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A good day to roll around in the leaves. Today, partly cloudy, high 72. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of a passing shower, low 44. Tomorrow, loads of sunshine return, high 65.



— by Paul Markowski

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Brian Yingling (junior-agricultural business management) tries to hold in his Old Main office. The event, which took place from 3 to 6 p.m. yesterday, was the first of its kind.

## Public peeks into Spanier's world

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As sunlight highlighted the blue and white chalk paw prints that lined the sidewalks in front of Old Main yesterday and the blue and white balloons that adorned Old Main's banisters, students, visitors, faculty and staff lined up to meet University President Graham Spanier.

From 3 to 6 p.m. Spanier opened his office in 201 Old Main to the University in an unprecedented open house.

"During the nine years I was on the faculty and in the administration at Penn State, I had never seen the president's office, and I thought now that it's my office, I should do something about it," Spanier said. "The president's office has been the site of a lot of important decisions in Penn State's history. I wanted to open the doors of the president's office to people who might otherwise never have a chance to see it."

Visitors packed his office, exchanging thoughts with Spanier at the door and munching on cookies and punch.

Students and staff said they were impressed with Spanier's openness and interest in meeting them.

"It's really an honor on a campus with 50-, 60- or 70-thousand people," said Stephanie Taleff (junior-environmental resource management). "He tries to be personal on a campus that's very impersonal."

Taleff said former University President Joab Thomas seemed friendly, but he never opened his office during his tenure.

"People in power always say they want to

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## Russian troops to assist with Bosnian peace

### Yeltsin refuses NATO rule

By TERENCE HUNT  
AP White House Correspondent

HYDE PARK, N.Y. — In an unexpected move toward agreement, Boris Yeltsin pledged to President Clinton yesterday that Russian troops would help enforce peace in Bosnia. But the two leaders remained deadlocked on the key question of whether Russian forces would serve under NATO command.

"We have the responsibility to work together to make the peace work and we will do that," Clinton said after four hours of talks at Franklin Roosevelt's ancestral home overlooking the Hudson River.

Yeltsin, in an emotional statement, said the talks defied negative forecasts and were "the friendliest meeting, the best meeting, the most understandable meeting."

Despite the declarations of friendship and progress, the two leaders refused to budge from opposite views on how to structure a Bosnian peacekeeping force in the event of a war-ending agreement, senior administration officials said.

Yeltsin insisted that Russians would not serve under NATO, the Western military alliance initially formed against Moscow. But for Clinton, having NATO run the operation is essential.

The two leaders directed Defense Secretary William Perry and Russian Defense Minister Pavel Grachev to meet this week to find a way to bridge the dispute. "It's not a political impasse, it's a military question," said a senior U.S. official who sat in on the talks.

"Our position is that we're going to have an operation that works," Clinton said. "We want Russia to be involved in it."

Yeltsin expressed confidence a solution would be found. "You are underestimating the presence of two such great powers," he told reporters.

Clinton and Yeltsin summed up their meeting at an impromptu news conference on the porch of Roosevelt's mansion, a site chosen to evoke the spirit of World War II cooperation that united Washington and Moscow. The grounds of the estate — now a national historic site — were ablaze with autumn color.

Clinton and Yeltsin talked very little about NATO expansion eastward toward Russia's borders, thereby bypassing another contentious subject. Yeltsin had warned Sunday that expanding NATO eastward would risk new confrontation and divide Europe into two blocs.

Looking for accord, they agreed to work for a ban next year on all nuclear tests and to improve security at Russian nuclear sites to guard against theft of weapons materials.

They also decided to move ahead with a compromise to amend a 1990 treaty calling for reductions in NATO and former Warsaw Pact tanks, artillery, aircraft, helicopters and armored vehicles by mid-November.

## U.S. troops prepare to meet pledge

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GRAFENWOEHR, Germany — Shouting to be heard amid the din of exploding shells, American soldiers training for a mission into Bosnia-Herzegovina had two succinct questions on their minds: What exactly is their job and how long will it last?

President Clinton has promised 25,000 U.S. troops to an eventual NATO force that would be sent to implement a peace treaty and separate the warring factions in Bosnia.

"I think the biggest concern is how long it's going to be. Peacekeeping missions usually have a limit and we'd like to know what it is," said Sgt. Bett Fisher, 31, of Eugene, Ore.

Based with the 3-4 Cavalry in Schweinfurt, Germany, Fisher was being trained to man checkpoints during the two-day maneuvers at the Grafenwoehr training area in the rolling, forested countryside near the Czech border.

