

THRICE AS NICE

The Penn State women's soccer team wins its third-straight title. **SPORTS, Page 16.**



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FRATERNITY RECRUITMENT



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IFC sees positive feedback

By Jourdan Cole
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Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity President Jack O'Keefe said he would like to show potential spring fraternity recruits what being a brother really means — and it's not about drinking beer.

"Some younger guys think fraternities are all about parties, and they're really not," he said. In light of new fraternity recruitment policies, he's looking forward to a new group of brothers who are joining for the right reasons, he said.

After the Interfraternity Council (IFC) announced Sunday that spring recruitment beginning Monday would be "values-based" — including a no-alcohol policy at all events — some community members said they view this as a step forward. University spokeswoman Lisa Powers said the IFC's policy is an example other universities should pay attention to.

"It really shows that they would like to be seen as leaders on campus," she said. "It was an admirable decision. It was probably not an easy one and may not be a popular decision, but they have really taken the lead." She commends the IFC's "forward thinking" in the best interest of recruits. O'Keefe (sophomore-education) said he sees the new policy as worthy of a test run. He thinks the fear of being put on probation or being suspended will be enough for the fraternity system to uphold a dry recruitment.

As for former IFC President Luke Pierce, he's seen recruitment improve since his days as a recruit seven semesters ago. He thinks the progress is the result of a shift in mindset he has seen fraternities adopt since the IFC unveiled new social event requirements that eliminated Wednesday socials and mandated photo identification and bouncers. "In terms of recruiting effectively, it's not based on the social scene," Pierce said. "It's drawing perspective new members in with what a fraternity can offer for life."

State College Police Department Capt. Dana Leonard said the police applaud any efforts to control underage drinking, but sees room for more action.

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Police may handle noise

A proposal could make regulations complaint based

By Nathan Pipenberg
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A group of local restaurants and bars urged the State College Borough Council to pass an exemption that would ease noise regulations throughout the town at a council meeting on Monday night.

Members of the Tavern Association of State College requested an exemption that would shift enforcement of noise regulations from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board

(PLCB) to the State College Police Department. The exemption would result in more complaint-based regulations, according to the association.

State College Police Chief Tom King voiced his support for the exemption during the session.

"We will still enforce noise regulations, but primarily on a complaint basis," he said.

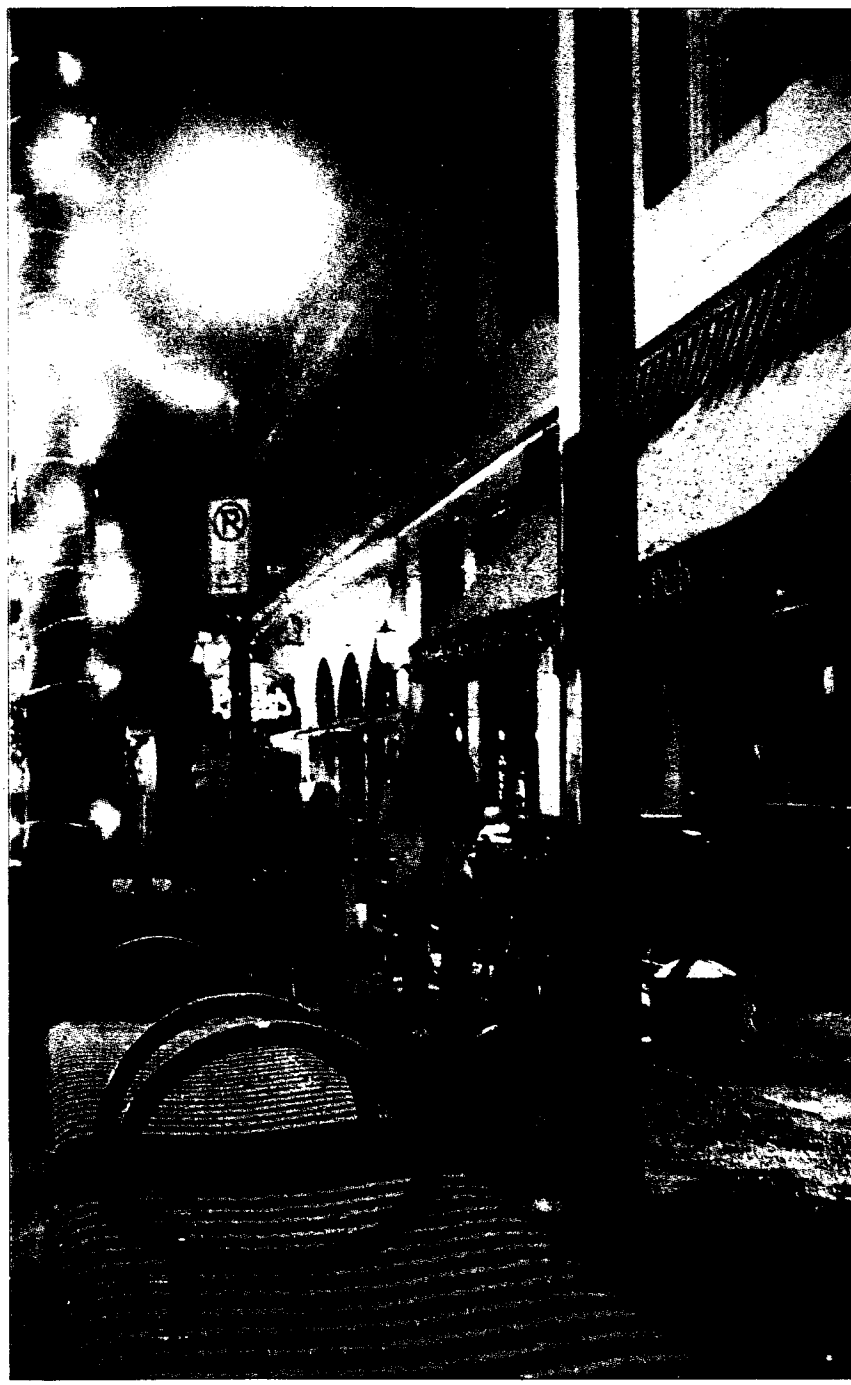
King said the current PLCB noise ordinances do not allow any sounds to be heard from outside of the establishment. If the exemption passes, police

