

# Trustees meeting to discuss cancer unit, stadium

The board will discuss a report on the new baseball stadium and hear about a new major at the College of Medicine.

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Plans for the new baseball stadium and the construction of the Hershey Medical Center's new Pediatric Cancer Pavilion will be discussed by university officials at today's Board of Trustees meeting in Hershey.

Penn State spokesman Tysen Kendig said the board will discuss the creation of a new baseball stadium at University Park that will house both the university's baseball team as well as a minor league team purchased by the Altoona Curve.

Penn State will use the field from March to May and will lease it to the Altoona Curve, a minor league affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates, for park use from June to August.

Chuck Greenberg, Altoona Curve president and managing partner, said the cost of the new stadium is still unknown.

"The cost estimate is not complete because the design team is still finishing the plans," he said.

"The projected date for the finished plans is sometime over the next month," he added.

Greenberg said revenue and profit-sharing aspects of the new ballpark have not been finalized either.

"We've been working on an operating agreement that is very fair to the university and the franchise," he said.

Kendig said funding for the project will come from a variety of sources, but it is too early to define an exact financing plan.

Drawings for the new ballpark were presented to the College Township Planning Commission earlier this week.

Gary Schultz, Penn State senior vice president for finance and business, said construction will begin in May for a June 2006 opening of the ballpark.

The ballpark will be built facing eastward, across Porter Road from Beaver Stadium as well as the Bryce Jordan Center.

He added that it will have a capacity of 6,000 people.

Kendig said an "extensive report" on the Hershey Medical Center's new

Pediatric Cancer Pavilion will be presented at the meeting.

Last April, the 2004 Interfraternity Council/Panhellenic Dance Marathon overall committee pledged to donate \$10 million over the next six years to the creation of a Pediatric Cancer Pavilion at the medical center.

Sean Young, Hershey Medical Center strategic services director, said Dr. Craig Hillemeier and Dr. David Ungar of the Penn State Children's Hospital in Hershey will be making presentations about the relationship between the Four Diamonds Fund and Thon.

"[The Pediatric Cancer Pavilion] is a huge plus for the kids and their families because we can finally put things under one roof," he said.

"For example, [in the past] the families would have to go to one building for tests and another building to meet with

doctors, while now, it will all be in the same place," Young said.

There will also be an informational report on the Hershey Medical Center discussing a new major, public health, to potentially be offered through the College of Medicine.

The report will include information about improvements for the medical center's fitness facility and the Penn State Cancer Institute, Kendig said.

Young said the medical center is facing spatial problems due to recent growth.

"We've seen significant growth in recent mission and larger class sizes, and all these things include challenges regarding physical space," he said.

"Many of our challenges have to do with the fact that we continue to have the lowest state funded public medical school in the country," Young added.

# Archivist: Women's rights better compared to historical limitations

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Early in Penn State's history, majors available to women were restricted to education, art and home economics. Women couldn't live off campus.

They couldn't even visit a man's apartment unless they had written permission from their parents.

Just 35 short years ago, women at Penn State were first awarded the same educational rights as men.

But although the changes were relatively recent, many students today have little knowledge of women's history at Penn State, University Archivist Jackie Esposito said.

"We need to focus more on the pioneers and who they are," Esposito said. "There are not enough female role models."

Only five women were admitted to Penn State in 1871, when a male population of 70 dominated the university.

Esposito said women endured many social and academic restrictions over the past century due to strict ideas about gender roles.

"It's interesting because for the first 30 years, women could take whatever [classes] they wanted," she said.

"But around 1906, women's curriculum changed," Esposito said.

"Restrictions were put on courses," she added.

Esposito said some of the first women to graduate majored in civil engineering.

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university archivist

However, at the turn of the century, new restrictions were put on women's major selections.

Housing arrangements were also restrictive for women in the early years, she added.

"Before the 1970s, women had to live on campus for all four years, but men could live off campus," Esposito said. "It changed in 1971, partially due to student unrest."

Until 1971, a woman who wished to visit a man's off-campus apartment was required to submit written permission from her parents if she was under the age of 21.

Esposito also debunked the rumor that sororities could not own houses due to a Pennsylvania law claiming it to be a brothel.

She said in the 1930s, when many sorority chapters were founded, women chose to live in dorm floors rather than houses due to financial concerns, and the system has generally stayed the same since then.

