

# Wait until October

### Delay the decision until students have the facts on tuition hike

This morning, the University Board of Trustees will act on the 1980-81 University budget and proposed state appropriation request.

Contained in that budget is a proposal that would provide an automatic 5 percent increase in tuition next year. This is a sharp departure from past University policy of waiting for the state appropriation before instituting tuition hikes.

We ask the trustees to wait. Don't vote on that proposal yet - table it until the October meeting of the board.

The rational behind the proposal goes something like this:

In the past, when the University has gone to the state Legislature for funding, it has gone with the premise that there will be no tuition increase. But in light of continuing inflation, it is unrealistic for the University to assume that there will not be tuition increases in the future.

In a major change in approach, the University will now go to the Legislature

with the 5 percent tuition hike built in as a gesture of fairness and honesty - fairness in the sense the legislature would see that it is not being asked to bear the brunt of the burden of University funding; honesty in the sense that the University is now facing facts.

By doing this, the administration hopes the Legislature will be more sympathetic to the University's financial straits.

We are not debating now whether the automatic increase is right or wrong.

The extent of information on this proposal to the University community and probably most of the trustees is one paragraph buried in the second to last section of the Trustee docket.

But behind the formulation of that paragraph are hours of research and administration discussion.

For students, tuition increases are an emotional issue. Student government leaders have already said they believe the automatic increase is risky. What

kind of bind could the automatic increase put students in if it doesn't do what it is intended to do? Is the University playing reverse psychology with the legislature at the expense of student money? Did students have any input in the decision?

The issue is complex, but as it stands now, students have only a one paragraph explanation of why they may automatically pay \$60 more a year to go to Penn State.

That is not enough.

This is an important issue to students, and they should be heard on it, be allowed to comment on it, and be given the full story behind it. Student government leaders are committed to looking into issue and giving the trustees their views.

Holding back on the issue until October should have no ill-effect on the status of the appropriation request.

The students are only asking for one month. Table the proposal until the next trustees meeting.



MISS LILLIAN'S SPEECH WRITER

# Conflicting criticisms hamper USG efforts

By VICKI SANDOE, Vice president, Undergraduate Student Government. In the Collegian's editorial concerning the Undergraduate Student Government consumer card, the Collegian stated that USG should spend money on projects that would appeal to a wide range of students. Yet just two weeks ago, the Collegian published an article criticizing USG for sponsoring a concert on the HUB lawn which attracted over 3,000 students throughout the day.

## Collegian forum

In one breath, the Collegian says that USG should watch its expenditures and that a student "government" should spend money on. In a second breath, the Collegian criticizes a money-free student discount card which may give students free pizzas and text books, but certainly gives the students the opportunity they may need to gain discounts on purchases.

# A last stand situation?

### Rounding up night rowdies a near impossible task for police, but students beware

When Custer took on the Indians, the odds were overwhelming.

In attempting to crackdown on State College street revelry, the State College police have a valiant cause, but the odds they face are at least as overwhelming as the ones General Custer had to contend with.

It seems the recent trouble flare ups the State College police have been faced with come in unmanageable sizes. While a rapist or rapists may be too inconspicuous to track down, rowdy - sometimes destructive - students may be too overwhelming to round up.

Police cite 200 phone calls they received last weekend, in regards mostly to the abundance of night noise. And they say that vandalism, underage drinking and rowdy parties have increased noticeably this fall.

Surprisingly, it seems many of those complaints about student disturbances

aren't solely from elderly townspeople, but from other students. The complaints that police describe - discharged fire extinguishers in hallways, a shopping cart launched from a Penn Towers highrise balcony and the like - indicate that many students who live in the midtown highrises are equally disturbed by Beaver Avenue barbarism.

This isn't to say, though, that town-student relations aren't on the line. Surely, those townspeople who would attempt a venture downtown on a Saturday night have trouble enjoying a relaxing meal or stroll in the midst of near-anarchy.

Police-student relations, which have been favorable for the most part, will also hinge on the avowed crackdown policy. Although police admit that raiding fraternities is out of their domain, they intend to keep a close eye on bottle shops and bars for underage alcoholic purchasing and drinking violations.

Thus, on the morn before another party-filled football weekend, students who are under 21 should beware that this may not be like all other weekends.

On the other side of the street, police should know that they aren't going to clean up a power struggle with students.

If it does, the streets could become as ugly as they did last May, when a rowdy crowd at the Phi Psi 500, an annual drinking and running race for charity, broke the mirrors off a police cruiser, knocked an officer down and shattered an automobile windshield.

