Concern for the disabled lessening

By KATHY ANDREWS **Daily Collegian Staff Writer**

guidelines that require handicapped ac- alterations at federal buildings or newly the extension period is encouraging, but ments he has received oppose the abocessibility to federal buildings indicates leased buildings for federal agencies. that the government is really losing its The Architectural and Transportation majority of the board's decision. concern for the disabled, said Jeffrey Barriers Compliance Board on Sept. 22 Hameister is responsible for the reno- and advice from experts outside the Alan Watson, adviser to the University's delayed action on the proposed rescission Association for Barrier-Free Living En- of guidelines that require federal build- Sparks Building to make it more accessi- the manufacturing of elevators and fire vironment and Design.

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"The federal government is saving to be accommodated architecturally," another 45 days until Nov. 6. The board esting split between groups advocating some of the issues being discussed. Watson said. "By allowing barriers to will delay action until Dec. 1. remain, (Reagan) forces the disabled to accept welfare and employment that is not give the disabled people enough time sub-standard.'

Watson said his reaction to the proposed rescission is very negative. "It comes down to the fact that Reagan The board, which is composed of 11 is forgetting the little people," he said.

Bureau of Job Service.

An umbrella.

the Carter administration and labeled abolish the guidelines. too costly by the Reagan administration, Brenda Hameister, University coordi- comments on these issues. The proposed cancellation of apply to new construction, additions or nator of services for the disabled, said Goodman said 93 percent of the comings be accessible to the handicapped. Instead, the board voted unanimously

Watson said the 45-day extension does ment."

to get together and decide what to do. "It gives you enough time to know, but not to respond," he said.

The guidelines, adopted at the end of bers, voted 12-10 at the July 10 meeting to guidelines, are controversial.

questions whether it will change the lishment of the guidelines. He said he

ble to the handicapped "I'm not too hopeful the guidelines will

for the disabled and the federal govern-Carl Goodman, public information spetend the comment period on such a not be passed. controversial issue.

The Sept. 29 Federal Register invites hopes to receive additional comments vations being done on the first floor governmental sphere who are involved in alarm systems.

The construction of elevators, fire that they no longer feel the disabled need to extend the public comment period for survive," Hameister said. "It's an inter-Hameister said she would like to think

that federal buildings owners will still cialist for the compliance board, said it make buildings accessible to the handrecognized very quickly the need to ex- icapped although the guidelines might If the guidelines are not passed, Wat-

federal members and 11 public mem- He said 12 issues, or 95 percent of the son said it will have a "bittering effect" on the 35 million disabled Americans.

Service available to former CETA employees

Federally funded Bureau of Job Service provides assistance through job referral, testing Former Comprehensive Employment and Training Other jobs fall under Title VI which have more sporadic Clemson said there were about 200 PSE jobs at the Act employees whose jobs were eliminated earlier this rates of unemployment. year because of federal budget cuts can seek help Applicants in either of these categories were usually Job Service.

Since March, local Job Service offices have been assisting these people looking for jobs. Services offered include Aptitude Testing, Job Development, Career Counseling and Job Referral.

However, Fay said, "There are a number of backgrounds from which the applicants come. The only real of March and about 19 are currently employed. common denominator is that they are unemployed."

In the State College Area both the CETA Manpower

Clemson said.

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Employee officials. Their jobs are primarily Title II-D however, that CETA was "not hit as heavily here (by asking for (other) jobs," he said.

time of the cuts. He said the CETA applicants had been in a variety of jobs. Clemson commented on the program's effectiveness thus far. He said 42 applicants registered since the end

"I think (the program) has been highly successful," The program has well surpassed its placement goal of 30 percent, he said. He also noted the encouraging results thus far in the program concerning job satisfac-

