

CAREERS

A continuing series of career news and information by Career Development and Placement Center (CDPC) Counselor Stephen M. Sciscione.

The process of choosing or deciding on a college major can be a frustrating time of indecision and stress. The starting point for making this type of decision is an examination of yourself.

The first Career Station in the CDPC is designed to help facilitate this search by focusing on personal interests, values, and abilities. The self-assessment is accomplished through reflection on past experiences (for example: What are your accomplishments? Skills? Interests?). The use of references and programmed instruction booklets that are self-administered and self-evaluated, as well as an occupational view deck, can help in the search.

Self exploration is thought of as the first vital step in Career/Life planning and consists of such elements as short term goal setting, determining what your values are, lifestyle choice, and techniques for effective decision making.

Five-week career exploration workshops will be offered in the CDPC during Winter Term. If you are interested in a self-exploration as part of your career decision-making, contact CDPC Counselor Stephen M. Sciscione. The Career Development and Placement Center is located in the Student Affairs Modular Building.

In Other Eyes Three Years Ago

The following stories appeared in the November, 1976 issue of the Lion's Eye.

* Candidates for Delaware County's Seventh Congressional District met for a debate at the Delaware County Campus October 8. Democratic incumbent Robert Edgar faced Republican challenger John Kenney on several issues, including abortion, aid to higher education, tax reform, and criminal law. Also on the platform was Samuel Cinger, Labor Party candidate for the congressional seat.

* Billy Joel appeared in concert at Rec Hall in University Park, November 6 as part of the 12th annual All-U Day activities. Joel performed a number of favorites from his three latest albums, Piano Man, Street life Serenade, and Turnstiles.

* Jimmy Carter was elected the 39th president of the United States with 51 percent of the popular vote over President Gerald Ford. Carter is the first president to be elected from the deep south since the Civil War.

* The Delaware County Campus Soccer Team defeated Mont Alto Campus 1-0 at University Park November 6 to win the Commonwealth Campuses tournament Championship. The team improved from a last place finish in 1975 to take the league title this year.

COBSGA has parking policy revised

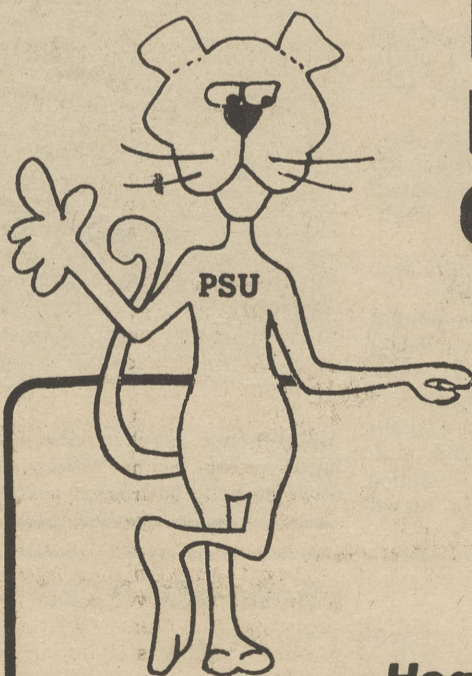
The Council of Branch Campus Student government Associations (COBSGA) presented a proposal to end the proration system of carpool parking fees at the Student Advisory Board meeting at University Park last month.

COBSGA members claimed that the new Commonwealth Campuses parking policy instituted Fall Term actually discouraged carpooling while increasing the University's parking income. Students at several of Penn State's all-commuter campuses, including the Delaware County Campus, had complained about the unfairness of the plan.

According to the plan, there were pro-rated parking fees for carpooling students. For example, two students in a pool would pay \$8.00 a piece per term while a regular permit continued to cost \$10.00. But, the carpooling students would pay a total of \$16.00 for one parking place (only one of the carpool cars is permitted on campus at one time). The University would net \$24.00 for one parking place from a six-student carpool (\$4.00 a piece per term) - the same place that one student would pay \$10.00 for.

In light of COBSGA's arguments, the University has again revised the parking policy as follows: "Effective Winter Term 1980, the charge for a single parking place will be \$10.00, including registration for one vehicle. Additional carpool vehicles may be registered at no additional charge. A pool

card authorizes only one pool vehicle to be on campus at a time."



