

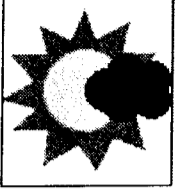


# Weather

## University Park Forecast for Wednesday, Oct. 28

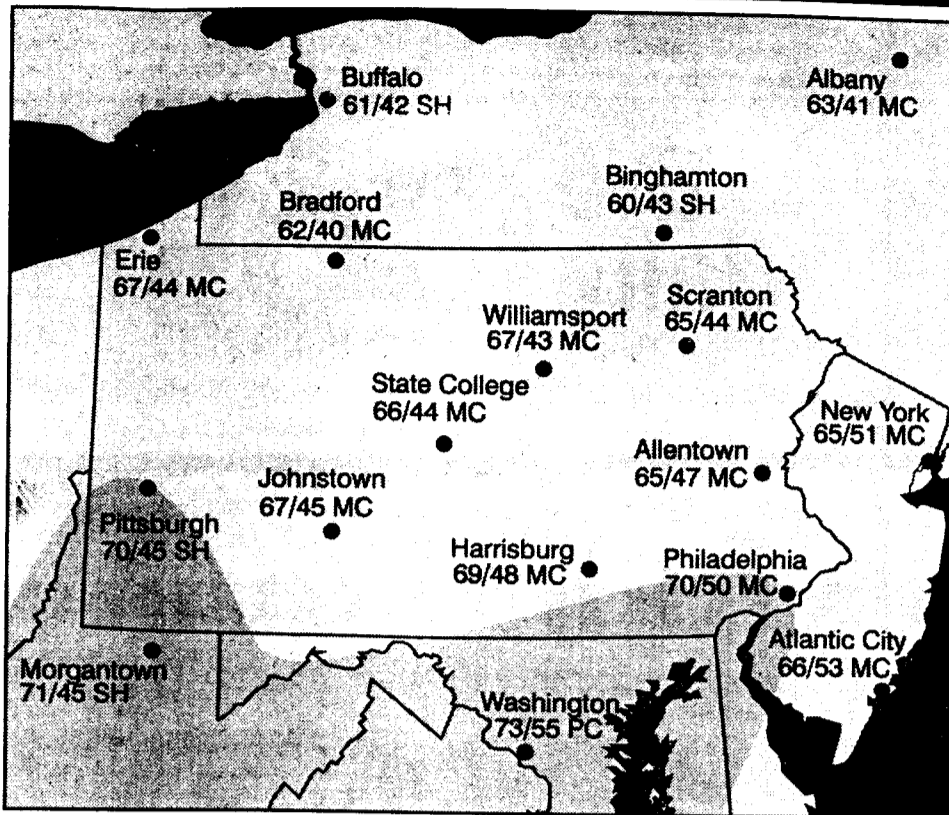
This week's unseasonably warm temperatures will continue through today as southwest winds pump mild air into the region. Clouds will increase throughout the day due to the approach of a weak cold front, with scattered showers developing in the afternoon. Skies will clear and temperatures will become more seasonable as high pressure builds in from the west.

<p><b>Today</b></p>  <p>Mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers. <b>High 66</b></p>	<p><b>Tonight</b></p>  <p>Isolated showers early, then gradual clearing. <b>Low 44</b></p>	<p><b>Thursday</b></p>  <p>Mostly sunny and breezy. <b>High 60</b></p>
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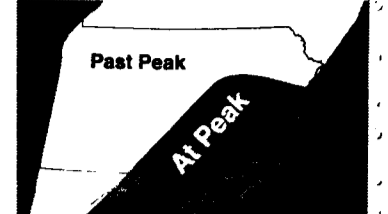
### THE EXTENDED OUTLOOK

**THURSDAY NIGHT:** Mainly clear with a few passing clouds. Low 40.  
**FRIDAY:** Intervals of clouds and sunshine but a little cooler. High 57, Low 40.  
**SATURDAY:** Partly sunny and pleasant. High 57, Low 38.  
**SUNDAY:** Mostly cloudy with a few peeks of sunshine. High 55, Low 36.

## Regional Forecast Map



## Fall Foliage



## Recreation Summary

**Mount Nittany, Tussey Ridge**  
 With crunchy leaves lying on many trails, hiking will be a little noisy. Otherwise, trail conditions are ideal for an autumn walk.