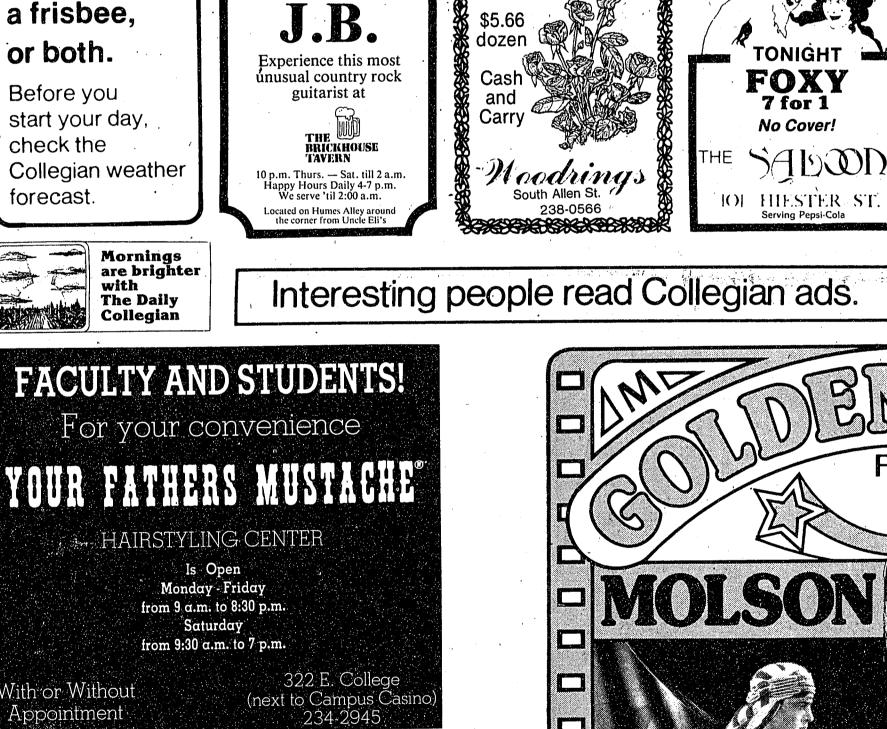
—bv Shawn Israel

getting jobs in the private sector through the Bureau of situated in municipal and non-professional agencies. The federally funded program was announced by Agency and the local Job Service office, 311 Benner Joseph E. Fay, Regional Director of the Williamsport Pike, are participating in the effort. Former CETA employees to whom the program Frank Clemson, manager of the State College Job tion. applies are trained or experienced Public Service Service office, said he supports the program. He added, "I don't see these people coming back to the office and

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jobs, which have consistently high unemployment rates. the Reagan Administration tax cut) as in other areas.





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Bellefonte route in jeopardy

By L.A. HILL **Daily Collegian Staff Writer** Centre Line "X" Bellefonte route Council decides not to fund the route. Centre Area Transportation Au-

session later this month, with the es to open it up." Bellefonte council concerning funding of the "X" route for 1982. initiated in 1980 as a "2-year pilot the CATA buses."

project." County has paid for Bellefonte's share," he said. discontinue the "X" route next year. The Bellefonte route has already

faced cutbacks in services because of a lack of funds. Last May, CATA cut the service from 17 to 10 daily round trips bécause the Centre County Commissioners cut their funding of the route from \$10,591 to \$5,609.

Oversier said although a cutback the case with the "X" route.

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riders on the "X" run are "very advertisement racks.

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aware" of the possible elimination of their bus service. "The people down there are very. riders may be walking home or very supportive of the bus system," finding other modes of transporta- he said. He said he would expect a tion next year if the Bellefonte Town good turnout if the Bellefonte council session was made public. Oversier also said Bellefonte ridthority General Manager Paul Over- ers "should be encouraged to go to sier said he will meet in a work the work session if Bellefonte decid-

The session is set for Oct. 19. In other business vesterday CATA Vice Chairman Jim Miller CATA decided to execute a contract said the Bellefonte route, which is with Morgan Signs Inc. 403 S. Allen

Under the contract CATA will "For the last two years Centre receive 50 percent of the advertising profits. Oversier said he "couldn't say at

fund the route CATA will have to will receive from the advertise-

space sells." Oversier said Morgan Signs indicated a desire to proceed as soon as possible with the advertisements

advertising in the winter months. The board also agreed to ask for a in services usually causes a de- clause in the contract which would crease in ridership, that hasn't been give CATA some input in case of

