

Ed. alumni groups help students

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Colleges of Education students should become involved in the College of Education's Alumni Association, which is interested in the University Alumni Association, representatives of the two organizations said last night.

At the College of Education Student Council meeting, A.J. Grill, assistant to the college dean and an administrative liaison to the Alumni Society, and Thomas Kidd, director of alumni relations and a representative of the Alumni Association, said the organizations help both students and the University as a whole in many ways.

Grill said members of the Alumni Society, which is an umbrella organization of the University Alumni Association, help provide financial support to the University. The society serves as an informal advisory board to the dean, he said.

"Because of decreasing state and federal funding, Penn State will have to rely more and more on the alumni for support," Grill said.

Grill said the society provides the following services:

- The Abraham W. VanderMeer Loan Fund, which provides loans up to \$600 for student-teaching expenses.
- Support of the College of Education's Student Council's workshops on careers in education.
- The Outstanding Student Teacher Award, which is presented to a senior for excellence in student teaching.
- The Outstanding Teacher Award, which honors a faculty member for knowledge of the subject taught, clear communication with students, accessibility as an advisor and professional competence.
- The Speaker Series, which deals with issues in education.
- The Excellence in Education Award, which acknowledges alumni for achievements in their fields.
- Of 30,000 alumni of the college, about 6,700 are members of the society, Grill said.
- "We're trying to get more of our alumni into the society," he said. "It's a good way to keep in touch with Penn State."
- Students can apply for membership in the society, Grill said. "Anyone can nominate himself. We are also looking for recent graduates. We have had student members, but never a brand new graduate."
- Kidd said the association helps students find jobs through communication with alumni in related professions.

Enough fuel possible by 2000

By JOHN SCHILANDER
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If the federal government would subsidize industry's efforts to build synthetic fuel plants, the United States could be self-sufficient in energy by the year 2000, a prominent fuel scientist said in a speech yesterday.

Irving Wender, a professor at the University of Pittsburgh, said, "All we really have to do to break the (Middle Eastern oil) cartel is produce 10 to 15 percent of our energy needs with synthetic fuel."

Synthetic fuels are liquid fuels derived from coal, shale and other resources that are abundant in the United States.

The government is not providing incentive for industry to build plants to produce synthetic fuels, Wender said. In fact, the United States has no coherent energy policy, he said.

"In this country, there is adversary relationship between government and industry. Government is saying to industry, 'Carry the ball.' And they (industry) are saying, 'We'll carry the ball, but help us.'"

The United States is sufficient in all forms of energy except liquid fuels for transportation, Wender said. This is why synthetic fuel production is essential to a secure energy future, he said.

"We are approaching the physical limit of drilling. Everybody and his uncle is drilling wells everywhere in the country," Wender said.

By the year 2000, the only areas that will have abundant oil supplies are some Middle Eastern countries such as Kuwait, Iran and the United Arab Emirates, he said.

Electricity will continue to replace oil use in the next two decades, he said. But liquid fuels still will be needed for transportation, because liquid fuel is the only efficient, transportable fuel.

In the past, energy decisions in this country primarily have been made in reaction to problems, rather than as part of a defined energy policy, Wender said.

However, this reaction has been a blessing in disguise, he said.

"Any national energy policy would have been so political that it would be wrong."

The nation's reaction to one problem — the 1973 oil embargo — was an especially fortunate one for this country, Wender said.

Although the nation's energy use has remained at steady or downward levels on the average since the mid-1970s, Wender said more must be done to secure adequate liquid fuel supplies.

The reason why more is not being done is that "we have so many choices — so much shale, coal, etc. — that we find it difficult to make a choice. We're an energy-rich country except for transport fuels," he said.

If the choices were restricted because of limited resources, like in Japan and Germany, synthetic fuel plants probably would be built, he said.

But Middle Eastern countries have practically made it a policy to keep oil flowing to the United States, so this nation does not have more incentive to produce synthetic fuels, Wender said.

The second of the two Taylor lectures is at 4 this afternoon in 112 Kern.

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Wolfpack unlucky outlet for Lion anger

By TOM VERDUCCI
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The Nittany Lion is an angry animal these days.

