# opinions

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### editorial opinion

## Serving a shot of responsibility

should be accountable when an intoxicated the wheel of a car could become dangerous. sense, both groups are right.

children of men killed in alcohol-related continue these policies.

drink would mean one too many?

mendable. The law forces bar owners and take that drink back?

to refuse to serve that next drink. hen an individual customer should be shut tomers

State College bar and restaurant owners off. The problem is complicated by the fact give more than a dram about being held responsible for their intoxicated patrons. that many people in social situations can effectively "act" sober enough to continue Lawmakers, however, believe the owners to be served. But these same people behind

person leaves their establishment. In a Special liability insurance for bar owners was one initial solution. But increasing Tavern owners are upset about losses in liability cases has driven premium "dramshop laws," an outgrowth of English rates to unattractive amounts and has common law developed to aid widows and forced many insurance companies to dis-

accidents. Under the laws, if a person is One local bar owner, Christ Papadopouserved alcohol while intoxicated and later los, put the debate in an interesting perspecsuffers or causes harm after leaving the tive by drawing an analogy: Should arms establishment, both the person who served merchants be responsible for people who the alcohol and the establishment can be buy guns and then proceed to commit mur-

Unfortunately, the dramshop laws have Bar owners are caught in an additional raised many questions in the private sector dilemma when they are faced with a prob-- questions about the gray area that exists lem customer. Bouncing an intoxicated between knowing when patrons have and patron can leave a negative impression on haven't had too much to drink. Should it other customers. But while bar owners really be up to a bartender, who is often recognize the need for drastic actions at serving dozens of less-than-patient patrons, times, many situations are problematic to make the distinction of when another long before the bouncer is summoned. Suppose a bartender doesn't recognize how The intent, and the result, of liability laws intoxicated a patron really is until after a for bars and restaurants has been com-drink has been served. Should the bartender

bartenders to practice a necessary precau- Obviously, the liability question deserves tion when serving alcohol. The bartender much more discussion and observation. The frequently has the most accurate knowl- laws, while rightly promoting more responedge about how much a patron has been sible serving of alcohol, have also placed an drinking. In this sense, the bartender should unreasonable burden on bar and tavern have an idea, and act on the notion, of when owners. Legislators should be seeking a compromise that recognizes the fine dis-But for every bartender who has the time tinction between the responsibility of servto talk with the patrons and who has a good ing the alcohol and the responsibility of idea of their patron's limits, there are holding bar owners and bartenders liable bartenders who are too busy to assume for the consumption problems of their cus-



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## reader opinion

The divestiture veto South Africa, as a public statement denouncing the policy and soliciting students' views on an issue with a local, languages. The same cannot be said for my ancient of apartheid. Following our governmental process, the national, and international magnitude. Consequently, ancestors. The thinking of my ancestors was most likely resolution then came to me for signature or veto. It is my USG will be conducting a poll to determine if a majority of shrouded in myth and confined by tribal customs. intention, in keeping with my promise to be up front with the students, with full knowledge of all facets of the issue, Americans, however, are much more free to devote students, to explain all the factors which went into my support divestment. When I attend the Board of Trustees time and effort to subjects of their choosing; to base their

The question is not about apartheid. Students are clearly ty of divestment. opposed to this type of government. Rather, the concern This issue cannot wait. is whether divestment is the form of protest the students

In making my decision after numerous conversations with student representatives, I felt there was some debate importance of human value over the course of action which would most effectively convey their constituents' opposition to apartheid, and if, In two editorial columns which appeared in the Colleindeed, divestment was necessary. Consequently, I felt gian during the week of March 18, two racial issues were

of USG, put financial considerations or social obligations tion against black people in the United States. These two first. Rather it is a question of how much each individual issues are interrelated, and understanding their student ranks his/her priorities. The facts stand that relationship allows a greater understanding of social selling blue chip stock could result in a revenue loss that injustice in many other instances. might be compensated by a rise in tuition. With the In dealing with the first issue, I would like to point out

had to determine whether there was, indeed, a concensus

The trouble with attaching any importance to this into one which does not enlighten people, but keeps them and make their feelings known to their elected officials. for this form of protest. In addition, I believe it would only arbitrary conjecture is that any healthy black American in darkness. Therefore, groups which do not operate on then be appropriate that a piece of legislation is passed bears at least as much resemblance to my ancient human values only serve to perpetuate prejudice and

which echoes all student opinion.

