

Fraternity cited with disorderly conduct

Theta Delta Chi fraternity, 305 E. Prospect Ave., was cited with disorderly conduct at about midnight Saturday, the State College Police Department said.

Cinder block thrown through window

The State College Police Department said a cinder block was thrown through the window of the Phi Mu Delta fraternity, 240 E. Prospect Ave., early Saturday morning.

Male cited with criminal trespass

An unidentified male was cited with criminal trespass and criminal mischief at about 2:30 a.m. Friday after he was found drinking beer inside the cooler of The Saloon, 101 Heister St., the State College Police Department said.

Residents cited with disorderly conduct

Residents were cited with disorderly conduct at 5:14 p.m. Friday at the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, 321 E. Fairmount Ave., the State College Police Department said.

Abandoned beagle under investigation

An abandoned beagle was found at about 2 p.m. Aug. 23 near the 800 block of West Branch Road, the State College Police Department said.

Tickets available for 'Runt of the Litter'

Tickets for the autobiographical production of "Runt of the Litter," starring former Houston Oilers defensive back Bo Eason, go on sale at 8 a.m. today.

Tickets cost \$17 for University Park students, \$30 for adults and \$24 for people 18 and younger.

Lunch:

Waring: Italian wedding soup, lunch roll basket, check caesar salad, chicken cosmo not, feature burger, feature grilled chicken sandwich, grilled chicken breast, peas and carrots, quarter pound hamburger, roasted cauliflower, shoestring fries, sloppy joe, beef Thai wrap

Simmons: Chicken noodle soup, low fat New England clam chowder, ham, basil and low fat swiss panini, human chicken, roasted corn and bean enchilada, simmon's signature macaroni and cheese, black bean and corn cous cous, broccoli with roasted red peppers, brown rice, cauliflower and peas, grilled vegetables, honey ginger carrots, over baked potato wedges

Pollock, Redifer, Warnock, Findlay: chili con carne, vegetarian bean chili, meatball sandwich, San Antonio chicken salad, whole wheat penne with hearty vegetable sauce, beer battered onion rings, broccoli florettes, buttered corn

Dinner:

Waring: assorted speciality breads, Italian wedding soup, chicken caesar salad, garlic bread sticks, chicken polo a la vino, cous cous tuscano, feature grilled chicken sandwich, grilled chicken breast, Italian vegetables, roasted cauliflower, shrimp scampi with penne pasta, pork filettino

Simmons: Asian beef broil, sauteed squash, black bean hummus wrap, grilled chicken breast, ratatouille with penne pasta plue sauteed chicken with fruit sauce, black bean and corn cous cous, broccoli with roasted red peppers, brown rice, cauliflower and peas, grilled vegetables, honey ginger carrots, oven baked potato wedges

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THON

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Before the meeting, Rommel said she hoped it would clarify some of the questions and concerns surrounding recent THON announcements.

Changes include: the elimination of the spirit points program; a requirement that all student organizations participating in THON be recognized by the university...

the changes we've made and why they're in the best interest of THON," Rommel said before the meeting.

Wendkos declined comment. Late Saturday night, Wendkos emailed the presidents of all Penn State student organizations, explaining his concerns and inviting them to the meeting.

logue in a pressure-free atmosphere."

Wendkos wrote that he decided to call the meeting in response to the recently announced changes in THON's organizational structure

"If we have members that volunteer for THON through our respective organizations, we, as presidents, are responsible for facilitating the investment of their time, energy, and support by ensuring that THON's highest leaders are making decisions that are healthy for the philanthropy's success," he wrote.

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Energy policy

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"If we can reduce the number of spaces lit, we reduce pollution, our carbon footprint and operating cost of the university," he said.

Mary Edgington, senior director of union and student activity, said lowering energy costs is for everyone's benefit, but Penn State does not want to hurt groups already using campus space.

"If there is no other space and the groups need it, we will work with them and OPP to see if we can open up the space," she said.

Full Ammo Improv Troupe is among the clubs having difficulty finding a space to perform, though Room Six in the Arts Building — where it usually performed — is not affected by the policy.

"The Arts Building is going under a huge renovation," said Dan Carter, the director of the School of Theatre.

"We are trying to move forward and give students the best education. It's a change within the School of Theatre made for educational purposes."

The raised seating in Room Six — perfect for public performances — has been taken down to give theatre students a film acting studio, he said.

Outlaws, a performing arts club that has used Room Six for decades,

was notified of the change, Carter said, though he said he was unaware of any other groups that used that space.

Room Six is an acting studio. It was never designed for public performance," Carter said.

But the lack of space for these clubs isn't a new issue.

Full Ammo Improv President Dan Miller said venues like HUB-Alumni Hall and the Paul Robeson Cultural Center's Heritage Hall are too pricey to reserve for smaller clubs that perform for free.

So Miller (senior-economics and accounting) created a Facebook group last Sunday called "WE ARE...Performing in Lecture Halls" in an effort to make other students aware of the ongoing struggle these clubs have, he said.

Miller said he would like to see a better reservation system as soon as possible.

"In the long term we'd like to see spaces specifically for student organizations, which are not unheard of," he said.

Sarah Burton, a member of Full Ammo Improv, said spaces should be available since groups like these provide safe weekend activities.

"We should have designated performance spaces specifically for

clubs that we can use for free," Burton (senior-journalism and political science) said.

"We are the options to alcoholic activities."

Ryan Simmons, Class of 2009, said he understands Miller's frustration. As a former president of both Full Ammo Improv and No Refund Theatre, Simmons said this problem existed before he graduated.

"I was hoping that hearing from an alum would alert them that this problem has been around for a long time," he said.

