

IN BRIEF

Men arrested in connection with assault

Five men who were charged in connection with an aggravated assault following a fight at about 2 a.m. Friday outside of Indigo, 112 W. College Ave., each waived their right to a preliminary hearing on Wednesday.

The men were arrested after repeatedly punching and kicking another unidentified male in the head while he was lying on the ground, the State College Police Department said.

Police said they could not release the name of the man who was injured and had no further information regarding his injuries, but said that the incident is under investigation.

One man, who was driving the car used by the five men to vacate the scene, was also charged with one count of felony aggravated assault and was issued a DUI, police said.

Another one of the men was also cited with disorderly conduct earlier Friday night in connection with a fight, police said.

Male student reports assault

A 21-year-old male Penn State student reported that he was assaulted by two or three unidentified males at 2:56 a.m. Wednesday on the 200 block of Calder Alley, the State College Police Department said.

The student told police the men who assaulted him were white and college-aged, police said, and the incident is under investigation.

The student suffered a laceration to his ear when his earring was ripped out during the incident, police said, and he was later treated at Mount Nittany Medical Center.

Eagles tickets on sale Monday

Tickets for the Eagles performance on Friday, Oct. 22 at the Bryce Jordan Center will go on sale at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 30. Tickets will cost \$51, \$87 and \$125, BJC sales and marketing director Bernie Punt said.

Govt. estimates millions drive drunk

WASHINGTON - An estimated 17 million people have driven while drunk at least once on U.S. streets and highways in the course of a year, according to a government study released Wednesday.

A National Highway Traffic Safety Administration survey conducted in late 2008 found that 20 percent of those 16 and older reported driving within two hours of drinking alcohol.

Based on the survey results, NHTSA estimates that 8 percent of all drivers, or 17.2 million people, have driven at least once over the course of a year, even though they knew they were drunk.

LUNCH

Waring: Beef rice soup, lunch roll basket, autumn chicken salad, broccoli florettes, cuban sandwich, feature grilled chicken sandwich, grilled chicken breast, popcorn chicken primavera, vegetables, quarter pound cheeseburger, quarter pound hamburger, seasoned curly fries

Simmons: Ham and bean soup, baked tomato basil tofu, chicken caesar salad, chicken caesar wrap, baked four cheese whole wheat penne, edamame fried rice, turkey burger, vegetarian garden burger, broccoli with caramelized onions and pine nuts, brown rice and grain pilaf, cous cous tuscano, ginger glazed sugar snap peas, roasted roma tomatoes, sweet potato wedges, whole baby carrots

Pollock, Redifer, Warnock, Findlay: Cream of mushroom soup, vegetarian bean chili, cheeseburger wrap, macaroni and cheese, mango salsa, open faced hot turkey sandwich, broccoli with toasted almonds, green bean casserole, whipped potatoes

DINNER

Waring: assorted specialty breads, beef rice soup, autumn chicken salad, apple glazed pork roast, chicken fritters, feature grilled chicken sandwich, grilled chicken breast, long green beans, primavera, vegetables, roasted garlic potatoes, General Tso's chicken

Simmons: garlic shrimp stir fry, garlic roasted pork loin with red pepper coulis, grilled chicken breast, grilled eggplant parmesan, grilled vegetable burrito, broccoli with caramelized onions and pine nuts, brown rice and grain pilaf, cous cous tuscano, ginger glazed sugar snap peas, roasted roma tomatoes, sweet potato wedges, whole baby carrots

Pollock, Redifer, Warnock, Findlay: Cream of mushroom soup, vegetarian bean chili, beef gravy, broccoli and cheddar stuffed



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Homecoming

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Ryan said Baver will be a great representative for Penn State, especially since she had a "non-traditional" Penn State experience, because she spent all four years at Penn State Berks.

Representatives from the Commonwealth Campus Student Governments (CCSG) said they were pleased to see that a Commonwealth Campus student was given such an honor from the university.

It means a lot to the organization that Baver was selected, CCSG Vice President Peter Khoury said.

