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## Powell ends suspense: Will not run in '96



retired Gen. Colin Powell will not run for president

#### By JIM KINNEY Collegian Staff Writer

He won't. After keeping pundits on the edge of their

seats since his retirement, Colin Powell finally answered the "will he or won't he?" question.

In an Alexandria, Va. news conference yesterday, Powell - citing family concerns - announced that he has no intention of running for elected office in 1996.

While many observers accepted the retired-general's decision, several could not help being a little disappointed.

Ryan Chrissis (sophomore-hotel, restaurant and institutional management) said he would have voted for Powell next November. "I'm disappointed," he said. "I don't think

Clinton knows what he is doing there. We need someone with a more military background.'

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Dole may re-emerge as GOP

Yesterday was the first time that Powell had publicly announced that he is a Republican and supports many of the party's efforts to reign in spending.

Jack Madore, Centre County Republican Committee chairman, said he thinks Powell's presence can only help the party.

"With a man of his stature," he said, "you are glad to have him be a member of your party.'

Madore said he was hoping Powell would have at least made himself available for the second spot on the GOP ticket.

ruled out being a vice presidential candi- ates into the Democratic Party.

date," he said. "If he became the vice president he would eventually be the president."

The immediate beneficiary, Madore said, will be Majority Leader Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kansas, whose front-runner status was only in doubt because no one knew whether Powell would run.

Others within the party also see Powell's decision as windfall for Dole.

Joe King, executive director of the Republican State Committee of Pennsylvania, said he thinks Powell's announcement will clear the way for Dole.

"I think you can pretty much assume Bob Dole will be president," he said. "I think the nomination is Bob Dole's to lose.

Democrats hope Powell's absence will help them.

Lynn DuBois, a Pennsylvania Democratic State Committee member from Centre Coun-"I guess I'm a little disappointed that he ty, said the announcement will bring moder-

Because Powell takes a more moderate stand on many social issues, DuBois said, he would have taken votes away from President Bill Clinton in the general election next year. Powell's popularity, DuBois said, will not

rub off on the GOP, even though Powell identified himself as a Republican.

"I think people are looking at what individuals are supporting in the platform and not necessarily the party affiliation," she said. "I don't think that it hurts the Democratic Party that this person comes out and says he's a Republican.'

Robert O'Connor, associate professor of political science, said Powell's announcement will not help the Republicans.

"No one out there is going to say 'Gee, I'm a Democrat but this guy is a Republican I'm going to change because of this guy.'

O'Connor said he predicts Powell will disappear from the political scene.

"Powell is history."

## **Computer woes** may be lessened

## University allocates millions for lab condition improvement

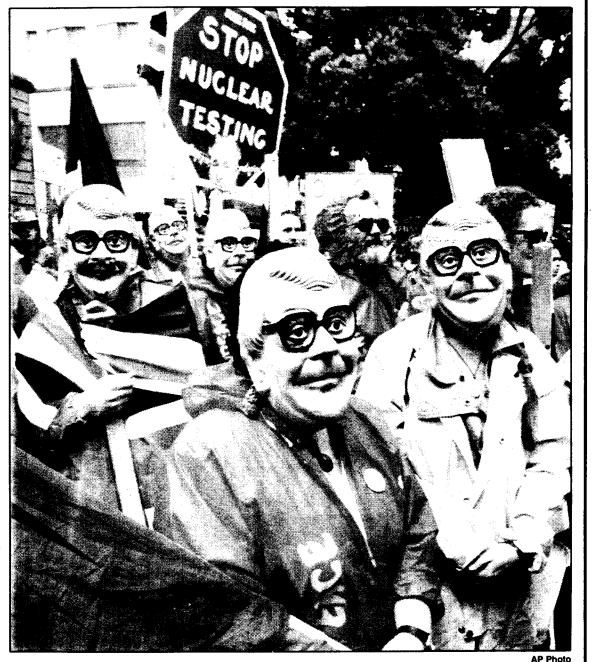
By PAULA SHAKI Collegian Staff Writer

The days of not being able to log on to a computer for two hours and not being able to find a lab attendant to help may soon be over.

The University allocated \$2 million for improvements in the central computing area and in each and consultants would answer softcollege, said Executive Vice President and Provost John Brighton.

Currently, no lab attendants work in any computer labs, said Nicole Radziwill, a lab consultant in the Waring Commons lab. Consultants and rovers work there instead, she said.

"Before, when you had consultants and lab attendants, the attendant would fix hardware problems ware questions," Radziwill said. "Now, consultants answer software



## CCSG fires staff person over E-mail

#### By MEGAN DONLEY Collegian Staff Writer

The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments has been suffering from internal problems that recently resulted in firing Central Region Regional Director Greg Lattanzi and may lead to removing CCSG Coordinator Matthew Plocki and Vice Coordinator J. Benjamin Faulds.

Plocki said he and Faulds informed Lattanzi of the decision to fire him in an E-mail message Monday night, because they could not contact Lattanzi over the telephone. Lattanzi replied and said he plans to ask for the removal of Plocki and Faulds for constitutional reasons at the council meeting this weekend. "They can't silence me," Lattanzi said. "They're fighting a nowin scenario here. These guys are making up the rules as they go along. Plocki said he thinks it is ludicrous for Lattanzi to ask for the removal of the coordinator and vice coordinator but will abide by whatever council decides. "All of this rhetoric and mud slinging has really hurt the energy and enthusiasm of the dedicated people who work for CCSG," he said. Plocki said Lattanzi was fired because of conflicts with central staff members and complaints Plocki said he received from some central region campuses about Lattanzi's performance as regional director.

