

Never in doubt

Penn State cruises to easy win against Eastern Illinois
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Governor, Pa. Senate approve budget

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Pennsylvania's budget woes calmed over the weekend with the passage of a \$27.8 billion spending bill, more than 100 days after the June 30 deadline. But the perfect storm may still be on the horizon.

The budget's spending bill,

which was approved by the State Senate and Gov. Ed Rendell Friday night, will provide payments to struggling organizations across the state that have been stripped of funding during the impasse. But legislators are still calling the compromise far from perfect.

"The budget that was passed does nothing to prevent the same

fiasco from happening next year," Rep. Kerry Benninghoff, R-Centre, said. "Frankly, it probably does the opposite."

In his eyes, the budget does not cut back enough unnecessary funding and will drain the state's more than \$1.5 billion "rainy day" reserve fund.

The representative said the state could still be in a difficult

financial situation next year and will not have some of the benefits it had this year.

"There will be no rainy day fund, and there will be no bailouts from Washington," he said.

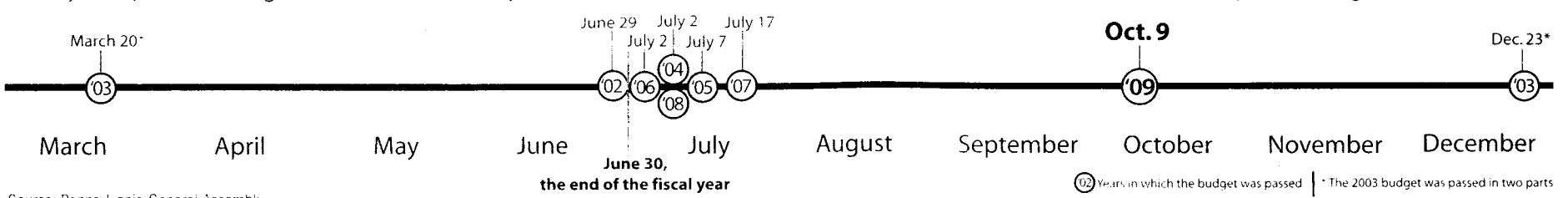
Democrats argue reduced spending has already cut funding for state programs down to the bone. The budget is a half-billion dollars smaller than last year's,

according to a press release from Rendell's office. In fact, it is only the third Pennsylvania budget in the past 50 years that is lower than the previous year's budget.

While funding slashes take place across Pennsylvania, state money for higher education — including assistance to state-related schools like Penn State —
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Budget at last

Pennsylvania passed the budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year on Oct. 9, 2009, almost four months after the June 30 deadline. The state hasn't passed a budget on time since 2002.



Bill Wellock/Collegian

ROCK NATION



Jay-Z performs on stage at the Bryce Jordan Center to a sold-out house Friday night.

Michael Felletter/Collegian

Jay-Z, guests deliver powerful show

By Kevin Sullivan
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Early in Jay-Z's performance Friday night, he made a reference to this weekend's Penn State game against Eastern Illinois.

"On my way here, I bumped into a couple of people from Eastern Illinois who were talking about a big game tomorrow," Jay-Z said to a booping audience. "I don't know how you feel about that, but if you run this town, make some noise."

He then led the crowd in a chant of "na na na, hey hey hey, goodbye."

