

Vandalism hits gym

This year Penn State has seen an enormous increase in vandalism. However, the Phys. Ed. building has never really been a target of such vandalism in the past. A reason for this could be that the Phys. Ed. building represents an escape for many students from many hours of studying. With this in mind, it is beyond me how individuals could vandalize such an important facility. During the winter term, there was over \$617.00 worth of damage done to the Phys. Ed. building. Among the \$617.00, were \$102.00 to replace 17 door locks that were jammed, \$60.00 to replace a thermostat and cover, \$60.00 to replace broken ceiling tiles, \$80.00 worth of labor to repair the damage and \$315.00 to replace seven stolen basketballs. According to Mr. Young, director of the Phys. Ed. building and coach of the Men's Volleyball

team, those damages have not been passed on to the students. The money to repair all the above damages will be taken out of the students regular tuition. However, there has not been an increase in tuition to cover this type of loss. One point must be stressed here, if such vandalism continues not only in the Phys. Ed. building, but anywhere on campus, the students will be the ones who eventually must pick up the tab. Most students on campus find it hard to meet the tuition expenses now, and if the vandalism continues, tuition's only direction is up. Any individuals who see such vandalism on campus should report it, because such damages must be repaired and the money must come from tuition, unless the individuals responsible for the destruction are brought out in the open.

Fans taken for granted

by Scott Semmel

It is about time that baseball fans stood up to the owners and the players. The owners and players tend to forget that it is the fan who pays for the maintenance of the stadium, as well as the ridiculous salaries that the owners shell out to the players. It is always the fans who are stepped on, and, in spite of this, people still come and fill up the various major league ball parks. The rest of the exhibition season has already been cancelled and the only people who will be hurt by this will be the fans. They will be paying \$8 to \$10 a seat on opening day to watch out-of-shape players get back into shape. Most of the player's salaries are guaranteed for the year so they have nothing to lose. In fact, as soon as the rest of the exhibition season was cancelled, half of the players left to go home, showing their true dedication to their teams. Isn't it about time that the fans go on strike, just to show that without the fans, there would be no baseball season. Although Marvin Miller and the Players Association are still threatening a strike at the end of May if their demands are not met, they seem to forget who actually keeps the league on its feet. There are several organizations in existence now which will have several hundred fans boycotting all the opening games. I suggest that maybe all fans should boycott the major league for a week. The only way the owners and players will take the fans seriously is if the fans hurt them in their pockets. How much more can the players ask for? The average major league ball player makes approximately \$113,000 a year and a lot are signing contracts in the millions. This foolishness must stop before the American game of baseball becomes extinct; or should I say, before the American baseball fan becomes extinct.

Course handbook

to help students

Prior to the recent pre-registration, advisors received a course selector handbook to help students choose courses for spring term. The selector, describes the courses being offered next term in detail. This description includes the name of the instructor, projects, papers, or tests required, and it also lists any pre-requisites would be necessary to schedule any particular course.

According to Mr. White,

Administrative Assistant for Academic Affairs, the idea, which originated with the Academic Affairs Committee, was developed so that advisors could be better informed on the courses being offered and therefore more helpful to their advisees. The idea is on an experimental basis during spring term, and if found beneficial, a selector will be put together for the entire year. This would be available for all students.

Highacres Swim Team completes season

This year's swim team was one of the largest that Highacres has ever known. The team was composed of a total of thirty-five individuals: eighteen men and seventeen women. In the team's first swimming meet held here at Hazleton against the Ogontz Campus, the women defeated the Ogontz females by a score of 54-32. Among the first and second place finishers for the women were Tracy Wagner, Denise Alliso, Sue Nocchi, and Karen Wertke, who placed first in the medley relay; Kim Bailey, who placed first and Michele Baran, who placed first in the 100 yard free style; Karen Wertke, who placed first in the 100 yard individual medley; Patti Pipp, who placed second in the 50 yard free style; Sue Nocchi, who placed first in the 50 yard butterfly; Karen Wertke, who placed first in the 50 yard backstroke; Denise Alliso, who placed first in the 50 yard breaststroke; Michele Baran, who placed first and Taluta Bush, who placed second

in the 500 yard free style; and in diving Jenny Pastorius, who placed first.

The men's team was defeated by Ogontz by a score of 66-20; however, there were some bright spots during the meet. Jeff Campbell placed first in the 100 yard free style and also placed second in the 50 yard breaststroke. Mike Schultheis placed second in the 50 yard free style; Dave LaPenta placed second in the 500 yard free style; and in diving Robin Stauffer placed second. One reason for the men's disappointing showing was that the team was hurt by an injury to Jim Polinchok, who Coach Hago regards as one of the best swimmers on the team. On Saturday, April 12, at University Park, our swim team, along with all other Commonwealth campuses' swim teams, participated in the Commonwealth Swim Meet. Hopefully, the Highacres swimmers will be able to compete in more matches next year.