"It is certainly great to see that an

individual who spent so much time at a Commonwealth Campus is able to represent the university in such a large capacity," Khoury (junior-biology) said.

Though Baver is younger than many of the past grand marshals, Baver's age will make her relatable to both students and alumni, Rush (junior-marketing and public relations) said — and bringing together the two groups is the purpose of Homecoming.

As the Homecoming Grand Marshal, Baver will attend the court reception and the ice cream social, and will also make appearances in the Homecoming parade, football game and pep rally, Rush said.

Ryan said Baver was excited when they invited her to be Grand

Marshal and said she immediately accepted the position.

Though he was at first intimidated to talk to such a distinguished alumna and athlete, Ryan said Baver is very easy to work with and extremely friendly.

Baver has competed in three Winter Olympics in her lifetime. In 2010, she placed 3rd in the 3,000-meter relay at the Vancouver Olympic Games.

She also competed in the 2006 Winter Olympics, which were held in Torino, Italy.

The most recent Olympic athlete to serve as Homecoming Grand Marshal was 10-meter platform diver Mary Ellen Clark in 1997.

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Loop

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evaluate the services, Ragland said. The Interfraternity Council (IFC) is one organization that will aid in the ambassador program.

"I've already had chapter presidents contact me asking about signing up for it, so there will definitely be support from the IFC," Vice President for Programming Christian Van Horn (senior-labor studies and employment relations) said.

The Association of Residence Hall Students (ARHS) will also help with providing ambassadors, and the group is working to promote the service's extended hours because the organization recognizes its benefits.

"I think that it takes a step toward addressing the safety of students first," ARHS President Steven Roberts (junior-finance and economics) said. "It accounts for the students to be going out and ensures that they get home safely."

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Magician

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but instead one of the folded post-it notes. Kredible then took out a sack from a suitcase he had on stage. Inside was an orange, and after he cut around the orange he asked the student to twist off the top. The audience collectively gasped as the student lifted off the top to find her money inside.

For Porsche High (junior-hotel, restaurant and institutional management), who had seen Kredible perform before, said it was the magician's constant interaction with the crowd that she enjoyed.

"His show was unique and different because he interacts with the crowd more than I've seen with other magicians," High said.

To end the show, Kredible did one last trick called "balloon sword swallowing" where he blew up a balloon and swallowed it whole, making sure to turn in different angles and show the audience there were no tricks.

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Student Programming Association (SPA) member Cassandra Dahl said from all the crowd participation the students seemed to enjoy the performance.

"We hoped students would have fun while also introducing them to SPA," Dahl (sophomore-business administration) said. "He's more of a kid performer, but he throws in college jokes that work well and appeal to students. Last year he was great and this year he was great, if not better, to watch."

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IT Fee

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what the IT fee is currently funding, he said.

Wireless internet in dorms is something Raouda said he'd like to see the fee pay for.

"That would be amazing," he said. "That is something we're pursuing."

Not having wireless came as a surprise to some students.

"I thought wireless was throughout the campus," Jethro Petit-Frere (freshman-division of undergraduate studies) said.

Petit-Frere, who lives in East Halls, said he was surprised to find that only one side of his room had an Ethernet port.

"I had to go out and buy one of those 20-foot [Ethernet] cords," he said.

Housing and Food Services Information Systems Director Joel Weidner said Penn State has no plans to install wireless in students' bedrooms.

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stall access points," he said.

Weidner said students can bring their own routers to Penn State but encourages them to have ResCom set those up.

"We want to make sure the router is configured properly so other people aren't hopping on and using your bandwidth," he said.

Director of Housing Conal Carr said all residence halls have wireless in their common areas and students have Ethernet ports in their rooms, giving them high-speed internet access.

For some students, the lack of dorm air conditioning presents another issue.

"Any time we renovate a space, air conditioning will be considered," Carr said. "It doesn't mean it's going to happen, obviously."

North Halls was recently renovated and installed with air condition-

ing, Carr said. Air conditioning is being considered for South Halls' renovation sometime in 2012 or 2013, he said.