**Bald Eagle, Spring creeks**  
 Due to the lack of recent rainfall in the area, stream and creek levels are slightly below normal.

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## Almanac Big Ten Universities Pa. Cities Forecast

<p><b>Almanac</b></p> <p>Today Normal high ..... 58 degrees          Record high ..... 79, 1984          Normal low ..... 36 degrees          Record low ..... 18, 1936</p> <p><b>Monthly Climate Summary</b>          (Data valid through 8 a.m. Oct. 27)          Oct. precipitation ..... 2.62 inches          Normal Oct. precip. .... 2.90 inches          Oct. temp. departure ..... +0.9 deg.</p> <p><b>Sun Data</b>          Sunset today ..... 5:13 P.M.          Sunrise tomorrow ..... 6:36 A.M.</p>	<p><b>Big Ten Universities</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>University</th> <th>Hi</th> <th>Lo</th> <th>Conditions</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Illinois</td><td>70</td><td>53</td><td>Cloudy</td></tr> <tr><td>Indiana</td><td>71</td><td>53</td><td>Showers</td></tr> <tr><td>Iowa</td><td>68</td><td>52</td><td>Partly Cloudy</td></tr> <tr><td>Michigan</td><td>66</td><td>40</td><td>Partly Cloudy</td></tr> <tr><td>Michigan St.</td><td>63</td><td>40</td><td>Partly Cloudy</td></tr> <tr><td>Minnesota</td><td>63</td><td>48</td><td>Partly Cloudy</td></tr> <tr><td>Northwestern</td><td>67</td><td>46</td><td>Partly Cloudy</td></tr> <tr><td>Ohio State</td><td>69</td><td>46</td><td>Showers</td></tr> <tr><td>Purdue</td><td>69</td><td>51</td><td>Cloudy</td></tr> <tr><td>Wisconsin</td><td>65</td><td>44</td><td>Partly Cloudy</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	University	Hi	Lo	Conditions	Illinois	70	53	Cloudy	Indiana	71	53	Showers	Iowa	68	52	Partly Cloudy	Michigan	66	40	Partly Cloudy	Michigan St.	63	40	Partly Cloudy	Minnesota	63	48	Partly Cloudy	Northwestern	67	46	Partly Cloudy	Ohio State	69	46	Showers	Purdue	69	51	Cloudy	Wisconsin	65	44	Partly Cloudy	<p><b>Pa. Cities Forecast</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>City</th> <th>Today Hi/Lo</th> <th>Tomorrow Hi/Lo</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Allentown</td><td>65/47 MC</td><td>59/36 MS</td></tr> <tr><td>Altoona</td><td>67/45 MC</td><td>60/40 MS</td></tr> <tr><td>Bradford</td><td>62/40 MC</td><td>56/37 MS</td></tr> <tr><td>Erie</td><td>67/44 MC</td><td>60/44 PS</td></tr> <tr><td>Harrisburg</td><td>69/48 MC</td><td>61/38 MS</td></tr> <tr><td>Johnstown</td><td>67/45 MC</td><td>58/42 MS</td></tr> <tr><td>Philadelphia</td><td>70/50 MC</td><td>63/41 MS</td></tr> <tr><td>Pittsburgh</td><td>70/45 SH</td><td>62/45 MS</td></tr> <tr><td>Scranton</td><td>65/44 MC</td><td>55/34 MS</td></tr> <tr><td>Williamsport</td><td>67/43 MC</td><td>58/35 MS</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	City	Today Hi/Lo	Tomorrow Hi/Lo	Allentown	65/47 MC	59/36 MS	Altoona	67/45 MC	60/40 MS	Bradford	62/40 MC	56/37 MS	Erie	67/44 MC	60/44 PS	Harrisburg	69/48 MC	61/38 MS	Johnstown	67/45 MC	58/42 MS	Philadelphia	70/50 MC	63/41 MS	Pittsburgh	70/45 SH	62/45 MS	Scranton	65/44 MC	55/34 MS	Williamsport	67/43 MC	58/35 MS
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# Break — Dawson

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 a Monday of fall break in addition to no classes on Labor Day hurts students academically.

To address this issue, the Senate passed a proposal to make the Wednesday after fall break become a Monday class schedule in order to make up for the lost day on Labor Day.