Butane lighters found to cause deaths

How many of you own and use the Bic disposable lighter? Recent studies have shown that "flicking your Bic" is not very safe. The Bureau of Motor Carrier Safety reported that the Union Pacific Railroad experienced two fatal accidents caused by disposable Butane cigarette lighters. These accidents occurred in welding areas while employers were welding with Butane lighters on their person. A spark from the welder landed on the Butane lighter, burned through the case, exposing the liquid Butane which exploded. One lighter in a shirt

pocket exploded and killed the individual instantly. Another employee had a lighter in his pants pocket and was also killed when the lighter exploded. There is the same amount of force in a Butane lighter when it explodes as in approximately three sticks of dynamite. Everyone should be aware of the danger present and avoid using a Butane lighter in areas where welding and flame cutting operations are performed. Also, using a Butane lighter should be avoided in any area where there are open flames.

May 1 deadline for season ticket renewals

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.—The Penn State athletic ticket office is now accepting season ticket order renewals from last year's season ticket-holders.

"Last year's ticket-holders have until May 1 to reorder their tickets," athletic ticket manager Bud Meredith says. "Each season ticket-holder also will have the opportunity to increase his order until the May 1 deadline."

More tickets are available this year, because Beaver Stadium has been expanded again, this time to a capacity of 83,017. A total of 6,378 seats have been added in the south end zone of the stadium and will be available for the season opener, Sept. 6, against Colgate, and the five other home games.

In seven Beaver Stadium games last fall, Penn State averaged 77,414 fans per game, the fourth-highest average in collegiate football in 1979.

Applications for season ticket sales for persons who did not have seats last fall and for individual game ticket sales are

available from the Penn State athletic ticket office, 237 Recreation Building, University Park, Pa. 16802.

New applications for season tickets are being processed with season ticket renewals. Any remaining tickets will be available for individual games on a first-come, first-served basis, after June 16-17 mail to the athletic ticket office.

"If there are more orders received than can be filled on a given day, then that day's order will be filled with a random drawing," Meredith says. "We hope we can accommodate all requests. If we can't, then the random drawing is the fairest way."

A minimum of 3,000 individual tickets will be available for each game. Individual game allotment could be increased, if a visiting team requests less than the 5,000 tickets available for distribution to that school, Meredith says.

Individual game tickets are \$12. A season ticket is available for \$66, a savings of \$1 per game based on the cost of the individual game ticket.

Arts Class to visit NYC

On May 7 Dr. Price's Arts 1 class will travel to New York City to fulfill a course requirement. This trip is considered a type of arts laboratory, comparable to a biology lab in a biology class.

The group will leave the Highacres Campus at 8:30 am, and travel by bus to 82nd Street and 5th Avenue in New York City. They will spend the day exploring the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The objective of the trip is for the students to compare and contrast paintings. This will give the students a practical application of the knowledge they have gained in the classroom. The group is scheduled to return to campus at 8:30 pm.

Paterno appoints J. T. White

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.—John T. (J.T.) White, Penn State assistant football coach the last 26 years, has been named assistant to the athletic director at Penn State.

In announcing his first appointment since becoming director of athletics March 1, Joe Paterno said that White will carry out a variety of assignments designed to take advantage of his "many years of experience at the University and his unique personality." Many of those assignments will relate to athletic facilities, construction projects, event management, athletic support services, summer sports camps and personnel matters.

"J.T. White and I have been colleagues for 27 years and I have never known him to do anything except to the utmost of his ability," Paterno said. "He has been a tireless worker, has demonstrated ability, energy, loyalty, a deep commitment to Penn State and obviously has been an outstanding football coach."

Paterno said he would bring his coaching staff to full strength at this time through internal reorganization.

White is only one of four men to serve at least 25 years on the Penn State football staff. At Penn State, he has worked with the defensive ends and most recently, the interior defensive line. He has coached All-American defensive tackles Bruce Clark and Matt Millen and middle guard Randy Silder, a 1977 first-team All-American selection. White also has developed several All-American defensive ends, including Dave Robinson and Bruce Bannon.

White holds the unusual distinction of earning varsity letters at both Ohio State and Michigan.

He entered Ohio State in 1941 and earned varsity letters in both football and basketball for the Buckeyes as a sophomore. He played on Ohio State's 1942 football team, which won the national title under coach Paul Brown.

His playing career was interrupted by World War II and he served in the Army from 1943 until 1946. He became an outstanding player at Michigan after his discharge in 1946, earning two football letters, playing in the 1948 Rose Bowl and the 1948 College All-Star Game, and lettering in basketball.