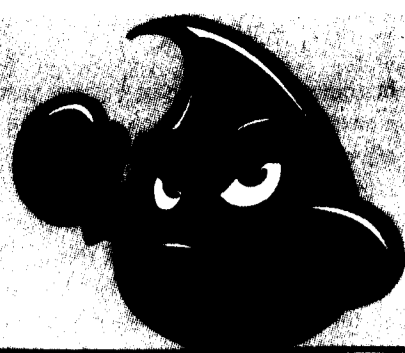


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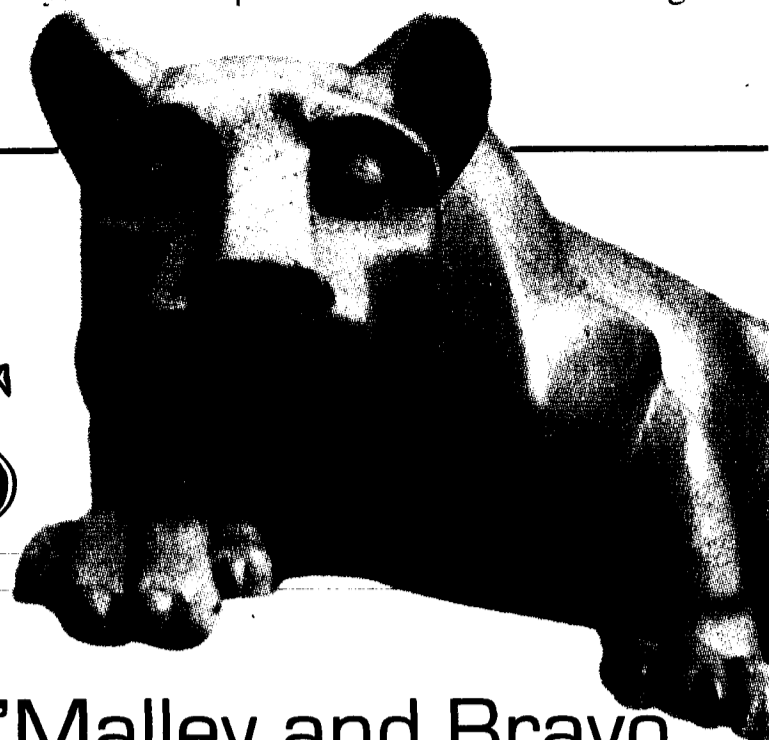
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Students' voice disposed

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On Thursday, March 30, at approximately 6 p.m., members of The Capital Times discovered every single copy of their March 27 issue missing from all 11 stands located in the Olmsted building.

The editors immediately contacted their advisor and held a meeting to decide what could have happened to the missing papers. As the readership of this paper is carefully watched, it was obvious there was no way all the papers were taken by individuals.

The staff decided to cut their losses and reprint 600 copies to replace the missing papers, showing whoever took part in their removal they couldn't get rid of them that easily. The new copies were placed on stands at 6 p.m. on Monday, April 3.

By 9:45 p.m., nearly 150 copies of the paper again went missing, although all the stands were full at 8:30 p.m. The two stands missing papers were located near Stacks Market. The missing papers were searched for in trashcans and other areas around the building without success.

At this point, members of the paper reported the incident as a theft to the campus police. The officer on duty took a full report of the events leading

up to this point.

About an hour later, at about 11:30 p.m., three staff members and a third shift janitor discovered the papers thrown away, still in piles, in two of the trashcans located in Stacks Market.

No one could be found who saw the papers thrown away as the campus is almost barren at this time of night.

This was then proof that the papers had actually been stolen.

The editor then requested a meeting with Dr. William Mahar, Associate Provost/Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, and two assistant editors, Maruja Rosario and Kristen Poole, to discuss the problem. A meeting was coordinated for Friday, April 7, with Mahar and the editors, as well as Dr. Don Holtzman, senior director of Student Life/Enrollment

Services, and Officer William Gelgot, supervisor of Police Services.

The intent of the meeting was to decide how the situation should be handled, inform the proper authorities of the entire situation, and seek help in

having justice served to the person(s) involved in the improper disposal of the student newspaper. The editors were met with support and concern.

Mahar expressed his views, Please see **CAMPUS** on page 6



Photo by **KRISTEN POOLE**/The Capital Times

Newspapers were found in two trashcans in the dining area located in Olmsted on Monday, April 3 after redistribution of 600 copies of the paper earlier that day.

O'Malley and Bravo to head the new SGA

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After three days of fierce competition, the students on this campus have voted and have decided that Ariel O'Malley will be the new SGA President for the 2006-2007 term.

