

phi psi 500

Phi Psi runners to be on the road again in 16th annual race

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For 16 years, the Phi Psi 500 has been one of the most popular University events because it is something in which the entire University can participate, the race's overall chairman said this week.

"It's different from other philanthropies. Students can participate without really doing anything. It's exciting to watch," Mike Smoyer said.

The Phi Psi 500 will begin at noon tomorrow and run through the downtown business district. Bruce Parkhill, University head basketball coach, will officially signal the start of the race, Smoyer said.

About 1,800 participants will run the 1.1 mile course starting at Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, 403 Locust Lane. The fraternity is sponsoring the race in cooperation with the Stroh Brewery Company.

The route will take participants through six downtown bars, where they must pay 50 cents to drink either a beer or soda at each stop, and then back to the fraternity.

Proceeds from the race will benefit the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program of Centre County. Smoyer said the fraternity donates the money to an organization it believes will benefit the community the most.

"We call between 10 and 15 charities each year and we hear where the

money is going and how badly they need it. We give it to the organization who is initiating a new program — something State College doesn't already have," he said.

A table will be set up in front of the fraternity where the runners' times will be recorded, Smoyer said.

Downtown Bars participating in the Phi Psi 500 are: The Phyrst, 111 1/2 E. Beaver Ave.; The Brickhouse Tavern, Humes Alley; Nello's, 128 E. College Ave.; The All-American Rathskeller, 108 S. Pugh St.; The Shandygaff Saloon, 212 E. College Ave., and the Brewery, 233 E. Beaver Ave.

The downtown streets that will be used in the race route are Locust Lane, Pugh Street, and Foster, College and Beaver avenues, Smoyer said.

The race will end around 4:30 p.m., when the bars will close and the streets used for the race will reopen, Smoyer said.

Participants will race in seven divisions: fraternity, independent, masters, women, team, sorority relay and Anything Goes.

Sorority relay will begin the Phi Psi 500, followed by the serious runners competing for the best overall time.

"A lot of people run for time but only a few run for a serious time, which is around eight minutes," Smoyer said.

All divisions are judged for time except for the Anything Goes divi-



Photo by Daniel Rogers

Phi Psi Phanatics

Three participants in the "Anything Goes" category race through the streets of State College in last year's Phi Psi 500.

sion, which is judged on originality and creativity, Smoyer said. Winners in each division will receive first, second or third place trophies.

Last year, first place in the Anything Goes division went to the "Ostrich Jockeys," people dressed as large birds made of multi-colored paper with long necks.

Last year's event raised about \$21,000 for the Association of Retarded Citizens of Centre County.

Rich Sandler, security chairman for the race, said 125 members of

different fraternities will be stationed along the route. In cooperation with the State College Police Department, they will direct runners and keep the crowd back.

The fraternity members were surprised at the response to registrations for the race, John Caliguri, registration chairman, said earlier this week. Registrations closed after only four days as compared to seven days last year, he said.

Smoyer said fraternity members anticipate no major problems during

the race because the weather forecast is good. Also, the fraternity has been working with the University's Total Alcohol Awareness Program to encourage people not to over-consume alcoholic beverages, he said.

Radio announcements promoting alcohol awareness have been broadcast by local radio stations. They feature Joe Paterno, head football coach; Fran Fisher, assistant athletics director for public affairs and development, and Parkhill, Smoyer said.

CATA slates route changes for tomorrow

Several Centre Line bus route detours will be in effect tomorrow from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. during the Phi Psi 500, the Centre Area Transportation Authority announced yesterday.

East Beaver Avenue will be closed between South Allen and Garner streets and police will direct traffic at all major intersections.

The bus stop at Schlow Memorial Library, 100 E. Beaver Ave., will be moved to the parking lot across from Danks Department Store on West Beaver Avenue. CATA will post a temporary bus stop sign for passenger convenience.

