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## HOUSING: Specific details still in works

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100 freshmen. The building, which will have four floors, will feature office space, an apartment for the community assistant and a laundry room on the first floor, said Director of Housing services JoAnn Coleman. The remaining three floors, she said, will be for student housing.

Unlike the current apartment-style housing on campus, the new building will have two-student bedrooms and one bathroom for every two bedrooms. The building will not feature kitchens like other on-campus housing, Holtzman said, so Stacks will be opened seven days a week and hours will be extended. Machines

in the laundry room will also be free of charge to students like those currently in the apartments.

Housing two freshmen per bedroom, said Holtzman, is a good way for students to meet others and helps them adjust to being away from home for the first time. It is also a good way for students to look out for each other, he said.

Philadelphia-based SMP Architects will complete design plans at some point around May or June 2009, said Ed Dankanich, director of Business services at PSH.

The building will have solar panels as well as other environmentally friendly features, said Holtzman.

SMP Architects was chosen for the housing project in the Spring 2008 semester for its environmentally friendly designs and past work with Penn State University, according to a Capital Times article published that semester.

Construction is planned to begin shortly after the design is completed and is expected to take about 13 months. With a projected completion date of July 2010, the housing is expected to be open for residency by the Fall 2010 semester.

According to a Capital Times article published in Spring 2008, the Penn State University Board of Trustees approved \$8.6 million for the housing project.

## MEMORIAL: Churchill remembered as influential and dedicated

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becoming professionals in the field of Communications.

He worked relentlessly to see his dreams for the program brought to life, and his efforts were most certainly not in vain. He helped to create a means to educate young college students and prepare them exceptionally well for the world outside the walls of the classroom.

As his dear friend John Patterson stated at the memorial, "Eton was an artist; he was a demanding and relentless teacher who could turn out professionals. He let them become competent professionals with a broad view."

One of those professionals, Professor Cathie McCormick, was once a student of Professor Churchill's and emphasized just how influential he was on her education.

"He encouraged us to not to be afraid to have an opinion, and he encouraged his students to

be bold and creative," she said.

She also stated that he inspired her to become the educator she is today, and how important it is to be an authentic leader in the classroom.

"Being a teacher is as much about who you are as what you teach," said McCormick.

Professor Churchill understood what it meant to live life to the fullest extent, and to appreciate everything that we are blessed with during our time here.

His wife Lou expressed the gratitude for the wonderful and "magical" life they led together and truly felt that they were "soul mates in the deepest sense."

It is a tragedy to see someone as dedicated, genuine and devoted as Professor Churchill leave, but the impact he had upon the people of his life and this institution will live on for many years to come through his writing, the program he helped establish and the stories those who loved him will share with the rest of the world.

## CARDS: Supporting troops, family during holiday season

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holiday cards to troops wounded in hospitals and those stationed at other facilities. This year, their goal is to send a million cards.

"This opportunity is such a great way for the public to personally support the military and say a special thank you for their service this holiday season," commented Red Cross President and CEO Gail McGovern.

She personally encourages everyone to participate in their efforts.

Throughout the rest of the year, the Red Cross provides

the military with counseling services, assistance to veterans, and the handling of emergency communications from the troops to their families. This year will mark their second year of the "Holiday Mail for Heroes" program in collaboration with Pitney Bowes.

Pitney Bowes Inc., is a mailstream technology company. They help organize the information that flows into businesses— that is, during the rest of the non-holiday year. Right now, they are volunteering their time and technology to the "Holiday Mail for Heroes" program. The screening,

packaging and shipping aspect of the program will be handled free of charge.

Jon Love, President of Pitney Bowes Government Solutions, added, "Last year's program was a huge success and we look forward to working with the public to reach even more wounded service members and their families this holiday season to show appreciation and support."

'Tis the season to show such appreciation and support to those who protect us.

For a complete list of guidelines or a free printable card, visit [www.RedCross.org/Holidaymail](http://www.RedCross.org/Holidaymail).



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