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Lions crack Buckeyes, 23-10

PSU defense keys physical, decisive win

By WILLIAM KALEC Collegian Staff Writer

Askari Adams made his last play ever against No. 18 Ohio State count.

On fourth down and 14, with less than two minutes remaining in the game, the Penn State senior safety spotted Buckeyes wide receiver Reggie Germany attempting to haul in a pass from Steve Bellisari.

Just as the ball hit Germany's hands, Adams stuck his shoulder into the midsection of the Ohio State receiver and separated his body from the ball.

As the pigskin bounced toward the sideline, Adams stood over Germany — triumphant.

With one hit, Adams laid to rest the memories of last season's loss in Columbus, Ohio, and gave every Penn State senior a lasting impression of the No. 2 Nittany Lions 23-10 victory Saturday at Beaver Stadium

"They beat us last year and we remember it," Penn State senior linebacker Brandon Short said. "Personally, they have been my biggest rival since I have been here, so it just feels good to get

The Lions got the win courtesy By KRISTEN VANDERPOOL of two elements that had been Collegian Staff Writer missing in action since early in the season — an aggressive game.

The latter was better known as Penn State tailback Eric McCoo.

On the Lions' second play from scrimmage, McCoo set the tone for Penn State's rushing dominance. He found a seam on the right side of the line of scrimmage, picked up a block from fullback Mike Cerimele and motored 53 yards downfield until he was brought down by Buckeyes defensive end James Cotton at the 6-

That run set up the Lions' first score of the day as quarterback

Penn State tailback Eric McCoo runs the ball down the field against Ohio State Saturday afternoon in Beaver Stadium. Penn State went on to win the game 23-10. For complete game coverage, please see page 15.

Penn State, Ohio State join to make a difference

defense and a consistent running and Penn State students came together to work on various comtogether this weekend not only to munity service projects. compete in a Big Ten football clash, but to also work together on service projects for the State College community.

> 'Competing on the Field, Collaborating in the Community," the project's theme, was sponsored by the AT&T Center for Service Leadership as a part of the National Make a Difference

"This is an opportunity to keep the competition on the field and accomplish something positive and built cages for area wildlife. together in the community," said Please see BUCKEYES, Page 2. Carol German, director of the

About 50 Ohio State students Ohio State University students and 50 Penn State students came

> The organizations receiving aid included the State College Food Bank, 208 W. Foster Ave; the United Way of Centre County, 2790 W. College Ave.; two local retirement homes, Outlook Pointe at State College, 1901 Circleville Road and Brookline Village, 1950 Cliffside Drive; and Centre Wildlife Care in

> Students delivered canned food items, performed maintenance work, entertained senior citizens

"The community has a lot of Please see DIFFERENCE, Page 2.



Collegian Photo/Lee A. McMahon

Penn State student Molly Carey (left) builds wildlife cages early Saturday morning with Ohio State students. The universities worked together before the football game as part of National Make a Difference Week.

With football, alcohol-related crime steps up

'Typical football weekend summary offenses' include alcohol poisoning, disorderly conduct and vandalism.

By DARYL LANG Collegian Staff Writer

When football returned to State College this weekend, a battery of drinking, fights, vandalism, scalping and mischief came along with

At least five people went to Cen-

poisoning, according to reports from the State College Police

Police reported no major crimes, "vour typical football weekend summary offenses," said Cpl. Rick Ososkie of the State College Police.

In total, State College Police responded to 258 calls between 3 p.m. Friday and 7 a.m. yesterday, comparable to the number of calls reported the weekend of the Aug. 28 Arizona game.

At the Penn State-Ohio State counterfeit merchandise for sale, dalized, including a Hyundai cruiser from a sixth-floor balcony.

Penn State Police investigated at least two purchases of counterfeit Department and Penn State Police football tickets, Officer Sam Ricciotti said.

The tickets, which the two vicbut there was an abundance of tims purchased along College Avenue and in a stadium parking lot, may have been sold by the same person. Ricciotti added.

In and around the stadium, Penn State Police reported 11 citations for ticket scalping, 12 underage drinking incidents, two public drunkenness citations, two drug law violations and two instances of

picked up after dark Friday and

State College Police cited 26 people for disorderly conduct, including several fights at downtown

The most serious assault, at area of Beaver Avenue. about 12:30 a.m. yesterday at the Ave., sent a man to the hospital with a ripped septum, the part of his nose between his nostrils.