Carr said housing operates its renovations around a "very extensive" 10-year plan. The title "10-year" is not to set a deadline, but rather to symbolize how far housing looks into the future, Carr said.

"The plan is currently going until 2018, but that doesn't mean it will end in 2018," he said.

For the future, Carr said housing hopes to increase the electrical capacity of East and Pollock Halls, a project that he estimates to cost \$36 million.

Replacing all of East and Pollock Halls' furniture and redoing the kitchens in Nittany Apartments are also in the plan.

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Copper Beech

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are pleased that the desires of our residents could be met and they could take advantage of reliable transportation that meets their needs on a day-to-day basis."

Copper Beech originally decided to implement a private shuttle service to prevent an increase in tenants' rent after CATA increased the price of its contract by 21 percent.

Tenants received the first notice announcing the termination of CATA service on Friday — after many of them had already moved in.

CATA General Manager Hugh Mose said Copper Beech representatives approached CATA over the weekend, after outcry from student tenants who said they valued the bus service.

Letters, e-mails and phone calls all sparked Copper Beech to issue a second notice on Monday asking tenants to vote for their preferred service — CATA bus services or Copper Beech's private shuttle service. Monday's notice

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announced that an extra fee of \$75 would be added to each tenant's rent to support the cost of reinstating CATA services.

Copper Beech resident Steve Travis said he didn't mind the added cost.

"It's better than the alternative," Travis, Class of 2010, said. "It's nice to know CATA buses will be here whenever we need them, especially when it starts getting colder."

Mose said the state government decreased its funding for CATA bus services by 3.7 percent this past year, but bus usage by Copper Beech tenants increased by a staggering 46 percent. Both factors were taken into account when CATA's contract with Copper Beech was initially drafted.

"In earlier conversations, we

made sure Copper Beech understood if things didn't work out with their alternative idea, we were still open to renewing their contract," Mose said. "Now that we've executed an agreement, we're still working out the details."

Copper Beech and Parkway Plaza tenants are encouraged to visit either one of CATA's offices, located at 2081 W. Whitehall Rd. and 108 E. Beaver Ave., to pick up tenant identification passes and start taking advantage of CATA transportation.

Tenants who have already purchased individual bus passes while negotiations between CATA and Copper Beech were ongoing will receive appropriate compensation, Mose said.

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Volleyball

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"Well I didn't vote [us] No. 1," Rose said.

"I don't think it's justified. Of course not, I mean we haven't done anything. Maybe the people thought that Megan [Hodge] and [Glass] were coming back for a fifth year, and then we would've been a more relevant candidate for that."

Rose said voters probably selected the three-time defending national champion Lions as No. 1 in the AVCA preseason poll because "we haven't lost in a couple years."

Penn State enters its 2010 campaign with a 102-match winning streak, the second longest streak in Division I team sports history — only behind the Miami men's tennis program's 137 straight victories from 1957-64.

But the Lions are missing some key contributors from the last three seasons, most notably Hodge, a two-time Big Ten Player of the Year and four-time All-American, and Glass, currently the starting setter for the U.S. women's national team.

"There's a number of teams around the country I think that have a lot more experience coming back," Rose said.

The Lions, meanwhile, are working with a 19-player roster that includes nine freshmen. And Rose — as well as his players — knows it will take some time for everyone to feel comfortable.

But senior libero Alyssa D'Errico said the intensity has remained as strong as it has been in past years. With a large crop of rookies around, she said practices have been fun and energetic.

With such a young group, Rose said he hopes his team remains

grounded.

"I wouldn't say the players should enter the match thinking they're the No. 1 team and that's one of the loads they have to carry," Rose said.

"I think they'll find themselves in a lot of tough matches, but I wouldn't say we're the lead dog in this race at this point in time."

Senior Blair Brown — a preseason first team All-Big Ten selection — said she knows the Lions may not be as strong at this point in the season as they have been in years past.

But, she said, the end goal is still the same: End the year on a win.

"It might be a different season than people are used to," Brown said.

"But we really want to work on getting better towards the end of the season, really peaking towards the end."

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