O'Malley, sophomore Political Science, will officially take office

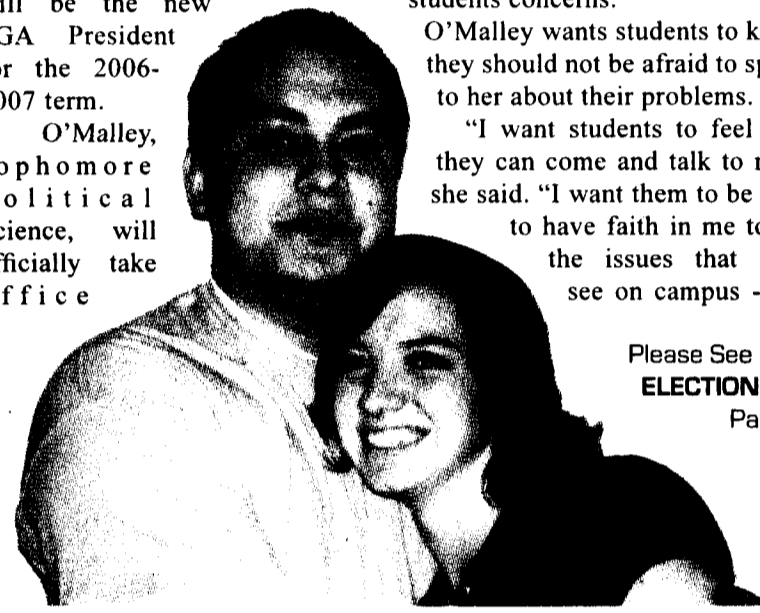
this Thursday.

A former treasurer for SGA for two consecutive years, she has many goals for next year's SGA.

"I feel that I won by being a very personable candidate," said O'Malley. "I was able to share my ideas while listening to the students concerns."

O'Malley wants students to know they should not be afraid to speak to her about their problems.

"I want students to feel that they can come and talk to me," she said. "I want them to be able to have faith in me to fix the issues that they see on campus - not



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Photo by **MARUJA ROSARIO**/The Capital Times

Ariel O'Malley, president elect and Augie Bravo, vice president elect, celebrate their new positions following election closings on April 5.

Professor Spotlight



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Being family oriented is very important for some people. It's sad when one can't be with his or her loved ones because of long distances. But some are also fortunate enough to at least be able to travel home during their free time.

Dr. Andrea M. Leitheiser, assistant professor of psychology, has only been at Penn State Harrisburg since last semester and, is indeed a very family oriented person. She spent much of her life in Guam, but, equally, she has also spent much of her life in Long Beach, Calif., where she was born. She said both places are nice but she likes being in Guam better since some of her family is still there.

"Family is everything to me," said Leitheiser. She visits them as often as she can. Leitheiser also speaks some of Guam's native language called Chamorro.

Guam is the largest island of the Marianas Chain, but is only about 30 miles long and eight and a half miles wide, said Leitheiser. It is located in the Pacific Ocean and is the most Western Pacific island territory of the United States.

Leitheiser's mother's side of the family is originally from Guam and came to the United States after World War II and has stayed here since. Her father's family

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Imagine a beautiful spring day in May 1976. Outside, seven bathtubs proceed to fly by while students enjoy the free food and beverages provided. Sack races, chicken fights, and wheelbarrow races occur throughout the campus, while somewhere else girls and guys are practicing for an upcoming football game.

Sounds a bit nostalgic? Perhaps, but those are the activities that students participated in during the first ever Rites of Spring. The event continued for many years before it came to a stop in the mid-1990s.

SGA President Michael Edwards decided to resurrect the week-long events early in 2006 and, with the help of the Student Government Association and funding from the Student Activity Fee, Rites of Spring is ready to make its grand re-debut April 17-21.

Each day features a variety of activities that aim to please the diverse tastes of the student body. Various clubs and organizations have banded together to sponsor some of the unique events that students can participate in throughout the week.

Chi Gamma Iota (XGI) will be giving away a free parking pass to whoever can win an undisclosed competition while gamers can delight in Xbox 360 action. The bathtubs will be whizzing around the campus again on Tuesday and when the sun sets, *Old School* will be shown under the stars.

The Capital Times will be giving away goldfish at their fish-pong stand, a part of the Club Carnival that accompanies the music of the Poptart Monkeys and barbeque on Wednesday evening.

A laser dome comes to campus for laser tag while SEE celebrates the earth and Circle K sets the balls flying one more time with their now infamous dodgeball tournament on Thursday.

The Spring Formal on Friday is President Elect Ariel O'Malley's contribution to the Rites of Spring, and a Spring Bashment on Saturday evening concludes the events.

With something for every single person to do, there is no excuse to not get out and be active in what your money is paying for.

Cut out the accompanying schedule and save it or find it posted on the billboards around the school and come out to what entices you. And while you're at it, stop by our stand and win yourself a fish.

Sleep Deprivation bad for health

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College is a time notorious for staying up still the wee hours of the morning studying, all night partying, and basically, just not going to sleep. While these habits have been going on for years, students may need their beauty sleep more than they think.

Recent studies show that sleep deprivation plagues millions of Americans and can significantly affect the brain's ability to function properly.

Not getting enough shuteye also hinders memory and leads to mood swings.

After about eighteen hours without sleep, reaction time decreases from a quarter of a second to about half a second and possibly longer. At this point, most people begin to experience short periods of micro-sleep, also known as "zoning out."

During this time, a person's reaction time is essentially equivalent to someone with a blood alcohol level of .08% which, in most states, is enough to get you arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

The National Highway Safety and Traffic Administration estimated that about 100,000 automobile accidents in 2003 were a result of sleepiness.

In a study published in the British journal *Occupational and Environmental Medicine*, researchers in Australia and New Zealand report that 16 to 60 percent of road accidents involve sleep deprivation.

The British Medical Association warns that there are other problems associated with sleep deprivation beyond impaired motor skills, though.

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