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Venues

Local band brings beat

The Daily Supplement helps to give a hefty dose of danceable sounds

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Tired of the same old routine? Brian Shuman, bass player for The Daily Supplement, said no band is playing the kind of stuff they're playing. The Pennsylvania native band has a refreshing improvisational sound that is hard not to dance to.

The alternative-turned-improv band, composed of Brian Shuman on electrical bass guitar, his twin brother Scott Shuman on drums and Matt Albeck on guitar, have been playing together since they were in the eighth grade.

"We played churches because that was the only place they let such young kids play, Albeck said.

The band provides its audience with a mix of very danceable beats and sounds.

"Our sound is a combination of Latin jazz with elements of rock and funk fusion," Albeck said.

The band has definitely moved on from its church days. It moved to State College in August after attracting a large crowd at a house party and receiving positive feedback from the crowd.

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The Daily Supplement has been playing Monday nights at The Brewery, 233 E. Beaver Ave., opening for Alchemy. With Alchemy's recent departure, The Daily Supplement gained the top Thursday night spot.

"They've paid their dues and are way more talented than a lot of bands that come through town," said Scott Sheader, manager of The Brewery. "The band got the spot because they have a similar feel to Alchemy and people love them and dance all night."

The Thursday night spot will provide the band access to a larger crowd and new faces. It



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The Daily Supplement plays every Monday at The Brewery, 233 E. Beaver Ave., and opens for Alchemy. They will fill the top spot this spring.

would be great to gain some of Alchemy's crowd, Shuman said.

"If there are a lot of people there, it is guaranteed we're going to play a good show. Having people into it boosts our emotions and we play better because of it," he added.

The band has also played at

the Tall Shiva Hookah Lounge, 224 W. College Ave., and Crowbar, 420 E. College Ave.

"I think they have something to offer and the crowd at the Crowbar responded very positively to their music," David Wells, Crowbar's director of operations, said. "They will defi-

nitely be playing here in the future."

The band hopes to get a taste of the city life in the future and move to Philadelphia and eventually Manhattan. But for now they're happy gaining a fan base and perfecting their sound, Albeck said.

If you go

When: Monday nights

Where: The Brewery, 233 E. Beaver Ave.

Details: The band opens for Alchemy and you must be 21 to check it out.

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