

A Cardinal win

Penn State shuts out Stanford 5-0 in the first round of the NCAA tournament

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Atherton Street separates hippies and preppies

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Heat wave. Today, partly sunny, much warmer, high 50. Tonight, becoming cloudy with a chance of showers late, low 43. Tomorrow, a few hours of showers, high 55.

— by Paul Markowski



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Students rally for tolerance

A walkout at 11:45 a.m. and a noon rally at Schwab Auditorium are slated to protest recent intolerant acts on campus.

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Sandra Choute is not going to stand by and let racial and cultural intolerance infiltrate University Park.

Choute (sophomore-premedicine) will be speaking against the recent hate crimes that have occurred on campus. Unfortunately, she has firsthand knowledge about what

has been going on — Choute is a victim of a recent hate crime.

Early one morning last month, after returning to her room in Ewing Hall, Choute found a swastika drawn on the message board attached to her door.

"I was outraged," Choute said. "It affected me then and it's still affecting me now. It hurts."

Today at noon, Choute will share her pain with the hundreds of students expected to "Take A Stand" and attend the rally on the steps of Schwab Auditorium.

The rally is sponsored by a coalition of student organizations. Organizers are asking students to walk out of their classes at 11:45 to show their intolerance for racial and ethnic intimidation. Students who do not wish to walk out of class, but

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still wish to take a part in the demonstration, are being asked to stand for a moment of silence.

Arun Unni, vice president of the Asian American Student Coalition — another group sponsoring the rally — will be also speaking at the rally.

Unni said he feels it is his duty to participate in the events.

"This stuff has been going on in the floors of the dorms," Unni said. "As an active member of the Penn State community, I feel like it's my

responsibility to take a stand and speak out against these kinds of things."

Unni added that the more students that attend, the better.

"I strongly suggest everyone come out," he said. "This is not a minority thing. It's a Penn State thing. The greater the diversity, the more unified our force will be."

And, Unni said, unification is the ultimate goal of the rally.

Some administrators suggested moving the event to Old Main lawn, because it would be a more prominent symbol of the University, said Bill Mahon, director of public information and interim executive director of University relations.

The coalition decided against the idea after discussing it during a

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South Halls card access may be extended

By MEREDITH O'DONNELL
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In response to the recent break-ins and incidents of racism in dorms, the Association of Residence Hall Students is discussing a new plan to extend card access hours on weekends.

If the new plan is passed, the access hours will begin 8 p.m. Fridays and end 7 a.m. Mondays every weekend, including nonfootball weekends.

The proposed new hours would be enforced only in South Halls, where most of the recent problems have occurred. The South Halls Resi-

dence Association will meet at 5:30 p.m. Sunday to discuss the possible change.

"Only South is taking action because of its proximity to College Ave.," said South Halls President Larry Paseornek. "A lot of people feel unsafe because of the incidents of racism, break-ins and the number of people wandering in and out, especially in the female halls."

Barry Bram, associate director of residence life for South and West halls, said many people expressed safety and security concerns at recent house meetings.

Bram added that the Office of Residence Life was waiting to see what the SHRA decision was

before they further examined the concerns.

Paseornek said he hoped the extended hours would help people feel safe in their dorms, although he knows it will not cure all problems.

ARHS President Maggie Kutzler said she agreed the extra access hours would be beneficial in South because of its location near the downtown area.

"Some areas don't need it like South does at this time, but it's probably a good idea. Personally, I like the idea of 24-hour card access across campus," Kutzler said.

While most of the area presidents said

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The following people will speak at the rally today:

Opening remarks: Tuvia Abramson, director of Penn State Hillel Foundation

Speakers:

1. Sandra Choute-student who had graffiti on her dorm door
2. Terrell Jones-deputy vice provost for educational equity
3. Arthur Goldschmidt-professor of Middle East history
4. Arun Unni-Asian American Student Coalition of Centre County
5. Anne Ward-member to the Unity Coalition of Centre County
6. Graham Spanier-University president
7. Celeste Delgado-assistant professor of English
8. Ellen Broido-Coalition of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Graduate Students
9. Andrew Miller-Amnesty International
10. Elisha Nixon-Multicultural Resource Center Counselor
11. Bill Welch-Mayor of State College
12. Fernando Gapsin-assistant professor of labor studies at the New Kensington Campus
14. Floyd Cochran-former member of Aryan Nations, a white supremacist organization

Closing remarks:

- Edna Hernandez-Latino Caucus president
Maggie Kutzler-Association of Residence Hall Students president

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Summer Session delayed

Summer Session will begin a week later than originally scheduled due to conflicting high school graduations.

