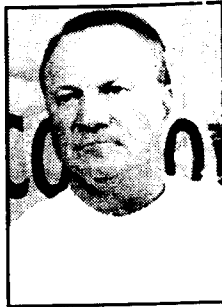


Strike begins

UPS Teamsters go on strike, ask Clinton to intervene in negotiations

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Cowboy coach Barry Switzer was arrested yesterday in Dallas

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Where has summer gone? Clouds and some sunshine today with a renegade shower. High 73. Clear to partly cloudy and very cool tonight. Low 49. Partly sunny and continued cool tomorrow. High 74.



— by Chris Patti

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Skating park in the works

Editor's note: This is the second in a two-part series about skateboarding and in-line skating in the area.

By JASON FAGONE
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Recent debate over the new loitering ordinance has kick-started discussions to build a skateboarding facility in State College.

Borough manager Peter Marshall is heading a committee to discuss planning issues. Police Chief Tom King, Superintendent of Schools Bill Oppdenhoff and Ray of Hope founder Ray Williams are also on the committee.

"I think we're doing very well," said committee member Thelma Price, who is also a member of Stand for Children.

"We've had two very constructive meetings. We recognize the fact there is a need and we're looking at the stuff that can bring about a skate park: the cost, timing, all of that kind of thing," she said.

Price said adults must take responsibility for building the park.

"They are the kids and we are the adults — parents, grandparents, etc. — and we are the people who have to provide for their needs," she said. "They can't build it."

A proposal is currently on the table, said committee member Anne Stokes.

"We'll be setting up plans for a permanent facility that will be available in the spring," said Stokes, a Stand for Children member.

Committee members will soon travel to the town of Woodward to tour the Woodward Skate Camp, Stokes said. The camp is a successful skateboarding/in-line skating/gymnastics facility that draws young people from all over, said Jon Robinson, in-line director for the camp.

"Generally, the kids come one week at a time," Robinson said. "They get instruction for three hours a day from pro instructors who come from all over the country. Then the rest of the day is kind of open for them."

Along with seven different skateboarding parks, the camp features horseback riding, swimming, rock climbing, pool tables, video games and a snack bar, Robinson said.

"They absolutely love it here," he said. "This is probably the best facility in the world, and when the kids get to come skate here it's like a dream come true. Everything a skater wants is right here."

Stokes said she hopes the Woodward visit will help the committee determine how to provide a safe recreational environment. Safety is a major factor in site selection, and may prevent the committee from choosing the zero-rent borough-owned lot next to Burger King, 521 University Dr., she said.

"One problem with the Burger King site is some of the utilities under the ground there," Stokes said. "So we have to answer some of these questions before we fully accept the area."

She said she envisions an environment in which adults would provide guidance, but only when needed.

"It would allow the kids some independence," she said.

Also, the program will be structured around the basic policies of the Ray of Hope youth center, Stokes said.

"We're trying to follow something that has already worked in the past," she said. "The kids made their own rules and their own bylaws. They tried to help each other."

Some have tried to help themselves by addressing and petitioning the State College Borough Council on behalf of area skateboarders, but many have given up in frustration.

"We were trying to help them out," said John Heebner (sophomore-liberal arts). "We tried to talk to the council, get some laws changed. But they really didn't take it too seriously. The skaters just kind of gave up on it."

Dan Kraemer, 19, said he has been skateboarding in State College since he was in the sixth grade.

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Collegian Photo Christa Rimmoneau

Chris R. slides on a wall on his in-line skates. Chris was skating July 25 on the sidewalks outside of Old Main.

Hazleton president Walton a female role model

By ROSEMARY JONES
The (Allentown) Morning Call

HAZLETON, Pa. (AP) — When Karen Doyle Walton was named chief executive officer of the Hazleton campus, she became the fourth woman to head an institution in Penn State's 17-campus network and one of fewer than 500 female heads of colleges in the United States.

Had it come sooner, the appointment would have made her eligible for inclusion in her own 1996 book, "Against the Tide" (Phi Delta Kappa Educational Foundation, \$35, 257 pp.), a compilation of autobiographical sketches of 20 American and British women who capped their careers as heads of colleges and universities.

But heading a college and authoring a book are only two of this remarkable woman's accom-

plishments. With numerous articles in professional journals to her credit, as well as at least 50 presentations at conferences, Walton's is a well-known name in the world of academe.

