

Faculty Senate to hear student behavior report

More students are using a University policy that allows them to drop classes without penalty 10 days into the semester, and with a small penalty until the end of the 12th week, a University official said.

Frank Kristine, assistant professor of chemistry at Mont Alto campus and a faculty senator, will present this finding and others he gathered from a University Faculty Senate committee grade distribution report at the Faculty Senate meeting at 1 this afternoon in 112 Kern.

The policy, adopted in the fall of 1989, allows each student 16 late-drop credits for their undergraduate academic career, Kristine said.

Kristine said 7.3 percent of students withdrew from classes during Spring Semester 1990, the first semester with the new rule. About 5.1 percent withdrew during the semester in spring of 1989.

Kristine said statistics also indicate more instructors are using the plus-minus grading system implemented in 1988. In Spring Semester 1989 A-minuses made up 10.6 percent of all grades. In Spring Semester 1988 A-minuses comprised 9.8 percent of students' grades.

In other business, the senate will present changes in its academic and athletic-standards policy.

— by Aminah Franklin

Parking proposal requires motorists to buy permits

The State College Borough Planning Commission may require commuters to have permits to park on residential streets.

A proposed ordinance will go before State College Borough Council next month, Borough Planning Director Carl Hess said.

"Eventually those streets will be assigned to resident parking only," Hess said.

The proposed ordinance would set aside separate areas for commuter and resident parking, he said.

Planning Commission Chairman Peter Everett suggested that a third district, with a two-hour parking limit and requiring no permit, be added for shoppers and visitors.

Hess said that having three districts would make enforcement difficult.

The planning commission staff will

suggest to borough council that the cost of permits be considerably higher for commuters than residents. Commuters would probably pay \$30 per month, while residents would pay \$7 to \$10 per year, Hess said.

Having a permit would not guarantee a parking space however, Hess said.

"If you buy a commuter permit you're competing for a space," he said. Alternatives for commuters include

riding Centre Area Transportation Authority buses and subscribing to the park-and-ride program, Hess said.

Everett said the park and ride program, in which commuters park their cars in a parking lot and ride a CATA bus to work, has had minimal success. Everett said the higher charge of commuter permits will encourage commuters to use park and ride.

—by Kristine Lamey

Judge strikes law barring gay people from adopting

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP) — A county judge yesterday declared unconstitutional a 14-year-old state law that prevented homosexuals from adopting children.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Florida challenged the law on behalf of an AIDS activist whose application last May to adopt a "special needs" child was rejected because he is gay.

Monroe County Circuit Judge M. Ignatius Lester

ruled that the law violates the constitutional right to privacy, equal protection and due process.

"The statute suffers from the trite notions of homosexuals' unsuitability as fit parents and evidences discrimination through archaic stereotypes associated with homosexuals," Lester said in his 22-page ruling.

"Homosexuals have been proven to be capable, loving parents whose sexual orientation is not necessarily

adopted by their children," he said.

The ACLU said New Hampshire is now the only state that explicitly forbids homosexuals from adopting. Lester's ruling invalidates the adoption ban in Monroe County and could persuade other judges in Florida to follow his lead.

The lawsuit was filed on behalf of Edward Seebol, 53, a 23-year resident of Key West.