And at night, the potential for a serious accident in a police-student scuffle is even greater.

Police must keep in mind that there are a lot of Indians in this town. While their convictions may be as strong as General Custer's, their task is practically as impossible.

# Winners...

— Student counselors at the Student Assistance Center, who man the telephone lines for the Student Escort Service from 4 p.m. to midnight weekdays and from noon to 8 p.m. on Saturdays.

The Association of Resident Hall Students and the Undergraduate Student Government's Department of Policy, for trying to get the escort service back on its feet.

— To the Class of '78, for resurrecting the tradition of a

class gift. At the Penn State-Rutgers football game, the class presented University President John Oswald with a victory bell.

— Curt Warner, who provided the Nittany Lion ground game with some unexpected thunder and lightning in his college football debut. The 5'11", 183-pound freshman tailback exploded for three touchdowns in the second quarter against Rutgers, earning him the Associated Press' Offensive Player of the Week award.

— The Student Advisory Board and student government in general for focusing their latest efforts on important issues of student concern like the campus loaf fare increase and the drop-fee increase.

## Sinners

— Athletic Department ticket office, for overselling tickets to senior section in

Beaver Stadium.

— Danks Department Store, which has recently advertised anti-gas crisis mugs and t-shirts which are insulting to the University's Arab community and the intelligence of the American people to deal with a dilemma. The mugs and t-shirts, which proclaim "I'm mad'er than hell and I'm not gonna take it anymore," depict a man kicking an Arabian sheik and a gasoline pump.

# Letters to the Editor

## More tickets

After receiving a \$5 ticket for parking my car overnight, two rows from the small Parking Lot 83 on Bigler Road, near East Halls, I began to wonder about the efficiency of the campus police. Every car I passed, including those on the row directly adjoining the legal overnight area, had a ticket on its windshield. Technically and legally, the tickets issued were valid. However, better overnight parking facilities should be considered.

Space is available for only about 250 cars in small Lot 83. When considering there are thousands of vehicles registered on campus, there is not a lot of convenient overnight parking space. The only alternative when no space is available (which most often is the case) is to park in Lot 83 beyond the Rose Gardens.

Due to the fears reinforced by the attempted rapes on campus these past few weeks, it is not safe walking from the rose garden lot to the dorms, especially when it is dark. The parking lot is not very well lit - the path back to the dorms along Bigler Road and Park Avenue has even poorer lighting.

Instead of wasting the campus police's time and energy issuing tickets to those students with registered automobiles, who are most likely afraid to risk walking through the parking lot and back to the dorms from the Rose Gardens, a campus policeman should be assigned to patrol Parking Lot 83 during evening hours for our protection. Also, better lighting should be in-

stalled from the parking lot to the dormitory areas.

Granted, certain people who park in the "Restricted Parking Areas from 2:30 to 6:00 a.m." are just too lazy to park any further from their residences than necessary. But for those of us who park illegally because of fear, our greatest fear right now is that we might receive more parking tickets.

Linda S. Fox, 5th-advising, Sept. 13

## Happy little feet

There it was, halftime of the Penn State-Rutgers football game, with the score 27 to 3 in Penn State's favor. The Blue Band marched onto the field for their first halftime performance of the year. Then, what did we hear floating through the air? Was it strains of Donna Summer's "Last Dance" and "Stayin' Alive" by the Bee Gees? We turned to an also amazed friend who assured us that, yes, it was disco music.

The Penn State Blue Band was marching its happy little feet to disco music.

Is it not enough that we hear disco music on the radio, in stores, on the streets, coming out of dormitory windows and being blared by disco-crazed people? Now the Blue Band, too, has succumbed to the disco fever. Is there no end to this madness?!? Whatever happens to John Philip Sousa and his marches, a good 2-4 beat

and a pleasant rendition of the Penn State Alma Mater (this year's abbreviated version was very disappointing)?

To hell with minor issues like OPEC and the gas shortage, the president's leading popularity, inflation and Russians in Cuba! What about disco music in the United States?!!

We, for two, would like to see disco stamped out in our lifetimes and would hope the Blue Band would be the first bold step forward in this campaign by eliminating disco music from their repertoire.

Elise Eckhard, 11th-psychology, Paul M. Eberst, 13th-English/pre-med, Sept. 17

## Debunk the myths

In response to the young men questioned on the escort service and those of like mind, let me say that research, including a project done at the University has shown that students are reluctant to interfere (become involved) in a situation where they feel there is a male-female friendship or marital type relationship. Such relationships often are assumed more than actual. And what of those of the students who for various reasons have few or no friends to call on?

