

Issue training planned for escort service

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The Penn State Escort Service — which last year changed from a volunteer program to a more sophisticated operation which pays its escorts and requires them to wear jackets — will soon implement sensitivity training on assault and abuse issues.

With the help of the Women's Resource Center, escort service supervisors plan to make the escorts more aware of issues facing women through a workshop geared toward sensitivity. The workshop will be an interactive program containing lectures, role playing and training in interpersonal skills, said Student Supervisor Jennifer Waitneigh.

The purpose of the training is so escorts — currently all male — "can understand the special position of women at Penn State," said Waitneigh (senior-human development and family studies). Although the service has no female escorts, female dispatchers remain in contact with the escorts using two-way radios, she said.

Any person affiliated with the University — student or otherwise — can call for an escort at the time they need one, she said.

By keeping in contact with the dispatcher, the escort ensures the safety of the escortee, said Supervisor Pam Gerber, noting that a mobile escort is provided if the destination is beyond walking distance.

Gerber said the mobile service is not designed to provide convenient transportation, adding that escortees must have a residence as their destination. It is up to the dispatcher, who receives the calls requesting escorts, to decide which calls are legitimate, she said.

"(A person wanting an escort) to go from a fraternity to an apartment is legitimate," Gerber said. "To go from a fraternity to a fraternity is not."

The escort service, formerly part of the Campus Life Assistance Program, is now run by the Department of University Safety.

The escorts are readily identifiable because they wear regulation "Escort" jackets and must also show a numbered badge bearing their student identification, Gerber said.

Before the program became part of the Department of University Safety, most of the escorts began as volunteers, Waitneigh said. All escorts are now paid \$4 per hour and do not work more than 20 per week, she added.

Even though the service has become

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Dunking dad

Twelve-year-old Craig Hamilton of Bellefonte sits in a dunking booth while his father, Keith Hamilton, tries to throw the ball that will put Craig in the water. The dunking booth was part of the activities at the Mothers Against Drunk Driving "Drive for Life," held Saturday at Bellefonte's Talleyrand Park. Please see a story about the event on page 6.

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Bush to chart drug strategies in first televised address

From Staff and Wire Reports

WASHINGTON, D.C. — President Bush, back at the White House after a three-week vacation, put the finishing touches yesterday on a major speech on fighting drugs by attacking both supply and demand.

The Oval Office address tonight will be Bush's first formal nationally televised address since becoming president. He is expected to outline a \$7.8 billion program of stiffer penalties for narcotics users, more treatment for addicts and more aid to Latin American nations to help them cut supplies.

All three commercial networks and CNN plan to broadcast the speech at 9 p.m.

University professors anticipate that Bush's proposal will be insufficient.

Alan A. Block, professor of Administration of Justice, said he believes Bush's proposal to be "stupid."

"I don't think it will be very successful," he said. "It will only make a difference to the (individual middleman)."

Block said concentration should remain on the kingpins because they are much harder to replace than the middlemen.

"There's always someone to take (the middleman's) place," he said.

Richard B. Gregg, professor of speech communications, agreed with Block that Bush's proposals are insufficient. He also said Bush is taking a stand on drugs only because the public has made it a priority issue.

"We're going to hear about actions that are partly for show," he said.

However, Gregg said he does not believe Bush's ideas are completely ineffectual.

"I think he'll follow through (on some of his proposals). . . I don't think it'll be enough."

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Before leaving his summer vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine, the president told fellow parishioners Sunday at church that his anti-drug message to Americans will be a call to "involve yourselves in the lives of others."

Bush is seeking to redeem a campaign pledge that he stressed in his inaugural address when he said of the burgeoning drug problem, "Take my word for it, this scourge will end."

The administration also has not ruled out sending U.S. troops to Colombia, a chief source of cocaine, to bolster the battle against drug traffickers.

White House Chief of Staff John Sununu said the military could be ordered to take an active role in the war against drugs if Colombia asks for it.

"It's a decision that the president would have to make" if the Latin American nation requests troops, Sununu said.

On Sunday, \$65 million worth of U.S. military equipment and other aid, accompanied by up to 100 American military trainers, began arriving in Colombia.

Some Democrats are expressing skepticism about Bush's commitment to the war on drugs.

"The single most important thing the president must do when he announces his plan, whatever the cost . . . is to tell us how we are going to pay for it and commit that we will pay for it," said Sen. Joseph R. Biden Jr., D-Del., chair-

New drug program to begin

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Pennfree — the state's newly enacted anti-drug program ordered by Gov. Robert P. Casey — will take effect this month following President Bush's announcement of the federal drug bill tonight.

The program will receive \$230 million from the state, but depending on Bush's plan federal funds could increase the total amount, said Emerson Moran, Casey's senior policy adviser on alcohol and drugs.

Under Pennfree, \$141 million will go to drug treatment, \$49 million for enforcement, and \$40 million for prevention and education.

"(Drugs) rob the individual of the ability to participate in their own life," Moran said, adding that treatment requires the most attention because "if you help the addict break the addiction, you don't have the problem."

Student Assistance Programs and school-based education are a few of the many areas given special focus under Pennfree.

"The governor's goal is to have anti-drug education in every classroom from kindergarten to 12th grade," Moran said. "If you don't start showing (students) the damage that can be done to them, you are going to lose them."

Community groups will also be able to apply for funding, but their need will be determined by their productivity, Moran said.

Sally Hoover, director of On Drugs Inc. — a free and confidential community-based organization downtown — believes that education is the most productive means of reducing the prevalence of drugs.

