

Police investigating campus burglary

Penn State Police are investigating a burglary that occurred sometime between 3:30 p.m. Friday and 7:15 a.m. Monday at Innovation Park in a maintenance shed.

Police said an unknown person broke into two storage sheds and stole an air compressor, assorted tools and various articles of clothing.

A 2008 Kubota RTV 1100 maintenance vehicle was also taken from the shed but was later recovered at the Park Avenue entrance ramp to I-99, police said.

Anyone with information on the incident is asked to contact Penn State Police at (814) 863-1111 or call Centre County Crime Stoppers at (877) 992-7463.

- There will be a blood drive from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Penn Stater. For every presenting donor, \$4 will be donated to THON.
There will be a Student Health Tune-Up on stretching from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in 205 Student Health Center.
Qiaobing Xu, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will speak about "Soft-Nanotechnology: Functional Nanomaterials from Top-Down Fabrication and Bottom-Up Self-Assembly" at 10 a.m. in 102 Chemistry Building.
Suting Zheng, of Penn State, will speak about "The Histone H2A N-Terminal Tail Regulates, H2B Monoubiquitylation, and H3 K4 Methylation Via a Novel Trans-Tail Pathway" at 11:15 a.m. in 101 Althouse Laboratory.
Mark Handcock, of the University of California, will speak about "Modeling Networks When Data is Missing or Sampled" at 4 p.m. in 201 Thomas Building.

LUNCH

Findlay, Pollock, Redifer and Warnock: Hearty Vegetarian Chili, Turkey Noodle Soup, Beef Ravioli, Chicken, Cheesesteak, Edamame, Fried Rice, Broccoli Florettes, Cheddar Cheese Sauce, Seasoned Curry Fries

Simmons: Chicken Pot Pie, Hearty Vegetable Sauce, Sixth Pound Burger, Vegetarian Burger, Wheat Penne Pasta, Baby Carrots with Dill, Broccoli Florettes, Chick Pea Bulgur, Tomato Pilaf, Grilled Eggplant, Oven Baked Potato Wedges, Sauteed Zucchini, Tropical Rice Pilaf

Warning: Lunch Roll Basket, Soup of the Day, Turkey Noodle Soup, Broccoli Florettes, Chicken, Cheesesteak, Chicken Cosmo Not, Quarter Pound Hamburger, Shoestring Fries, White Cheese Sauce, Cheese Quesadilla, Beef Ravioli, Cheese Pizza, Macaroni & Cheese, Marinara Sauce, Meat Sauce, Pepperoni Pizza, Sweet Onion Pizza, Cheddar Cheese Sauce, Edamame Fried Rice, Hearty Vegetarian Chili, Vegetarian Burger, 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 & Yellow Squash

Simmons: California Teriyaki Rice Bowl, Baked Cod w/ Lemon, Grilled Chicken Breast, Grilled Vegetables With Whole Wheat Penne, Sweet & Sour Beef Stir Fry, Baby Carrots with Dill, Broccoli Florettes, Chick Pea Bulgur, Tomato Pilaf, Grilled Eggplant, Oven Baked Potato Wedges, Sauteed Zucchini Tropical Rice Pilaf

Warning: Assorted Specialty Breads, Soup of the Day, Turkey Noodle Soup, Chicken Fritters, Garlic Roasted Pork w/ 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

Correction

A label above the headline "Presentation goes 'beyond' history" on page 1 of Wednesday's Daily Collegian incorrectly stated information about the event. The event was a part of Black Caucus' Black History Week.



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Woman reports rape to police

By Greg Gallifa COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

A 37-year-old State College woman told the State College Police Department on Tuesday that someone she knows raped her at her apartment on the 100 block of East Beaver Avenue, police said.

Authorities said a friend of the woman filed the initial report at about 5 p.m. Monday after being informed of the incident by the woman involved.

Following the report, police con-

tacted the woman to get her account of what had occurred, police said.

"It's not unusual in a traumatic account like this for a victim to confide in a friend or family member," said State College Police Department Capt. Dana Leonard.

Police said alcohol was not a factor in the incident.

Police did not release more details on the report because the investigation is ongoing.

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Athletes

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Accompanying Miller will be junior midfielder Megan Monroig of the soccer team, senior golfer Lindsay Cullen and junior saber Lee Valigorsky of the fencing team.

