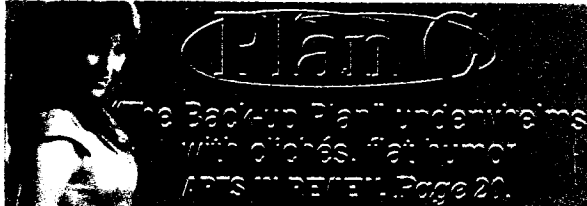


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'Last' preparations wrap up

The Last Stop music festival will be held on the HUB lawn tonight.

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Student government kicked off festivities for its spring music festival Thursday with free Berkeley Creamery ice cream and promotional flyers.

The Last Stop music festival will begin at 6:30 tonight with D.J.

Supernova, followed by Titus Andronicus, Fabulous and Matt and Kim. State Radio will close the concert. As of Thursday, former University Park Undergraduate Association (UPUA) programming chairman Mike Wallace said the preparation for Last Stop was "going wonderfully."

UPUA began setting up for the music festival by building a fence to maintain crowd control — leaders are expecting a large audience. UPUA President Christian Ragland (junior-political science) said.

About 100 volunteers are set to help with the setting up and taking down of the concert, but officials are still looking for more.

"Everything is under control, or so we hope," Wallace (senior-economics) said Thursday. "At 5 p.m. today, the staging guys are coming in, and we're going to knock out as much as we can tonight."

Zach Zimble (sophomore-division of undergraduate studies), president and general manager of The Lion 90.7 FM, said he was in charge of the "operational stuff" — making sure the stagehands



are present and setting up. Wallace said crews will take care
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Abby Drey/Collegian
Luke Pierce (senior-economics) helps to set up for Last Stop.

NUISANCE ORDINANCE

Council to vote May 3

By Megan Rogers
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After a year of debate and controversy, the Nuisance Gathering Ordinance (NGO) could be enacted into law on Monday night — though it is only a shadow of its original self.

The NGO and three other "neighborhood sustainability ordinances" — the Cost Recovery for Second Police Response Ordinance and the Public Urination and Defecation Ordinance — are also up for vote at the Monday meeting.

Some council members said they planned to support the NGO, while others said the ordinance is unfair to party hosts. All agreed it is impossible to predict the final outcome.

Borough Council President Ron Filippelli said he feels the NGO is necessary and plans to support it Monday night. But council member Tom Daubert said he wouldn't vote for the proposal and expects that if it does come up for a vote, it won't receive majority support.

Indeed, Daubert said none of the ordinances are shoe-ins to be voted.

"It's going to be a long, long meeting," Daubert said.

Council member Theresa Lafer said she could decide her position on the NGO once she sees the final draft. She thinks there is a "fair to good chance" the Public Urination and Defecation Ordinance and the Cost Recovery for Second Police Response Ordinance will be passed unless there is a major disagreement about some of them.

Lafer said she supports the
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If you go

What: Voting and discussion on Neighborhood Sustainability Ordinances

Where: 234 S. Allen St.

When: 7 p.m.

GREEN TO THE EXTREME

Penn State's award winning waste-disposal program recycles 57 percent of all trash, which saved the university more than \$456,000 last year.

PSU saves by recycling

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Cow manure, bees and students saved Penn State more than \$456,000 last year.

All of these components are a part of the university's award-winning waste-disposal program that recycles almost 57 percent of all trash and acts as a model for other schools.

The newspaper recycling effort alone collects about 12,000 pounds of newspaper per week, on-campus recycling services chairman Al Matyasovsky said. But the program also recycles plastic, glass, metals and office paper, saving the university a lot of money.

It costs about \$17 per student yearly to dispose of waste generated in the Residence Halls, according to the Office of

Physical Plant (OPP) website. At 16,000 students, that's a price tag of \$240,000.