"We do a lot of education type programs for groups on- or off-campus," she said. "By involving the parents, (young children) will be educated."

Hoover said hotline calls to On Drugs, 236 S. Allen St., have increased 64 percent in the last three months, but client contact can probably be attributed to more hard-hitting messages on television, and the greater effort

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man of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Democrats may offer legislation to rival the president's version depending on the administration's proposals, Biden added.

That could include debt relief for Latin American nations to subsidize withdrawal of farm land from producing coca crops that are refined to produce cocaine.

Democratic Mayor Tom Bradley of Los Angeles said over the weekend that the size of the program Bush is expected to endorse is inadequate.

William J. Bennett, the nation's new drug czar who played in key role in devising the administration's battle plan, has said law enforcement must go after the casual drug user as well as the drug cartels.

Refugees disheartened by another delay

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BUDAPEST, Hungary — Thousands of East Germans waiting in the cold rain for passage to a new life in the West got the disheartening word from Hungarian officials Monday that their exodus depends on further talks with East Berlin.

Interior Minister Istvan Horvath was quoted as telling the West German weekly *Stern* that East and West Germany need to agree on the refugee crisis, and this could take "perhaps a month, or 1½" months.

The headline East German government is angry over the planned mass exodus and Hungary's role in it.

A well-placed Hungarian official, who spoke to *The Associated Press* on condition of anonymity, also cited "need for further talks" with East Germany before Hungary gives the go-ahead for an organized mass departure to West Germany via Austria.

As recently as Sunday, West German and Hungarian officials had suggested the departure was imminent of 4,700 East Germans marking time in tents and summer cabins at five makeshift refugee camps in Hungary.

East German refugees began fleeing to the West through Hungary after the liberal communist regime in Budapest decided in May to remove barbed wire and other obstacles from its frontier with Austria.

Since May, an estimated 6,000 East Germans have fled to Austria. Their final destination is West Germany, which gives them automatic citizenship and generous help in starting new lives.

Interior Ministry spokesmen were not available to comment on the *Stern* interview yesterday.

But a woman answering the telephone at the ministry secretariat said Horvath spoke to *Stern* Aug. 29, two days before Reszo Nyers, president of the Hungarian Communist Party, promised West German Social Democrat politician Karsten Voigt the East Germans could leave.

Many East Germans waiting to go West have told reporters they fear they'll be fired and face legal action if they return.

But in a statement issued by its Budapest consulate late yesterday, East Germany promised for the first time that those coming home would have the right to return to their jobs. It said anew they would not face punishment and could apply for emigration once they returned home.

Some of the East Germans have been waiting to leave for more than a month, and yesterday's news of a possible delay struck like a bombshell.

At one Budapest camp — off-limits to reporters like the four others — dozens broke off lunches, rushing out the main gate to mob Western reporters to ask if Horvath's comments were true.

"The bread almost fell out of my mouth," said a 39-

year-old engineer from Dresden with two children. "If that's true, I'm finished, I have to go back to East Germany. I have no more money, and my children are sick."

"They can't do this to us," said a young, single mother, her eyes brimming over with tears. "We've been here for 15 days, and now they're taking away our last hope."

Earlier, West German diplomat Gunter Mulack told reporters Bonn was just waiting for Budapest's word to launch the caravan westward through Austria to newly built tent cities in Bavaria.

The refugee camp behind him appeared quieter than usual. Most residents were inside because of rain and unseasonable cold.

This would be the largest single transfer of East Germans to the West since the Berlin Wall was built in August 1961 and would be an unprecedented case of cooperation between a Soviet bloc and NATO nation to resettle citizens of another Eastern European nation in the West.

The lake is popular with the 1 million East German tourists who visit Hungary each year. Up to 200,000 East Germans are thought to be in Hungary now and Premier Miklos Nemeth has said 20,000 may want to go to West Germany.

Hungarian officials said solving the problem was up to the two Germans, but then Nyers told Voigt the East Germans would be allowed to go West.

University employees appointed as administrative fellows

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Two University employees were appointed administrative fellows Thursday as part of a two-year-old program to help women and minority employees gain administrative experience.

Lydia Abdullah, an audit manager in the corporate controller's office, and Terrell Jones, associate director of the Division of Campus Life, were the sixth and seventh fellows named to the annual positions.

Abdullah, an alumna of the University, began

working at the University in 1975 in the accounting department. She began as an accounting trainee, then worked as an assistant auditor and an auditor until 1979, when she became audit manager.

Abdullah is active in the community, serving as secretary for the Mount Nittany Christian School Parent/Teachers Association and notary for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

She belongs to the Institute of Internal Auditors and served as chair for the Corporate Controller's Opinion Survey Response Committee this year.

Terrell Jones began his employment at the University in 1977, serving as assistant dean of student

life and assistant director of admissions. Abdullah and Jones were the sixth and seventh fellows named to the annual positions.

An alumnus of Lock Haven University and Penn State, Jones also served as an area coordinator in University residence halls and was an assistant director of residential life programs in East Halls before he became the associate director of the Division of Campus Life in 1984.

Jones is coordinator of the University Inter-group Relations Program, a position he has held since 1980. He created and put into effect a one-day workshop on increasing sensitivity to culturally different students and staff for University employees.

He served as president of the Forum on Black Affairs and as a chairman of its University Community Relations Committee.

Also active in the community, Jones is chairman of the Centre County Advisory Council of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, where he has been a member since 1986.

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WEATHER

Today through tomorrow, partly cloudy skies and pleasant temperatures. High today 78, low tonight 58, high tomorrow 79. Please see story on Hurricane Gabrielle, page 24. . . . Ross Dickman