Maybe it's the pain from the deep wounds left by Miami last week. Maybe it's the agony of watching a No. 1 ranking slip away. Whatever it is, Penn State (6-1) is a furious team this week.

The Lions hope to take out their anger on the Wolfpack of North Carolina State (4-4) at 1 p.m. tomorrow in Carter-Finley Stadium in Raleigh, N.C. The stadium's capacity is 46,500, but 50,000 are expected to jam the Wolfpack's den.

This week on the practice field, the Penn State players have been cussin' and feudin' and fightin'.

"It's definitely the most intense week of practice I've ever been in," Lion defensive end Rich D'Amico said. "People out there are losing their minds."

Even coach Joe Paterno has been less than pleasant this week. At his Wednesday press conference, Paterno said the Lions "have a long way to go to be a good football team," and while he didn't spare any words, he did keep the jokes and the smiles to a minimum.

"We've got to get back to doing things the hard way," he said, "get back in there and learn how to block and tackle. Have pride in our physical ability. Have pride in being precise, thorough, intense... things that we're not against Miami."

"I'm worried about getting guys mentally ready to play a tough football game and get back to where we look like a Penn State football team."

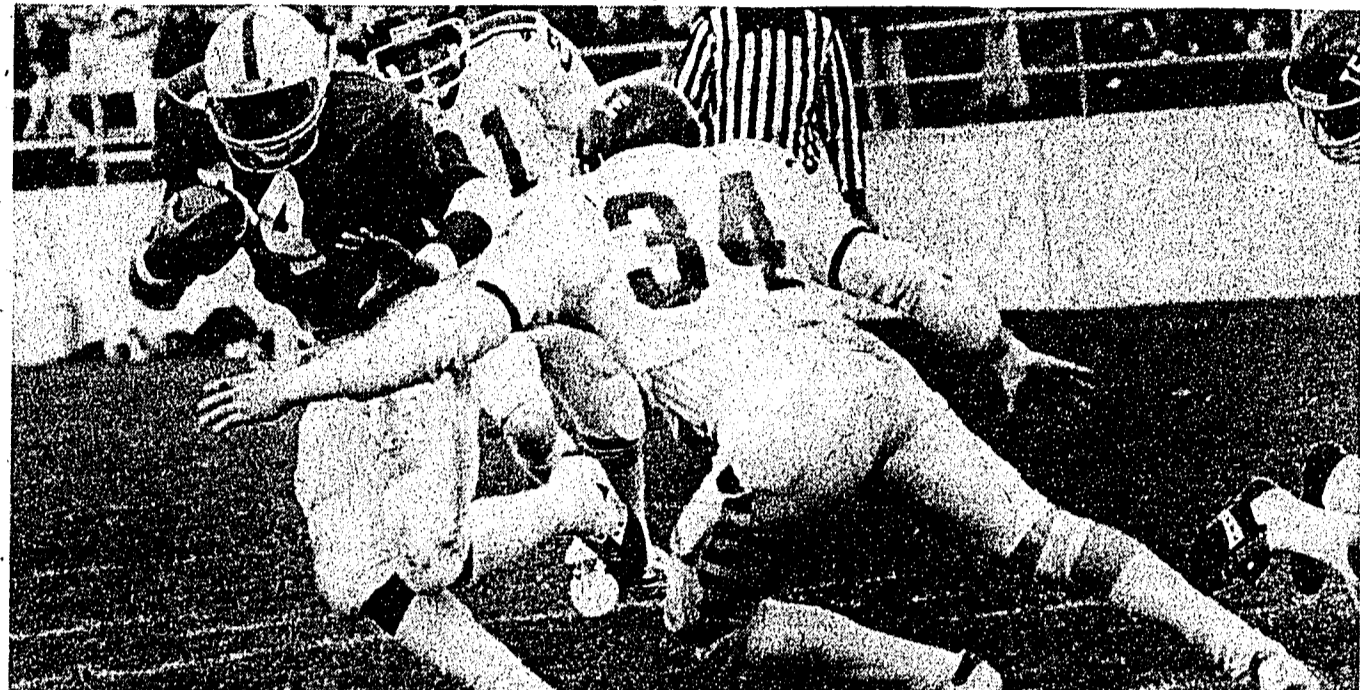
"The players want to get back to where they were last week. No. 1. Ranked sixth this week, the Lions realize they are still within striking distance of their goal."