The X-Nittany Mall bus will depart from the temporary stop, turn right onto South Allen Street, left onto East Prospect Avenue, left onto Garner Street, and will then continue on its regular route. No route stops will be missed.

The B-Boalsburg bus will follow along the same detour, however it will proceed on West Beaver Avenue instead of Garner Street.

The outbound bus on the P-Pugh Street route will depart from the temporary stop, turn right onto South Allen Street, and proceed to Easterly Parkway. The bus then will resume its normal route.

The inbound bus on the P-route will travel via Pugh Street to Prospect Avenue, turn right onto Prospect Avenue to Garner Street, left onto Garner Street to College Avenue, and then turn left onto East College Avenue to Allen Street.

—by Teri Wells

Teacher survey shows who is at the top of the class, who isn't

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The Undergraduate Student Government Best/Not-so-Best survey evaluation committee selected 29 "best" instructors and 13 instructors who are "performing below standards," USG vice president Beth Saylor said yesterday.

The outstanding instructors are: Milton Bergstein, D.G. James, Charles Haas, Michael Kiernan, Richard Labunski, Hal Sup Lee, Peirce Lewis, John Lowe, Richard Lundy, E. Lynn Miller, Pamela Miller, Robert Mitchell, John Moore, Bruce Murphy, Gordon Nelson, Roy Olofson, Peter Van Oot, Beth Parkinson, Douglas Peterson, Andrew Pytel, David Questad, James Rambeau, Samuel Rubin, Samuel Rubinstein, Harlan Stevens, Chester Therrien, David Tosh, Edward Wickersham and Sam Zamrik.

Based on the results of the USG-sponsored students' survey performed more than two months ago, Saylor said the committee chose the 29 instructors the committee thought "stood out from the rest." Those 29 instructors

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— Milton Bergstein, associate marketing professor

will receive a letter of appreciation from USG and a certificate of merit for their outstanding performance, she added.

The names and courses taught by the 13 instructors the committee chose as "performing very much below normal standards," will be given to the instructors' department directors, Saylor said.

Saylor said she and members of USG's Academic Assembly will meet with the department heads to deter-

mine what problems may have accounted for a low rating from students.

The names and courses taught by the 13 instructors would not be released because Saylor said "we do not want to single out anyone publicly based on results from such a small proportion of the students."

But she said because a large enough number of students indicated the 13 instructors, USG thought it would be worthwhile to bring the names to the attention of the department heads. About 2,500 students responded to the survey.

"We want to present the names and courses to the department directors and show them that if that many students registered concerns (about a particular instructor or course,) then there must be something wrong," she said.

Labunski, assistant professor of journalism, who was chosen for Journalism 392, the broadcast news course he teaches, said receiving such an award is "very satisfying." But he added that he "gets rewards in other ways" by helping students and seeing them become enthusiastic

about his course.

However, Labunski is leaving Penn State at the end of this semester to join the faculty of The School of Communications at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Labunski, who has been at Penn State for two years, said rewarding good teachers "is something that PSU needs to do more to improve teaching."

"The only things that count for promotion and tenure are research and publication," which Labunski said allows instructors to neglect teaching.

Bergstein, associate professor of marketing, said he is honored to get the award because "the highest recognition for teaching comes from the students, which makes this award particularly meaningful."

He said he has a "personal dedication to undergraduate teaching" of which the marketing courses he was selected for are included.

Saylor said the committee considered the number of votes for each instructor, the comments written on the survey sheets and the size of the class compared to the ratio of students who voted for an instructor.

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Race Day Information

Sat., April 7, 1984 **12:00-4:30 p.m.**

IMPORTANT: all runners must report **TODAY**, Friday, April 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in HUB Basement to receive race numbers and starting times.

*If you do not pick up your numbers today, you will not be allowed to run. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Runners must bring to race:

- Picture ID w/proof of age
- \$.50 per chug: 12 quarters

Awards ceremony will be held 9:00 p.m. Sat. at Phi Psi House

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