Shelton Alexander, chair of the Senate Committee on University Planning, said the quality of the education is not in the minutes taught. Even with fall break, Penn State will continue to be a university with a large number of minutes taught, he said.

Along with a fall break, the Faculty Senate voted on additional calendar changes for next year.

The Senate passed a proposal to change the start of Thanksgiving break from noon to 2:15 p.m. Wednesday.

The Fall Semester also will start on a Tuesday, instead of a Wednesday. The extra day is intended to make up for one of the days lost to the fall break.

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 sexual acts performed during the day were nonconsensual.

"I had the opportunity to use the gun myself. ... I could have left at any point during the day but I wasn't going to leave until I could have taken the gun with me," she said. "There were so many things in that police transcript that didn't happen."

The victim said she wanted to calm down Dawson during the incident, partly because his blood alcohol content was .276 percent at the time of his arrest.

"I know when he's been drinking I have to get him calm and then it takes about five minutes for him to pass out," she said. "I know how he gets when I try to fight or I try to squirm."

But the victim denied Dawson hurt her before the November incident and the only time he ever hurt her was that day when he slapped her five to seven times on the face.

Gricar countered her testimony by saying the victim had previously said Dawson threatened to kill

her and sodomized her by force. During his cross examination, he also read the victim's written statement in which she alleged she was held against her will, raped and had a gun held to her head.

"You wrote this out in your own hand and swore it to a judge in this courthouse?" Gricar said. "You lied under oath?"

The victim said her family pressured her to retell the same story she told police the night she was held hostage.

She also testified she filed for divorce in May but withdrew the motion at the end of the summer. The victim followed a similar action after the hostage crisis when she filed a motion for temporary protection from abuse, then later requested the court dismiss her petition.

During his closing statement yesterday, Gricar replayed the 911 tape of the woman screaming, crying and pleading for police help.

But Devecka emphasized in his closing arguments the victim had remained in the house of her own

free will for fear Dawson would kill himself.

Some evidence did not accurately reflect what was happening in the house, Devecka said. A few telephone calls were not recorded and the only observation of the victim during the situation was of her eating cereal at the table and drinking coffee while reading a magazine, Devecka said.

"Most importantly, they saw Shane Dawson kiss her," he added.

However, the victim may have been trying to calm Dawson by acting normal and relaxed, Gricar said.

"That's just a clever strategy that anyone might use under those circumstances," he said.

Because Dawson came to the victim's parents' house with a loaded handgun, he obviously had a criminal intent, Gricar said.

"What kind of a man goes over to a woman's house the night after their engagement ends with a loaded gun?" Gricar said. "She was completely at the mercy of Shane Dawson and that constitutes kid-

napping. ... There's nothing between her and eternity besides an angry drunken index finger — that's more than an attempt."

Gricar pointed to fear and possible financial gain on the victim's part as the reason for her reversal of testimony. Gricar stressed any inconsistencies in the victim's statements can be used as evidence to prove the commonwealth's prosecution.

"In her mind, maybe she can rationalize this," he added.

In addition to the rape and kidnapping charges, Dawson also was convicted of burglary, unlawful restraint, false imprisonment, sexual assault, involuntary deviant sexual intercourse, terroristic threats, simple assault, recklessly endangering another person, criminal mischief, driving under the influence and criminal trespass. Dawson was acquitted on the charge of aggravated assault.

Gricar said five of Dawson's convictions carry a minimum sentence of five years each. Sentencing is scheduled for Nov. 23.

## USG News

The Undergraduate Student Government Senate is making strides to fill vacancies among its ranks.

The senate appointed two new senators to the body. The vacancies were filled due to the resignations of former senators Adam Black and Joseph Antolick.

Nicole Karl (senior-international politics) and Christian Jones (junior-political science) both were appointed as town senators by a caucus of their peers.

Karl and Jones both said they wanted to become more involved in campus activities and felt the senate would provide that.

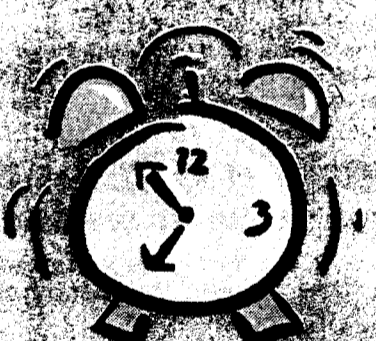
"I didn't just watch — I wanted play a role," Jones said.