"We realize we're not out of it," tight end Mike McCloskey said. "With the teams we have to play yet, people are going to sit up and take notice."

Of course, at the end of Penn State's meet at Alabama, Notre Dame and Pittsburgh — all meaty opponents. But North Carolina State is enough to choke anyone.

And the Wolfpack will be harder to swallow this week since the Lions will be without tailback Curt Warner, the fourth-best ground game in the country (143.2 yards per game).

Warner, who sat out the West Virginia game with a pulled hamstring, pulled a different hamstring muscle against Miami. Paterno said he doesn't "think there's a chance that Curt Warner can



Jon Williams (44) will be filling in for an injured Curt Warner against North Carolina State at 1 p.m. tomorrow at Carter-Finley Stadium.

play this week," and the coach is not certain if he'll be ready for Alabama.

"Curt has not done anything (in practice)," Paterno said. "He's really stiff and sore. Whether he'll be ready the following week, I can't tell you."

But if the Lions are without the nation's fourth-best runner, they still have the nation's fifth-best passer. That's right, Todd Blackledge has come from nowhere on the National Collegiate Athletic Association leaders chart to fifth. In the last three games, he's completed 45 of 67 passes (67 percent) and has thrown a touchdown pass in every game this year. Last week he completed 28 of 41 throws for 388 yards — all Penn State records.

His favorite targets have been Gregg Garrity (17 catches for 220 yards) and McCloskey (15-200 and three TDs). McCloskey, who's caught a pass in all seven games, said that the entire pass offense has improved in recent weeks.

"It's hard for the pass offense to be good when you go to it only when you have to," he said. "When you can throw the ball, you get a better feel for it in the game."

"We have confidence in it. All of it comes together as the season goes on."

Commander Paterno, despite the success of his air attack, would still like to rely on his land power.

"We threw it four times and got licked," said Paterno, who added that he'd rather get back to the type of game Penn State plays best.

Paterno must have looked at the Wolfpack pass defense statistics. The N.C. State secondary has allowed just 240 yards passing in the last four games. The Wolfpack features a gambling, reckless defense that had Paterno sounding like Paul Revere.

"They're coming. They're coming," Paterno said. "They're not gonna sit there and wait for you. They're coming."

They'll be coming on offense, too, with quarterback Tol Avery (68 of 129 for 805 passing yards) and freshman tailback Joe McIntosh (814 rushing yards) leading the charge.

In trying to head off that charge, the Lions will likely have linebacker and co-captain Chet Parlaviccio back in the lineup. Parlaviccio, who's sat out two games with an inflamed knee, has been called by Paterno "the emotional leader of the team" and sends the intensity level up a few notches.

The Wolfpack do most of their damage

Tomorrow can't come too soon for Franco

By TOM VERDUCCI
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It was appropriate that Brian Franco was haunted by his worst kicking performance ever on Halloween.

The haunting continued that night on the Penn State charter flight from Miami to Harrisburg.

"That was the hardest part," he said. "I was pretty tired and drained, and my legs were killing me. I wasn't comfortable in any sense of the word."

The haunting continued the next day always an off-day for the Lions.

"Sunday was just as bad," he said, "because I couldn't get out and practice."

Franco said it took a few days to get over it, but he knows that only his foot — and not time — can kick that nightmare completely out of his mind. That's why tomorrow's game with North Carolina State can't come soon enough for Brian Franco.

"This is my comeback game," he said. "This one is real important to me. I've got to make that first one."

Against Miami, Franco missed the first one. He missed the second one, too. And he missed the third and fourth ones.

The first was a 51-yard attempt. Wide right.

"On the first two, the conditions weren't great," Franco said.

The second was a 46-yard attempt into the wind. Short.

"I was all set to kick it, and then the referee blew the whistle and we changed ends (at the end of a quarter)," he said. "It was right on, but it just fizzled out."

The third was a 22-yard attempt. Wide left.