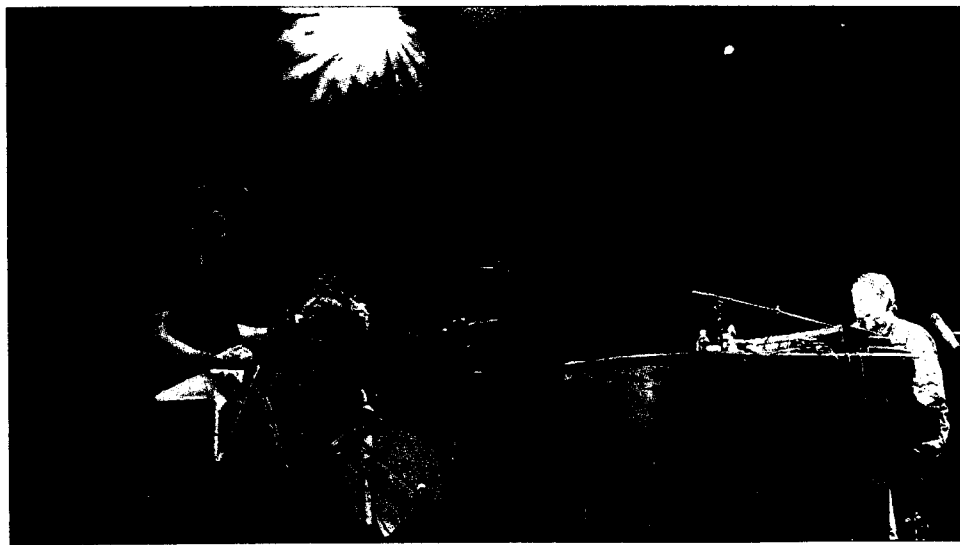


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before his 10-piece band burst into a horn- and guitar-heavy rendition of "D.O.A. (Death of Autotune)."

The performer started the evening by ascending to center stage through a trapdoor, where The How welcomed his disciples, who nearly filled the Bryce Jordan Center.

With the BJC as the first stop on his tour, the performer began with a one-
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Jack's Mannequin performed Sunday night to a packed Rec Hall.

Jimmy Dever/Collegian

Jack's Mannequin rocks Rec Hall

By Alexandra Fletcher
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Jack's Mannequin lead singer Andrew McMahon may have found a home at Rec Hall last night, and he even brought his own toys.

Arranged atop the stage equipment was an assortment of action figures from Mr. Potato Head to Gumby.

"I just want to live in this gymnasium," McMahon said to the crowd.

Playing to a nearly packed house, McMahon jammed the piano keys as he bounced up and down off his seat throughout the night. With an intimate setting in Rec Hall, many fans chanted the lyrics to most of his songs.

Bryan Focht (sophomore-engineering) said that compared to the other per-



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formances he's seen, McMahon seemed to be enjoying himself.

"He's really into it tonight," Focht said.

Toward the end of the group's performance, McMahon stepped onto the piano keys and jumped on his piano to grab the crowd's attention.

"When Andrew jumped on the piano, it defined my life," David Clark (junior-finance) said.

The number of people attending the show fueled McMahon's energy. SPA entertainment director Claire
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Third Eye Blind will play to a sold-out State Theatre, 130 W. College Ave., at 8 tonight.

Courtesy of media decoder.com

Band to play sold-out State Theatre

By Kevin Sullivan
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The State Theatre has never sold out a show in less than a month before, let alone a day. But anticipation for Third Eye Blind's performance at 8 tonight blew expectations away.

Fans lined on the street outside the 130 W. College Ave. theater hours before tickets went on sale at 11 a.m. for a chance to see the band in the seated venue.

"At 11:15, the place was 90 percent sold out," State Theatre executive direc-

If you go

What: Third Eye Blind
When: 8 tonight
Where: The State Theatre
Details: Tickets are sold out

tor Mike Negra said. "I expected the show to sell well and sell out but not in 15 minutes."

Third Eye Blind originally found
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Coroner: Dado had 0.169 BAC

By Kevin Cirilli
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Toxicology reports show Penn State freshman Joseph Dado had a blood alcohol content of 0.169 percent at his time of death, pushing forward the search for the suppliers of the alcohol that may have led to his fatal fall.

"This was obviously a piece of evidence that the police were waiting for," Penn State spokeswoman Lisa Powers said.

The legal driving limit for 21-year-olds in Pennsylvania is 0.08 percent. There were no drugs or illegal substances detected during toxicology tests.
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A police officer investigates the scene of Joseph Dado's death, an exterior stairwell by Steidle.

Ryan Van Coten/Collegian

Medical amnesty policy mirrors that of Cornell

By Laura Nichols
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Cornell University student Lauren Schneider has never had to use her school's medical amnesty program, but she knows people who have — and she says it's saved lives.

"The motivation behind it is that if you have medical amnesty and someone's in trouble, they're not afraid of getting in trouble," said Schneider, a junior at Cornell.

The University Park Undergraduate Association (UPUA) is continuing its effort to include medical amnesty in the university's substance abuse policy. Last week, both UPUA and the Council of Commonwealth Student Governments (CCSG) passed proposed medical amnesty legislation.

UPUA Student Life and Diversity Chairman Christian Ragland said UPUA members
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