Police had 14 vehicles towed for illegal parking.

tre Community Hospital for alcohol game at Beaver Stadium Saturday. Ricciotti said. Downtown, activity Elantra tipped on its side at the 500 block of East Foster Avenue early yesterday

Several police incidents during the weekend involved partiers tossing objects from apartment balconies, especially in the "canyon"

A man received a citation Satur-Darkhorse Tavern, 128 E. College day night for emptying a full the most difficult selection that I garbage can from a third-floor bal-

cony at 329 E. Beaver Ave. Police cited two residents at 320 E. Beaver Ave. in connection with a

College to build NASA satellite

By TIM SWIFT Collegian Staff Writer

NASA awarded the Penn State Eberly College of Science a \$26 million contract, the largest ever for the college, Thursday to help build a satellite to examine the far reaches of space.

Costing a total of \$163 million, the Swift Gamma Ray Burst Explorer satellite will be responsible for detecting gamma ray bursts. The bursts, which last only a few seconds, outshine the rest of the universe when they explode unpredictably in distant galaxies.

Theories on the cause of these bursts range from two neutron stars colliding, creating a black hole to just one massive star collapsing, said Penn State professor David Burrows, a member of the Swift research team.

"The mystery is, how do you move so much energy in so little time?" Burrows said. "It's probably a signature of a black hole's creation, but the exact mechanism is not clear.

Launching in 2003, the satellite will have a three-year mission in which the explorer will also survey the sky for new black holes and other sources of cosmic gamma rays, according to a NASA press release.

Consisting of three co-aligned telescopes, the satellite will provide sharp images of the ray bursts' source and pinpoint its location in the sky. Astronomers will build and test X-ray and UV/optical telescopes, operate the satellite after launch from a Penn State control center, and supervise an education and public outreach program.

The educational program will provide gamma ray burst-related materials to schools across the country. The project's Web site (www.astro.psu.edu/xray/swift) even includes a song about the bursts for students.

With engineers and technicians, the Swift team at Penn State includes about 30 people. The team will consist mostly of faculty members, but graduate and undergraduate students will be able to work in limited extent doing general lab work, Burrows said.

Penn State astronomers beat out six schools, including Columbia University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the Naval Research Laboratory for the contract, Burrows said.

"In my 21 years at NASA, this is have had to make," NASA administrator Edward Weiler said in a prepared statement. "The number of first-class concepts being submitman who shouted obscenities and ted to NASA by the space science Another 14 were reported van- threw a beer bottle toward a police community for these smaller missions just keeps on climbing.'

SRTEs address student concerns on administration, courses

By ELENA CARACAPPA and TRACY WILSON Collegian Staff Writers

At the close of each semester, students are allowed the opportunity to evaluate their courses and instructors, but periodic input on the administration is considered as

"Students are in a good position to evaluate the things they experience," said Michael Dooris, director of planning and research assessment.

The university evaluates stu-

years, he said. The results of this year's student experience and satisfaction survey will be released in the coming weeks.

Jech, professor of mathematics, seniors. has added a question on his Student Rating of Teaching Effectiveness (SRTE) asking students to rate on a scale of 1 to 7 the effectiveness of the university administration in addressing student concerns

sumers who expect reasonable service from the administration.

"Students are asked about teaching but not administration," Jech said. "Students live here for four years; they have to deal with many things. I think students should have dents' opinions every three to five their voice in how the university is

> Although the survey was not official, Jech said the results have been consistent.

The survey samples comprise 20

The perception among students surveyed is that they are not get- (evaluating) instructors in a school ting their money's worth from the administration, Jech said.

"We never get asked about that (the administration) really," said ematics), also a former student of Jech compared students to con- Daniel Longley (junior-mathematics), a former student of Jech's. "It seems like it is a bunch of mysterious people working behind the

Professors have the option of asking students to evaluate the administration on the SRTE, but the survey's primary purpose is to evaluate the course, Dooris said.

The Schreyer Institute for Innovation and Learning is piloting other means of evaluating students' opinions that will not replace answer," he said.

For the past six years, Thomas to 60 sophomores, juniors and SRTEs, but will ask different questions, Dooris said.

"It's a good thing to focus on this size where there are not much dealings with the administration," said Alexander Faber (junior-math-

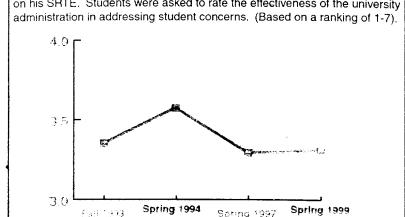
"I've had nothing but good dealings with the administration recently," he said, adding that dealing with the university gets easier with seniority and experience.

Surveys similar to the SRTE and the evaluations being developed are worthy of students' time as long as the results are seriously considered, Faber said.

"Any question is worth asking if someone is listening to the

Does the PSU administration address student concerns?

This graph shows the results to a question Professor Thomas Jech asked on his SRTE. Students were asked to rate the effectiveness of the university



Source: Thomas Jech, professor of mathematics

Collegian Graphic/Jamie Perruquet