SAAB's role in supporting THON has increased during the years, Miller said, including canning at events and hosting a volleyball tournament refereed by the women's volleyball team.

SAAB has had representatives dance for a few years, including a couple of Miller's former teammates.

And just as she has supported her teammates in the past, Miller said her team is ready to support her now.

"Everyone's excited to dance at the pep rally," she said. "They're excited to keep me going over the weekend."

Valigorsky said her teammates and coaches have also been supportive — even with THON falling in the middle of the fencing season.

But Valigorsky lucked out: Her team is off this weekend, giving her the opportunity to dance and not miss any competition. But if she had to make the choice between THON and fencing, Valigorsky admitted it would be a struggle.

"I've really gotten involved in SAAB and being a rep for our team," Valigorsky said. "I would've done it and taken myself out for the weekend and still danced in THON. This is one of those things where it's a once-in-a-lifetime kind of chance."

Valigorsky hasn't done anything physically to prepare for THON but fully expects the challenge to lie in the mental aspect.

Monroig agreed and said she doesn't expect the physical aspect of THON to affect her much. But she is preparing — and fully

expecting — for something else.

"I have myself prepared to break down and cry at least once," she said. "I'm extremely nervous. I'm afraid I'm not gonna make it, because I love napping."

Her teammates have been very supportive of her, Monroig said, and she has friends coming from home to help her stay awake. Knowing her support is there is also going to be a big help, she said.

Each of the athletes cited different reasons for dancing in THON, but all come back to the theme — the cause.

"I'm dancing in THON, as cliché as it sounds, for the kids," Miller said. "It brings so much joy to see a smile on a kid's face and know that that one moment, they're forgetting all their problems. If they can be challenged like that, why not dance for them?"

Valigorsky, though, sees it a little differently.

"I think I'm almost doing it to see if I'm strong enough to do it," she said. "These kids go through so much, and they're in pain constantly, and for 46 hours I want to see if I can do it. If I can't, I really don't know how they do it."

Whatever their motivation, these four student-athletes are ready for a moment unlike anything they've experienced on the field or in the gym or on the green. And no matter what happens throughout their athletic careers, they expect this weekend to stack right up there with the best memories they've made in uniform.

"This is definitely going to be one of my top [moments]," Monroig said. "Absolutely right up there with what I've done with soccer, and winning big games or the heartbreak of losing big games. I'll never forget it. I will cherish the memory forever and ever and hopefully tell my grandkids' grandkids."

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Donations

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Regional Public Relations Specialist for the American Red Cross Tara Harrington said.

"We need every donor of every blood type and ethnicity to come out and support area hospitals to raise the inventory," she said. "We are now hoping for the best."

Penn State students said they have begun to notice fewer donors. At a recent blood drive, Liz Wallander — who is a donor and

member of the Penn State Student Red Cross Club — said she was stunned to see the unusual emptiness of Paul Robeson Cultural Center's Heritage Hall. "There is no one here, but I'm able and willing, so why not donate to save lives?" Wallander (sophomore-nutrition) said.

All blood drives running through February are part of an on-going partnership with the Interfraternity Council/Panhellenic Dance Marathon, sending a \$4 donation to the Penn State Hershey Four Diamonds Fund for every blood

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to see how it impacts them during their difficult times and the entire 46 hours."

Mark McCuen (sophomore-elementary education) said he has sorted mail a couple hours a day for the past two weeks and loved every second of it.

"From the beginning of the year when I found this committee does Mail Call, I couldn't wait to get in the mailroom and start sorting the mail," McCuen said. "To get to this point now, where everything we've worked for is paying off and to see the looks on the dancers' faces when they get the mail is just an amazing feeling."

Stephen Alesi (junior-information, sciences and technology), who is dancing on behalf of La Vie, has seen the Interfraternity Council/Panhellenic Dance Marathon and Mail Call from a variety of perspectives. He's expecting Mail Call to bring him motivation in the final hours of THON and is looking forward to getting packages from home.

"You're on your feet without sleep for a long time, so when you have words of support from your friends and family, it'll help you get through that last portion of THON," Alesi said.