would regulate noise levels with decibel monitors instead.

King said his department gets about 12 complaints a year, and enforcing noise levels wouldn't increase the police force's workload very much.

State College Borough Council President Ron Filippelli voiced his support of the exemption by motioning to include the exemption request on the agenda for council's Feb. 1 meeting.

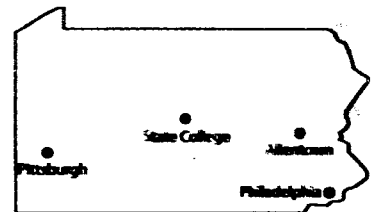
Also at the meeting, the council voted 4-3 to discontinue its *See NOISE, Page 2.*



Meghan Russell, Collegian
Penn State students brave the snow and cold weather Monday night on Allen Street. Today, the temperature is expected to reach 27, according to weather.com.

On the rocks

Undergraduates throughout the state hit the town tonight in support of the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act.



Source: The Undergraduate from events
Justin King, Collegian

Tuition event to be held at Zola

By Casey McDermott
and Paige Minemyer
COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITERS

The rising cost of a college education has many students feeling "on the rocks" in more ways than one. And Penn State student leaders, in conjunction with a nationwide movement, are working to change that.

"Tuition on the Rocks" — described as a Smith "happy hour" for student aid and reform — will be held tonight at Zola New World Bistro, 324 W. College Ave. Featuring free food and drinks, it'll host presentations from University Park Undergraduate Association (UPUA) President Gavin Keirans and Chris Smith, director of the Pennsylvania Tuition Coalition.

"It's a nice way to start off the semester but also a way to inform students and empower them behind this cause that links all of us," UPUA Governmental Chairwoman Colleen Smith said.

Smith (sophomore-biology), who has been working to promote Tuition on the Rocks, said she is enthusiastic about the event's ability to educate students about the proposed Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act (SAFRA).

The legislation will invest an additional \$40 billion dollars into Pell Grants, the largest student aid program in the country, funded by eliminating subsidies to banks and other lenders who offer student loans.

The House of Representatives passed SAFRA in September, but it is currently awaiting a vote in the Senate.

Smith said her committee had been working internally with SAFRA last semester.

"Now, with this event, we're completely reaching out to the student body to make them more aware for the need for reform," she said.

Organizers echoed this *See TUITION, Page 2.*

SCIENTISTS AND BEARS BRING MUSIC TO STATE COLLEGE



Courtesy of clashmusic.com

This indie-rock band will play opposite country music next weekend.

Scientists perform experiment at HUB

By Alaina Gallagher
COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

We Are Scientists will provide an alternative to the country music scene on display at the BJC next Friday night, infusing HUB Alumni Hall with indie-rock.

Students Organizing the Multiple Arts (SOMA) will present alternative rock band We Are Scientists on Jan. 22, the same night Rascal Flatts will appear at the Bryce Jordan Center. The We Are Scientists'

If you go

What: We Are Scientists concert
When: 7 p.m. Jan. 22
Where: HUB Alumni Hall
Details: The show is sponsored by Students Organizing the Multiple Arts and will be free for students.

show will begin at 7 p.m. and will be free for students. *See HUB, Page 2.*



Courtesy of www.undergroove.co.uk

The Seattle indie-rock band will play the State Theatre in February.

Students welcome ticket sale tweek

By Nick Weingartner
COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

When Minus the Bear tickets went on sale at 11 a.m. Monday morning, the sun was shining and there were only a handful of people in line at the State Theatre, 130 W. College Ave.

When the clock hit the magic hour, the window was promptly opened and the people calmly waiting walked up to the window, asked for their tickets, slid over plastic or paper and left with a smile.

If you go

What: Minus the Bear
When: 8 p.m. Feb. 3
Where: The State Theatre, 130 W. College Ave.
Details: Regular admission tickets on sale for \$20, student tickets available for \$16.

This was quite a different scene from that in front of the *See SALE, Page 2.*