Most importantly, we must clarify the issue at hand. concerns and ask them to begin to determine the feasibili-

there was a definite need for greater student input. raised; these are the desire of black Americans to know This is not merely a question of whether I, as president their ethnic origins and the ongoing but subtle discrimina-

proposed cuts to aid to education and the insufficient state that because I am not black, I have relatively little appropriations, I felt it was not my role to make a trouble in tracing my "roots." Thanks to research by my decision which could possibly increase the students' family into our family history, I now know that the name financial responsibility to this institution. It is not my Nicholson probably started in Scandinavia (Nic-Olson,

ancestors as I do. Consider this: Black Americans, as ignorance; the historical oppressor of all mankind. My veto then, is not a reflection of the administration's well as my ancestors, seem to be endowed with almost On Tuesday, April 23, the Undergraduate Student viewpoint. My veto is an action to speak for the best identical bodily parts (all functioning), but Americans Government Senate passed a resolution requesting the interests of the student body as a whole. There isn't any learn and practice science and philosophy; participate in Government Senate passed a resolution requesting the interests of the student body as a whole. There is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the student body as a whole is a tany to do the stud

> themselves to the specifically human talents (love, will, and reason) which make our lives worth living and our cial resources. minds unique and precious in the universe. If this is the Student aid has helped greatly in this respect, giving David Rosenblatt, president-USG case, then it would seem that just about any American is those with adequate intellectual ability but limited finan-April 29 more than a match for the sometimes highly revered cial resources a chance to attend a better school than tout America over the rest of the world, but to show that valuing people from a truly humanist viewpoint leads to the Reagan administration (as everyone knows) to conlove and respect for what is good in a person. Valuing sider changes in these programs that would restrict the people from any other basis leads merely to acceptance of persons of equal status into some club and to prejudice these programs could greatly stratify the educational and even avarice toward people of a different level (an system, because students will be forced to choose a arbitrarily decided level, of course). This second kind of college suitable to their economic means. value system, undoubtedly, can lead to two seemingly 
> If one accepts the premise that more expensive schools

you, it was equally as evil. everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone about all the possible effects of divesture —good everyone every conquests. In addition, all of the other known family relationships) for an ethnic, religious, social, or economic United States. Individuals who are concerned about a It was at this point that I decided that the students had names seem to be traditional English, Scottish, or Ger-

James Nicholson, graduate-physics

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class mobility and less obvious class distinction than many other countries. This has been due, in some part, to meeting in May, I will tell the trustees of the students' laws in sound moral judgement; and, in short, to devote an educational system that attempts to make a quality education available to a good student with limited finan-

ancient relations of people anywhere on earth. How much otherwise would have been possible. Presently, there more, then, should the people alive today be revered? exists publically sponsored guaranteed loans and outright My point in bringing these ideas to the front is not to grants made avialable to bright students principally on availability of these funds to college students. The loss of

friendly black women being turned away from a seem- are better schools, this leads to the obvious result that the ingly all-white fraternity party with no just cause. The quality of one's education would then tend to be based reason may not even have been skin color, but I assure more on wealth than on intellectual capacity. Thus, those not financially well-off could face reduced professional intention to scare anyone. It is my intention to inform daughter of Olson) and most likely moved its way into by human abilities, otherwise, their cause will deteriorate should consider the proposed cuts in student aid carefully

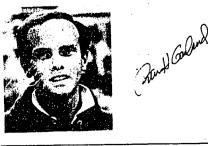
Meg Hughes, freshman-business administration

## What I would do if I won the lottery — besides change

a million dollars was a big deal; now people already famous wins. the more tickets sold to people hoping to win that when Henry Kissinger or Christie winners are known to be bored. the larger amount. It's a vicious, if profita
Brinkley goes in to buy a ticket, outraged

I would do things a lot differently if I won.

tages overlooking Montego Bay, fabulous folds of his flesh between chin and shirt. I ble circle — at least for the IRS. For those and envious ticket sellers destroy their of course, that is not likely since I spend meals, some island cruising, and the like am certain that with the attention given to who buy tickets every week, hope springs stubs — after all, who wants to see the rich more time planning what I would do with would be a fitting way to initiate my life Nancy's clothes, little time or money is left eternal, but let's take a look at how the and famous get richer and more famous? the winnings than I do purchasing lottery among the wealthy. Perhaps, depending over to replace Ronnie's shirts — certainly press reports who wins and who doesn't.



