America's most prominent and best-loved composers. His works

include the orchestral symphony "An American in Paris",

"Rhapsody In Blue", and the American black opera "Porgy and

Bess", which did not become widely famous until after Ger-

Bess' and several of Gershwin's famous Broadway musicals.

Highlights of the concert will be selections from "Porgy and

The four faculty solos featured will be "Rhapsody In Blue", a

piano solo by Mr. John Couch; "My Man's Gone Now" and

"Embraceable You" sung by Mrs. Harriet Couch; "I Got Plenty

O' Nuttin", sung by D.r Richard Stanislaw; and "Summertime"

and "Someone to Watch Over Me", by Miss Verity Bostick, who

has sung leading operatic roles and has done solo work with

The College-Community Orchestra will play highlights from

"Porgy and Bess" and "Lullaby for String Orchestra" under the

direction of Dr. Master; the Orchestra will also accompany the

Concert Choir throughout the show under the direction of Dr.

The Concert Choir's repertoire will include selections from

Gershwin's Broadway musicals such as "Mine", "Swanee",

"Swonderful", and "Strike Up the Band" (complete with

kazoos!) Three selections from "Porgy and Bess" - "Bess, You

Is My Woman Now", "Oh Lawd, I'm On My Way", and "It Ain't

If you're looking for an evening of fun and good entertainment,

tickets can be purchased at the box office for \$2.00. The public is

cordially invited to come and spend an evening reminiscing with

Necessarily So" — will also be included.

William K. Decker, the College-Community Orchestra, directed

entirely to the music of composer George Gershwin.

by Dr. John Master, and four faculty soloists.

shwin's death in 1937.

various opera companies.

Decker.

increase one problem and decrease the other, and they call it — The Ben Franklin Project.

This project will tear up the North-Luzerne Parking lot (next to Ben Franklin building, hence, the mysterious name) and replace the parking area with two full basketball courts and one volleyball court and 20 feet of grass and flowers.

And so begins, or continues, the one problem — parking. When the barriers went up a week or so ago North residents were panic stricken. Just how do 500 girls move in and - or out of dorms on one road that leads only to a "recreation area?"

Very simply, they don't, because the road will be closed off at the foot of the hill. So, access to these dorms will be uphill on foot. Actually, the administration did think ahead on this project: the poles will be removable, but only during moving periods.

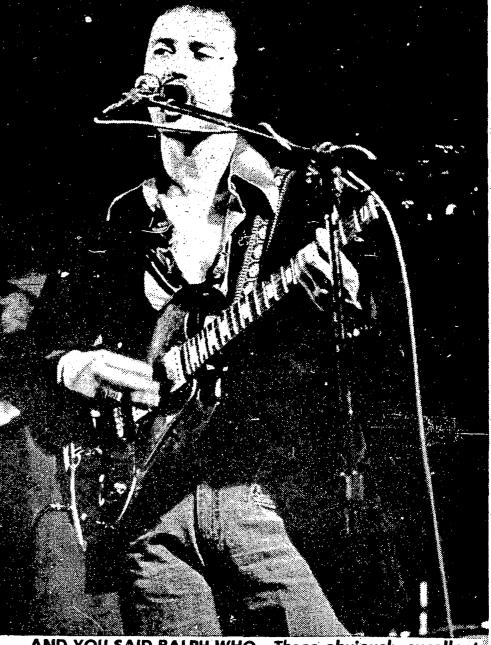
Assistant Vice President of Administration, Frank Davis explained that this is all part of the "Master Plan" initiated two years ago. The plan basically consists of moving the traffic to the outside of the campus.

This has some faculty members upset because of the inconvenience. Davis said this was also put into perspective.

The overriding consideration of the Master Plan was the student recreation aspect. Or, as Boyd Buckingham, Vice President of Administration laughingly explained, the recreation area will give students a place to blow off steam (without blowing up the rest of the campus).

The recreation area will be accessible to 40-60 students at any time. It can accomodate four games of half court basketball, a volleyball game as well as sunbathers or outdoor study(ers).

The thing to remember while contemplating where to park, or how you are going to lug those bags of goodies from home up to the dorm, is the fun you'll have playing games.



AND YOU SAID RALPH WHO...These obviously excellent musicians gave a very energetic concert to an enthuiastic crowd in Haas last Thursday evening.