The money will be used to replace old computers, expand though they're not supposed to. existing labs, increase the number of workstations in the labs. increase modem pool lines -- the ability to access the University network from off campus - and increase support services for lab assistants.

The computer upgrades are a response to student complaints about network backups and a lack of lab attendants, as well as software problems. Students can wait in line for a computer in almost every computer lab at any given time.

"I've been hearing some of those complaints when I talk to groups for a while now," Brighton said.

The improvements should be made by January or early in Spring Semester to meet those needs as soon as possible, Brighton said. The University can spend the money because student enrollment increased by 3,000 this year.

'The enrollment income from having more students gives us more money to put back into some attendants. of the more important student needs," Brighton said.

questions and fix hardware even The rovers fix the big problems."

Although about \$250,000 of the \$2 million will be used to get permanent student help in the labs, students who use the labs have mixed feelings about lab attendants.

Justin Rutledge (senior-finance international business) said students can figure out how to use the computers themselves or ask the person sitting next to them.

But Suzanne Breslin (juniorwildlife and fishery science) said it is inconvenient that lab attendants are not always around.

"It's not that bad, but it would be nice to have somebody around to help you out," Breslin said. "I think it's probably good that they're spending money on computer labs, but it's a lot of money that they could spend on better things such as student activities.'

Radziwill said the University does not need more computer lab

"From my perspective the sys-Please see CAC, Page 12.

#### No nukes in New Zealand

Anti-nuclear demonstrators dressed in boiler suits and masks resembling British Prime Minister John Major, protest in Auckland, New Zealand. More than 2,000 people demonstrated yesterday against British support for French nuclear testing in Auckland.

Central region is comprised of Penn State Harrisburg, the York Campus, the Altoona Campus and the Mont Alto Campus.

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## Nittany Lions still vying for appearance at bowl

By MICHAEL SIGNORA Collegian Sports Writer

At each twist and turn, accompanied by trouble and triumph, broken records and blowout wins, the image of the rose remained supreme.

With victory secured week after week, resounding throughout every nook and cranny of the Penn State football program, the specter of a Pasadena parade inched closer to reality. Though that dream was realized and achieved in 1994, the postseason fate of the current Nittany Lion squad is very much in jeopardv.

Penn State sits at 6-3, 3-3 in Big Ten competition. The conference record is good for fifth place, with Michigan State in fourth at 3-2-1 and Michigan in third at 3-2. Having both teams they trail remaining on the schedule gives the Lions some control over a possible New Year's Day excursion.

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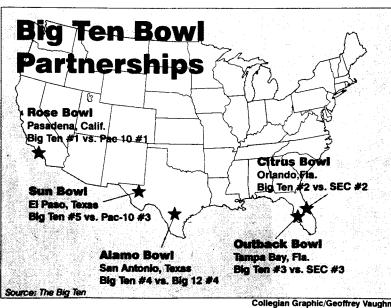
"As I've said, we're not a great Coach Joe Paterno team.' explained. "We've got a good football team and we play hard. We're going to work at it, and I think we'll improve as we go along.'

If Paterno's troops don't show improvement quickly, Penn State faces the possibility of a frigid January for the first time since the 1988 season, stuck in the bonechilling cold of central Pennsylvania instead of basking in the warm South Florida sunshine.

With victories in the final two contests of the year, the Lions will most likely be headed for Tampa Stadium and a place in the Outback Bowl. said.

Formerly known as the Hall of Fame Bowl, the Jan. 1 match-up will feature the third selections from the Big Ten and Southeastern Conference. Likely SEC opponents include Arkansas and Auburn.

football teams," Outback Bowl with home wins against Illinois and



Executive Director Jim McVay Indiana, topped by a victory in the McVay expects an announce-

ment of schools extended an invitation to be made shortly after the Rose and CompUSA Florida Citrus Bowl combatants are determined.

If Ohio State (9-0, 5-0) continues "We're going to get two very fine its undefeated march, finishing

season finale at arch-rival Michigan, the Buckeyes will head to the Rose Bowl.

Northwestern (8-1, 6-0), which closes with winnable games versus Iowa and Purdue, would finish as co-champions but play in the Citrus because Ohio State would have a Please see BOWL, Page 12.

### 1988 gold medalist pushes students toward their goals

#### **By KAREN PERRY** Collegian Staff Writer

An eclectic group of people, including students, student-athletes and faculty, gathered last night in the HUB Ballroom to hear the motivational words of Jackie Joyner-Kersee.

Joyner-Kersee, the 1988 Olympic record-breaking gold medalist in the heptathalon and long jump, was the featured keynote speaker of Panhellenic Council's 1995 Women's Awareness Week.

Joyner-Kersee, whose involvement with track and field began when she was growing up in East St. Louis, Ill., motivated the audience with stories of her experiences in athletics. She cited examples from her childhood, high school years, college years at UCLA, and the 1984 Olympics, which she said contributed to her positive attitude.

Her experience at the 1984 Olympics, where she won a silver

medal in the heptathalon, was bittersweet for Joyner-Kersee. She was a strong contender for the gold medal, but a hamstring injury early on affected her attitude throughout the rest of the games.

"I never went to the line thinking that . . . if I have to pull every muscle in my body to get the job done, whatever it takes for me to win, I'm going to do it. That's not the attitude I had at that time," she said.

Joyner-Kersee said it was that experience which taught her to have a more positive attitude, and it helped her realize that her performance depended on her attitude.

"I think that (experience) was the best thing that could've ever happened to me, because that taught me about being a champion. That taught me about not giving up on myself. That taught me about doing whatever it takes to be successful," she said.

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