Defending his proposal, Keirans

(senior-business management) said

the plan would only be used in

extreme situations. Students would

not face legal or university reper-

cussions if they had been drinking

and sought help for another individ-

ual in need, he said.

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## Students discuss having sex, in the dark

Jonathan Guild thinks sex is a pleasure - not only for him but also for his girlfriend. He cares about a woman's opinion during the deed.

While there may have been a lack of physical contact, there was no sparing of words at Wednesday night's Sex in the Dark. Upon arrival, more than 50 students were led into the penthouse of Heister Hall and then told the rules of the event.

Men were seated on one side and women on another, and Jeff Harman (senior-civil engineering) explained to the audience it was a night to ask questions — to find out what the opposite sex thinks.

Once the lights went out, one participant shouted "knowledge is power," and the discussion started. Questions were asked on everything from favorite sex positions, toys, foreplay and tongue rings.

### MEETINGS AND EVENTS

■ Zakya Kafafi, of the National Science Foundation, will speak on"Materials Research and Education: Today and Tomorrow" at 10:10 a.m. in 26 Hosler Building. The Department of Materials Science and Engineering will host the event.

■ Seung Ja Oh, of Penn State, will speak on "Differential Effects of Cytohesin 2 and 3 on Beta1 Integrin Recycling," at 11:15 a.m. in 101 Althouse Lab. Lorraine Santy, of the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, will host the

■ Lenny Taelman, of the University of Leiden (Netherlands), will speak on "A Dirichlet Unit Theorem for Drinfeld Modules," at 11:15 a.m. in 106 McAllister Building. The Department of Mathematics will host the event.

Wilfred van der Donk, of Penn State," will speak on New Methods for the Discovery and Synthesis of Natural Products,' at 12:30 p.m. in 102 Chemistry Building. Squire Booker, of the Department of Chemistry, will host the event.

■ Robert Ghrist, of the University of Pennsylvania, will speak on "Topological Network Topology," at 2:30 p.m. in 113 McAllister Building. The Department of Mathematics will host the event.

Howard Gordon, of the University of Miami, will speak on "The Color of Natural Waters: What Does it Tell Us?" at 4 p.m. in 117 Osmond Lab. Ying Liu, of the Department of Physics, will host the event.

■ Robert Ghrist, of the University of Pennsylvania, will speak on "Euler Integration for Data" at 4 p.m. in 114 McAllister Building. The Department of Mathematics will host the event.

■ Arjun Helmsath, of the Arizona State University, will speak on "Quantifying Soil Production and Transport Across Diverse Landscapes" at 4 p.m. in 22 Deike Building. The Department of Geosciences will host the event.

### ON THE MENU

### LUNCH

Findiay, Pollock and Redifer: hearty vegetarian chili, turkey noodle soup, beef ravioli, chicken cheesesteak, edamame fried rice, broccoli florettes, cheddar cheese sauce, seasoned curly fries.

Waring: lunch roll basket, soup of the day, turkey noodle soup, broccoli florettes, chicken cheesesteak, chicken cosmo not, hot dog, quarter pound hamburger, shoestring fries, vegetarian burger, white cheese sauce, cheese quesadilla, beef ravioli, cheese pizza, macaroni and cheese, marinara sauce, meat sauce, pepperoni pizza, sweet onion pizza, cheddar cheese sauce, edamame fried rice, hearty vegetarian chili, wheat rotini pasta.

## DINNER

Findlay, Pollock, Redifer and Warnock: hearty vegetarian chili, turkey noodle soup, black bean burger, burger topping bar, grilled chicken breast, hot dog, hot dog bar, quarter pound hamburger, third pound bacon cheeseburger, Boston baked beans, shoestring fries, zucchini and yellow squash.

Simmons: Southwestern flank steak, baked cod with lemon, California teriyaki rice bowl, grilled chicken breast, grilled vegetables with whole wheat penne, baby carrots with dill, broccoli and cauliflower, chick pea bulghur tomato pilaf, grilled eggplant, oven baked potato wedges, sauteed zucchini, tropical rice pilaf.

Waring: assorted specialty breads, soup of the day, turkey noodle soup, chicken fritters, garlic roasted pork with rosemary, Italian potatoes, Kyoto blend, whole baby carrots, San Antonio chicken salad, cheese pizza, hoagie roll, meat sauce, meatballs in sauce, pepperoni pizza, stuffed shells, sweet onion pizza, broccoli florettes, cheddar cheese sauce, hearty vegetable sauce, hearty vegetarian chili, vegetarian burger, wheat rotini pasta, grilled chicken breast.

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# Weather: Today: High 51



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# **Alcohol**

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Capt. Dana Leonard said that in his 31 years of service with the State College Police Department, he's noticed a steady increase in the "community drinking problem."

He's seen the trashed streets lined with beer cans on weekend nights and vomit from alcohol overdoses that all stem from binge drinking. He noted that alcohol is a factor in 9 out of 10 sexual assaults and more than 90 percent of street assaults.