"I would think that they'd have as almost one-third and ridership still much interest as we do in seeing that

Frank Finsinger, president of the He said Morgan Signs also indi-American Federation of State, Coun- cated it wanted to place one or two ty and Municipal Employees, said public service announcements in the

now funded by Centre County, was St., to place advertisements inside Oversier said if Bellefonte doesn't this point" how much money CATA

> The revenue, he said, "depends on rate structure and how well the

> because it is more difficult to secure

'objectionable advertising."

went up by almost one-fifth," he advertising is acceptable." Oversier

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Park. "Students come up here and don't know a thing about the colleges (at University Park)," said Barbara

White, HPER student council president, at the college student council nized," White said, "but we got no still in the baby stage." meeting Monday night. "We want to support from the Commonwealth Policemen available for questions at HUB table

end will be held by the College of colleges and their facilities."

By ANNE CONNERS Daily Collegian Staff Writer The average policeman is fat, talks he said. "This is a chance to have member from 11 a.m. till 2:30 p.m. in a southern drawl and hates anyone some contact other than that." under 50. Right? Wrong, says James A State College Police Officer, be at the table all during the week McJunkin, chairman of the Under- Blaine Corle, said it was a good oppor- except when the State College Police graduate Student Government's Po- tunity to interact with students on a are there. lice Services Committee.

To foster better communication between students and State College and ly for us," he said. "The only interac- the dorm areas sometime soon. University Police, the committee has tion we have is some type of incident Tips about crime prevention are set up a table in the basement of the that occurs. We don't get that much of also made available to students. Free HUB which will be staffed all this a chance to get input." week, McJunkin said. "We have uniformed police officers and asked him questions.

'He's not so bad,' " McJunkin said. for the rest of this week, McJunkin up at the table.

getting support from department heads and Commonwealth campuses.

HPER plans Commonwealth Campus Weekend

HPER held a similar Common-

wealth Campus Weekend last year

all colleges involved. White said, by

"Most police contacts are 'You did said. State College police officers will something wrong and I caught you,' " staff the table with a USG committee today. University police officers will

relaxed basis. "It's a good opportunity — especial- looking into rotating the table within Corle said several students stopped

here so students will look and say, The table will be set up in the HUB ness and student rights can be picked

A Commonwealth Campus Week- give them exposure to the different campuses, and very few students showed up. "We want to turn it into a largescale affair by getting all the student

councils and their colleges involved." White said they hope to have the weekend sometime this fall when

there is no football game, or in the early spring. "Hopefully it will be a University-"It was a good idea and well orga- backed affair," White said, "but it's

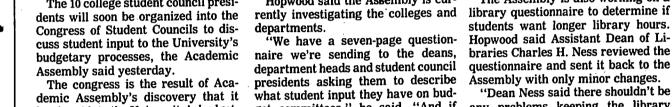
McJunkin said the committee was

-by Becky Olson

pamphlets about theft. vandalism. harassing phone calls, student input about police officers, alcohol aware-New student congress to discuss budget input The 10 college student council presi- Hopwood said the Assembly is cur- The Assembly is also working on a students want longer library hours. department heads and student council questionnaire and sent it back to the there is an honors program, there is open longer hours, but we want to know if the students will really use will also use the results of the ques-—by Mary Beth Horwath Faculty discusses L.A. programs with employers Paulson said, "we also have to edu-

more specialized terparts from fielde The forum will be held from noon to

5 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. to noon -by Christopher Cooney



has input into the University's budget- get committees," he said. "And if any problems keeping the library ary process. "The letters are being sent out to student input into that." the presidents," Chris Hopwood, As- Hopwood said the congress was it," he said. sembly president, said. "We want discussed two years ago, but was He said the library administration them to discuss issues and get to know never established. each other, but the major topic will be "I think now the time is right," he tionnaire for its own information.

