#### The Daily Collegian Wednesday, Sept. 11, 1991-3

## **Collegian Briefs**

### Spread the word

If any group, organization or individual has information they would like printed about an upcoming event, please deliver it to The Daily Collegian at least one week prior to the event. Our address is listed below.

## **Collegian Notes**

■ The Center for Women Students is holding a brown bag lunch seminar on current on-campus issues from noon to 1 today in 120 Boucke.

■ Free University is holding a Marxist forum at 8 tonight in 112 Sacket.

■ The fourth annual Engineering and Science Career Day is being held today in the HUB Ballroom, Fishbowl and the Reading Room.

■ The International Student Council will have a general meeting at 7:30 tonight in 318-319 HUB.

■ Penn State Pro-Solution will meet from 7 to 9 tonight in 218 Willard. Tonight's topic is unemployment in Centre County.

■ The Penn State Swimming and Diving Teams are sponsoring a blood drive from noon to 5 today in the McCoy Natatorium.

■ The Phi Beta Lamba professional business fraternity will have a rush mixer from 6:30 to 8 tonight in 305 HUB.

The Phi Gamma Nu professional business fraternity is holding its fall rush from 8:30 to 10 tonight in the HUB Gallery Lounge.

■ The **Psi Chi National Honor Society** is holding an informational meeting at 7:30 tonight in 151 Willard.

■ The Ultimate Frisbee Club will practice at 5 today at Pollock Field.

■ Whovians of Penn State, the Doctor Who Society, is having its first meeting at 7:30 tonight in 351 Willard.

## How To Contact Us

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## Corrections

If you have a correction and cannot reach the responsible reporter, editor or department, please ask for Isabel Molina, editor.

## **Police Log**

■ Theft: James Caputo of 711 University Drive reported that 45 compact discs were taken from his residence between 11 p.m. and 2 a.m. Sept. 8 while he was out, State College Bureau of Police Services said. There were no signs of forced entry. The discs are worth \$675. ■ Theft: Diana Brewer of Boalsburg reported that someone took 20 cassette tapes from her locked car Monday night while it was parked in Parking Lot RI, University Police Services said.

The tapes are worth \$200.



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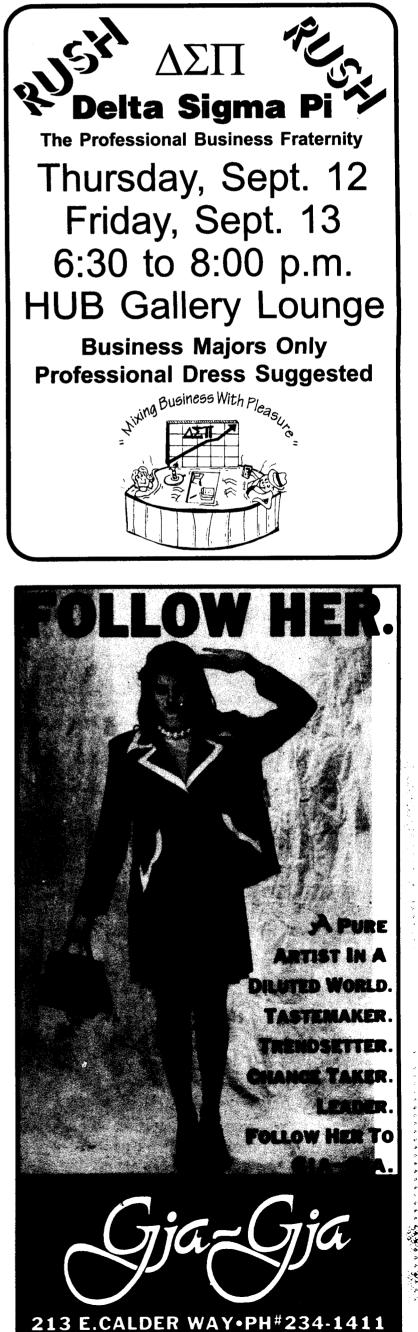
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■ Theft: Thomas Strzalkowski of Watts Hall reported that his Schwinn mountain bike was taken sometime between Sept. 6 and Sept. 7 from outside 456 E. Beaver Ave., where it had been chained to a lamppost, State College police said. The bike is worth \$300. ■ Theft: Brian Payne of 1605 Hawthorne Drive reported that \$125 in cash was taken from a wallet in his book bag on Sept. 9 at about 4:10 p.m. from a car wash on the 700 block of Bellaire Avenue, State College police said.

— compiled by Lisa Pasquarello and Tracey Topper

# Adult students reach to make ends meet

#### By WENDY KOPS Collegian Staff Writer

Kathy Linden spent 18 years buying food in bulk, and cultivating her garden using only \$80 a month, to feed her child and herself. Although her daughter is now grown, her thriftiness is still needed as she tackles a college education.

Linden receives financial aid because she is a full-time student but her status as a returning adult student has not helped her receive extra financial compensations.

"When I first considered returning to school, I was told that I had to attend school full-time," said Linden (sophomore-English). "I couldn't see leaving my 6-year-old child for so long."

Linden decided to attend the University when her daughter was older, and she could handle going to class full time to receive financial aid.

Federal financial aid programs do not differentiate whether an applicant is a returning adult or not, said Edward Mills, director of client and campus services. The Office for Student Financial Aid and the Returning Adult Student Center counsel adult learners like Linden, because their situations are different from the traditional college student, Mills said.

A student is considered an adult if he or she is over the age of 24, is a veteran of the armed services, was on hiatus for four or more years or assumes multiple adult roles, said Charlene Harrison, director of the Returning Adult Student Center.

Seventeen percent of the undergraduate students at Penn State are over the age of 24 and there are "I couldn't see leaving my 6-year-old child for so long."

> — Kathy Linden sophomore-English

8 percent at University Park, Harrison said.

Because of their circumstances it is difficult for many returning adults to attend college full-time, she said. But unless they are full-time, degreeseeking students, they can't receive work-study grants, scholarships or in many cases any financial aid, she said.

The deadlines to apply for financial aid are set for the traditional college student, without any allowances for different circumstances that adults may have, Harrison said. "Not everybody is able to stop their life," Linden said. "It's a big change for a lot of people."

Adult students can't always think long term because they can't anticipate a spouse walking out or losing a job, Harrison said. The students miss the aid deadline and it's too late to get any help, she added.

"The system is not contemporary with who the students are today," Harrison said.

Many of the adult students are more versed in finances, because they are unlike the traditional student who is right out of high school and has relied on his or her parents until entering college, Linden said. For instance Linden cans and freezes her garden's products and buys supplies in bulk to diminish living costs.