

Hearing on mall issue requested

Another step has been taken toward encouraging the Ferguson Township supervisors to consider alternative uses for the proposed Ferguson mall site. An appeal hearing has been requested regarding the rejection of petitions compiled by people opposed to the mall. The hearing would be held under the provisions of the state's local agency law.

In early January, people opposing the mall asked for official petition forms to initiate consideration of zoning plans other than the one by the Oxford Development Co. Ferguson Township Solicitor Ronald M. Lucas said petitions could not be used in zoning issues. The supervisors then rejected the petition form request.

Ferguson residents circulated two petitions despite the supervisor's ruling and amassed over 800 signatures.

Park Hills Association President Chester Gnat, said the hearing might bring recognition to the petitions and would provide an opportunity to explain the goals of mall opponents.

"This is a legal step they felt they had to take," Lucas said.

—by Fred Zahradnik

ASA committee has new funding criteria

The Associated Student Activities Budgetary Committee will finalize plans to reorganize their funding system at a meeting Thursday, according to ASA Chairman Mark Bell.

Bell said that the committee has "come up with new criteria" for funding student organizations, but the new system is not radically different from the present one. Bell said the new system allows more flexibility in funding organizations, and will be implemented starting Spring Term.

Next Tuesday, the committee will be interviewing applicants for next year's chairperson, Bell said. Five persons have applied for the position.

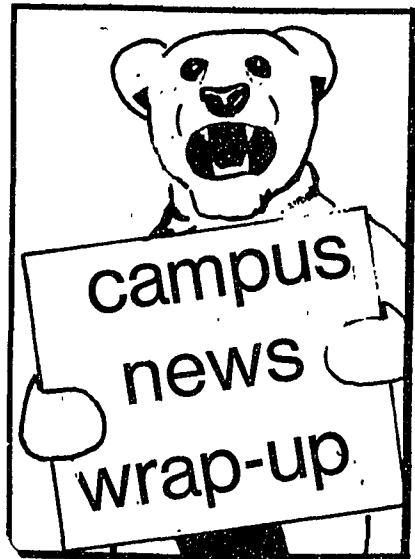
Following recent hearings, the committee allocated \$1,473 and 120 column inches of advertising in The Daily Collegian to the Graduate Student Association. The funds were for rental of facilities and equipment for a film fest, equipment purchases, publicity, and office supplies.

The committee also heard a request

from the Gentle Thursday committee for \$2,315 to hold their annual "Day of Sharing" on the HUB lawn. Bell said the request has been tabled at present, since the committee "wants to look at Spring Week, Movin' On (Association of Residence Hall Students), and Gentle Thursday all together."

The Press Association of Commonwealth Campuses requested a rehearing after an earlier budget request was denied. PACC requested funds to publish its news service, but since the organization does not directly benefit University Park students, it was not funded. Bell said PACC requested a rehearing on the grounds that its constitution had changed, but there was no evidence of this, and the request has been tabled until there is written proof of a change.

—by Jan Corwin



Disclosure rules to be furnished in '79

Candidates for Centre County offices will receive information packets telling them how to conform to the campaign finance disclosure law when they file petitions with the county board of elections.

John Brutzman of State College was appointed by the Centre County Board of Commissioners to devise the system. "The idea of my appointment is to explain and simplify Act 171 (the campaign finance disclosure law)," Brutzman said.

The packets will contain a list of the 25 questions most often asked about Act 171 and the answers to those questions, a sample record of cash receipts, a sample record of disbursements and a campaign finance journal.

Candidates must file reports by three dates: May 7, covering the period up to April 30; June 15, covering the period up to June 4; and a final report of all funds by Jan. 31, 1980. These reports must be filed regardless of whether or not the candidate has any expenditures to report.

—by Rand Stewart

Sex through history subject of colloquium

A talk on the differences between the sexes, taken from an evolutionary standpoint, will be presented at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow in 112 Kern.

Two psychologists, Martin Daly and Margo Wilson, will speak about their research findings in this area. Their talk will include the topics of mate selectivity and promiscuity, marital jealousy and violence, and the double standard, as well as other aspects of human sexuality based on American and cross-cultural studies.

The talk is part of a colloquium series being presented by the College of Health, Phys Ed and Recreation. Daly and Wilson's visit is also being co-sponsored by the anthropology department and the Division of Individual and Family Studies.

Daly and Wilson, both from McMaster University at Hamilton, Ontario, wrote a book, "Sex Evolution and Behavior," in which they synthesized their research findings on human sex differences from biological, anthropological and psychological viewpoints.

"The book has only been out for half a year but the informal response seems to be positive," Jeffrey A. Kurland, assistant professor of anthropology, said.

Before the colloquium is presented, the anthropology department will serve refreshments at 3 p.m. in 113 Carpenter.

On Friday, there will be an informal gathering for those who wish to continue discussion with Daly and Wilson from 10 a.m. to noon in 104 White Building.

—by Denise Laffan

Conduct charge dropped

A charge of disorderly conduct against Clarence "Bro" Cope II, filed by a University professor for disrupting a speech on witchcraft and the occult on campus last October, was dropped Tuesday in the Centre County Court of Common Pleas.

Cope, the campus evangelist, was fined \$50 plus \$26 in costs on Dec. 7 for disturbing Professor of Spanish Comparative Literature Robert F. Lima's speech. Cope appealed the charge to the Court of Common Pleas.

Originally, Cope was charged with both harassment and disorderly conduct in a response to a complaint filed by Lima, but the harassment charge was dropped by District Magistrate Clifford Yorks because he said Lima was not threatened and because harassment has to be continuous and over a long period of time.

A University police officer said the disorderly conduct charge was dropped because Lima decided not to prosecute further.

Cope said he rejoiced at the dropping of the charge but would pursue the same course of action if a similar situation would arise in the future.

"I'm afraid I would have to," Cope said.

However, he said he would go about it a "little bit differently."

Cope said he knew that a lecture on witchcraft was being given and he wanted to warn the listeners, who numbered between 50 and 60, of the dangers and to bind up Lima's "power," not Lima himself.

"I felt the Lord told me to do it," Cope said.

—by B. J. McMenamin



Bro Cope

Photo by Sherrie Wolner

Judge mad as hell, won't take more

PITTSBURGH (UPI) — Don't push Judge Ralph H. Smith Jr. around.

The Allegheny County Common Pleas judge has filed a suit against the Pittsburgh traffic court — not because he received a parking ticket, he said, but because city employees allegedly violated his rights and humiliated him.

Smith was given a parking ticket Nov. 22 and decided not to flaunt his position by revealing he was a judge.

He showed up at a Jan. 9 hearing, appearing about 15

minutes early, but was chewed out for being late, the judge said.

Smith said when he pointed out that he was early the clerk "immediately demanded that (he) surrender his driver's license and evidence which he brought with him in support of his defense."

The judge said another city employee predicted he would lose his license and that he could not obtain a hearing on that date.

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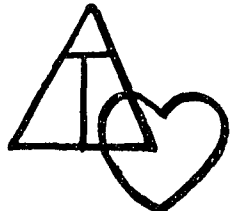
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