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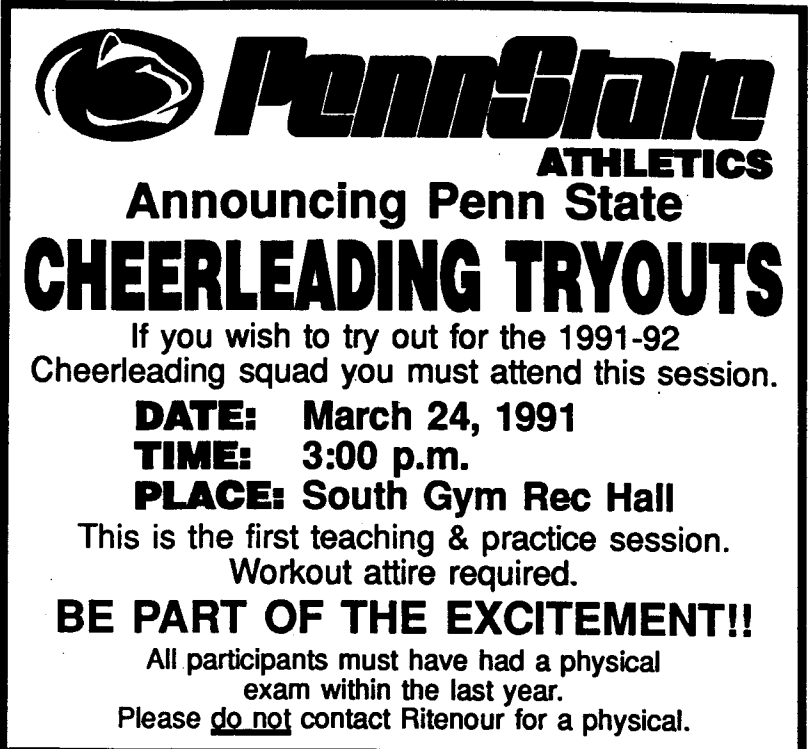
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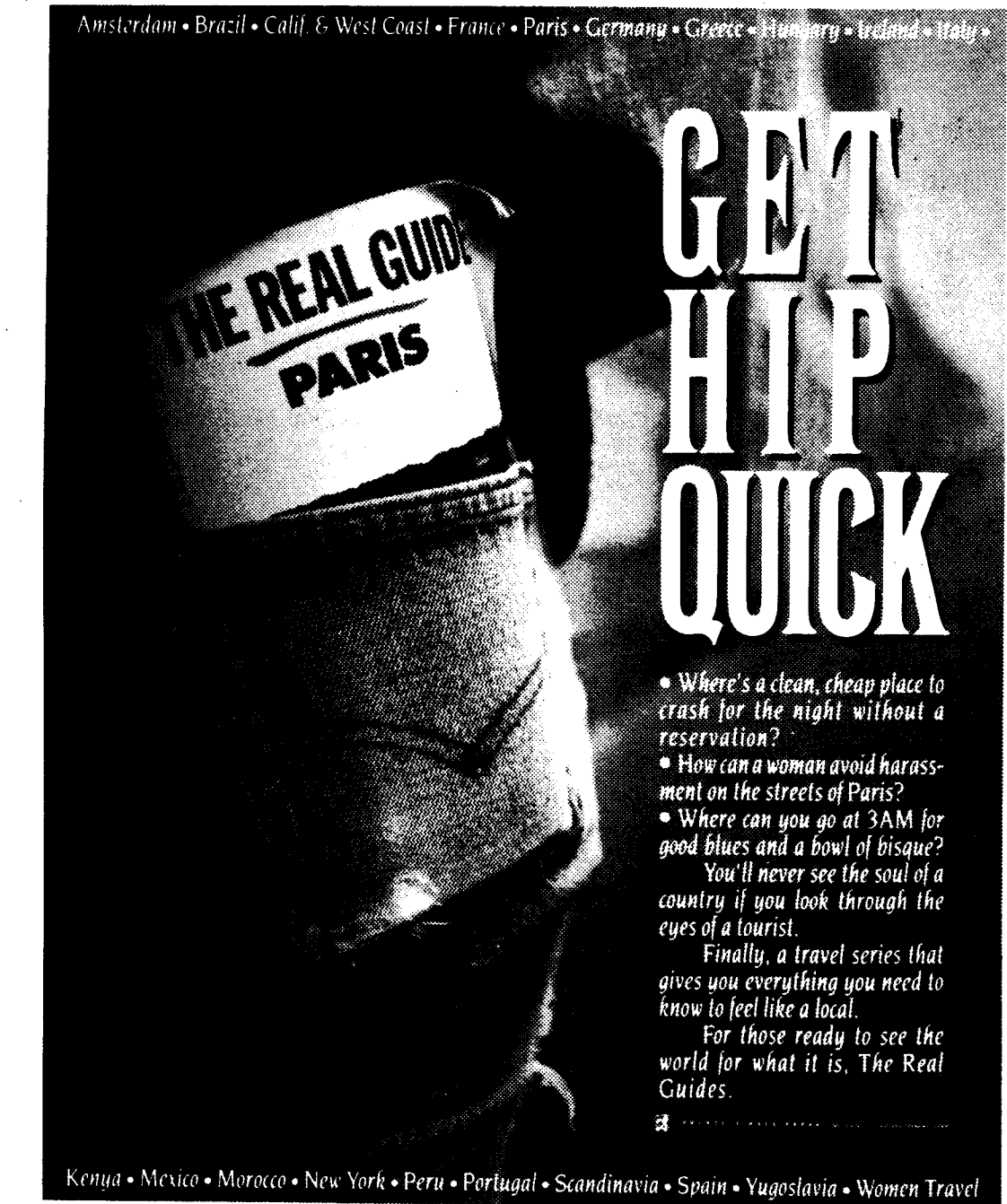
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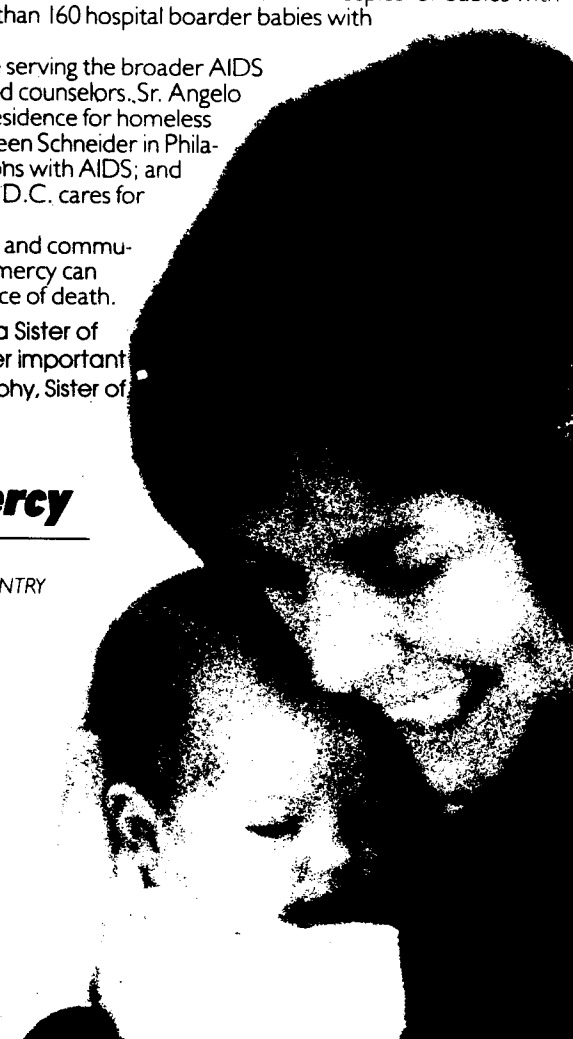
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