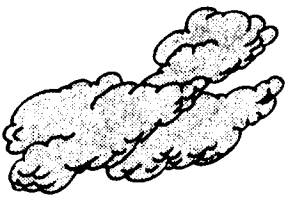


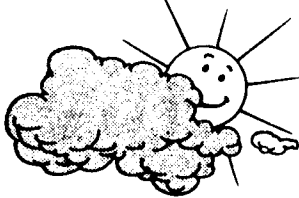
WEEKEND WEATHER OUTLOOK

SATURDAY



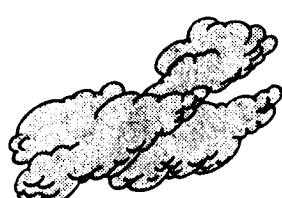
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SUNDAY



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MONDAY



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BEHREND BRIEFS

Proposed budget trims Penn State funds

Gov. Mark Schweiker presented his proposed budget for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which includes a five percent reduction from the 2001-02 appropriation for Penn State and other state-related universities.

"We understand the financial challenge the state is having, and Penn State must do its part to assist the state," said Penn State President Graham Spanier. "But we are disappointed that Penn State, along with Temple University, Lincoln University, and the University of Pittsburgh are being asked to bear a disproportionate share of the burden. A cut of nearly \$17 million for Penn State alone, if allowed to stand by the legislature, would present serious challenges for the university, and inevitably place a much greater burden on students and their families."

"Moreover, the cuts to our agricultural research, cooperative extension, and medical programs would be profound, with no tuition income available to offset the cuts," said Spanier. "Given that the governor proposes an overall modest increase in the state budget, our hope is that the legislature will seek to restore this proposed cut."

Under Schweiker's proposal, Penn State would receive an allocation for 2002-03 of \$318 million. This is approximately equal to what the University received from the state in 1999-00, setting the University back three years in funding.

"When inflationary costs are factored in, the proposed budget sets Penn State back \$35 million from 1995-96," said Gary Schultz, senior vice president for Finance and Business. "We already receive less appropriation per student than any other public university in Pennsylvania, and less than any other Big Ten university. For years we have managed to run Penn State with less than our peers. Unfortunately, as the state's contribution continues to decline, the University will be forced to increase tuition much higher than we would like."

Schweiker recognizes Penn State compost program

Penn State has been recognized by Gov. Mark Schweiker for its commitment to pollution prevention and environmental protection demonstrated in a university-wide composting program. The initiative takes pre-consumer food wastes from student dining commons, hospital-ity service units and the Bennett Family Center and mixes them with organic debris and manure from the University's dairy herd. Over the last four years, the amount of materials recovered has increased from 403 pounds per day to 1.6 tons per day. During the 2000-2001 academic year, the composting facility helped Penn State save more than \$16,000 in landfill tipping fees. It also enhances the University's teaching, research and outreach efforts, providing students and faculty the opportunity to learn about source separation, waste management and commercial and backyard composting.

SGA worries about diversity on campus

The Student Government Association (SGA) vowed on Wednesday to improve diversity on campus. SGA members are co-operating with the Multicultural Council (MCC) and have asked Provost and Dean Dr. Jack Burke to have meetings concerning the issue.

The meetings would include Burke, Director of Student Affairs Ken Miller, and several others, including representatives from SGA and MCC, according to SGA President Brandi Hovis. What specifically SGA plans to do to improve diversity at Behrend has not yet been clarified. Hovis welcomes all students with opinions on this matter and others to join SGA. Meetings are every Wednesday at 5:20 p.m. in Reed 114.

- Tony DiPlacido

POLICE AND SAFETY REPORT

- 2/7/02 11:00 There was a report of a stolen vehicle. After checking the campus, ECC was notified and the vehicle was put in NCIC. A family member later claimed that the car may have been borrowed.
- 2/8/02 20:00 East County reported that it received a call from the complainant saying that they got kicked out of an apartment and left their bookbag. The complainant did not want an officer involved.
- 2/10/02 11:15 A staff member reported that a wall light along the Dobbins Hall staircase had been broken and an "exit" sign under it had been taken.
- 2/10/02 12:25 A staff member reported that a taillight on a university vehicle had been smashed.
- 2/12/02 04:00 A complainant reported that one of the maintenance vehicles was on fire.

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FOCAL POINT

HOPING THE LIONS DON'T FALL BEHIND



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We're not sure what provoked this unconventional show of school spirit, but this student certainly caught our attention. Hey, if it helps the Lions win, then we're all for it!

Masteller hooks enthusiasts with aquatic flies website

by Lori DeFabio
staff writer

Dr. Edwin C. Masteller, Professor Emeritus of Biology, has spent years researching caddisflies and stoneflies in Pennsylvania and decided to post his research and findings on a website rather than print them in lengthy paper volumes.

Masteller was named the President of the Entomological Society of Pennsylvania in 1979 and the President of the North American Benthological Society in 1986. He has a specialized interest in researching aquatic insects and other invertebrates.

