

Dying life forms threaten mankind

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Mankind is in severe danger due to the extinction of nonhuman life forms, said a representative from Greenpeace last night, as the second day of Eco-Action's Earth Day '80 came to a close.

Greenpeace is an international organization "dedicated to preserving the ecological balance of Earth," said Randy Ment, project coordinator for Greenpeace of New England, which includes Pennsylvania in its area.

"We're concerned with the long term liability of life on the planet," he said. "We're trying to make the collective consciousness of man realize that everyone's well-being is determined by the well-being of all animals and plants."

Ment said that Greenpeace concerns itself with such issues as nuclear weapons, offshore oil development, habitat degradation and the resulting extinction of species, and the basic integrity of the marine environment — particularly the whales and seals.

Greenpeace was founded in 1970, when the world was beginning to realize the danger the environment was suffering, Ment said. Positive efforts to save the environment were made, such as the

establishment of the Environmental Protection Agency, clean air and water standards and the Endangered Species Act.

"But in the past few years, as the economy declines, we've seen a backlash against the environmentalists, and a backlash against the gains we've won," he said.

Greenpeace has especially been involved in the campaign to stop the harpooning of whales. Last night, Ment showed a film that outlined Greenpeace's effort to halt the killing of the marine creatures.

Since the 1920s, more than two million whales have been killed, and five out of 10 species of whales are endangered, Ment said.

"It's important to take action now, because extinct, be it whales or mankind, is forever," he said.

Ment stressed the involvement of individuals in Greenpeace's campaigns.

"It's only by changing the course of human events that we will continue to live on this earth," he said.

"In a very, very profound sense, a flower is your brother. And the earth is not something we inherit from our ancestors. It's something we borrow from our descendants," Ment said.



Chutes away!

Improvisational dancers got help from other students as they performed a parachute maneuver at Earth Day yesterday on the HUB Lawn.

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Police praise Phi Psi committee

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The future of the annual Phi Psi 500 race as a permanent spring ritual in Happy Valley appears secure.

State College Police Chief Elwood G. Williams had nothing but praise for the way this year's race was handled — especially the job done by the race's organizing committee and student marshals.

Williams said he was very pleased with the cooperation and hard work of the Phi Psi committee, especially race chairman Bill Santel and Phi Psi member Alex Bell.

"There were no reported incidents of vandalism and the clean-up afterwards was excellent," Williams said.

Considerable amounts of vandalism and discarded debris were two of the main criticisms directed toward last year's race. This year the Phi Psi organizing committee and State College police worked together in hopes of correcting these problems.

Williams said the only changes he would make for next year's race were minor things — and nothing that would reflect on the activity itself.

"We could do a few things to make the race run smoother, maybe make a few adjustments along the race route, especially with traffic control."

The amount of traffic backed up along Beaver Avenue (sometimes extending from Pugh Street all the way to Atherton Street) was perhaps the biggest problem for police this year.

State College Municipal Council member Joseph Wakeley, Jr., who had earlier expressed his opposition

Phi Psi Results

Fraternity

1. Jim Colton Tau Kappa Epsilon 6:30
2. Duke Snyder Beta Theta Pi 7:04
3. John Anderson Beta Theta Pi 7:08

Independent

1. John Doelp 6:45
- Tom Gessell
2. Daron Shepard 6:57

Masters

1. Charles Strauss 6:46
2. Tod Jeffers 8:12
3. Dennis Gildea 8:14

Women

1. Bonnie Barton 8:38
2. Becky Hanna 8:54
3. Jan Wallace 9:28

Team

1. Beta Theta Pi 36:31
2. Noll Labs 36:33
3. Athletic Attic 40:06

Community Relay

1. Penn State Veterans Club, Team #2
2. The Phyrst, Inc.
3. Penn State Veterans Club, Team #1

to the Phi Psi activity, said he could see no real disturbances this year and was generally pleased with the student marshals.

"They (the student marshals) blended well with the crowd and helped the police handle the situation well. It was under control," Wakeley said.

