Special Edition: Spring Week

Five Days Chock Full of Vitamin Fun



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The amount of activity on campus last week was "kicked up a notch." Music, video games, dancing and political competition created a colorful circus of PSU pride. It was obvious to many that student participation was hitting an semester high point when they could barely squeeze through the crowds in the Lion's Den during common hour. The events drew campus regulars and those who usually go home microwave leftovers.

The week's finale, Spring Fling, scheduled for Friday, was canceled due to inclement weather, but is rescheduled for Thursday, April 27. Despite the lack of a conclusion to the succession of activities, the five-day celebration was far from a disappointment.

Spring week coincided with heavy campaigning for the upcoming SGA elections, so the first celebratory event was a politically themed one. Taking a note from MTV, Monday's common hour was dubbed "Rock the Vote." While hopeful leaders put forth their platforms in the Lion's Den, musical acts Frank Biscotti and Punchy's Pilot saturated the room with new and familiar sounds. The addition of audio entertainment added levity to the increasingly tense political race.

The next event moved student attention from the Commons Building to all over the campus. The 24 Hour Photo Contest was held on Tuesday. Students embarked across Delco to snap the perfect picture in hopes of winning the grand prize of an iPod Nano. The outcome of the contest will be known this friday

Wednesday's common hour fulfilled the nerd quota for the semester by turning the cafeteria into an arcade. The IST club brought in their arsenal of computers and flat screen displays so students were able to play various racing games during their daily lunch break. People were invited to compete against each other using real steering wheels and foot pedals. Those not gaming-inclined sat and watched intently.

Thursday brought more music to Penn Stater's ears, as the local band the Great Santinis performed a long set in front of the Commons building. The performance drew a large turnout from attending students as well as visiting high school students who passed by the Commons patio. The band performed an eclectic set including alt-rock classics from the mid nineties and driving blues originals

Even though the main festivities were canceled for Friday, the IST club prevailed in providing dance for Common hour. Dance Dance Revolution that is. Along with an incredibly large flat screen display and a beefy sound system, Dance Dancers were treated to gaming pads not unlike those found in most of America's arcades.

This Spring Week proved that Penn State Delco can turn out events daily and get the whole campus involved. It showcased our clubs' organizational skills and a portion of the student body's musical talent.

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