Last week in another appointment by the senate, Michelle Mull was selected for the Centre Halls senate position.

USG is currently looking to fill an East Halls senate position left vacant by former East Halls Senator Karen Skomorucha due to disqualification.

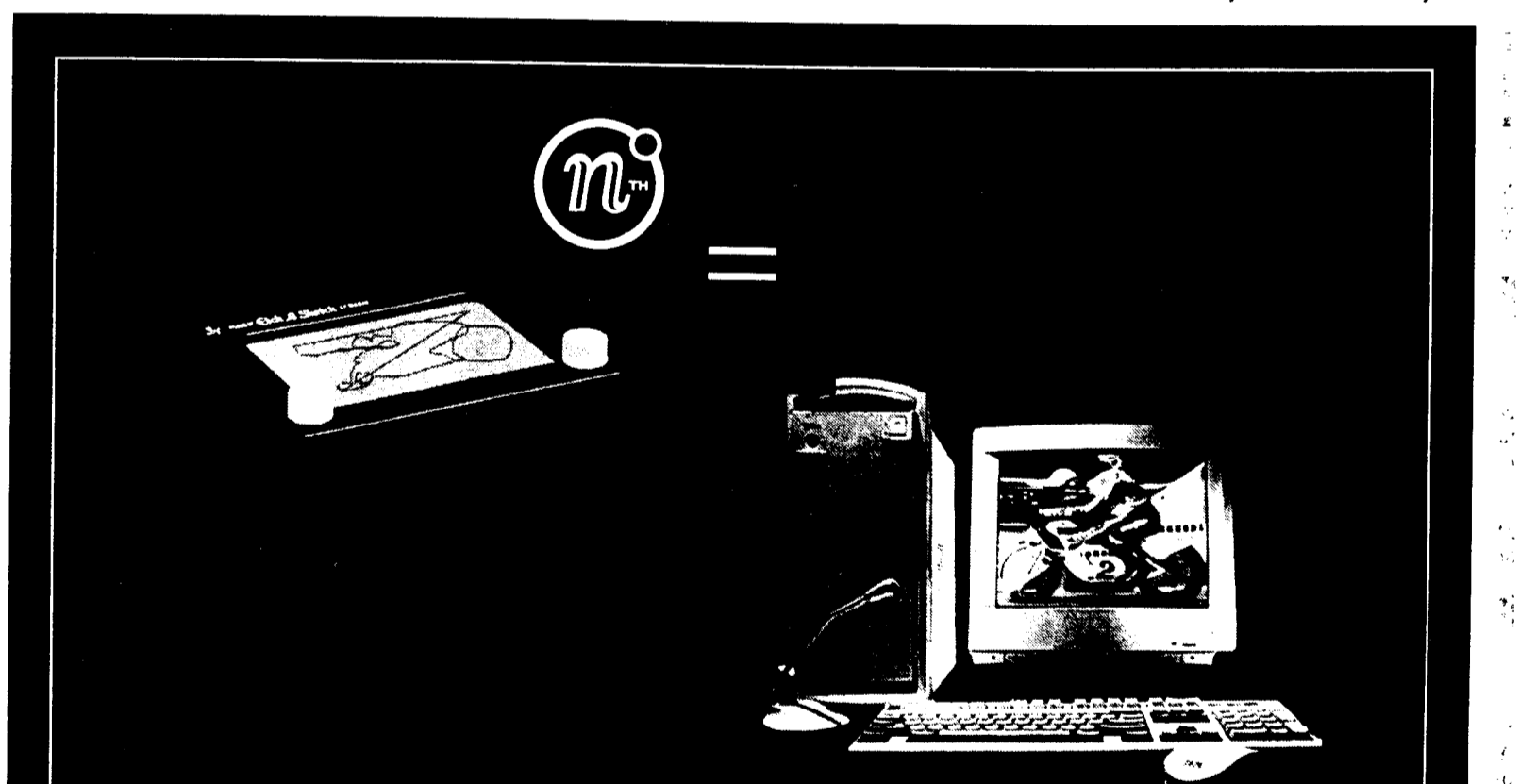
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