

- in a public campaign to redirect the 4th Annual State Patty's Day and "promote actions that will not bring shame to our university.

So far. about 33 student organizations have signed on to cosponsor a "State Patty's Day 'Safe and Responsible Actions' Pledge" that will run as a fullpage advertisement in the Daily Collegian, said Student Life and Diversity Chairman Christian Ragland.

Ragland (junior-political science) presented a prototype of the pledge to the University Park Undergraduate Association (UPUA) at Wednesday night's general assembly meeting. This draft was also the design approved by the other organizations that signed on to support the stance alongside UPUA.

The proposed design leads with the phrase "May no act of ours bring shame?" followed by a list of crime and alcohol-related statistics from the 2009 State Patty's Day holiday. At the bottom of the draft, the design also includes the stanza from Penn State's alma mater from which ts heading was taken. Ragland said this design satisfied reservations expressed by some student leaders about See UPUA, Page 2.

PITTSBURGH - 7.7" HARRISBURG - 14" **University Park** stays opén Though many campuses closed due to snow, University Park had regular classes Wednesday. Penn State Erie enn State University Park Christine Reckner/Collegian Juan Jimenez (senior-electrical engineering) stands inside an igloo he and his friends built in front of Uid Main on Wednesday. Many Commonwealth Campuses closed, but University Park remained open Penn State Abington

Students, officials react

By Greg Galiffa and Laura Nichols COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITERS

n his trek through the snow Wednesday morning, Penn State student Justin Rosales heard a bus honk at pedestrians to move out of the way — because it was sliding down High Street.

"It was just weird — I've never seen a White Loop lose control," Rosales (junior-psychology) said. Many students were upset

about having class Wednesday

while more than a dozen Commonwealth Campuses shut down - including Penn State Altoona, just 45 minutes away from University Park.

The second winter blast of February spurred Rosales and his friends to create the "WE ARE... Still Snowed In" Facebook event, which had reached 2,500 members by press time. Students posted pictures and described their personal attempts at getting to class in the blizzard.



To see a photo gallery of Penn State students braving the winter weather: psucollegian.com

"They're risking lives," Vince Touhey (junior-electrical engineering) said. "The transportation is bad, the side roads aren't good."

Touhey, who used to attend Penn State Worthington/Scranton campus, said he is always See SNOW, Page 2.

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Penn State Lehigh Valley
Penn State Mont Alto
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Snowfall information is from AccuWeather and includes last weekend's snow. Photos

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above are from the Associated Press.

IFC: Patty's rules will protect frats

IFC president said the resolution was created for safety purposes, not to appease officials.

By Katrina Wehr COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

Tuesday night restricting State Patty's Day events at fraternities, IFC President Max Wendkos said though it may be tough for some greeks to swallow, the holiday is too dangerous to be ignored.

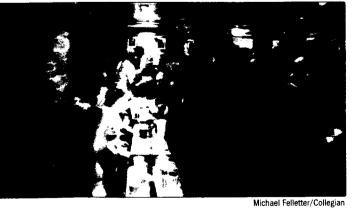
The Interfraternity Council

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(IFC) resolution opposes daylong parties and does not allow chapters to serve hard liquor or wine during the Feb. 27 event. Attendees will only be allowed to drink inside, and no more than 50 non-affiliated people are permitted in fraternity houses at one time.

COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER Wendkos acknowledged the dif-Wendkos acknowledged the dif-Following a resolution passed ficulty in pitching the new uesday night restricting State See IFC, Page 2.

To see the IFC's press release and its new social policy: psucollegian.com



Customers enjoy drinks at The Phyrst during last year's State Patty's Day. The event brought attention to IFC this year for its drinking hazards.

Election timeline reversed

By Caitlin Burnham COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

Gavin Keirans vetoed the 2010 Elections Code on Wednesday night, reversing the election timeline and the number of offcampus and on-campus representatives.

University The Park Undergraduate Association (UPUA) voted to change the date of the election this year to March 31 and to change the number of off-campus representatives back to 10 and on-campus representatives back to six. The newly amended Elections Code was passed 25-0-0.

The UPUA Elections Code of 2010 had originally extended the campaign period to three weeks, with Election Day previously scheduled for April 7. Keirans called this "unconstitutional" because the UPUA constitution requires the election be held during the 12th week of the semester, not the 12th academic week.

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Andrew Dunheimer/Collegian

Abby Rzepnicki (senior-elementary and kindergarten education) the White Building, all dancers snaps a quick photo of her team during Color Wars on Wednesday night. and moralers met to compete in

Color Wars heats up morale spirit

By Jourdan Cole COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

Just like the rest of Penn State, snow could not stop hundreds of dancers and moralers from comout to the start of ing THONelodeon.

'It was worth it, 100 times over," Grayson Sundermeir said. "I wouldn't miss it for the anything. It's a great cause.'

Wednesday night marked the start of Color Wars for the Interfraternity Council/Panhellenic Dance Marathon. Meeting at



"THONelodeon — We play FTK." "It's an opportunity for the dancers to get pumped for THON weekend, to compete in different events to earn points for their color," Julie Kosovec said.

New this year is a kids' color war that will be incorporated into THON weekend, where dancers, moralers and kids will all work together. Kosovec (senior-microbi-

To see a video of the events that happened at the THON Color Wars: ONLINE psucollegian.com

ology) said the event was designed to motivate the dancers and to get them pumped for THON weekend. She added that THONelodeon was chosen because it's a great throwback for dancers and the kids will be able to relate to it.

Winners of the night were the red team, but they'll still have to work hard to continue to stay in the remaining 22 Color War events See THON, Page 2.