Wakeley's only objection concerned the number of persons he saw

Canoe Races

Fraternity Little Sisters

1. Pi Kappa Alpha
2. Alpha Tau Omega
3. Lambda Chi Alpha

Sorority

1. Alpha Sigma Alpha
2. Kappa Kappa Gamma
3. Pi Beta Phi

Enthusiasm Award

1. Kappa Alpha Theta (they raised \$1900.17)
2. Phi Mu
3. Alpha Sigma Alpha

Anything Goes

1. Pieces of chocolate cake saying "Eat it Iran"
2. Case of Rolling Rock cans
3. French Ticklers

Sorority Relay

1. Delta Gamma 6:49
2. Pi Beta Phi 7:01
3. Alpha Sigma Alpha 7:25

Illustration by Della Hoke

sitting on top of apartment and fraternity roofs.

"There was no real rowdiness this year," Wakeley said, "but the number of students watching the race from the tops of roofs is a potential hazard—that is my only objection."

Wakeley said he would have to see the police chief's report before he formed his opinion on next year's race.

Mother visits hostage for 45 minutes

From our wire services

A Wisconsin housewife held an affectionate reunion with her hostage son yesterday and said the 45-minute, hand-holding session convinced her that the young marine was a better person for his six-month captivity.

Meanwhile, the Kyodo News Service said in Tokyo that Iran slapped an embargo on oil shipments to Japan yesterday because of Tokyo's refusal to accept a \$2.50 increase in the price of Iranian crude.

The lost imports, about 530,000 barrels daily or 10 percent of Japan's oil supply, sent Japanese importers scrambling for alternate suppliers.

In Washington, President Carter said he does not know "how much longer we can sit here" while the American hostages are held captive in Tehran and the political situation in Iran deteriorates.

And in Luxembourg, Common Market foreign ministers are ready to recommend stopping imports of Iranian oil,

drastically reducing diplomatic contacts and banning arms sales to Iran, diplomatic sources said.

"There was a lot of touching but no tears," Barbara Timm said of her meeting with her son, Sgt. Kevin Hermening, a marine guard at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran.

"I kept telling him how strong he was and he kept telling me how strong I was," the Oak Creek housewife said.

"One thing he assured me was that he had become a better person and a strong person."

She said Hermening, 20, one of the 50 Americans held for the 170th day by Moslem militants at the occupied U.S. Embassy, was "strong and in excellent physical condition."

They met in a room with a couch and a long wooden table. During their talk several students remained "but they never once interrupted us," she said.

"I think I achieved a minor miracle today."

"He never lost faith. He has a deeper

religious feeling," said Mrs. Timm, a Roman Catholic.

"We never quit holding hands — it was as if we had a permanent attachment to one another."

"We never discussed the other hostages nor did I see them."

She spent six hours in the embassy buildings "talking, talking and talking" and then the students gave her dinner. Her husband, Kenneth Timm, who accompanied his wife to the embassy, was not permitted to see Kevin.

Warmer still

Our summer-like weather is good for at least two more days as we enjoy sunny skies and warm temperatures today and tomorrow. However, there is the chance for a late afternoon or evening thundershower tomorrow evening. Today's high will be 71, the low tonight will be 50 and the high tomorrow will surge to 80.

Dangerous if taken with alcohol

Quaaludes could contain Valium

By TOM BOYER
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Illegally produced pills being sold locally as Quaaludes may contain diazepam, also known as Valium, in varying and perhaps dangerous concentrations, according to On Drugs, Inc.

Laboratory analysis of three pills marked "Lemmon 714" taken from the area has shown the presence of diazepam in quantities of between 60 and 300 milligrams per tablet, Grace O'Toole, one of the hotline operators for On Drugs, said.

The standard dosage of Valium given by prescription is 10 milligrams every four hours, O'Toole said.

While death from an overdose from diazepam alone is unlikely, diazepam can be dangerous when used with alcohol, she said. The combination can induce deep sedation, seizures and coma.