Though dancer mail is accepted from Jan. 18 on, Morale Captain Liz Cartwright (senior-criminal justice) said the mailroom doesn't get busy until dancers are announced.

A short distance down the hall, a "Welcome to the jungle" sign on the door precedes the mounds of dancer packages lining every wall and a large portion of the floor. This year's Mail Call has a safari theme, so construction paper giraffes, zebras and monkeys dot the walls of the dancer package room, peering over the mounds of boxes wrapped in Sesame Street and Transformers paper. Hula hoops are visible through the piles of decorated boxes and bubbles, plastic water guns and whirligigs peek out from Superman, dinosaur and star gift bags. Among the stranger gifts are three coconuts and a spare tire.

McCuen experienced his first Mail Call last year when he was on the floor with three of his friends who were dancing. They were the happiest he's ever seen anyone.

"It's incredible to be standing by their side as they see all their friends and family show how much they care in the form of letters," he said.

Cartwright said she loves sorting mail and can't wait for moralers to experience it.

"It's amazing," she said. "All this mail is gone. Poof! It's like magic."

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UPUA

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Instead, the report said, the main issue was a "lack of initial planning."

Smith (sophomore-biology) was placed in charge of overseeing the opening and operation of the office after the \$5,200 initiative was approved by UPUA last spring.

She explained to Sheroff her efforts to organize an open house and events to promote the office, but the plans for a promotional event were postponed three times.

This delay, combined with the legislative delay within UPUA of passing guidelines for the office in October, contributed to the lag in ultimately executing the initiative as planned, she cited.

Crawford also cited these scheduling conflicts regarding attempts to hold an open house for the center when talking to Sheroff.

Additionally, Karasik and Cannon defended Smith's handling of the initiative, with Karasik saying this responsibility "fell into Colleen's lap" and Cannon saying she "did everything she could" to execute it.

From this point, the report said, UPUA will increase promotional efforts surrounding the office and possibly establish the position of "Director of Off-Campus Affairs" to allow a more singular focus on this and similar issues. An evaluation of the office will be provided at the end of the semester.

UPUA also unanimously approved its opposition to the State College Borough Council's proposed plan to turn off the lights on Garner Street for a trial period, calling the initiative "troubling." The 29 streetlights — which span the stretch of Garner Street between Beaver and Hamilton avenues — were implemented five years ago to increase safety in the area. Since their imple-

mentation, however, some residents who live nearby have expressed opposition, saying the lights are too bright and encourage loitering.

One solution included turning the lights off temporarily and monitoring any effect this has on the area.

Smith, who authored the policy outlining UPUA's opposition said using human subjects in a test is ever a good idea. On Friday, the Borough Council will address the concerns, and State College Mayor Elizabeth Goreham said she hopes to see the sides compromise.

"I think we need lights on Garner, it's an important path ... but the intent of the lights have become problem for neighbors because it seems to lure people in as opposed to lighting their way," she said. "We want to make sure the people who are on foot are a safe in their path and the neighbors are able to sleep."

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Three Days Grace

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get the band's new album, "Life Starts Now," by any means possible.

"I don't care if you buy it, burn it or f—king steal it," Gontier said. "Just get it."

Opening the concert was Flyleaf — fronted by Lacey Mosley, who wore a red dress over a pair of jeans and proudly showered the crowd with her vocal power.

Singing songs off both the band's

self-titled and recent album, "Memento Mori," Mosley twirled like a ballerina as the band's guitarists jumped spastically on stage.

Before playing "Arise," Mosley told the crowd that they should reach for their dreams.

"Just because we're standing on the stage doesn't make us better than anyone else in this room," Mosley said to a cheering crowd. "Arise and be all that you'd dream."

Still, Flyleaf wasn't heavy enough for Jon Rooker, a Williamsport native. Rooker, who said he came to see Breaking Benjamin, said Flyleaf was "pretty good," but he started falling asleep.

"I've just known them for a really long time, and I have all their old music," Rooker said of Breaking Benjamin. "I don't know a bad song by them."

Also making appearance at the show were the effects of alcohol, which caused a fight near Rooker and his friend Justin Snyder, also of Williamsport.

"The people started arguing," Snyder said. "And the drunk guy in the back punched the other guy in the face."

The men were quickly escorted from their seats.

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