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faculty members are anxious. "We're living in a much more rapidly changing time and it's unsettling," he said. Because the news was just released, many staff members do not have enough information about to support or oppose them. Jack Butke, associate provost and senior associate dean at the Allentown Campus, said people are "cautiously optimistic" about the plans for change. "It's all too soon for people to have any strong reactions," he said. Council of Commonwealth Student Governments Vice Coordina-

tor J. Benjamin Faulds agreed that it was too early to decide about the plan. "I think that we're going to need a little more information before we can make up our minds," he said. "But the concept is a step in the right direction for the growth of the CES." CCSG Campus Chair Steve Landon said the proposal was thrust on everyone suddenly. "The chief concern is that the Commonwealth Campuses and the students give input before steps are taken," he said. York Campus Student Government Association President Thane

Fake said he was discouraged by what he heard from Spanier. "Our campus people are quite upset that we're getting mandated down to three options," he said. "It really means the future of the campus you're proud to be attending." The York Campus will choose from becoming part of Penn State Harrisburg, continuing its present mission with an alteration or becoming part of a multi-campus/college with the Mont Alto Campus. But CCSG Coordinator Matthew Plocki remains upbeat about the future of the Commonwealth Campuses.

"I'm very optimistic that we can find a unique purpose for all the locations," he said. Gannon also has faith in the direction of change. "Of course there are individuals who are nervous," she said. "But I'm confident we'll emerge fine from the process. In the end we're going to be happy with the change." Penn State Harrisburg SGA President Duane Brooks said he thinks the changes are good. "I'm a kind of person for change, and I think he's trying to implement change for the good."



Singled out

A group of students participate in the East Halls Residence Association-sponsored game show "Singled Out" yesterday. Each of the three winning couples received movie passes

Advising

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access to advising information for advisers. The goal is to maintain the one-on-one adviser-advisee relationship, but to free up time for quality conversation about choice of major, future plans and personal concerns, Melander said. Some students said it is difficult to find time to see their advisers now, but the new system could make time with advisers more well spent. "I'm a double major with a minor, so I constantly have to go to my adviser for signatures that are rubber-stamped," said Rob Denshaw (senior-biology and philosophy). "I feel like I'm wasting my time and his. If I could do it by computer rather than tramping all

over campus, I'd be all for it." And one adviser said the new system should ease the time constraints of advising. "My students are having trouble making appointments with me," said Sue Winck, academic adviser in the Smeal College of Business and committee member. "There are not enough advisers for the number of students at the University. If there wasn't the interactive part of the system, I would be worried about students late-dropping on their own." But some advisers fear that the new system will mean students will no longer come to talk to them, said Gary Hile, director of academic records and committee member. "By removing the first couple of layers of bureaucratic detail —

rules and regulations — advising contact becomes more meaningful," Hile said. "Our intent is in no way to remove the adviser from the student." Denshaw said students can not get personal advice from a computer, so they will still go to their advisers for advice. Dan Grow, coordinator of the Office of Certification and Education Services said some students might never go see an adviser if they do not need a signature. But he said the technology could allow the adviser and student to pursue more contact. "Actually, it enhances the level of communication," Grow said. "It's getting more personal than it seemed before. It's empowering students more, but it's entrusting

more responsibility on them." Gary Gray, honors adviser for students in engineering science and mechanics, said this is the best idea he has heard for advisers since he came to the University. "I spend the majority of my time looking through rules and books," Gray said. "The role of the adviser should be guidance. E-mail is less personal, but when a student sends me a question on E-mail at 3 a.m., I can't answer it when I get in the morning." John Romano, vice provost for enrollment management and administration, said that overcomes one of the greatest disadvantages of current academic advising — "My adviser ain't there."

Olympics

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"I'm really happy for her," he said. "I think she's a person that worked really hard to get herself in a position like that. . . . She just did so much for our program and so much for me that I'm just really happy. Our reward was being around Salima. Her reward is that she's going to be in Atlanta in '96. She's got her work cut out for her." Davidson's future sees nothing but hard work. Of the 16 team members, 12 will be in uniform. "Right now, I'm the third setter

on the team," she said. "But if I can push the other players to play better; then that's great." Mirroring former coach Rose's personality, Davidson's main concerns are playing well, displaying leadership and giving all she's got. "You're ready for anything after playing for Coach," she said. Davidson's career with the Lady Lions was one of great success, ranking her fourth on the all-time list in assists (1,278). Davidson was named All-Big Ten four times and an All-American thrice.

Blind Melon singer dies

By EILEEN LOH Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS — Shannon Hoon, whose smooth, high-pitched vocals took the rock group Blind Melon to the top of the charts with its eclectic 1993 debut hit "No Rain," died Saturday. He was 28. Hoon was found dead on his tour bus about 1:30 p.m. His sound manager apparently couldn't wake him and called police, said Sgt. Marlon DeFillo. He said there was no sign of trauma, and the cause of death remains unclassified pending an autopsy. Blind Melon was in New Orleans to play at the famed Tipitina's music club. The tour bus was in a parking lot on St. Charles Ave. near where the group recorded its sec-

ond album, "Soup," in the city's Warehouse District. Hoon, born Richard Shannon Hoon in Lafayette, Ind., experienced both personal and profession turmoil as his band gained fame. In an interview last month with The Associated Press, Hoon said he began going through a period of intense self-evaluation after learning his girlfriend Lisa was pregnant. "I need to start caring about myself if I'm going to be the proper father," Hoon said. Hoon told The Indianapolis Star last month he had straightened himself out and wanted to get a motor home to tour with his girlfriend Lisa and their 3-month-old daughter Nico Blue. The three lived together in Lafayette.

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