Journalism probe backfires

NEW WILMINGTON, Pa. (UPI) — The staff of Westminster College's student newspaper said it proved its point: it is not too difficult to sneak books out of the school library.

Now, the college administration wants to prove its point: crime — even if it is for the cause of investigative journalism — will not be tolerated.

The Lawrence County college filed suit against the Westminster Holcad and its staff for stealing library books. The reporters involved had been ordered to appear before the campus judicial board on theft charges.

"I can't believe it," said Mark Bahr, co-editor of the

newspaper. "The intention of the paper was to prove how serious the security problem is at the library.

"We thought it would help the situation," he said. "I feel we were doing investigative reporting and nothing illegal."

Eight of the newspaper's reporters managed to sneak 140 books out of the library within a 60-minute period on Nov. 4. The books were returned within hours of the "theft."

College administrators were primarily concerned with "the principle involved" in the matter, said Dean William Wright.

Wright said it marks the first time the college has brought charges against a group or individual attempting to show a

situation needs correcting by bending the rules.

"No group or individual has any super right to go beyond college regulations to prove a point," he said. "If the paper were allowed, then other groups may want to break rules and say they are trying to prove a point."

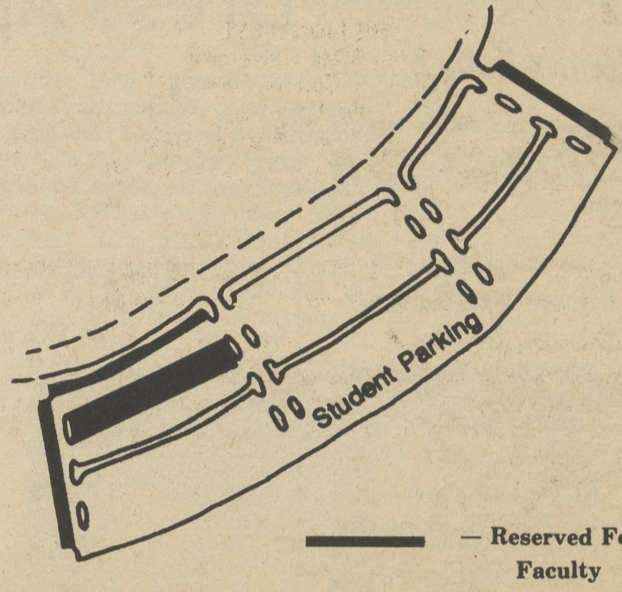
Westminster also has never brought charges against students for stealing library books. The reason: the library has no security system to determine whether a book is being taken out.

The Judicial board cleared the students after its hearing into the case.

Student Parking Areas Emphasized

Delaware County Campus Business Manager Eugene Cloud has announced that students are expected to park their cars in those areas marked for student parking only. Parking in unauthorized areas will result in appropriate fine.

Students are reminded that the new parking lot near the tennis courts will not be available until the new Library/Learning Center is completed. The use of the roadway leading to the Library/Learning Center is prohibited.



Nader wants elimination of testing for admissions

TUCSON, Ariz. (CCRS) — Consumer advocate Ralph Nader wants New York students to work to eliminate standardized tests in the admissions process if exam costs and availability are affected by the new "Truth-in-Testing" law.

A major element of the law requires that questions and answers for every test given in New York after Jan. 1 be made public after 30 days. The Educational Testing Service, which develops many of these

tests, and other opponents claim this disclosure would increase costs since testers would have to develop new questions each time the exam is given and then made public. Currently, questions are often repeated. To make up for the costs of disclosure, testers say, exam fees will increase, and they will be given less often.

"It's a phoney argument," Nader recently told reporters before addressing students at the University of Arizona. He

claimed ETS's own documents show that less than five percent of its testing costs goes to question development. He added that the non-profit corporation's computers have 300,000 questions in storage.

"Since ETS lost its battle in the legislature, it now turns to blackmail," Nader said.

He suggested that if prices increase and availability decreases as testers say, that New York students should then

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