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Students celebrate peace, MLK

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Holding a sign high with the quote, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to peace everywhere" by Martin Luther King Jr., Matt Smith joined about 40 other people in a march for peace Tuesday night.

"I think regardless of my affiliations on campus an event of this significance is important to attend as a student," said Smith (senior-international politics), University Park Undergraduate Association chief of staff.

The peace march was one of 12 activities sponsored by the MLK Commemoration Committee this week.

Co-director of public relations for the commemoration commit-

tee, Jasmine Rushum, said the committee wanted to plan something that King had done himself and that the march was a way to bring together students for a common cause.

The march started at the Old Main steps, and traveled through the HUB-Robeson Center, along Pollock Road, underneath the library and ended at the Pasquerilla Spiritual Center.

Participants held posters with various messages, carried lit candles and chanted their way across campus.

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Gilbert L. Bailey II (senior-musical theatre) shouts a chant at the Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Peace March on Tuesday afternoon.



To see more than 40 people in a peace march honoring MLK:
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Nicole Eckhardt (junior-psychology and neuroscience), left, leads people in the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Peace March hosted by the Martin Luther King Commemoration Committee on Tuesday afternoon. The march is just one of many events meant to celebrate King.

Graham Spanier

Spanier was ranked 6th on the list of the top 10 public university presidents under the category of base salary. However, he was ranked 18th among public university presidents in total compensation.

1. E. Gordon Gee - \$802,125
Ohio State University
2. Francisco Cigarroa - \$750,000
University of Texas
3. Patrick Harker - \$740,124
University of Delaware
4. Elson Floyd - \$625,000
Washington State University
5. Mark Emmert - \$620,004
University of Washington
6. Graham B. Spanier - \$620,000
Pennsylvania State University
7. William C. Powers Jr. - \$600,600
University of Texas at Austin
8. Mark G. Yudof - \$591,084
University of California
9. Michael J. Hogan - \$577,500
University of Connecticut
10. Mary Sue Coleman - \$553,500
University of Michigan

Source: The Chronicle of Higher Education
Jaclyn McKay/Collegian

SPANIER'S SALARY

Prez. ranks within top 10

By Laurie Stern
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Penn State President Graham Spanier is one of the highest paid public university presidents, according to a recent report — but rankings can be deceiving, officials said.

The ranking, published by The Chronicle of Higher Education, lists Spanier as receiving the sixth-highest base salary at \$620,000 for the 2008-09 academic year. Ohio State University President E. Gordon Gee was ranked first, with a base salary of \$802,125.

But Spanier's name did not appear on the list of the top 10 public university presidents in terms of total compensation, as he does not receive many of the benefits included in extra incentive packages offered at other universities, Penn State spokeswoman Annemarie Mountz said.

All incentive packages and salary dollars considered, Spanier was listed as 18th on the list of highest paid public university presidents, tabulated using self-reported data from 185 public institutions.

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Spanier

Greeks unite for THON

By Katrina Wehr
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Though the greek community lost direct representation in the THON overall committee last year, members said they're bouncing back — and they've got a new name to prove it.

Advisory organization Phi Tau Kappa, now known as Greeks for Kids, changed its name Monday to make its purpose more clear: uniting the greek community.

"We just want to improve the

image of Greeks in relation with THON and try to take the focus away from individuals," said Ryan Sheffield, executive director of public relations. "Instead of, 'This fraternity earned the most money for THON,' we want it to be, 'The Greek community earned this money for THON.'"

Greeks for Kids was created last year when Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Panhellenic Council (PHC) Associate Vice President (AVP) positions were removed from the Interfrater-

nity Council Panhellenic Dance Marathon committee.

It seemed like the AVP positions weren't doing much, said Ali Ingersoll, Greeks for Kids' executive director for family relations.

"Everybody else's agendas had a bunch of bullet points," Ingersoll (sophomore-broadcast journalism) said. "And theirs were only to report that greeks were just out raising more funds."

Though Ingersoll said her

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IFC Policy

No Wednesday night socials
No away bars

Photo identification and name on a guest list required for entry

Parties follow policy

By Sarah Peters
COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

There were no major fraternity violations this weekend, marking a successful first few days of the Interfraternity Council's (IFC) new social policy.

Tom Piarulli, IFC vice president for risk management, went on patrol with several social event monitors to fraternities over the weekend and said he is impressed with the change in atmosphere.

"I actually myself was going around along with the security company and seeing just the overall change in attitude and how much calmer everything seems to be," Piarulli (senior-security and analysis) said. "Over time, we should see some pretty large changes in terms of safety and the actions that fraternities are taking themselves

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Local businesses' proceeds go to Haiti

Pita Pit and Insomnia Cookies will donate a portion of their profits.

By Heather Panetta
COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

Some local businesses are offering customers a chance to donate to the Haiti relief effort while biting into their favorite snacks.

Pita Pit, 218 E. Calder Way, along with Lionmenus.com, will donate \$1 for every pita sold in-store and online today to the Haiti Disaster Relief. Pita Pit will also donate \$5 from every T-shirt sold in their store.

In addition, Insomnia Cookies will donate 50 percent of all proceeds made from Monday through Thursday to the Red Cross to help those in Haiti, Insomnia Cookies General

Manager Brad Minich said. "There are people suffering, and there is a need to help others," Pita Pit owner Adam Green said. "If this were to happen in State College or in America, we would hope others would help."

Newsletters have been sent out through Pita Pit and Lionmenus' listservs, Pita Pit General Manager Bill Rickus said.

Such philanthropy isn't new to Pita Pit. The eatery also joined in the relief effort when Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans.

"We had an employee whose family lived in New Orleans," said Green. "We put together a fundraiser in which we had a raffle, a radio station come, and asked other local businesses to donate. We raised several hundred dollars. It meant a lot to our employee."

Tonya Homan, director of operations for Lionmenus.com, said it

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Francois Mori/Associated Press

Earthquake survivors reach out for shoes, water and clothing as the goods are distributed at a makeshift camp in Port-au-Prince on Tuesday.