

Police arrest two students

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Student Affairs Office, and he confirms that a Student Misconduct Allegation report was filed with that office regarding the Jan. 23 incident.

Federal privacy legislation restricts Dr. Janet Widoff, director of student affairs at PSH, from disclosing whether or not she has received a Student Misconduct Allegation or whether she has been or will be in contact with Cox or Dodge concerning any allegations against them.

As the Judicial Affairs designate at PSH, however, Widoff explained that matters brought before the Office of Judicial Affairs are examined, adjudicated and resolved by a prescribed protocol and

process that is applicable university-wide.

"The process," Widoff stresses, "is grounded in respect for the student" in each particular situation. This principle, Widoff maintains, is "clearly stated, outlined and committed to within the procedures and operation of the Judicial Affairs Office."

Widoff points out that students have several means of recourse and representation available to them in instances involving the Judicial Affairs Office.

The status of the students' residence in the Meade Heights apartment is unknown. Attempts to reach Housing and Food Services Director JoAnn Coleman for comment were unsuccessful.

Meade Heights residents responsible for snow removal

Maintenance crews just plow roads

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Now that the winter season is upon us and six inches of snow have already fallen on Meade Heights at Penn State Harrisburg, maintenance staff are plowing the roads in the community, but the driveways and sidewalks remain snow-covered.

According to JoAnn Coleman, PSH manager of housing and food services, this is according to campus policy. Maintenance is solely responsible for clearing roadways, while students living in Meade Heights must shovel their own driveways, as well as the sidewalks in front of their residences.

This is part of the housing contracts every student signs and agrees to while residing in Meade Heights — except for the past two years. "It was inadvertently removed [from the contract], but still assumed," said Coleman. "It will go back in the contracts and will be in the new Hilltopper for next year."

Coleman explained that over the twenty years she has been working at PSH, the policy has largely remained unchanged. Occasionally, she said, maintenance would plow driveways, but that ended after the blizzards in the early '90s. "We just didn't have the manpower or the proper equipment to deal with that much snow," she said.

Unless a student is on crutches or in some other way handicapped, students are responsible for snow removal on their driveways and sidewalks. Housing officers do provide snow shovels to community

members who stop by the offices during office hours.

So how do PSH students who live in Meade Heights feel about this? Some students feel it's no big deal. "We actually don't believe in shoveling," says Kevin Brown, a PSH MET student. "We just make our own driveway right over the snow. Mainly it would be a hassle for students as well as maintenance staff to try to coordinate times for the students' vehicles to be removed from driveways so that it could be cleared."

Chris Perhonitch, also a PSH MET student, agrees with Brown. "It would be a waste of time," said Perhonitch. Perhonitch had a suggestion to make it a little easier on those slippery driveways: how about a bag of salt?

Ramzi Yousef, PSH EET major, feels that the school should remove the snow from the sidewalks in addition to plowing the roads. "It would be even nicer if they would remove the snow from the driveways," said Yousef, an opinion shared by others.

"It is not that difficult to make a simple turn into someone's driveway and plow the snow," said Michael "Creston" Soloby, a PSH communications major. Soloby also feels that the school's removal efforts on the roads could use some improvement after the last plow left chunks and clumps of ice and snow all over the roads.

Some students are outright angry with the school's policy. "We pay enough in tuition and housing that they should do it," said Kathleen Kane, PSH communications major. Kane points out that the school brings in people to mow the grass and collect the leaves. She said, "Why not do the same for snow removal?"

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