(Photo by Paglialunga)

**Internships** 

# Credit for experience

This semester four students from Bloomsburg took advantage of participating in the Life Experience Internship Program.

They are Ray Sheelen Business Administration, Lawrence Taylor - Business Administration, Archie Stank -Business Administration, Barry Bryan - Business Administration, and Barbara J. Miller, Director of LEIP.

Meeting Governor Shapp and other key State officials is only one of the many benefits of being an intern in the Program. These students are receiving college credit, practical experience, and are paid a weekly stipend of approximately \$80. They are getting firsthand work experience related to their studies and a knowledge of State government in action by working in State agencies, nonprofit organizations, Staterelated associations, and legislative offices in the Capitol.

# CAS rallies to freeze fees

Two major rallies this past week have kicked off the "fees freeze" drive by the Commonwealth Association of Students (CAS) at the state colleges and university campuses.

America's favorite composer!

Over a thousand students at Indiana University of Pennsylvania on Saturday, and five hundred at Edinboro State College on Thursday, demonstrated against proposed fees hikes. The rallies, sponsored by CAS in conjunction with the student governments, were the first in a series of rallies to be held in the next few weeks at all fourteen campuses of Pennsylvania's institutions of public higher education.

"We're having these rallies at the campuses," noted CAS Executive Director Eugene T.

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Carroll, "so that our students are kept fully informed of the situation in the state capitol. Our students must know what is facing us, and what we can do to keep tuition rates at a reasonable level."

Governor Milton J. Shapp's budget proposal for the next year calls for a minimum tuition increase of \$50 a semester. State college and university students in Pennsylvania currently pay \$400 a semester in tuition fees, one of the highest public college fee rates in the nation.

CAS, the statewide student advocacy for the state colleges and university, fears that the fees increase could actually be triple than the Governor's stated proposal. "Our schools were inadequately funded this

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Pro-Keds Tennis Track Basketball year and are running a deficit because of the incredible heating costs of the past months," declared CAS President Nathan L. Gadsden, "The money to pay for this year will come out of next year's budget. If the state does not give our schools at least \$190 million, the students are going to be hit with a massive increase in fees.".

Shapp's proposed budget, which has incited unanimous adverse reactions from students, instructors and ad-

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West and other states. Placements sinco 1946. Bonded, Southwest Teachers Agency. Box 4337, Albuquerque, NM, 87106 ministrators, calls for an appropriation of \$178 million to the institutions. Shapp also advised no significant increase in student scholarship and aid funds.

The two rallies, to be followed by similar events at Clarion State College (March 24) and (continued on page four)

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WARMING UP FOR A BIG SEASON — That's what these members of the Bloomsburg State baseball team are doing as the 1977 season approaches.

(Photo by Eplett)

# O'Hora becomes 1st female all-american

by BONNIE EPLETT

Tina O'Hora became the first female swimmer in the history of Bloomsburg to become an All-American. O'Hora did this last week when she took twelfth in the nation in the 50 yd. Back.

To be an All-American, one must place somewhere in the top six in either the finals or consolation finals. This may sound easier than it really is because a swimmer must compete in various heats for elimination before she can move onto finals. The finals events are always very close races, and O'Hora's race was no

different. Her time of 30.07, which gave her twelfth, was only .4 seconds slower than the sixth place finishing time.

The All-American from Clark Summitt felt, "The Nationals (held at Clarion this year) were very organized. There was equipment bought just for the meet and the atmosphere was very nice, not tense at all. What was really neat was different colleges in the same state were cheering for each other, it almost became a state against state meet."

As far as the Bloomsburg team is concerned, O'Hara

says, "everybody really swam hard, and lowered their old times and they were breaking records left and right." Although the score didn't show it, Bloomsburg did very well at Clarion. All nine of the swimmers who went placed in the teens. "In fact," said O'Hara, "I'd say the average place we took was somewhere around the fifteenth, it seemed everyone just missed qualifying".

BSCC presents 'An Evening with Billy Joel". April 21, 9 p.m. in Nelson Fieldhouse. Tickets go on sale this week at \$3 with 1.D. and \$4 without.

# 50 to be cited in "day of champs"

Over 50 men and women athletes of Bloomsburg State College will he honored guests at the fourth annual Bloomsburg town and gown Husky Club "Day of Champions" athletic banquet to be held Tuesday, April 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the Scranton Commons. James McCubbin, a BSC faculty member, will be master of ceremonies.