Any young woman, for instance, who might be screaming in a dorm might be interpreted to be involved in an intimate sexual relationship rather than needing protection of her wishes and best judgment. In such a situation, furthermore, his fellow dormmates out of fear of em-

barrassment and possible heckling, would be quite reluctant to even inquire about the woman's safety.

All too often, women are raped by "boy friends" or others of some acquaintance which is more prevalent than rape by strange males. Very often the rape is, in essence, planned. Let us become educated and debunk the rape myths.

Myra A. Ludne, 11th-English, Sept. 13

## Troglodyte indeed

I had the opportunity to enjoy the English classic, "Tom Jones," the first Arist Series film to be held at Eisenhower Auditorium. The film was superb! If you wonder why my praise of the film is belated, it is due to a self-imposed restraint. I needed time to temper my feelings about an incident that occurred.

My evening of total enjoyment was derailed by one of three young ladies, if I may use the term so loosely. The one "lady" may use the film as baited, it is due to a self-imposed restraint. I needed time to temper my feelings about an incident that occurred.

I ignored her complete lack of respect for herself and the others that comprise the university community. I was able to tolerate her vulgarity by concentrating on the fine art of the "Tom Jones," such as the verisimilitude of the bawdy film. It soon became apparent that I do not have to get so engrossed in the film, because the "lady" was putting on her own display of best judgment. In such a situation, furthermore, at the expense of all who would like to continue enjoying the comfort of Eisenhower Auditorium.

A scrapping sound had drawn my attention; the "lady" was dragging her foot across the back of the seat in rhythm to an alcohol-drinking song. I could not abide her action any longer. I had wanted to see or hear such ignorance, I would have went to a local cinema when a Walt Disney movie was showing. Even at that I do not think I would have been exposed to such infantile actions. At least if I would have asked a child to remove their feet from a seat, I do not think I would have received such an insolent reply.

I had asked her to remove her feet. The impertinent reply of, "Oh sure. Humph, excuse me," convinced me that this ignorant was not a college lady, but a troglodyte that was excited by colors and pictures. If I am not so kind, it is because I am concerned that the actions of a few, may mar the chance of more student activities being held in Eisenhower Auditorium.

Because the film portrayed a few bores, it gave her no license to act in such manner.

David W. Anderson, 11th-English, Sept. 18

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# More freshmen than ever before: 4,581

By DAVID PERLIS, Daily Collegian Staff Writer. Fall Term enrollment at the University reached a record high of 53,680 students, according to preliminary figures presented yesterday to the Board of Trustees.

Although total enrollment at University Park dropped from 31,827 last year to 31,792 Fall Term, freshman enrollment exceeded the University's total enrollment of 53,680 students by 81.

"That is the highest freshman class that University Park has ever had," Robert Dunham, vice president for undergraduate studies, said. "Overall we are bulging at the seams."

"The bottom line shows we are up over 1,000 in total enrollment," Dunham told the Education Committee. The Education Committee also passed a revision of the policies and procedures governing WDFM, the campus radio station. The revision, which includes the establishment of two advisory boards to the radio station, makes it clear that the board is the licensed holder of WDFM.

Although the board has control of the station, students will continue to operate it. An advisory board to the campus radio station has been established to help it meet its responsibilities in the community and to review its programming.

The policy advisory board, consisting of three faculty members, an administrator and four students, will provide direction to the station in their local service responsibilities. The community advisory board, consisting of nine members selected from the community, will review the

station's programming and keep the vice president for student affairs informed on the effectiveness of the station in serving community needs.

The board is designed only to advise the station and not to exercise any control over the daily management or operation of the station.

The board's committee on the physical plant authorized an agreement with the state Department of Environmental Resources and the University to install the needed air pollution control equipment at the west campus power plant.

Four of the five coal-burning boilers at the power plant are emitting a quantity of pollutants in violation of the department's air quality regulations.

The University hopes to fund renovations to the plant with money requested in the budget proposal submitted to the state legislature. If the budget is not passed, funding options open to the University include bank financing.

"We've asked the General Assembly to include it in the budget," Ralph Zilly, vice president for business, said. "If they do we're off the hook. If they don't, we have to do it ourselves."

The general budget has not been passed in five years, Zilly said. Dr. Evan G. Pattishall Jr., associate provost for health education and chairman of the department of behavioral science at the College of Medicine, has been named interim dean of the University's College of Human Development.