"Any kind of depressant can have that kind of effect because your liver can only metabolize one drug at a time," O'Toole said.

She said the On Drugs office has received reports of blackouts, muscle rigidity, bad hangovers, and minor paralysis from persons who used the pills.

O'Toole said there is no way to tell the difference between prescription drugs and drugs made in underground laboratories until they are analyzed. Bootleg drugs often contain impurities that can cause bad reactions to the drug.

Last week, it was thought the Quaaludes may have contained Phencyclidine — commonly known as PCP — which is used as an animal tranquilizer. Tests of similar pills taken from Ohio and California have shown the presence of PCP, but O'Toole said it was unlikely they were sold in State College.

Shaffer veto last act as president

By LORRAINE CAPRA
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In his last official act as Undergraduate Student Government president, Hal Shaffer vetoed a bill concerning the appointment of the USG business manager.

Before last night's inauguration of President Joe Healey, Shaffer vetoed a bill that would have given USG executives and senators the power to make the business manager appointment with senate approval.

The senate worked on the bill for a month, which also defines the duties of the business department of USG.

Last week, the senate decided that the business manager would be appointed by Shaffer, former USG vice president Vicki Sandoe, Healey, Vice President Andy Weintraub, and five senators — the senate-president, appropriations chairman and three senators-at-large. The appointment would then be ratified by the entire senate.

Shaffer had said he disagreed with the appointment section because it took away checks and balances in the executive and senate branches of USG.

"You have those five senators appointing and ratifying and there's no checks and balances," he said. "The executives should appoint and the senate

should have final approval."

The senate had voted to exclude the five senators from voting for the ratification, but Shaffer said he did not think the senators should be involved in the appointment decision at all.

The new senate must now resolve the problem.

In his inaugural address, Healey said he will strive to eliminate dissension within USG and between USG and other organizations.

"I want to make USG a place for all students. Next year there will be a true sense of caring in the USG office," Healey said.

A number of USG members received awards last night, but the most revealing acceptance speech was given by Jim Morrison, who received recognition for his work with University administrators and the Pennsylvania State Association for State Related Universities.

"When you go to administrators and say you represent the students, your credibility is shot — they know how many people give a damn about USG," he said.

Morrison said USG members should present themselves as individuals to administrators when working for student issues. "You would be surprised at how far that will get you," he said.



Jim Prior, right, chief justice of the Undergraduate Student Government Supreme Court, swears in Joe Healey as the new USG president last night.

Candidates wind up primary campaigns

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Sen. Edward M. Kennedy urged Pennsylvania Democrats yesterday to make their primary ballots read "no more Jimmy Carter." But Vice President Walter F. Mondale asked them to support a president "who will continue to deliver."

Republican Ronald Reagan said if he were in George Bush's shoes, he would "give serious thought" to quitting the presidential campaign. But Bush said he won't, regardless of the outcome in today's preference balloting, and thinks "the indications are all encouraging" that he will upset the former California governor.

The preference vote is not the one that counts in the Republican primary. The 83 nominating delegates are elected separately, 77 of them in the primary election. Reagan said he was confident a majority of the Pennsylvania delegation would be for him.

All three candidates, plus Mondale, Carter's stand-in, spent election eve

in final quest of votes in a primary that could shape the tickets of both parties.

At the White House, press secretary Jody Powell called the election "a pretty tight and tough race." He called it a choice between a president "who has sought consistently to reduce large deficits," and a senator "whose enlistment in the anti-inflation fight is a little bit late to say the least."

Kennedy, said Powell, has changed his position on defense spending and other issues and "I have a hard time figuring out just which one we are running against."

While Kennedy insisted that defeat would not lead him to drop his challenge to Carter, his strategists acknowledged that he'd have to win to hold a mathematical chance of overtaking the president's lopsided lead in delegate strength.

The Democratic primary is for 185 nominating votes, apportioned on the basis of the popular vote.