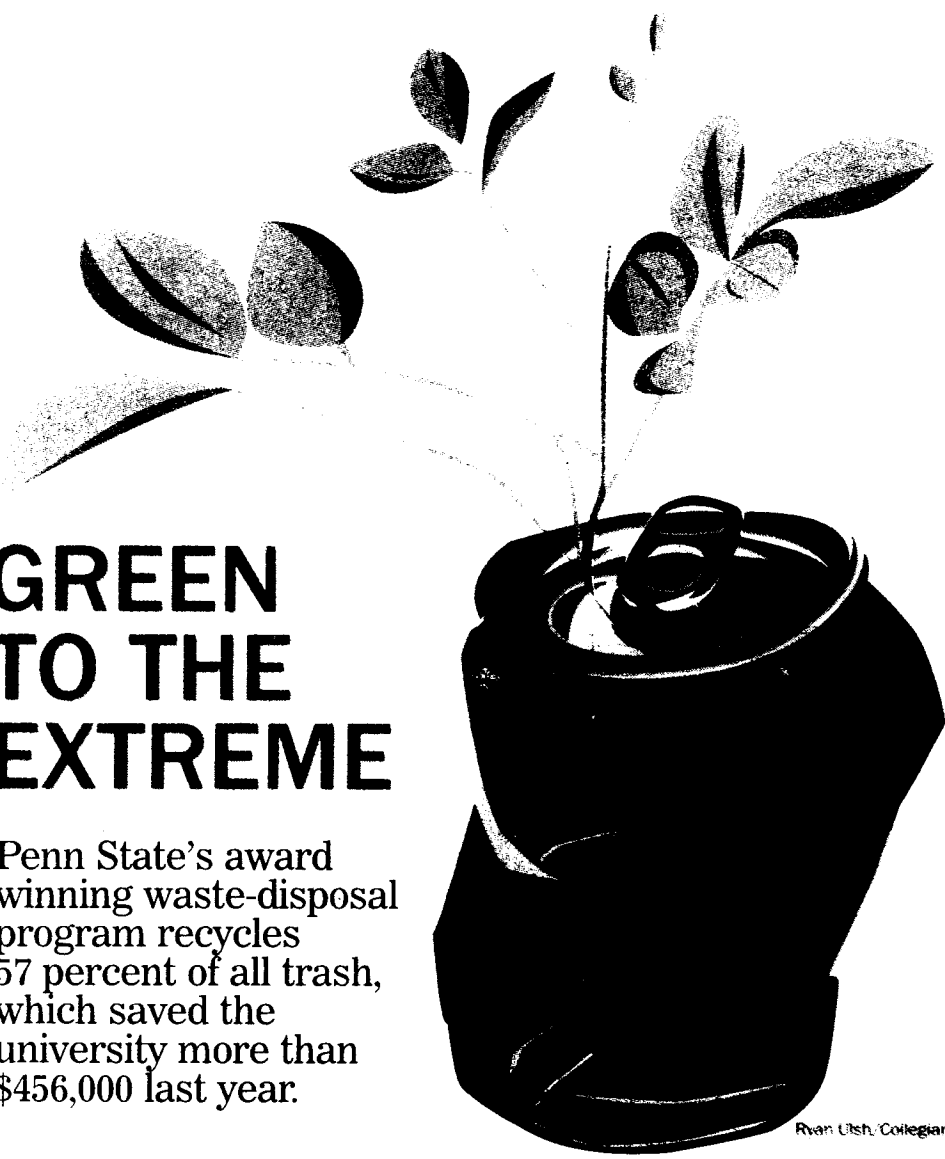
But it only costs about \$3.80 per student to dispose of recyclable materials, a total cost of \$55,000.

After recyclables are collected on-campus, Joe Krentzman and Son, Inc., a scrap company, sells the material and donates the money netted to the local chapter of the United Way — raising more than \$450,000 since the partnership began in 1995.

"Now recycling efforts touch the lives of thousands of people in our community in positive ways," said Matyasovsky, who is also the supervisor of central support services for OPP.

The program also collaborates with the Centre County Solid Waste Authority, though it focuses its efforts on campus.

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Ryan Ulich/Collegian

PSU limits phone usage

By Colleen Boyle
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In an effort to ensure drivers' safety, Penn State announced new regulations limiting employee cell phone use while driving.

The rule, which went into effect April 28, applies to the use of interactive wireless communication devices by employees of Penn State while on university business and operating any vehicle. In addition, students are prohibited from using interactive wireless communication devices while using university-provided vehicles.

"We see this policy as a positive, common sense way to better ensure the safety of our employees as they travel," university spokesman Reidar Jensen, of the Penn State Department of Public Information. "Research has shown that cell phones and related devices are a distraction to drivers, and this policy is a way for us to remind our employees to keep their eyes and minds focused on the road as they drive."

According to a study at the University of Utah, using a handheld or hands-free cell phone while driving delays a driver's reactions as much as having a blood alcohol concentration at the legal limit of .08 percent.

Nearly 6,000 deaths in car crashes involving a distracted driver were reported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in 2008.

University Park Undergraduate Association President Christian Ragland said he thinks the initiative is a positive step given the tragedies that can result from cell phone use and driving. Ragland (junior-political science) said he was recently moved by a classmate's speech on such tragedies.

"The university taking a step forward is a great thing because it sets an example for us as students," he said. "I think it's a proactive measure just to be safe, and there's no harm in that."

Officials said the policy is not a reaction to any specific incident but rather a response to the national problem of cell phone use while driving.

"I absolutely think it's a positive thing for the campus," said Maurine Claver, director of the Environmental Health and Safety Office at Penn State.

A focus group with representatives from Penn State faculty, staff, students and Commonwealth Campuses worked to complete the policy, which has the support of the University Safety Council and the President's Council, Jensen said.

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Marathoner raises money for AIDS orphans

By Megan Rogers
COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

When Lisa Smith-Batchen runs, she's usually winning a marathon or breaking a record. But for the next few months, Smith-Batchen is focusing instead on raising money for orphans worldwide.

Along with friend Mary Beth Lloyd, Smith-Batchen will run 50 miles each day in every state to raise money and hope for AIDS orphans throughout the world. All of the money the pair raises will go to orphanages in the United States, Haiti, India and Ethiopia, Lloyd said.

Thursday, she made a stop at Penn State, beginning her run at

5:30 in the morning and running, with a few breaks, until about 7:30 p.m.

Smith-Batchen said there have been ups and downs, and bumps and bruises involved, but the journey is "getting better by the moment."

"You take it on like it's your full-time job," Smith-Batchen said.

She is one of the top ultrarunning athletes around the world. She's finished first overall in the Marathon Des Sables, was the female winner of the Badwater race — a 135-mile race beginning in Death Valley — and is the only person to have run from Los Angeles to the top of Mt. Whitney.

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Meghan Russell/Collegian

Lisa Smith-Batchen, center, runs down Burrowes Street, followed by Penn State students and other fans as she finishes her 50 mile run.