

Goals set for USG group

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Goals for the Student Alliance for Education, the new Undergraduate Student Government committee to promote the University to the state legislature, were officially announced yesterday.

Committee Director Frank Cleveland said SAFE, which is not completely formed, will be composed of 203 students and their parents, working to alleviate the funding situation the University now faces.

"We're going to market Penn State to the legislature," Cleveland said.

He said students working through SAFE will meet with the legislators representing their home districts to discuss the specific needs of the University and its previous contributions to the state.

According to data from a February 1986 report by the Commonwealth's Joint State Government Commission, the University's educational and general appropriation per student was \$2,070 for the 1984-85 fiscal year.

In comparison, state-owned universities received an average of \$3,160 per student. Two state-related universities also received more than Penn State — Temple University with \$3,710 and the University of Pittsburgh with \$2,780.

"Pennsylvania trails the national average in appropriations," he said. "It is, however, not merely trailing the nation. It is dead last in increased funding for higher education."

SAFE will work aggressively with the legislators and the governor for the \$31 million in additional state funding already requested by University President Bryce Jordan, Cleveland said.

"We will work collectively and strenuously with Governor Bob Casey's administration," he said. "We have to convince Casey that Penn State's education is excellent now." Cleveland said, adding that Casey should be made aware that continued increases in funding for higher education are needed to continue excellence at the University.

Unlike some lobbying groups, which work only in Harrisburg, SAFE plans to meet with the legislators regularly before they go into session, Cleveland said. Although this tactic may annoy some legislators, he said, SAFE has to reach the legislators before they set the budget appropriations for the state, in the spring.

USG President Matt Baker said he would like to see SAFE as a lasting effort.

"I don't see a day in the future when the University wouldn't need it," he said, adding that in the future, SAFE may function independently from USG.

"The real results will be many years down the road," Baker said. "Initially, I expect the upward, spiraling tuition increases to be slowed." Baker said.

Re-elected state Rep. Lynn Herman, R-Centre, who was present at the announcement, said, "I certainly think Penn State students should get more involved in the legislative process."

"This kind of alliance will help further Penn State's goals to get increased allocations," Herman said.

Cleveland said the concept of SAFE stems from ideas presented last spring in the platforms of Baker and USG Vice President Sue Sturgis.

SAFE is accepting applications in 203 HUB for any students interested in joining the committee. The committee should be functioning completely by January, Cleveland said.

Local airline to offer N.Y. flights

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"If we get three or four a day of that, we'll be very happy," Garbriek said. He estimates the airline needs two customers a flight to make the service profitable.

Rick Schwartz, airport manager for Allegheny Commuter, part of U.S. Air, said Meridian's service will have no effect on his own airline's daily flights to New York, which go through Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Harrisburg.

"There might be a little bit of a charter market," Schwartz said, "but few people are willing to take a charter and pay the extra price."

The Meridian flights cost \$300 roundtrip, estimated by Garbriek as about \$50 more than regular airline service.

Garbriek said the Meridian service would appeal primarily to business travelers, mainly from smaller local businesses, which need flexible hours but do not need an entire charter flight. Because of this, Garbriek said he expects most flights will be on weekday mornings.

"It's an hour each way," Garbriek said. "Any other way, you'd change planes in Harrisburg and Pittsburgh. It's not very convenient."

Schwartz said the time for an Allegheny Commuter flight from University Park Airport to John F. Kennedy Airport in New York is about two hours.

"We're trying to get the cost of a typical charter flight down and make it available to more people," Garbriek said.

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Local woman honored for service

By NICOLE MILES
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State College resident Marjorie Dunaway was named Renaissance Scholarship Fund Woman of the Year last night at an annual dinner to raise money for four Renaissance scholarships and to honor community service.

"The Renaissance dinner honors those who give much to our community and those who benefit from it," said University President Bryce Jordan.

Dunaway has been active for more than 20 years in local, state and national public service and educational programs with an emphasis on graduate education for women.

"I wanted to do something for women because they had a lot of catching up to do," Dunaway said. "I believe that education is the key to the advancement of women."

"I do believe strongly in equality for women and equal opportunity for women to work in any field in which they are qualified."

Dunaway was noted for her involvement in community organizations, such as the League of Women Voters and the Council of Auxiliaries to Centre Community Hospital. Her chief voluntary involvement has been 35 of service with the American Association of University Women.

A Renaissance Woman of the Year award, for voluntary achievement in the community, has been given the last ten years. "Each year we recognize someone in the community and endow scholarships in honor of that person," said Mimi Coppersmith, president of the Renaissance Board Fund.

The Renaissance scholarship board includes University alumni, trustees, faculty, administration and students.

She explained that the scholarship fund is offered to top University students who show the greatest financial need. "All students are in the top 5 percent of their class academically and the top 3 percent or 4 percent in terms of financial need," said Coppersmith.

Currently, the fund awards scholarships to 124 University students. Last night's dinner raised about \$40,000 for the fund, which will allow four scholarships per year to be awarded to University students in Dunaway's name.

Coppersmith said the board's goal is to recognize outstanding community service and to help support students with financial need. The scholarship is funded through contributions from local businesses and community members.

"The Renaissance Scholarship has helped a lot. It has been much appreciated," said Jodie Benson (senior horticulture). "It means that I don't have to work to get through school, which is a generous gift on behalf of the scholarship fund."

"If it wasn't for the scholarship, I wouldn't be attending this University," said Mark Yurkianin (senior business management).

"The scholarship makes a huge difference in finances," he said. "One of the negative things about the University was that it was so impersonal, but with the scholarship they aren't just concerned with pushing us through the system. The trustees care about what we're doing and where we're going."

Linda Shul, assistant director for the fund, said "Marjorie is a wonderful person and it's easy to honor her because she's done so much for women and education."



Collegian photo by Stacy Mink
Marjorie W. Dunaway

6 charged with sale of phony juice

By EDWARD FROST
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NEW YORK — The president of Beech-Nut and five others were indicted yesterday on charges they sold flavored sugar water labeled as apple juice for babies in millions of bottles from 1978 to 1983.

The company in a statement denied the charges and said its suppliers had provided phony concentrate.

The counterfeit juice is no longer on the market, said U.S. Attorney Andrew Maloney. He said no health problems were reported, but said the Food and Drug Administration could not rule out the possibility that a potential risk to consumers existed.

"I understand it looked like apple juice, tasted like apple juice... but it wasn't apple juice," Maloney said.

Neils L. Hoyvald, president and chief executive officer of Beech-Nut Nutrition Corp. and John P. Lavery, vice president for manufacturing of the company's plant in Canajoharie, N.Y., were among those charged with conspiracy.

The indictment said the company shipped adulterated and misbranded juice made from phony concentrate to 20 states, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and five foreign countries: the Bahamas, Taiwan, Saudi Arabia, the Dominican Republic and Japan.

The concentrate was made from beet sugar, cane sugar syrup, corn syrup and other ingredients, but was sold in bottles labeled "100 percent apple juice," Maloney said.

Beech-Nut said it recalled the counterfeit juice in the fall of 1982 but the indictment charges sales occurred through March 1983.

Maloney said Hoyvald and Lavery learned from government food inspectors and their own employees in the summer of 1982 that the concentrate was phony and continued to sell it.

The company indicated in its statement that it was not able to detect the counterfeit juice.

"The issues in the federal case are technical and hinge on whether or not the Beech-Nut employees had sufficient knowledge about the supplier's product," said the company statement.

Beech-Nut said it later sued its suppliers and recovered damages, but the statement did not provide details. Company attorney John S. Martin had no comment beyond the statement.

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