And as a woman who majored in mathematics at a time when few others dared to enter such a male-dominated field, she devotes much of her work to encouraging women and minorities to study mathematics, science and technology.

For the past 18 years, Walton was affiliated with Allentown College of St. Francis de Sales, Center Valley, in a number of positions of escalating responsibility.

She was a faculty member, mathematics department chairman, academic dean, and vice president for academic affairs.

While justifiably proud of her progression, she leaves no doubt that she regards the successful

"I was following in my older sister's footsteps."

— Karen Doyle Walton

on her decision to leave high school a year early

rearing of her two sons as her most important achievement.

"Doyle is 26 and graduated from Hahnemann Hospital Medical School and (began) a residency in internal medicine in June," she beamed. "Zachary, 22, graduated from Harvard and is working on a doctorate in computer engineering at Boston University."

The fact that she co-authored several articles on math and computer science with both sons during their high school years lends credence to the observation that academic distinction is a Walton family trait.

later voted to award the sisters their high school diplomas.

Walton was born in Johnstown in 1944, a daughter of a urologist "who loved both the practice and the academics of medicine" and a well-educated mother who held both a bachelor's and a master's degree "but lived happily the then-expected conventional life of homemaker."

She names her parents first among her mentors, crediting her father's bedtime stories about soldiers he patched together in surgical tents under adverse conditions during World War II for her strong sense of mission. She also credits the example of her mother who, as state president of the Women's Auxiliary of the Pennsylvania Medical Society, declined a nomination to the national presidency of the American Medical Association Auxiliary "because of her pre-

ferred higher priority of caring for our family."

Walton, too, lists her family as her highest priority, considering herself fortunate to have been able to successfully balance her duties with their needs. She and her husband Joseph were high school sweethearts who married after both had received their first master's degrees.

Walton holds two master's degrees in the teaching of mathematics from Harvard University and in pure mathematics from the University of Pittsburgh plus a doctorate in higher education administration from Lehigh University.

She began her teaching career in the mathematics faculty at Hill College in Greentown, Berks County, and was the first woman of the math department.

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Final exams last hurdle for summer students

Before Summer Session students can get out of town and enjoy a few weeks of rest, finals exams stand in the way.

By LAUREN DUPONT
Collegian Staff Writer

They're heeere. Finals, that is.

Before they can enjoy the last few weeks the summer has to offer, many students have to get through the end of the week and make it through final exams.

Aparna Bhandarkar (junior-accounting) said she already reviewed the past material for her art history class.

She plans to spend the rest of the week learning the new material in

order to prepare for one of her two finals on Thursday, she said.

This is Bhandarkar's first summer taking classes at the University.

She thought the courses she is taking would be easier in the summer with the smaller class sizes and the relaxed atmosphere, she said.

Another reason she took summer classes was because she couldn't fit them into her schedule during the regular school year, Bhandarkar said.

But even with the smaller classes and the laid-back atmosphere, the finals add more stress than some students anticipated.

"It's relaxed, but I think you don't realize how much work it is because you're doing 15 weeks of work in eight weeks," Bhandarkar said.

Amy Greenberg, an assistant professor of history, also said the compact time can make summer finals more difficult than students might expect.

"When you take a 14-week semester and cram it into six weeks, even then it requires a large amount of work," Greenberg said.

Greenberg, who is teaching two courses this summer, assigned a final to one of her two classes.

She said she expects some of the students to do very well and some to do poorly.

"It's really clear to me that some students haven't kept up," Greenberg said, adding that some of the reasons for those who do badly might be that they can't keep up or they're not preparing for the course.

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Library plan still being debated

By JASON FAGONE
Collegian Staff Writer

Site selection for the remodeled Schlow Memorial Library would go more smoothly if area townships would trust their library board representatives to make decisions, State College Mayor Bill Welch said at the State College Borough Council meeting last night.

"I think they're being jerked around here inappropriately," Welch said of the board members. "It seems there's a lot of extraneous viewpoints being dragged into this."

The "extraneous" viewpoints have surfaced at past Centre Region Council of Governments meetings, at which presentations by library architects have been followed by numerous critiques and criticisms. Col-

lege Township rejected the library board's proposal, which advocated construction of a 40,000 square foot building on the corner of Foster Avenue and Allen Street.