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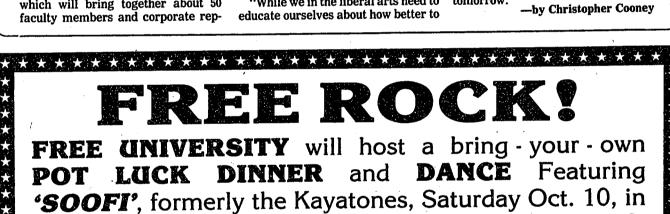
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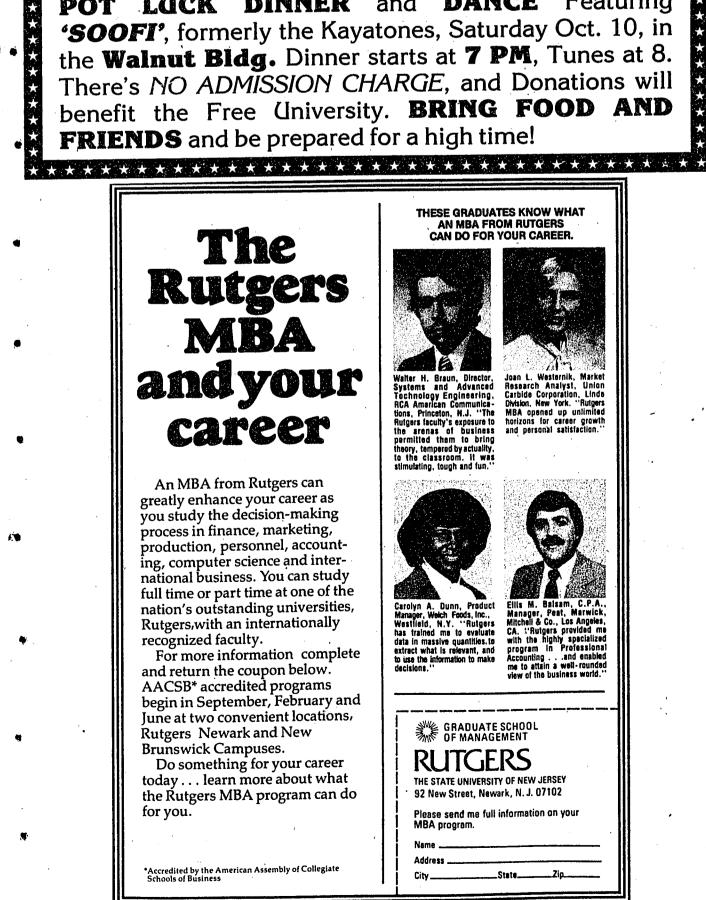
budgetary input."

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Liberal arts faculty members will resentatives, said Stanley F. Paulson, prepare our students for careers," have the opportunity to discuss liberal dean of the college. arts career opportunities with cor- skills liberal arts graduates need to cate employers to the fact that, as a porate representatives at the Univer- secure entry-level career positions growing body of research indicates, sity-Employer Relations Forum, and to compete successfully; the liberal arts graduates often do better to identify high potential non-technical liberal arts candidates; and the The College of Liberal Arts and the methods for considering qualified Career Development and Placement Center are sponsoring the forum candidates

which will bring together about 50 "While we in the liberal arts need to educate ourselves about how better to





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The Daily Collegian Thursday, Oct. 8, 1981-5 'Living filter' treats waste Kerr said there are virtually no problems with heavy metals

said

By GENE GRYGO Daily Collegian Staff Writer

grow in abnormal abundance.

possibilities of a third stage of water treatment that would an ecosystem, but the population remains constant. effluent.

The research team decided to develop a system of experi- cious (tree-dwelling) level." water. The sites were set up on University farm lands and state filter system will give off an offensive odor. game commission lands.

and the experiment has led to the construction of two perma- Properly treated, effluent on land will not have an odor," she nent irrigation sites that will be completed next year. LLovd Niemann. University manager of utility systems, said the two irrigation sites will be on the agronomy areas near the Special Services building on Fox Hall Road and the gameland zones near Toftrees.