By PAULA SHAKI
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Students at University Park will have one more week to enjoy without classes before Summer Session begins this year.

The eight-week Summer Session will begin on June 12 instead of June 5, and the six-week session will begin June 26, a week after the original date of June 19. The summer registration deadline will be June 11, and classes for both sessions will end Aug. 7.

"Because of a quirk in the calendar that happens every seven years or so, high school graduations conflicted with the start of summer session," said Vice Provost for Enrollment, Management and Administration John Romano. As a result of the original starting date, some high school seniors who planned to attend summer session would not graduate high school before starting college, he said.

Due to the later start, the number of students registered for Summer Session will be lower than in previous years. Please see SUMMER, Page 18.



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Joseph's Coat

Members of Penn State Thespians gather around Rusty Pettit and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat at Schwab Auditorium. For coverage of the play, please see page 22.

Roadside shooting leads to leg injury

By THOMAS A. MURSE
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A Pennsylvania Furnace man was shot in the leg Wednesday night near Whitehall after he got involved in a roadside fist fight with another man, the Ferguson Township Police Department said.

Jerry Prater, emergency room coordinator at the Centre Community Hospital, said Karl Kolditz, 35, of 160 Plainfield Drive, was taken to the hospital after he was shot in the leg at close range.

The person with whom Kolditz allegedly fought also entered the hospital and was treated for facial abrasions.

As of last evening, Kolditz was in satisfactory condition at the hospital, Prater said. The incident occurred at about 9:30 p.m. after Kolditz was allegedly driving too close to another man's car and flashing his high beams, police said.

The drivers of two cars pulled over along the southbound side of the 300 block of Plainfield Drive, police said.

The man who was driving the lead car, a 4x4 pickup truck, was upset because the other man was tailgating him, police said.

The two got out of their vehicles, please see SHOOTING, Page 18.

Voter turnout

On-campus voter turnout at the four HUB voting precincts:

East #1: 1,265 registered
82 voted

East #2: 1,240 registered
61 voted

East #3: 1,639 registered
133 voted

West Central #1: 726 registered
37 voted

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Despite number of registered students, voter turnout remained low

By RACHEL HOGAN
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If voting is a numbers game, students lost. Of 1,265 people registered in one of the HUB voting precincts, 82 voted.

Another HUB precinct brought 61 voters out of 1,240 registered.

A third precinct showed 133 voters out of 1,639 registered.

Only 37 voted in the fourth HUB precinct. Over 700 were registered.

Emily Martin, a College Democrat and co-director of Lion Action — an on-campus voter registration group — said she had not studied the numbers too closely, but she was not surprised by the less than 10 percent voter turnout among students registered on campus.

"Student turnout is always low," Martin said, and the elements did not help much either.

"It was bad weather. It was rainy," she said.

The showers may have kept student voters inside, but University student Michael Burcik is now kept on the outside of the State College Borough Council.

Burcik, a candidate for council who was endorsed by the Undergraduate Student Government, lost by little more than 200 votes. But Martin said she thinks progress was still made.

"I think it is progress, and at this rate, in two years we may have somebody there," Martin said.

Though she said she was glad it was over, for some students, elections never began.

Janet Reich (junior-molecular and cell biology) said she did not vote.

"I live in my own little world. I'm sorry," Reich said.

She did not know a student was running for council, she said, but student status alone would not convince Reich that Burcik was the best candidate.

"I don't know if the student part matters. It would have been more what they stood for, what their platform was," she said.

Time and knowledge constraints prevented Dave Shaffer (junior-electrical engineering) from voting.

"One, I had been negligent in doing research on the candidates," Shaffer said.

The second reason Shaffer didn't vote was "schedule conflicts," he said. "I was incredibly busy."

Shaffer said he would have been more interested in the elections if he had known that a student was running for a borough council seat.

Eileen Grimm, chairman of College Republicans, said that interest may come during national campaigns, but even with strong encouragement to vote, there will probably not be more than 30 percent student turnout.

With low student turnout in this year's elections, there is nowhere to shift the blame when town issues do not favor the student, she said.

"They are going to complain later about the housing restrictions in town, and they are going to have no one to blame but themselves because they did not vote," Grimm said.