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State graduates, his mom said she didn't put any pressure on him to choose Penn State.

"When we went to talk to Joe Paterno, he told all the recruits to look around at other schools before making their decision to come to Penn State," Wanda said. "He was that confident that students would choose Penn State."

Kenny was officially offered the Penn State scholarship in April 1995, before he had even begun his senior year of high school. By August 1995, he had five more official offers from Pittsburgh, Oklahoma, West Virginia, Temple and Michigan.

"As the year went on, the recruiters came from all over the place to try to persuade Kenny to choose their college," said his mom, Wanda. "It was unbelievable. everybody in the country is looking at our son."

The recruiters were allowed to call once a day after August 1995, and then came the visits.

"I would get called out of class to come down and meet the recruiters," Kenny said. "Then they would make appointments to come to my house later in the day."

At the same time, his mom was getting phone calls at home and scheduling appointments, not knowing Kenny was setting up recruiters at the same time.

"Sometimes we would have two recruiters in the house at once," his mom said. "Some of them would stay for 45 minutes and some wouldn't leave for two hours or more." Although his family and this was very flattering, it did become stressful on

everyone. "There was a lot of pressure that effected everyone in the family," his mom said. "It was hard telling

recruiters no after we had gotten to know them."

The Watsons said they feel a lot of the recruiters were sincere and they had a lot to offer academically and athletically.

Kenny said he and his family did spend a lot of time looking around at other schools. He said he learned a lot by doing that and now he will never doubt his decision to go to Penn State.

"Since I went to see a lot fo schools, I will never wonder what my choices were," Kenny said. "After seeing all those colleges, it was hard to choose just one. It was like you want to take the academics from one and combine it with the athletic facilities of another and the location of a different one."

His dad, Ken, Sr, said academics is more important than athletics.

"Getting the football scholarship is just the icing on the cake," Ken, Sr., said. "It's more important to get the good education." Kenny wants to major

in computer science.

"We had a computer when I was little and l've always liked computers and trying to figure things out," Kenny said.

Kenny will have to figure out how to divide his time between football, homework, track and possibly bas ketball.

"If football's going good, I will try to go out for basketball," Kenny said. "I want to get myself established in football before I do anything else, but I definitely want to run track to keep my speed up."

He's not sure about what his work-out schedule will be like, but the coaching staff did tell him that he would be fine to come in at the weight he's at. At 6'1", 195 pounds, Kenny looks

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Now him playing football for ready to play ball. "They just said to Penn State is a dream come true, but the most important come in the best health and thing is that he gets the edushape possible," Kenny said. He is keeping himself cation."

in shape with a rigorous music teacher in the work-out schedule with track Harrisburg School District, is and he continues weightequally proud of her youngest training as he prepares for the Big 33 game on Saturday, child and only son. July 27 at HersheyPark staknack for athletics no matter dium.

"I'm looking forward to it," Kenny said. "One-third of the team will be my teammates at Penn State."

His dad pointed out that Kenny will also get to play with two of his childhood friends, Raki Nelson and Jordan Scott. Nelson has decided to go to Notre Dame and Scott is undecided.

"The three of them have been playing together for years," his dad said. "The Big 33 is a remarkable opportunity for them to play together one last time."

Kenny also used to play with two Harrisburg High School graduates, Shawn Lee and Ahmad Collins, who are currently students and football players at Penn State.

"I played football with them in high school," Kenny said. "When I talked to them, they told me Penn State was a good place to go. They said there is a lot of help available if you need it. You can't go wrong unless you choose to."

There is a mandatory two hour study hall four days a week, so Kenny said he doesn't think he'll have too much of a problem getting everything done. He said his parents stayed on him while he was in high school to make sure he did the right thing, but they really didn't have to that much.

"Ken has made us very proud over the years," Ken, Sr., said. "We've had a lot of fun watching him grow up and play all his different sports.

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is a bluegrass quintet influenced by folk and jazz," Koretsky said of one of his three musical groups.

Koretsky and another of his groups, Sweetwater Reunion,was featured in a WITF live broadcast from Hershey Theater on March 30.

Event emcee, Sachs said it's nice to see the tangible evidence of scholarship and hard work, having known some of the projects from the idea stage.

The publications will be shown at the next board of advisors meeting to show them the fruit of this campus' teachers and scholars.

All of the works can be purchased at the PSH Bookstore or in the case of Runion-Slear and Koretsky, the Heindel Library.

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His mom, who is a

"He always had a

what the sport was," Wanda

said. "I feel like we traveled

him play football or basket-

meets. I'm estatic about him

going to Penn State. I'm excit-

ed because I will get to go to

Penn State Aug. 4 to begin

with the Kickoff Classic at

the Meadowlands, N.J. His

far away from home.

parents said they will miss

him, but at least he's not too

home that we can reach out

and grab a hold of him if he

needs it," his dad said.

and laughed.

that," he said.

go see his games.

Penn State too.

playing football.

"He's close enough to

Kenny shook his head

"They won't have to do

He does have a girl-

His 19-year-old sis-

A long term goal for

"I would love to play

friend, Jimetta Easter, who is

High School, so she will stay-

ing here, but she will get to

ter, Shanelle, who currently

works at the Harrisburg Post

plans to get her education at

Kenny once he graduates from

college would be to continue

pro-football," he said. "But

hard work to get that chance."

you need a lot of luck and

Office, will also go to his

games. In the future, she

junior at Central Dauphin

training for the Fall football

season, which begins Aug. 25

Kenny will leave for

all over the country to see

ball or compete in track

all the games."

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best. Currently her favorite song is "Not That Different," by Colin Ray. She says that the lyrics are romantic, but contain a universal message.

"The song goes, 'I laugh----you laugh, I cry---you cry, we're not that different,'" she said.

Reedy will take two more courses this summer and then the requirements for her psychology degree will be met. She said she will be participating in the December 1996

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think about it while it's happening. I have to please myself first."

He has been selected to work with Robert Shaw in the Carnegie Hall Professional Training Workshops in 1994, 1995, and 1996. Shaw is one of the most famous choral directors right now, and Dr. Lau auditioned to be an auditor. This allows him to sit in the audience and absorb Shaw's teachings, so he could bring his knowledge home to Harrisburg.

Dr. Lau mentioned that he feels children these days aren't learning enough about culture, and that every student should have a wellbalanced training of books, music and art.

"I think everyone should be exposed to classical music in school, just like

graduation ceremony.

At her high school graduation, her school would not let her walk on stage to accept her diploma, she said. However, Penn State Harrisburg will. There will be people to help her up and down the stage, she said.

"I worked really hard and I deserve the little time it takes me to accept my diploma," she said. "It's a big deal for me."

Reedy said that she would like to work with children and

you're exposed to everything else," said Dr. Lau.

One thing Dr. Lau feels makes him very fortunate is the fact that he is very versatile.

"I'm very marketable," Dr. Lau said. "I don't need to worry I'll lose my job in this era of downsizing."

Dr. Lau has received three special awards from American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP). Sixteen music publishers have published 100 of his choral and organ works.

The Harrisburg Choral Society will be premiering Dr. Lau's commissioned work, Tehillim ("Songs of Praise"), on Saturday, May 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the Forum in Harrisburg. For ticket information call 255-1212, ext. 2433.

adolescents who have problems or with pregnant teens once she graduates.

"I think there is a real need there," she said.

Linda Meashey said that Reedy will be wonderful in her career because she has a way of connecting to people and is a good listener.

"She's already changed a lot of people because of who she is," Meashey said. "She's really a special lady."