The need to expand the University's waste water treatment was caused by the doubling of the University and State College populations during the years 1955 to 1970, said Richard Parizek, professor of geology and geophysics. Parizek was a member of the research team responsible for

finding sites for the living filter experiments. The living filter project had to cross many scientific and applied science disciplines, and experiments for the project been studied. involved professors from the departments of geology, forestry, agronomy, engineering and zoology, he said. Parizek said that besides the University's excessive nutrient dumping, many State College residents had been using sewer

wells, dry wells and tile fields - all unsafe methods. The fractured bedrock under most of these fields took the water, but only if the population remained relatively low, he said. Once the population increased the level of safety decreased, he said.

"The University had to protect the health of the citizens," "There were many goals for this project," Parizek said. "We

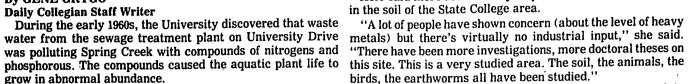
were aiming at getting water more pure than first and secondary treatment Parizek's team determined, in a report to the Environmental Protection Agency in 1974, that spraying waste water on land offers farmers "a guaranteed economic level of crop yield" and purified 60 to 100 percent of the waste water. "We applied the effluent in the winter to define the troubles of

spraying in winter, Parizek said. "We sprayed up to 6 inches of waste water in a week." Despite the apparent success of living filter project experiments, many soil and geology specialists disagree on the effect

the treated waste water will have on the soil, water table and crops of the area. Some of the specialists said waste water could raise the level

Excessive deposits of heavy metals such as copper, zinc,

Another report to the EPA in 1980, compiled by William E. environmental reasearch analyst, concluded that the spraying and proximity to the community it is serving. of effluent from the University's sewage treatment plant "did Sludge used as fertilizer to enhance waste water could have soil or vegetation when applied over a 16-year period."



A team of University scientists then began to research the She said treated waste water irrigation stimulates growth in eliminate the high nutrient levels of the University's waste "You may get a change in the type of animal or birds," she said. "The kind of animals change from ground to the herba-

mental sites that would be irrigated with chlorinated waste Kerr said another major public concern is that the living "A lot of people are concerned about the stink. But when we This enterprise became known as the "living filter" project, bring people to the site they say, 'Hey, it doesn't smell.'

'There have been more

investigations, more doctoral theses on this site. This is a very studied area. The soil, the animals, the birds. the earthworms all have

> -Sonja Kerr, environmental research analyst

The living filter system is good for keeping streams and lakes clean but presents some major problems for the farmer, Dale Baker, professor of soil chemistry, said. Baker was never directly involved with the project but has worked on similar ones.

"The excess water on the soil speeds up the soil process. The life expectancy of a site is limited. Sooner or later you're going to have to change your site. After 10 to 30 years you'll have to go to another site.

"The soil (irrigated with treated waste water) has a limited nutrient concentration, and if there aren't enough nutrients in the soil the crop won't produce," he said. Baker said farmers would have to supplement their soil with

fertilizers to produce a good crop. "All these are managerial difficulties that can be worked out. I say, 'Proceed with the best technology possible,' '' he said. Bacteria levels in the water from a land application system will be a problem for farmers, said C. Edwin Young, a professor of agricultural economics and a project leader for the

United States Department of Agriculture. of dangerous bacteria in the soil as well as the levels of heavy "You still do have to worry about bacteria. There are metals, and that waste water leaves too few nutrients in the bacterial remains in the waste water. There have been studies where bacteria in the air have been found 1,000 miles away from a waste water irrigation system. I wouldn't say it is chromium, lead, cobalt, cadmium and nickel that build up in totally safe — you do have to take some precautions," he said. the soil can be toxic to humans if animals raised for food "I'd say it's the best option for a small rural area that just production eat plants contaminated with heavy metals, Parizek has to have some advanced system to remove the nutrients of

Young said waste water application is an option that requires Sopper, professor of forest hydrology, and Sonja Kerr, an access to low-cost land, a level area for the irrigation system

not significantly increase the trace metal concentrations in the serious consequences if the sludge has toxic chemicals in it, he said