In addition to the introduction of coaches and the recognition of champions, other features on the program will be welcoming remarks by Husky Club president Harry Evert, live music enteratinment, and a substantial monetary contribution as designated by the Husky Club for the BSC athletic program.

Some of the accomplishments of the club since its founding in 1974 include: presentation of

over \$6,000 to the college athletic program; entertaining coaches of other colleges when BSC hosted a special sports event; hosted alumni basketball game returnees and their wives following the annual alumni game; and the awarding of approximately 150 Husky Club Athlete of the Week certificates to both men and women in the varsity sports program.

A study which was begun two years ago by the Husky Club for the possible establishment of a BSC athletic hall of fame is continuing.

The Husky Club banquet replaces the former all-college banquet that was sponsored by the college. It is an opportunity for area Husky fans to get together with BSC coaches, captains, and champions to enjoy good food and a brief but entertaining program.

#### Fees freeze rally

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Shippensburg State College (March 31), mark the end of the student advocacy's first month of its battle for a fees freeze. According to CAS President Gadsden, the student advocacy plans to fight the proposed fee increase "right down to the line" during the summer.

"If fees are increased," he said, "Pennsylvania should just take the word 'public' out of public higher education. Many of our students cannot afford the rates now — an increase will mean disaster for them."

Gadsden addressed the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives March 7, warning the legislators that an increase in fees would keep hundreds of

1977 TRACK SCHEDULE

1:00

April 2 Lehigh Invitational at

Bethlehem, Lehigh,

students from returning to the campuses in the fall. CAS submitted written testimony to the Appropriations Committees of both the House and Senate during that week, as well as bringing over a hudnred student leaders to the state capitol to talk to the legislators.

"Our entire efforts are geared towards coalition-building," said Carroll, noting that severaldays before the hearings, CAS organized a statewide meeting of the state colleges and university presidents, the student government presidents, and the campus faculty union presidents. That historic meeting - these leaders had never before met together at the statewide level — was termed a success by the participants, and resulted in all three groups presenting similar data and requests to the legislators.

In addition to the series of rallies at the campuses, and the constant lobbying efforts by the CAS staff and leadership in the state capitol, the student advocacy is now organizing a statewide coalition of interest groups to work for better funding, and a freeze on all student fees, for the state colleges and university.

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## Avi to speak at BSC reading conf.

A special attraction at the Thirteenth Annual Reading Conference at Bloomsburg State College April 1 - 2 will be the Friday evening banquet speaker, Avi, noted author of children's books.

His topic will be "Whatever happened to Tom (Sawyer), Dick (Hunter), and Harriet (The Spy)?"

Born and raised in Brooklyn, New York, Avi completed his education at the University of Wisconsin and Columbia University, Aside from the usual number of jobs that trail out from writers like the string on a kite, he began his writing. career as a playwright in San Francisco's North Beach. Coming back East, he served as a librarian at the Theatre Collection at Lincoln Center for nine years, with a brief time out for a year in London. From 1970 to the present he has been Humanities Librarian at Trenton State College where he also teaches an occasional course in children's literature as well as serving as an advisor in the Basic Studies Program.

In addition to story telling in schools, occasional lectures, book reviewing and writing articles on the history of children's literature, he is an avid collector of old children's books.

Married to Joan Wrotis, a professional weaver, it was the arrival of his two sons, Shaun and Kevin, that brought about the writing change from theatre to children's books. His first **THINGS** THAT SOMETIMES HAPPEN, issued by Doubleday in 1970, was cited as one of the best children's books of the year by New Yorker magazine. Subsequently he wrote SNALL TALE, which was issued by Pantheon in 1972, and by Hutchinson in Engalnd in 1974, and was cited as one of the best books in the year of its publication in Great Britain. This book was followed by NO MORE MAGIC (Pantheon)

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which was runner-up for the Mystery Writers of America best juvenile Mystery of the year award in 1975 and has just been re-issued in Germany. Most recent,y (January 1977) Pantheon issued his advneture tale, CAPTAIN GREY.

His most recent research article appeared in the January issue of "Top of the News", the A merican Library Association's magazine for children's and young adult librarianship. It is called: "Children's literature; the American Revoltuion".

The main speaker at the general session of the conference on Saturday, April 2 is Dr. Drake Duane, Department of Neurology, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.

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