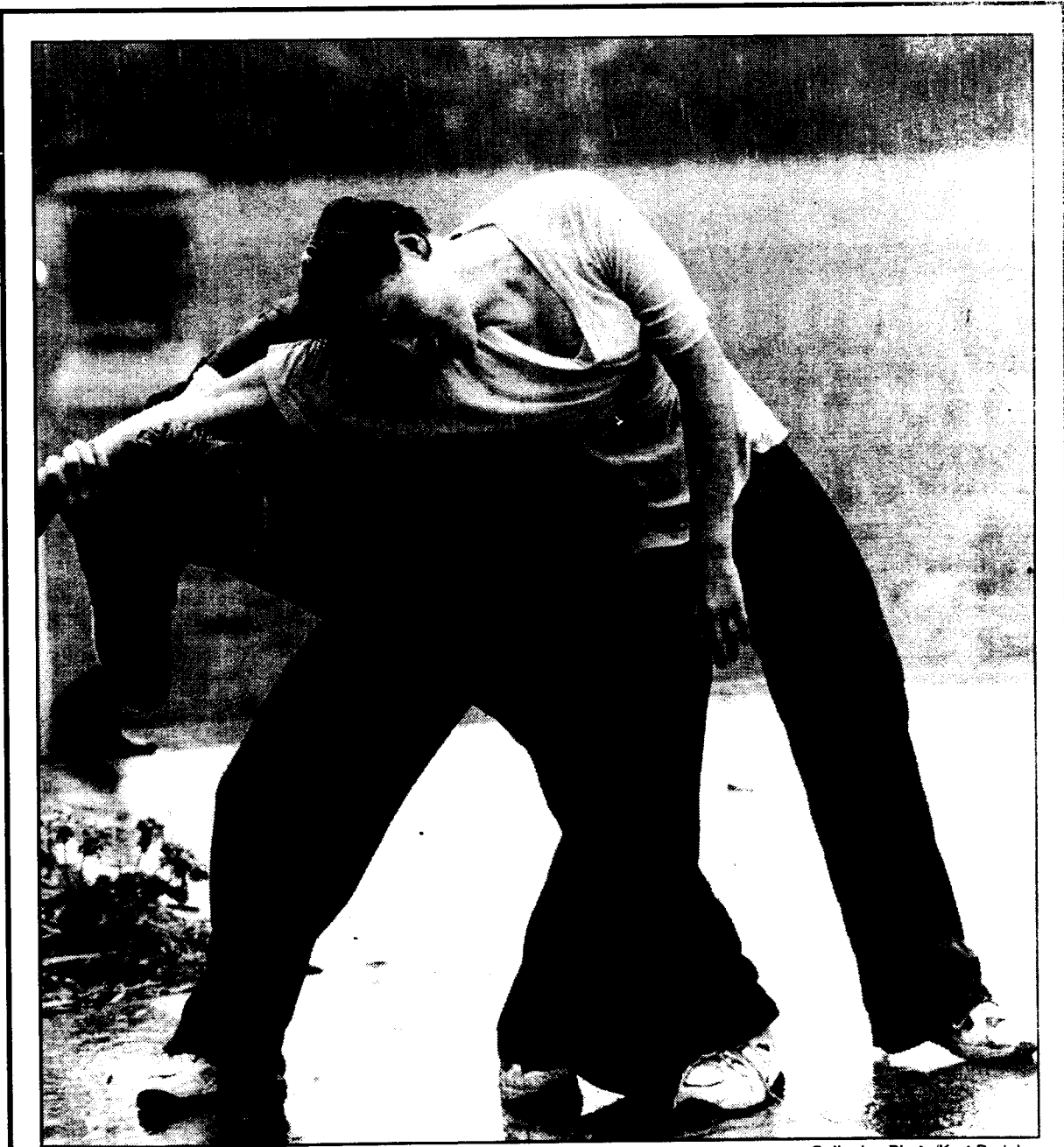
Ferguson Township also objected to the downtown site, suggesting a westerly location with more parking that would better accommodate families.

Although representatives from each township sit on the library board, township officials seem to have bypassed that avenue of discussion, opting instead for the COG General Forum, Council President Tom Daubert said.

"COG is a conduit. COG does not run the library," Daubert said. "I believe the process should rest with the library board."

Discussions centered around a request from the

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Collegian Photo/Kurt Redeker

The show must go on

Despite the rain, members of Kinesiology 297b perform an improvisational dance yesterday. The two performed as a part of KT Huckabee Milburn's dance improvisation class in front of Old Main.