# Final draft of Plan for '80s due next month

By KATHY HOKE and CAROL ZEPPE, Daily Collegian Staff Writers. University Provost Edward D. Eddy told the Board of Trustees yesterday that the University must become "superhuman" to adjust to changing conditions during the next decade.

Eddy reported to trustee members on the status of the Plan for the '80s, a policy guideline which will affect the direction of the University in the future.

The plan was started to deal with projected enrollment drops, budget constraints and changing priorities the University will encounter. The steering committee of the plan, headed by Eddy, will present a final draft to the trustees next month, subject to their approval.

Enrollment at the University will be affected by a projected 32 percent decline in the number of high school seniors between 1978 and 1990, Eddy said. In order to cope with this problem, he said, the University must stress quality, selectivity and flexibility in formulating policy.

"There will be no room for those who wish a comfortable and secure position," Eddy said. "At Penn State, the '80s are bound to be uncomfortable and insecure."

Eddy said the University needs courageous administrative leadership to respond to unexpected conditions such as changing government attitudes toward education, an economic recession, energy problems or a sharp decline in the college participation rate of high school seniors.

Because the University is the state's only land-grant college, it must maintain its position as "the true capstone of Pennsylvania higher education," Eddy said.

"This means the structural configuration of the University may be altered - maybe even substantially," he said. "Nothing is sacred."

Eddy told the trustees that the plan is a guideline for policy, but "not a detailed road map." It must be realistic, not visionary, he said.

The University will need to keep its functions of research, teaching and public service in balance in order to "fulfill the mission of the total University," he said.

The plan is the result of a two-year effort by administrators, faculty and students. The steering committee for the plan will submit a preliminary final draft to the trustees next month, subject to discussion and rewriting. The final draft of the plan will be adopted at the January meeting of the trustees.

# Student leaders to ask for defeat of 80-81 budget

By BOB WARE, Daily Collegian Staff Writer. A resolution asking for the defeat of the University's 1980-81 budget, because of the inclusion of an automatic five percent tuition increase, will be presented by student organization leaders at the University Board of Trustees' meeting today.

The Undergraduate Student Government Executive Council, which consists of student organization leaders, approved the resolution last night and urged students to attend the trustees meeting in protest of the automatic tuition increase. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. in 402 Keller Building.

To include a tuition hike in the general funds budget request "is a major change in policy," Hal Shaffer, USG president, said.

"They always sent the budget request into Harrisburg, got what they could, and then raised tuition," he said. "Now they're including a tuition increase right in the budget."

"My initial reaction was that the University was trying to use reverse psychology with the legislature," Shaffer said. In doing so, the legislature might pass the entire budget under the pressure from students' parents, he said.

"But that's a risk," he added. "How can you work with psychology when it is not fact?"

"I think they're giving up before they even try," he said. "The problem is that if the budget is defeated by the legislature, the University will have to raise tuition even more."

"When you go in asking for a budget, you shoot for the moon," said Mindy Morrison, student trustee liaison. "If you go in already being in trouble, you're in trouble. You shoot and then you compromise."

"You don't start at the back and work your way forward," she said. Mark Berg, USG Senate president, said there is a feeling among congressmen that, when they get a budget request, they have to cut something from it. Otherwise, they think they are not doing their job, he said.

# Report says Spenkelnik was taunted before death

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (UPI) - Condemned murderer John Spenkelnik was the target of verbal taunts but not physical abuse as he went to his death in Florida's electric chair, investigators report.

But the findings of the two-man panel appointed by Gov. Bob Graham to study the charges of abuse surrounding Spenkelnik's May 26 execution failed to satisfy either a capital punishment opponent or the state's attorney.

At issue was the testimony of a death row inmate who swore former prison technician Gerald F. Greene told him Spenkelnik was held down by guards while a hospital aide stuffed cotton up his rectum to keep his bowels from vacating when the electricity was shot through his body.

Greene denied telling the story - or even being at the prison at the time Spenkelnik was prepared for execution - and said he can prove it. But his supervisor and a co-worker told investigators that he was on duty.

"Activities surrounding the execution were not as sterile and placid as the prison officials would want you to believe, even though there is no evidence of direct physical abuse," said the 20-page report signed by Miami lawyer Irwin Block and Graham's inspector general, Dick Williams.

"The condemned man was apparently taunted verbally," the report said. "There were loud exchanges between John Spenkelnik and his guards. So many people crowded in that the people present cannot even remember everyone who was present at the time."

"Several of those present have each individually taken credit for saying, 'John, it's time to go.'"

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