The women's liberation movement in the 1970s brought about much change in higher education, due largely to Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972,

which prohibits sexual bias in educational institutions that receive federal funding.

Esposito said Title IX lifted the social and academic restrictions imposed on Penn State women.

However, even today the scales between men and women are not completely balanced, Esposito said.

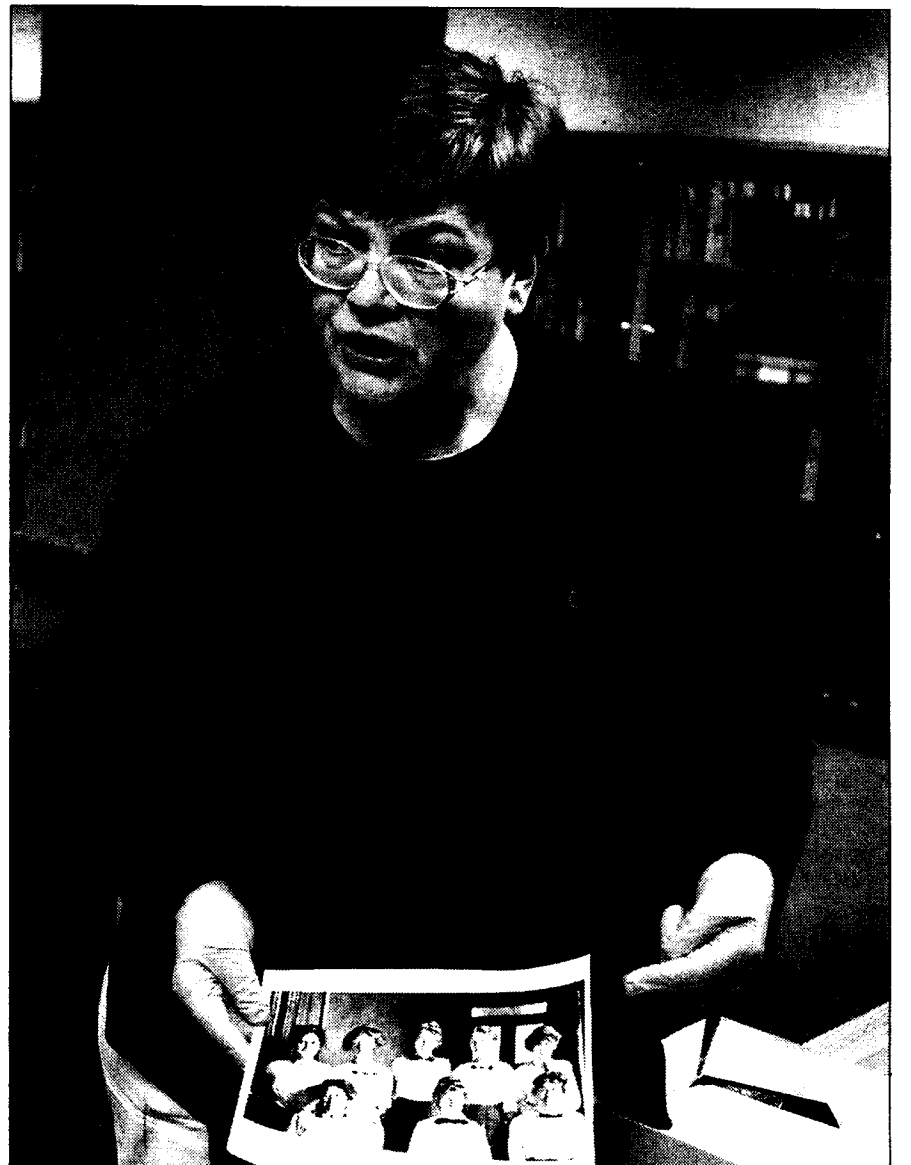
"Today, less than 35 percent of faculty are women," she said.

She added that women make up fewer than half of the students at University Park.

More can be done, Esposito said. "Penn State can work to make more programs about their women's history," she said.

In honor of March's celebration of women's history, Esposito conducted a slide show presentation in South Halls Cultural Lounge Tuesday night depicting the evolution of women at the university.

However, she said students who missed out can visit the university archives in 104 Paterno Library at any time to view old photographs, newspaper clips and other historical records kept there.



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Jackie Esposito, university archivist, shows a picture of the first female students to live in the women's cottage on campus.

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