Communication between the student groups and the university has been set up in an effort to resolve this issue.

Miller spoke at the University Park Undergraduate Association (UPUA) meeting Wednesday, after UPUA off-campus representative Mallory Reed (junior-political science) saw the Facebook group.

And Miller said he would love to work with the university to help create a method of reserving rooms.

"I'd love to sit down with any university official so we could start a dialogue about this," Miller said.

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suspenders, jeans, a blue bandanna around his neck and cowboy boots. Throughout the concert it was evident that Hanson's music has also taken inspiration from the brothers' Oklahoman roots, combined with

what its official website calls "R&B-flavored pop-rock."

Hanson not only has created a new sound, but also a new record label, Taylor Hanson explained to the audience on Saturday night.

"We had a little trouble with an old record label and decided to start our own," he said. "And ever since, we've been OK."

Jacqueline Nelson (sophomore-health and human development) said she wanted to go home and download music from Hanson's new album. "It really surprised me how well they transitioned from young pop stars to mature musicians," Nelson said.

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Memorial

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a retreat for Penn State's Leadership Jumpstart class.

Friend after friend told stories about Richards that highlighted his intelligence, kindness and devotion to service, and almost all of them ended with a laugh.

Richards — a Schreyer Honors college student — maintained a 4.0 GPA in high school, was active at his church and worked to become an Eagle Scout, his father said.

"The things he did in his life, it wasn't stuff he had to do, but he wanted to do it," Richards' friend Mike Thomas said to the people gathered in the chapel.

Thomas and Richards became friends while competing with Penn State's Mock Trial Association — an activity that Thomas said Richards excelled at.

Richards was elected administrative vice president of the club in the spring.

The chapel and its balcony were filled, but even as the seats were all taken up, friends kept filing into the crowded building, standing at the back of the chapel to hear memories of Richards.

But the infectious laughter of all those people couldn't completely stop tears from welling up in the eyes of friends and family.

When Richards' friend Hailey Mitchell (sophomore-meteorology and geography) sang the Beatles' "Let it Be" she struggled to hold back tears between each verse and chorus.

The rest of Richards' friends and family joined in singing, helping each other through the teary song.

But the service proved more a celebration of Richards' life than a mourning of his passing.

"I can't think of any better word to

describe Tom than 'unique,'" Richards' friend Lindsay Wells said. "We will always have our beautiful, happy memories of Tom to take with us."

Friends remembered his leadership abilities, his precociousness, as well as his unwavering devotion to friends and his uncanny ability to reach out to others.

"Tom could take command of the entire room," Lisa Lotito, Richards' former teaching assistant said during the service. "But he would always remember to ask, 'How are you?'"

Richards' father, also Tom Richards, shared his last memory of his son.

"He gave me a big bear hug and said 'I love you, Dad,'" his father said.

"I cracked him on the shoulder and told him I was proud of him."

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Microbrewers

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About 300 people attended the event — a low turnout compared to years past, Martin said. Martin took over the Microbrewers Expo this year, and said that though attendance was light, the event was still a success.

"It's great to see it all come together," he said

Visitors to the Microbrewers Expo paid \$50 to attend or \$75 for an early admission VIP ticket. Once inside, attendees were free to sample the different beers, indulge at the buffet and attend two different seminars on microbrewing, Martin said. In addition to the beer and the beer, attendees also had a chance to give back during the event, with proceeds benefitting the American Cancer Society's Coaches vs. Cancer of Penn State program and the Bob Perks Cancer Assistance Fund, Martin said.

Though it would have been nice to have more people come to the event and raise more money for charity,

"There's a lot of beer enthusiasts. We've had a lot of really good conversations with people."

Phil Hollen Tröegs sales representative

Martin said he was pleased with how it overall went.

The brewers on hand also noticed the low turnout, but said it didn't stop them from enjoying the crowd — and the beer.

"It's nice because of the crowd that's coming out," Tröegs sales representative Phil Hollen said.

"There's a lot of beer enthusiasts. We've had a lot of really good conversations with people."

Watching the faces of people as they tried the Tröegs JavaHead Stout — a beer brewed with coffee — was one of best parts of the event, Martin said.

Zach Gordon, who was at the Expo, said some of his favorite brewers were in attendance. He also enjoyed the chance to try new beers.

"Me and my buddies always drink good beers," Gordon (senior-hotel,

restaurant and institutional management) said. "At our age, people don't normally drink good beer."

In addition to local brewers such as Elk Creek Café and Otto's Pub and Brewery, Anchor Brewing Company from San Francisco, Calif. was in attendance.

Anchor Brewing Company sales representative Ed Downs said a benefit of the event was actually being able to talk to the crowd.

Instead of people just coming up and asking if they could have a beer and then walking away, Downs said he was able to interact with the beer enthusiasts in attendance.

"This is by far the best one I've done," Downs said. "The people are the best. It's nice to talk good beer with good people."

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Alabama

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"Our football team is presented with a great opportunity after working out the kinks against Youngstown State. This is great for someone who grew up watching the Alabama/Penn State rivalry," Cohen

said. Students who buy football tickets will pick them up on at the Bryce Jordan Center for the Alabama and Ohio State University games.

A ticket package including transportation to FedEx Field for the Nov. 20 game against Indiana is in the works that will benefit the Interfraternity Council/Panhellenic Dance Marathon, Myford said.

Myford said fans should know the procedures for buying, selling, forwarding and grouping tickets with information available at gopsu-support.com.

The Nittany Lions will face Alabama at 7 p.m. on Sept. 11 at Bryant-Denny Stadium.

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