Factors that contribute to the drinking problem."

drinking problem include unstructured free time, cultural influences, inexpensive alcohol prices and aggressive promotion toward students, LaSalle said, drawing from the U.S. Department of Education.

"It's fueling it, definitely fueling it," he said. "My hope would be that the leaders — community, university and student leaders — would get on board and try to make a difference.'

University Park Undergraduate Gavin Keirans said implementing a medical amnesty policy would combat what police are calling a "severe

# **FTK**

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positions was suggested last year, an AVP Protection Committee was formed to determine how to improve the roles instead of removing them.

The ideas generated by the committee are now being used as a general blueprint for the new organization, Phi Tau Kappa executive director Alyssa Shaffer said.

"Unfortunately, those ideas weren't able to be carried out," Shaffer (senior-public relations) said. "I would love to carry those out because they did such a great job with the committee."

The organization is still in its

beginning stages, IFC President port Luke Pierce (senior-economics) said. Applications for committee positions are due Nov. 20.

He said he hopes the organization will not only boost morale and fundraise for Thon but also teach new greek members about Thon history. Phi Tau Kappa will instruct members on how to get involved with Thon through their chapter and other volunteer positions.

"Our biggest goal is to provide a foundation for the committee in the future," he said. "It's a pretty raw idea, but there's a lot of backing behind it in the greek community."

John Arnao, Thon communica-tions overall chairman, said Thon is excited to have the new organization and is providing it with as much sup-

"This is a common-sense approach for looking out for students," Keirans said. "The current programs that we have are not successful. When we start to think Association (UPUA) President about new ideas and new approachmaybe then we'll have change." To e-mail reporter: knc5063@psu.edu as possible. He

Panhellenic liaison Meagan Murphy and IFC liaison Greg Sansone whose positions were created on the Thon communications committee to replace the AVP positions - have been particularly helpful with helping Phi Tau Kappa get off the ground. Arnao said the organization is planning a few "large-scale alter-native fundraisers" for Thon. The organization has already held a fundraiser with Lionmenus, and Shaffer said she would like to hold a formal gala-style fundraiser in the future.

"The goal really is to unite the greek community for Thon," Shaffer

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# Thon

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after seeing the reactions of the kids at last year's Thon when they received the cards.

"It brought so much happiness to them," Nicolosi (junior-communication sciences and disorders) said.

Students could also personalize the Thonvelopes with markers and stickers, Adams (senior-bioengineering and mechanical engineering) said.

Thonvelopes were distributed beginning Tuesday, with 137,000 dis-

tributed on the first day alone, Adams said.

Dollar donations were also collected, and students could color a piece of paper with their name on it to be displayed in the Bryce Jordan Center during Thon weekend, Adams said. Students could also sign up to participate in the Wigs for Kids portion of Thon, during which they have their hair cut off onstage and donated to the foundation.

And organizers were pushing Thon's latest initiative: 100 random acts of kindness. From now until Thon weekend, students are being asked to sign up and perform ran-

dom acts of kindness and write about them on Thon Web sites. Participants handed out gold rib-

bons in support of pediatric cancer, along with a pamphlet containing four facts about pediatric cancer. On the stage, various Penn State groups spoke and performed

throughout the event, including the Penn State cheerleaders and the Nittany Lion, the Lionettes and the Blue Sapphire. "Right now, Thon belongs at Penn

State, love belongs at Thon, love belongs here," Adams said.

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# **UPUA**

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management) said. "But I haven't really seen any results.'

He said he proposed the 90-Day Plan in an effort to bring more accountability to student leaders.

This could allow for much more transparency within UPUA and gives everyone the opportunity to stay true to what they laid out to tions). do," Keirans said.

because of the potential repercussions if they are not able to complete

they said UPUA's constituency should always be able to know what their student government leaders are doing. "I don't understand how an

increase in standards and accountability is a bad thing," said Katie Perugini (sophomore-public rela-

Some members expressed their the attention of the assembly to desire to not let the proposal pass UPUA's freshman internship pro-

gram, which is new this year.

Legislation was passed that allocated funds to the program that will go to furthering the interns' scope and understanding of student government, Smith (senior-international politics) said.

The interns will have the opportunity to meet with Keirans and UPUA adviser Mary Edgington at a dinner to discuss and reflect on what they have observed about the leadership at the student and administrative

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# Bowman

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Alamo Bowl and jeopardized his status with the team before being rein-

But football became the least of

His father, Hillard, died June 16, 2008, of a blood clot that developed three weeks after he underwent surgery for an injury sustained playing

"We talked like we always talk," Person said of the bad times. "That's

Bowman moved forward. He starred as a reserve in Penn State's first three games, recording 24 total tackles and earning a starting spot

Eleven tackles, five tackles for loss, three sacks, a forced fumble and an interception later, Bowman had arrived. He was named Big Ten Co-Defensive Player of the Week, and he was just getting started. He accumulated 106 tackles on the season to lead the team, he was selected first-team All-Big Ten and he was ready for Penn State's New Year's Day showdown with Southern California in the Rose Bowl.