During 1989-91, Masteller's research was supported from grants from the Wild Resources Fund of Pennsylvania and he was able to collect Trichoptera (caddisflies) from the entire state of Pennsylvania. He has been collecting since, and in 1996, he was able to identify 321 species of caddisflies in Pennsylvania. Masteller collected Plecoptera (stoneflies) during the years of 1994-96 and was able to distinguish 134 species. This research was also supported by the Wild Resources Fund of Pennsylvania. After the first fund had ended, Masteller knew that he wanted to continue researching the aquatic flies.

"I had a goal of getting this information out and it could be the basis for future studies by the young and inspired," Masteller said.

He decided to start studying the caddisfly and the stonefly because they interested him.

"I had been collecting aquatic insects for about 10 years by using emergence traps on streams here at Four-Mile Creek and Six-Mile Creek. One of the major groups was the Trichoptera and the Plecoptera were always of interest."

Dr. Masteller had a colleague at the Smithsonian who helped him identify the different insects. He felt that it was a worthwhile project to find what streams



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Ron Richardson, Math and Computer Science 08, Matt Langguth, MIS-BD 08, and Isaac Hagenbuch, Biology 07, worked together to create Dr. Edwin Masteller's website, *Pennsylvania Aquatic Flies are Us*. The site is located at <http://paaquaticfliesrus.bd.psu.edu>.

supported a biodiversity of insects.

Masteller said he is the first researcher he knows of to include all of his work online rather than in printed volumes. He was going to produce CDs to hold his work and maps,

but Isaac Hagenbuch, the web site maintainer, suggested putting the maps on the web.

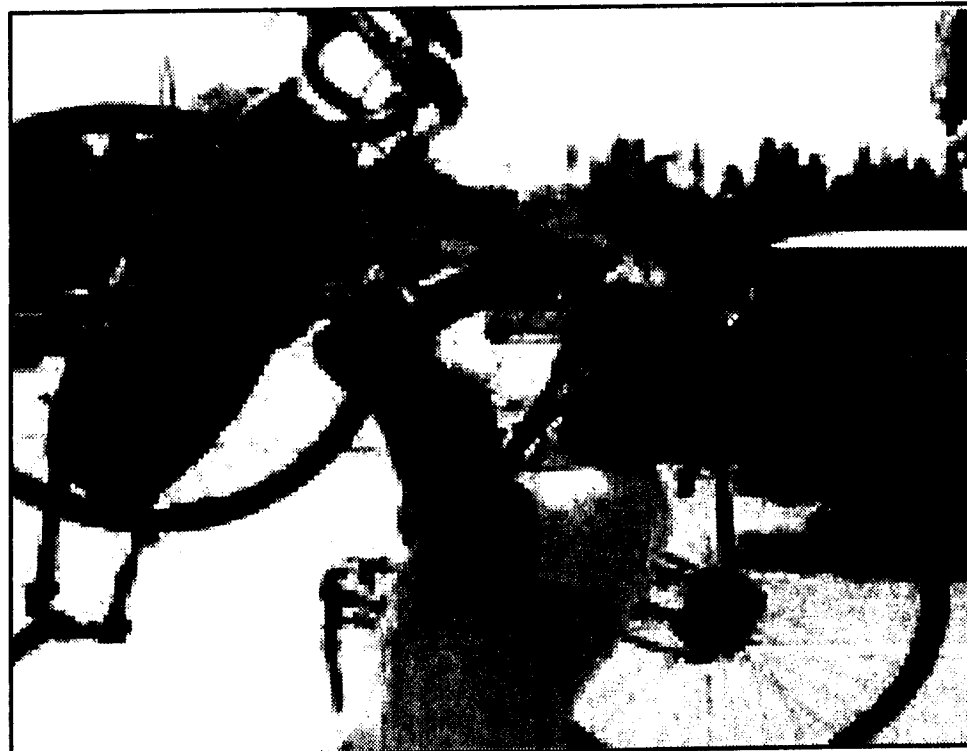
"I felt it was a great way to make this available to many different individuals and especially the invertebrate aquatic research community," Masteller stated.

The creation of the web site was not as easy as one may think. "I have had excellent student support from talented individuals," Masteller said.

At first, the webmasters tried to learn the Arcview Geographic Information System to create the site. More than a year ago Tracy Hersman worked with Masteller and began entering data. Because of program problems, they switched to another and also received help from the Erie County Planning Department. A server was provided to hold the web site and Matt Langguth was able to set up the server and develop the security. Also, Ron Richardson helped develop the server pages.

Masteller said the website is beneficial because he can share updated information to people in the world who have an interest in insects. He does feel that there is one drawback to a web site. His research is not peer reviewed and may not provide enough credibility to some.

Masteller said he has received very kind comments regarding his web site and "won't look back." The Aquatic Flies web site entitled *Pennsylvania Aquatic Flies are Us* can be found at <http://paaquaticfliesrus.bd.psu.edu>.



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Dr. Edwin Masteller, professor emeritus of biology, is an avid bicyclist when he isn't busy researching aquatic insects.