

Kijeski: Beyond the classroom

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His reasoning for choosing Penn State was fairly simple. First was that the tuition rates were reasonable. Second was that state schools were popular then, and lastly was that it "wasn't cool to stay close to home."

After PSU, he traveled to New Zealand to do some radio work, and then returned to the United States

he said.

This summer will be his last semester teaching here. After he earns his Ph.D., he would like to get on a tenure track somewhere close to home.

Kijeski admitted that his favorite parts of teaching are cliché, but entirely true.

He enjoys the coaching aspect of teaching public speaking, where

He wishes students would concentrate on the positive.

Ted Kijeski has been married for two years. An interesting fact about his wedding was that it was held in the Calvin Coolidge memorial church, which is a national historic site. In regards to the church, he had said "if I ever do (get married), it'll be in this church" and he carried out that statement.

He and his wife have no kids, but they do have a cat named Leopold.

His hobbies include photography and reading (he loves British mystery novels; it's a fixation he and his wife share).

He also enjoys acting, directing and producing plays. He used to work at the Valley Forge Children's Theatre, where his favorite play which he directed was the "Velveteen Rabbit."

Kijeski couldn't really pick a favorite book, but he is a fan of P.D. James and Patricia Cornwell.

He has an eclectic taste in music. His mp3 contains '60s music, classic rock and everything else in between. His favorite actor

is Robert Duvall because of the movie "The Apostle" and his favorite actress is Helen Mirren because of the TV show "Prime Suspects."

He and his wife enjoy eating at Italian restaurants when they go out.

Ted Kijeski is a very funny and interesting man. He is a great teacher and cares about each and every one of his students.



Photo by ALISON MILLS/Capital Times

where he soon enrolled in graduate school.

Kijeski went on to achieve a Masters degree in Mass Communications from Purdue. Originally, he wanted to become a journalism professor; he didn't like teaching public speaking. Purdue is also where he originally planned to go for his Ph.D., but he will be relocating to Alabama next year instead.

"Alabama will be good for me,"

he builds a student's confidence in an important life skill, and likes learning through his student's speeches.

Though he greatly enjoys teaching overall, he dislikes the adverse relationship between students and teachers. He doesn't think it right that some students see grades as punishment.

He described this as the "you gave me this" type of thing."

\$6.6 million strong

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Mahoney's THON experience does not only deal with PSH. His wife works as a BRN at Hershey Medical Center for Pediatric Oncology. Mahoney says that she would tell stories about how much the kids love THON and look forward to it.

Sophomore Kara Rowles experienced her first THON this year and described it as being better than expected. First time THON supporter,

Desire Hipple echoes Rowles' impression of THON. "Everyone always says that you can't explain it until you go and they were right." Said Hipple.

Hipple particularly enjoyed the line dance, especially the "dolla dolla bills ya'll" part. "My friend kept singing that song when we were canning." Said Hipple.

Hipple is now inspired to work harder next year to raise even more money, and hopes that the total reaches 7 million.

Dancer Maruja Rosario has been involved in THON for about four

heard that Commonwealth campuses could send dancers to University Park. She was PSH's dancer in 2005 and completed her THON journey this year by dancing again.

"When I got sick of the boys, I could just escape to the locker room." Said Rosario.

Rosario credits all of the PSH supporters for getting her through it



Photo by MARIN BENDORITIS/Capital Times
Dancers Maruja Rosario and Matthew Mahoney pose for a picture on the dance floor.



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Supporters Matthew Sarver, Craig Dewalt and Marin Bendoritis along with dancers Adam Porter, Augie Bravo and Maruja Rosario pose for a picture on the dance floor.

years now. She was the dancer for Lion Ambassador's mini-THON and

Rosario found it interesting to be the only female dancer from PSH.

year's dancers. "Keep THONing on." Said Bravo.

Campus Calendar

Rock the Vote. Coming Our Way. Monday, March 4. In the Auditorium.

7 pm: Rock the Vote program: Mary McClelland and Lindsey Ber- man from Rock the Vote's DC office will show that young people are:
• Breaking away from the apathetic label that has long stereotyped youth and are part of a new civically engaged and informed generation.
• On the forefront of a new political landscape influenced by MySpace, Facebook and YouTube, among others.
• Showing up to the polls on Election Day in record numbers, and can very well be a deciding factor in the next election.
• Able to be agents of change on campus and in their communities.

PSH will be hosting the 2008 RAD program for Women. It is a free program for women on self defense, hosted by police services. Contact Officer Allshouse at jua1@psu.edu for more information.

With 20.8 million people in the United States, or 7% of the population, having diabetes, it is something that cannot be ignored. But there is something everyone can do to help bring those alarming numbers down. The new Blue and White Society will have a table in the Olmsted Lobby, Thursday, March 6 to accept donations for the Tour De Cure, a nationwide bike race that benefits the American Diabetes Association. Meghan Corrado, a Blue and White Society member will be participating in this race in May. All money

raised will be directly donated to the ADA.

A solo performance written and performed by Michael Fosberg. One man = Race, Diversity, Identity. "Fosberg has clearly thought a lot about American life and his piece is full of insights about how we construct our personal identities and how, in an instant, one's sense of self can be altered forever. The fact that it is also, at times, hilarious, is just gravy."- The Daily Herald. Rescheduled for Tuesday, March 4 at 12:30 p.m. in Olmsted Auditorium.

Things You Need To Know

Lost something? Check in the Student Activities Office, E131 Olmsted

For information on delays, cancellations, and closings, phone 948-6029

Equipment request forms can be found at www.hbg.psu.edu/it/mw2/equipform.htm

For those of you who have not signed up for Penn State Harrisburg emergency cell phone text messaging, registration is available at <http://newswires.psu.edu/>

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Finance Club for the Spring semester 2008 has started. Come join us in learning

about stocks and creating a student portfolio. We meet every Thursday at 12:30 in Olmsted - Room 334e. Pizza is provided. Interested? Just show up or contact Alex Kravets ask5057@psu.edu.

Award Opportunity

The Eric A. & Josephine S. Walker Award will be awarded to PSH undergraduate students. The recipient of this annual student achievement award will be selected by the Student Affairs Committee of Faculty Senate. Nomination forms are available in C-120 Olmsted. Deadline for nomination submission is March 17, 2008.

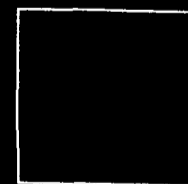
CUB SPRING BREAK HOURS OF OPERATION -

March 9 - CLOSED
Mar. 10, 12, 14 - 7 AM - 7 PM
Mar. 11 & 13 - 8 AM - 7 PM
Mar. 15 - 8 AM - 3:30 PM
Mar. 16 - 1 - 8 PM

CUB EASTER HOURS OF OPERATION -
Mar. 22 & 23 - CLOSED

VOTE

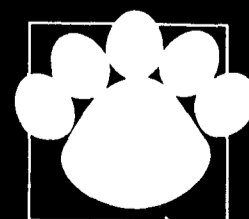
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CANIDATE 2



CANIDATE 3

SGA ELECTIONS: MARCH 20 IN TOWN SQUARE