"I wasn't thinking any differently," he said. "I just couldn't believe I pulled it in."

The fourth was a 23-yard attempt. Wide right.

"I was starting to feel a little disgusted and a little grumpy," he said.

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Brian Franco

"It was windy, and the rain was coming down like crazy. I was in kind of a daze."

After that miss, coach Joe Paterno shook his wet head and took off his glasses, probably sending his specs out to check if the prescription was still right.

But yes, what Paterno had seen was true. Four missed kicks by a player who was 11 for 12 in six previous games.

"I think it's like a golfer," Paterno said. "Every once in a while you're a little bit off and you shank a shot or something like that."

Fire alarms mean danger, specialist says

By ELLYN HARLEY
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A dorm room can be engulfed in flames in 10 minutes and the fire's temperature can reach more than 1,000 degrees, the University's fire prevention specialist said.

And the flames themselves are not even the most dangerous part of the fire, Tom Hand said.

Smoke inhalation, which accounts for 65 to 70 percent of fire-related death presents the worst hazard, and students who turn over and go back to sleep when a late-night fire alarm awakens them — no matter what the time — may never wake up again.

"If that fire alarm sounds twelve times in one night you better get your butt up and get outside each time," Hand said last night to about 50 people at the Atherton Hall Council meeting.

"The University can't force you to leave the building, but if you don't, you are saying, 'I don't value my life any more than that — I'll take my chances,'" he said.

Hand made his comments in reference to recent false fire alarms occurring in Atherton Hall.

Lynn Schaub, associate manager of graduate student housing, said two Atherton Hall fire alarms were turned in at 6 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Monday (Nov. 2) and one at 3 a.m. on Tuesday Nov. 3. However, no false alarms have occurred since those incidents this week.

In the preceding two weeks, at least three false alarms have resounded through Atherton, two of which occurred at 6 a.m. and 6:50 a.m., Schaub said.

It has not yet been determined whether the alerts have been caused by malfunctions of the electrical system of the fire alarm in Atherton or if the alarms have been pulled intentionally, Hand said.

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The big one: Is it Lions' game with No.3 Connecticut or Temple?

By JEFF SCHULER
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Walt Bahr says it's all a mistake and wishes it wasn't so.

But the schedule calls for his men's soccer team to host Connecticut at 7:15 tonight at Jeffrey Field and then travel to Philadelphia on Sunday for a 1 p.m. meeting with traditional rival Temple.

"I did not want this situation to arise," Bahr said of the scheduling snafu. "The Connecticut game will be a tough one, there's no doubt about it. And the Temple game is a traditional game, regardless of the records involved."

What concerns Bahr is the jockeying going on for bids to the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament. And for that reason, he puts tonight's final home game with the second-ranked Huskies in perspective.

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Wolfpack back is LeGrande

By WILL PAKUTKA
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When North Carolina State cornerback Donnie LeGrande put his foot down at practice last year, he just assumed he'd be able to pick it back up again.

"All we were doing was running a drill stepping over bags," said LeGrande, whose N.C. State team will take on Penn State tomorrow in Raleigh. "I felt like I pulled a muscle in the back of my knee."

"I stopped a minute and rubbed it, but I didn't think it was that bad until I got back to the room. My foot was numb."

The injury was diagnosed as "drop foot" — a nerve condition that makes it impossible for the victim to pick up his foot.

Of course, it also makes it impossible for the victim to run and even more impossible for the victim's football team to use him at cornerback.

So senior cornerback Donnie LeGrande became ??? cornerback Donnie LeGrande. He could take a redshirt year and try again the next season, but not if he couldn't pick up his foot to put his cleats on.

Not until about last Christmas did movement come back to the leg. It took a lot of work with weights to get LeGrande back to his old form — especially since he had been a pre-season All-Conference pick before the injury.

All the movement didn't come back until after six months of weight work. But finally it did, and just in time for LeGrande to look at N.C. State's schedule — one that would make most people in his position say, "Why didn't I graduate last year?"

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Donnie LeGrande

Forward Doug Meyer (14) and the 12th-ranked men's soccer team play their biggest game of the year against third-ranked Connecticut at 7:15 tonight at Jeffrey Field.