But then came the 3 a.m. wake-up

The morning before the big game, defensive line coach Larry Johnson Sr. told Bowman that Nick Lynch. his coach at Suitland High School, had been killed in a two-car accident near his Brandywine, Md., home.

Bowman didn't sleep the rest of the night, not after losing his "second father" the same year he lost his birth father. And he didn't sleep a day later, making a Penn State bowlrecord five tackles for loss in a 38-24 defeat against USC.

But then there was the marijuana issue.

On April 22, Bowman admitted to a judge that he had smoked marijuana not long after Lynch died, a violation of the probation he was already on for the HUB fight. There was the kid with the NFL

future blowing it all away, message boards said. There was the kid with the free education taking everything

defensive end Jerome Hayes said. "And that's not all his fault."

their intended projects. But others defended it because

Chief of Staff Matt Smith turned level, Smith said.

## game. He met with Joe Paterno.

stated in the summer.

his concerns.

basketball.

my best friend."

against Temple on Sept. 20, 2008.

for granted. Nobody has gone through more off the field than Navorro Bowman,"

Bowman's probation was extend-

He'd be back for 2009. He'd switch his jersey number from 18 to 11 like former Penn State great LaVar Arrington asked him to. He'd make all the preseason award watch lists. He'd be the fear of every

running back in the Big Ten. But then there was the groin

Not even two full series into the 2009 season, Bowman had to check himself out of Penn State's opener against Akron after hurting his groin in a fall practice. He missed

the next two games. "Coming up to the game, I was a little hesitant on how I was gonna do because I knew I had an injury, so I was just trying to really get out there and not push myself too hard in the beginning," he said. "But the first real contact I got, it told me it wasn't ready. So I waited, did the things I had to do to get me back out there. I'm back on the field and excited to

be playing." He's excited because he has 62 tackles, 10 for loss. He has a sack and an interception. He has two fumble recoveries, one of which led

to a 91-yard touchdown run. "You always can get better, but my play, I just let it come and go," the redshirt junior said. "I wake up and try to do the things that I need to do to make me play my best. But everything that happened, I'm blessed for. And hopefully I can continue doing it every week.'

Now he's Navorro. He's the alleverything linebacker Penn State thought it was getting. On June 3, he became the father of Navorro Bowman Jr. He's shaping into the figurehead his hometown could use.

"I would love to be an icon, someone to look up to, someone who a kid wakes up and says, 'I want to be like Navorro Bowman.' Who wouldn't want that?" he says. "But it's a hard road to hold up, and you have to be a guy with a strong mind and a strong will to stay on straight when you're up or when you're down.

He knows that too well. At his projudge he lost about 10 friends back home to drugs or violence since he'd arrived at Penn State.

"Not everyone can be an athlete, who's not. I respect it and give hand," he said. "My town is a town of him." where it takes a strong-minded pered a year. He sat out the Blue-White son to get out of, and I'm one of

those and blessed to be one." He's blessed to have friends like Person, who he met at a basketball

camp 16 years ago, when Person was the new kid in town. "We like Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen, that's what we always say," Person said. "I play off of him, he plays off of me. We got great chemistry in everything that

we do, not just basketball, just friendship and life. Period." He's blessed to have great teammates, like the men he lines up

beside every day at Linebacker U. "All of us have dealt with some adversity at some point," captain Sean Lee said. "He's a guy with great character. He's responded

from all the adversity because of it." He's blessed to have Navorro Jr., who is up for home games and whose pictures Navorro will look at every now and then on his cell phone and "wish for more times."

"Knowing the next morning he has to leave, that's when it gets to me, it hits me," he said. "So I'm just trying to do what I have to do here, and then I can spend every day with

He's blessed to be on the brink of graduation and the NFL, a decision

he'll make once the season ends. "It's a tough thing now, with the recession going on and things like that," he said. "You have to take into thought: You have a family now. So I have to take care of [Navorro Jr.], I have to be a good father. That's a choice I have to make in a few months.

And he's blessed to have gone through everything he did, because he wouldn't be where he is - and so close to where he will be - if things didn't play out the way they did.

"Happiness. That's the first thing that comes to my mind," Person said when thinking of his best friend. "I'm proud of him, and I tell him all the time. I call him before every game, I call him after every game. And I know he can't answer the phone during the game, but still, when he does good I send him a text bation hearing in April, he told the message to let him know that I'm watching, that we watching, that we with him 100 percent for everything he's gonna need."

'Coach Lynch and his father are and I don't look at anyone different not here physically, but they watching him from a better place now," he everyone an equal shot, an equal added. "And I know they very proud

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