"If the people down there want us, we should go in, if they don't, we shouldn't," said Spec. Nelson Palmer, 21, of Piedmont, Ala., a member of Fisher's unit.

"Every soldier volunteered for the job, but I've been concerned about how long I'll be there," said Palmer as he prepared a

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## New addresses aimed at improving 911

The Centre County Board of Commissioners encouraged the new assignments to help emergency workers find people in trouble.

By ANNE SAVANICK  
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Most people's addresses change only when they move — usually when they go to school or to a new job. But for many residents of rural Centre County, their recent address change may seem a bit mysterious.

With the logistics of the county's 911 service in mind, the Centre County Board of Commissioners has encouraged the local municipalities to name rural routes and assign addresses to houses, instead

of just assigning box numbers.

Evan Smith, Centre County director of administrative services, said the addresses will improve county safety by making the 911 system more efficient.

Now, 911 operators have to ask directions to the site of the emergency, said Elwood Williams, director of the 911/Emergency Communication Center of Centre County.

Although the recent address changes are not the direct result of the 911 system, between 18 and 24 months from now, all residences and businesses will be required to

have addresses, Williams said.

During that time, the county will start the Enhanced 911 system, that will automatically locate a residence and give directions to emergency personnel, he said.

The addresses are necessary for emergency response teams so rescue workers can locate more quickly where the call is coming from, Williams said.

In rural areas, residents use landmarks to locate houses, he said. The problem, he said, is usually people outside of the community do not know the landmarks.

The enhanced 911 system will eliminate the need for emergency operators to ask for directions, Williams said.

The local emergency personnel

have to deal with that problem now, Smith said, and the lack of directions has always been a problem.

But, as far as Williams knows, no one has been affected by emergency personnel not arriving quickly.

Changing from the rural route system is a priority of the national postal service, and the 911 changes have helped to speed the procedure.

"When you go countywide 911, it helps you see the problem," Smith said.

In an effort to make the transition to the "new" addresses easier, he said the local municipalities will work with the post office.

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## Homecoming has mixed effect on participating athletes

Editor's Note: This is the second story in a six-part series examining how diverse University groups view Homecoming. This report focuses on athletes.

By GEOFF MOSHER  
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There is little doubt football is the main reason for Homecoming's success.

For some athletes, Homecoming is a time to play hard, look impressive and satisfy the alumni who make the annual trip to Happy Valley to enjoy a weekend filled with sporting events and festivities. But for others, Homecoming is no different than any other weekend, no matter how many fans and alumni are present, their job is to perform.

"Homecoming up here is different than high school," said Lion football senior defensive end Terry



Killens. "I treat it just like a regular football game. For the crowd it's special, but for players it's just like any other game."

The crowd is an important factor in any game, but for some athletes, an audience's expectation will not be a driving factor to excel or compete at a higher level. To junior flanker Freddie Scott, Homecoming is business as usual.

"Just because it's Homecoming, I don't put any added pressure on myself to perform," he said. "If you need a motivation like Homecoming to perform, you have some

other problems." Homecoming may have more of a positive effect on other fall sports.

Lion soccer midfielder Dave Weil agrees "you can never have Homecoming without football," but knows football draws the large crowds that can be beneficial for other sports.

"Through high school and college I've known it as more football-oriented," the redshirt junior said. "But if more people come to see us and recognize that we're a good team, then they might be willing to come see us in the future."

Lady Lion soccer forward Rachel Hoffman is excited about Homecoming and playing in front of large crowds at the game against Seton Hall on Sunday, regardless of the football orientation.

"Obviously there is going to be a lot of people," she said. "You want to go out and do your best. It's a

Non-Greeks to receive more recognition at Homecoming

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fun-filled weekend. Everyone wants to win during Homecoming weekend — lots of alumni and fans are going to be here."

But for those athletes that will not be around Happy Valley this weekend, the absence of Homecoming-crazed crowds and festivities is upsetting.

Women's volleyball outside hitter Emily Stout said she wishes she could be around to witness the wacky weekend for her first time.

"I've never been around to see Homecoming," Stout said. "I have no idea what it's like. I kinda would

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## Blowing bubbles over Beaver

Brian Beckenbaugh (junior-recreation and park management), left, and James Cipriano (junior-computer science) blow bubbles yesterday from their apartment on the 12th floor of Penn Tower, 255 E. Beaver Ave.