

PennTAP receives direct grant

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The Economic Development Administration gave the University a direct grant of \$49,309, Rep. William F. Clinger, R-central Pa., announced recently.

In addition, an indirect grant of \$178,877 was approved on Aug. 1 and should be received by the University within 30 days, said Walter Archibald, a spokesman for the administration.

The \$49,309 grant was given to the Pennsylvania Technological Assistance Program to provide high-technological assistance to small and medium-sized industries, said Mark Alan Heuer, press secretary for the congressman.

"Penn State can provide direct technical assistance to small businesses. The intent would be to keep these small businesses healthy and keep people working," Archibald said.

PennTAP was chosen for the grant because it is one of the only programs in the state that provides technological assistance for business and industry, said Paul Houck, a spokesman for PennTAP.

"The grant will allow PennTAP to expand its services to state businesses and industries," Houck said.

The grant includes on-site visits to identify problems blocking growth, dissemination of technological advancements, energy conservation and alternative fuels and financial counseling, Heuer said.

"This grant from the federal government is part of a larger program in cooperation with the state government for economic development," Houck said.

The Economic Development Administration funds about 32 universities

across the country that are involved in technical aid to business, Archibald said.

"We have funded Penn State before," he said. "They have done a lot of work for us and have a good track record. There has been a good relationship between the Administration and the University."

The PennTAP plan to aid small businesses may become a long term project.

"It could be a project that we will carry out over a five-year period, but that will depend on the availability of funds," Houck said.

Gov.'s wife visiting Ag. Days

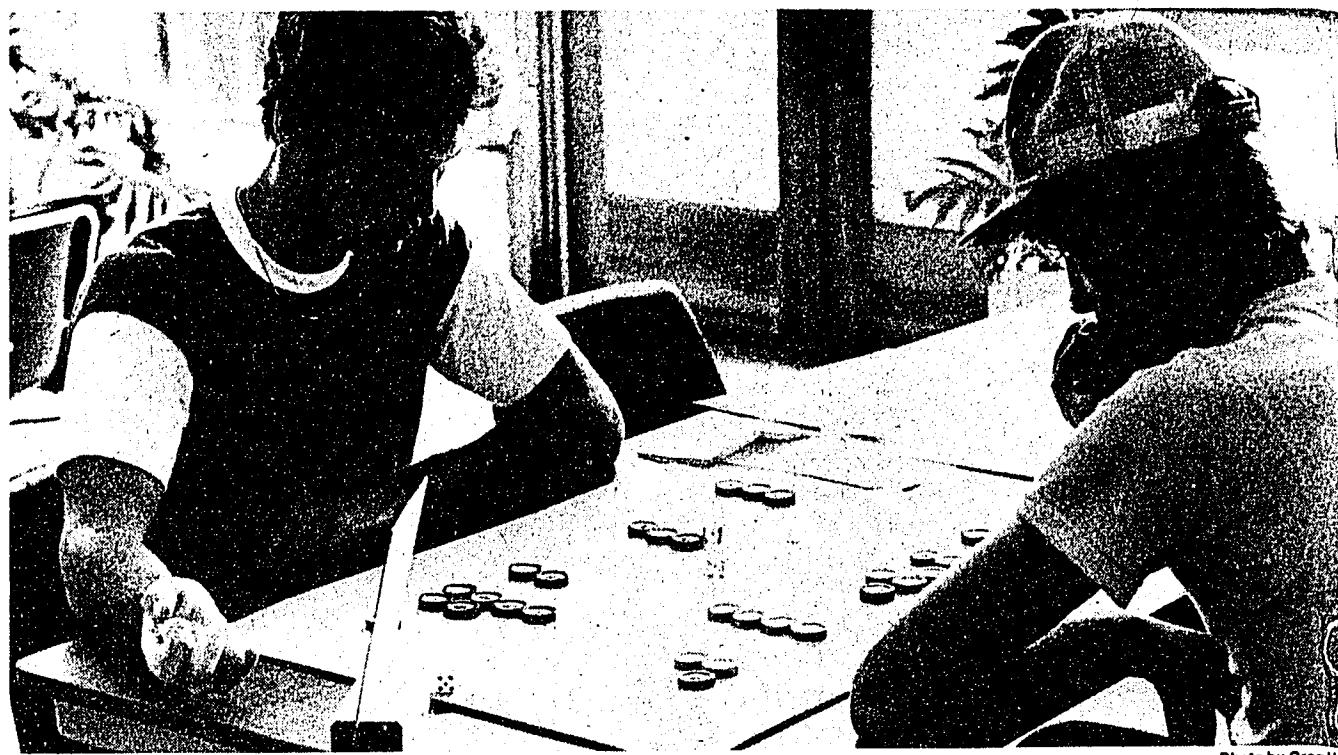
Ginny Thornburgh, wife of the governor, is scheduled to visit Agricultural Progress Days at the Rock Springs Agricultural Research Center tomorrow.