You never win if you're a college student, are younger than 21-years-old or belong to a aware that no graduate student ever wins a that life will be the same after winning; would melt from rigorous use. Planning Fourth, I'd get a smart accountant and lottery. Similarly, very few actors or poli- when they do win, they tell everyone that creative ways to spend the money could tax lawyer. No sense having most of the

Take a look at the way the press reported tickets. Of course, being swept up in "lotto upon the size of the jackpot, I could purleft over from the "Bonzo" days. past lottery winners. It seems that if you fever" and purchasing the single winning chase a small Carribean island-nation. want to win the lottery, you've got to be ticket for a major prize is always a possibili-You can't have a college education, a cathere are several things that I would try to provide whatever funds were necessary to This could be quite expensive, but in doing reer, or practice a profession. If you are do. the like. You're chances of winning are to the idea because change is inevitable — be built on Interstate 64 between Richmond

and me. For instance, they honestly believe ities. I would imagine that my MasterCard construction of sanitary facilities.

unemployed, retired, or just making do. ty. Nevertheless, if I should someday win, society (and possibly good for my taxes), closer to either Pittsburgh or Philadelphia.

restaurant, a print shop, a gas station, or my life forever. I think it's wise to get used ties in two locations. In Virginia, one set to Route 322. significantly improved if you work the 4 for good or bad — after winning \$10 million. and Charlottesville; and in Pennsylvania a p.m. to midnight or midnight to 8 a.m. shift. I would hope, at a minimum, that my life set to be constructed on US 322 between Living in a decaying industrial city in the would become more exciting, that I could Harrisburg and State College. If any of you Northeast typically correlates with the big pay off my bills, make substantial contributions to PHEAA, and immediately indulge too much coffee (or more likely, beer) you And those that win are different than you in perhaps unspeakable hedonistic activars are aware of the desparate need for the

Lotteries seem to be the big thing now and the amounts of money which are given to be the big thing now and the amounts of money which are given to be the big thing now and the amounts of money which are given to be the big thing now and the triangle profestory they won't quit their jobs and that they'll become a full-time occupation in and of for delightful tax dodges such as real estate they won't quit their jobs and that they'll become a full-time occupation in and of for delightful tax dodges such as real estate they won't quit their jobs and that they'll itself. away each week are incredible. At one time,

Kennedy, Morgan, Ames, or Dupont. No one new car, or have the house alumninum
Second, I would plan a rather gala week in on the Maine coast, dummy corporations, sided, or help their grandchildren go to some tropical island for myself and several and extravagent "business" trips to Euare winning upwards of ten million every

It's not that these people don't try to win college, or buy their parents a retirement close friends. It would be a singularly osten-rope. The possibilities are limitless. week or so. The more people buying the (you can never be too rich). No, it's that place in Florida. But they won't enjoy the tatious way to pay back some social obligatickets, the more prize money available and there is a plot against them: my theory is money like you and I would. Some past tions which have been plaguing me for some shirts that fit his neck (what can I say, I am time. I think a charter flight, several cot- overly generous). I am tired of seeing the

the Commonwealths of Pennsylvania and so, I would hope to save some money negatemployed, it should be in a steel mill, First, I would expect that it would change Virginia to construct public restroom facili- ing the need for a set of bathrooms along But then again, we'll all be leaving Happy Valley soon. Maybe the money could be better spent on Porta-Johns at the beach or

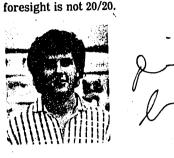
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sun tan oil or Jams or reflector glasses . . .

## The Philippines:

## As the players set the stage, tragedy is sure to be a prop

Last week, this column investigated ominous political stirrings inside Mexico. Foresight, at the risk of alarmism, was the angle taken. What events or trends could transform Mexico into a global trouble-spot years down the road? Unfortunately, unlike hindsight,



One needs an angle to stay uniquely interesting. (That should be a footnote to every- imposed exile in 1983. one's diploma.) Consequently, avoiding has been this writer's underlying theme. It must be noted that the writer has had little difficulty choosing topical issues: intertion of pinpointing potential global hotspots,

vides justification for two huge American Defense, as reported in the March 23 Econo- Philippines. President Reagan supports Mar- every Tuesday.

Thanks for making our first

purposely avoided . . .

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Island of Luzon. giving rise to a growing Communist insurgency, threaten to plunge the Philippines into

On the political side, President Ferdinand of Mindanao. Marcos' corrupt, repressive and ineffectual year of rule, he is becoming more entrenched in the face of increasing discontent. Marcos'

On the economic side, the Philippines is in becoming more and more restless.

thy living conditions, support for a Communist guerrilla movement is sweeping through wing, anti-American opposition forces, in-The Philippines holds an important place in the nation. In ten years time, the Maoist New cluding the NPA. In short, a none-too-attrac-American history. A former U.S. colony, this People's Army, NPA, has swelled to nearly tive list of alternatives.

Severe political and economic problems, ment's forces within five years." Philippines, but it remains active throughout. turmoil. There is good reason to believe that a Notably, the NPA receives no foreign support. crisis in the Philippines could become Ameri- It operates in roughly 85 percent of the coun- Communists, then support for Marcos must ca's biggest foreign policy puzzle in the very try's provinces, with its "home area" in the continue, at least in the short term. slums of Davao, a southern city on the island

Political and economic problems are fuel regime has disaffected a great number of for the spreading Communist fire. U.S. News Filipinos. At 67, President Marcos shows and World Report states, "(The Philippines') signs of ill-health. But as he enters his 21st many problems not only send to the NPA new recruits who normally would not accept Communist ideology but also have turned masses unpopularity is fueled by the widespread, and of peasants away from the government and well-founded notion that he was involved in toward support for the guerrillas.' the murder of opposition leader Benigno Aquino shortly after Aquino returned from self-

a full-scale civil war be avoided? As of now, there is little reason to be positive. its worst nosedive since World War II; popula- President Marcos appears likely to run tion growth soars while GNP limps along, and again (there must be a presidential election high inflation persists. Twenty-six billion dol- by May 1987), and he will probably win. His lars of external debt isn't helping matters. party, the New Society Movement, has considnational crises are not rare occurrences. Economic disarray and political strife continerable national influence. As long as he is in However, in keeping with the heretofore tradiue to feed on one another, and Filipinos are power, there is little likelihood for democratic change. Should he choose not to run, a bitter there is one topic which until now has been Like a deadly contagion festered by unheal-Imelda, the military, and increasingly left-

East Asian country of 54 million is an histori- 12,000, doubling in size since 1981. According The United States is already caught be- joring in foreign service and is a columnist for cal American ally. Its strategic location pro- to Richard Armitage, Assistant Secretary of tween a rock and a hard place over the The Daily Collegian. His column appeared

mist, "the way things are going, the guerrillas cos, who in turn supports Reagan and the could achieve military parity with the govern- continued presence of American military bases. That, however, has set Filipinos The Communist Party was outlawed in the against the United States. If the United States wants to keep its bases in the Philippines, and also prevent a takeover of the country by the

> Ideally, Marcos should be encouraged t allow more freedom and democracy in his troubled country, enabling a disaffected population to seek redress through peaceful, egitimate political means. But after 20 years in office, can such a transition be expected? (Something about teaching an old dog?) Assuming Marcos stays in office, confrontation

From a rather un-American (read unbiased, perhaps?) perspective, The Economist reports: "The Philippines is important to the Americans, and the United States has a defense pact with its former colony which might be interpreted as giving legitimacy to an American intervention designed to prevent Communist victory. But having to fight for

Indeed, that is why the writer has saved a column on the Philippines for his last. It could

David Sanderson is a graduating senior ma

## Unrealistic limit

After doing some research regarding noise levels, I came to the conclusion that an upper limit of 55 or 62 decibels was unrealistic. There are too many commonplace occurrences that exceed that level and are not considered troublesome. By the same token, a higher decibel level a good ordinance does not make.

The fact is that many students assume that the issue is strictly students vs. townsfolk. I have to differ with that notion. I live on West College, and I am occasionally bothered by loud vehicles without mufflers or intact exhaust systems. However, I am frequently and regularly disturbed by the loud music and screaming that eminates from nearby housesand apartments. I like to party just as much as the next guy, but there is no need to allow a party to become an annoyance to your neighbors. I'm sure that music at a lower volume could still contribute to the atmosphere of a party. Perhaps then

all the screaming would not be necce-I believe that R. Thomas Berner could be right. A noise ordinance such as he proposed would require common sense and cooperation in State College. In other words, it would encourage getting along. Similarly, I believe that the State College Police would effectively enforce the ordi-

nance with discretion. With this type of ordinance, people may become more aware of their neighbors and more sensitive to their

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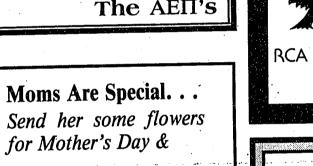
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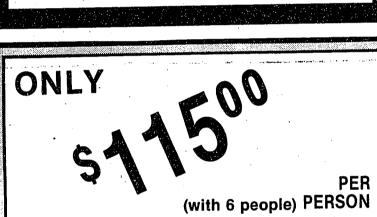






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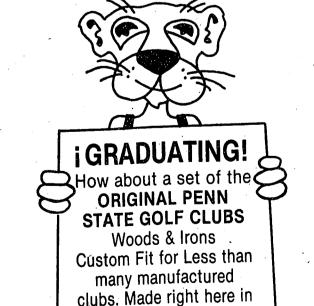
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