Thornburgh will hold a press conference at 11:45 a.m. at the Nittany Lion Inn and then meet University President John W. Oswald for lunch. Afterwards, Thornburgh will tour the exhibit grounds at Rock Springs.

The College of Agriculture is sponsoring the event, running August 19-21. About 225 companies will display about \$20 million of farm equipment, said Joseph D. Harrington, professor of agronomy and general manager of Agricultural Progress Days.

Harrington said one emphasis of the displays will be alternative energy systems using wood, solar power and gasohol.

—by Betsy Long



Bar hopping

Brian Calderwood (1st-business), left, and John Piekarski (1st-business) ponder their next moves yesterday afternoon during the HUB's second summer backgammon tournament. Thirty-five people took part in the double-elimination tournament which began at 1 p.m. and continued on late into the evening. The tournament was sponsored by the University's Office of Student Activities.

Nurses to discuss psychiatric patients

The Seven Mountains Chapter of the Emergency Department Nurses Association will meet tomorrow at 8 p.m. Management of psychiatric patients will be discussed. All interested nurses, EMTs and ambulance personnel are invited.

Student counselors are available to answer questions or to talk over problems in 135 Boucke or at 863-2020. Their hours are: 4 p.m. to midnight, Monday thru Friday; noon to 8 p.m. on Sunday.

Students who preregistered for Fall Term, 1980, and who wish to accept their assigned classes may register early to avoid returning to campus for regular registration. Early registration will be held from 8:30 to 4:30 p.m., August 20, 21 and 22 in 112 Shields. Students must present evidence of fee payment, ID card, and preregistration schedule.

The Color Slide Club meets tonight at 7:30 in 189 Materials Research Laboratory.

Area police issue burglary ring alert

Suspicious of a burglary ring operating in the State College area has prompted police to issue a special burglary alert.

Officer Brian C. Clouser, a crime prevention specialist, said an unusually high number of break-ins this past week has caused the loss of thousands of dollars. Homes, apartments and offices have been targets, he said.

Because of the number of incidents,

State College police are giving special priority to the alert. Special attention will be given to suspicious or unusual activities, Clouser said.

Clouser specified several precautions to insure security. A Vacation Home Protection Service is offered by the department. As part of this service, patrol officers and neighbors make periodic checks of households.

Clouser also said a house or apartment

with a "lived in" look — with non-lighting patterns — may deter theft.

Securely locked doors and windows, the removal of cash and valuable jewelry is also an advisable precaution, he said. Anyone with information urged to call the police, Clouser said.

A secret witness number, 234-0908, also available for those who want remain unidentified.

—By Christopher

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Summer/Fall Term Break Schedule for The Terrace Room and Kern Cafeteria

The Lion's Den will remain closed for renovations through the 1980-1981 academic year. Beginning Tuesday, September 2, a snack bar will be opened adjoining the HUB Ballroom, tentative hours 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

	Terrace Room	Kern
Wednesday-Friday 8/20-8/22	7:00-10:00/11:30-1:15/4:45-6:45	7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday 8/23 & 8/24	Closed	Closed
Monday-Friday 8/25-8/29	Closed	7:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Saturday-Monday 8/30-9/1	Closed	Closed
Tuesday 9/2	No breakfast/11:30-1:15/4:45-6:45	7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday 9/3-9/5	7:00-9:30/11:30-1:15/4:45-6:45	7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

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