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T.I. cancels BJC show

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In light of his recent legal troubles, rapper T.I. has postponed his Sept. 24 show at the Bryce Jordan Center — and while many Penn State students are disappointed, they said they're not surprised. "I was hoping he would come to perform, so it's kind of disappointing," Shane Denecke (sophomore-biology) said. "This is funny because we all knew that this would happen." But BJC Sales and Marketing Director Bernie Punt said he was

surprised by the cancellation, which now leaves the venue empty that Friday evening.

"We don't have a back-up concert for that date," Punt said. "But we are keeping our fingers crossed, though, in a rescheduled concert date for T.I."

Punt said he thinks the BJC will be able to reschedule the show, but he's not sure when it will be.

"T.I.'s management was very disappointed, and we are doing everything we can to reschedule the concert," he said. Many ticketholders said they

want T.I. to come back if it's possible.

"I would definitely love the chance for him to come back," Denecke said.

Though those who purchased tickets with credit cards will receive an automatic refund, anyone who bought tickets with cash, LionCash or a check will have to go to the BJC ticket office for their refund, Punt said.

He said more than 3,000 tickets were sold for the concert.

T.I.'s recent legal issues caused him to cancel his show, Punt said. See T.I., Page 2.



Collegian file photo

T.I. performs at the Bryce Jordan center in 2008.

Alum offers grant

College gets \$6.5M gift

By Mike Hricik
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The Penn State College of Education received a record-setting \$6.5 million gift for the Krause Innovation Studio, a facility that will be devoted to state-of-the-art educational technologies.

The gift is the college's largest ever, said David Price, stewardship and public relations specialist for the College of Education.

College of Education Dean David Monk said the endowment for the facility will put students on the cutting edge of new technologies.

"The application of technology to education is a long-standing commitment of the College of Education," Monk said.

Gay and Bill Krause of Los Altos Hills, Calif., endowed the gift, Price said.

Gay Krause, a graduate of the College of Education, worked as a schoolteacher and administrator and currently directs the Krause Center for Innovation at Foothill College in Los Altos Hills, Calif., Price said.

Gay Price said it is important to create an interactive classroom that allows for individualized educational plans. She hopes Penn State will be able to do this through the Krause Innovation Studio.

"It is the one way that I think we can get a more individualized educational plan. In order to improve our education system, in order to move toward 'student-centric' learning, we have to use technology to individualize plans for learning," Gay Krause said.

Bill Krause served as president of 3com Corporation, a data networking and security solutions company. He currently acts as president of LWK Ventures, a private investment firm, Price said.

Monk said he met with the Krauses for the first time during last year's Ohio State game.

He said that despite the loss to the Buckeyes, the meeting fostered a "natural" relationship with the university.

Gay Krause said she hopes to form a collaborative relationship with her center in Silicon Valley and the new Penn State facility.

Price said construction on the Krause Innovation Studio will hopefully begin this summer. Designs for the facility are ongoing.

Monk said it is important to remember that technology in education should not be an end to itself.

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Gay Krause



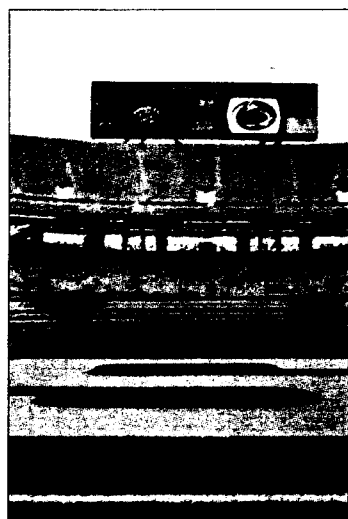
Bill Krause

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Bob LaBarca, an elementary school instrumental teacher, examines a trombone in preparation for a used instrument sale at the State College Area High School. The sale, which is held by the Music Boosters, will have its 30th annual sale tonight. For complete coverage | Arts & Entertainment, Page 5.



Ryan Ullsh/Collegian

The smoke-free policy in Beaver Stadium was recently deemed a success. The policy was initiated in April of 2009.

Smoke ban a success

By Casey McDermott
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For the past 18 months, fans at Beaver Stadium have taken their smoking breaks outside — and proponents of the facility's smoke-free policy say the ban has been a success.

The no-smoking policy took effect in April 2009 at the Blue-White Game, with an increase in "No Smoking" signs and announcements over the venue's sound system. But enforcement of the ban didn't begin until the second half of Penn State's 2009 season.

At the onset of enforcement, an average of 56 citations were issued at each game — or about one in 1,875 — according to a press release from the Centre County Youth Services Bureau (YSB).

Greg Myford, associate athletic director for marketing and communications, said most people have been cooperative with the policy since it was enacted.

"We've seen noticeable compliance from the majority of patrons," Myford said. "That's not to say that some people don't try to sneak in a smoke, but by and large it's been very successful for us and is turning out to have the impact that we want it to."

Denise McCann, division director for Centre County YSB, said the college student population is heavily targeted by the tobacco industry. She said a no-smoking policy is a step in the right direction for any venue, not just Beaver Stadium.

"If you're a non-smoker and you're outside, it kind of ruins the environment if you're exposed to smoke and you're in the fresh air," McCann said. "I don't see why it's any different than bars or restaurants."

And a smoking ban will prove beneficial for the environment, in addition to fans at the games, Eco-Action President Kelley Cressman said.

"It's also good in terms of litter," Cressman (senior-international politics) said. "Less cigarette butts makes the stadium nicer in general."

She also said the smoking ban creates a better atmosphere for families who attend football games.

"This way there's no negative health impact on kids, or depending on how people feel

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Officials tackle finances

By Katrina Wehr
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Officials from across Pennsylvania will come together today to outline feasible solutions to issues plaguing the state's cash-strapped municipalities.

The Core Communities in Crisis Task Force of the Pennsylvania League of Cities and Municipalities (PLCM) will meet at 2 p.m. in Room 304 of the State College Municipal Building, 243 S. Allen St.

Created in response to the fiscal challenges within Pennsylvania communities, the task force's main goal is to develop a plan to increase revenue while lessening the financial burden on the state's municipalities, according to the group's website.

The meeting will be the second



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in a series of three meetings the task force has scheduled to create suggestions for the new governor and legislature when they take office in January, said Tom Fountaine, State College borough manager and an adviser to the task force.

State College Mayor Elizabeth Goreham, a member of the inter-governmental relations subcommittee, said State College is among many municipalities in the state that are struggling

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Graduates open local food cart business

By Nathan Pipenberg
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They could either work for the man, or be the man: That's the choice two recent Penn State graduates said they faced last spring as they contemplated joining the workforce.

Sunny Shakhawala and Hartej Singh Sawhney, both Class of 2010, chose to "be the man" by starting their own business in State College — a New York City-style food cart called State Platters.

Shakhawala and Sawhney

graduated with degrees in finance, but decided to stay far from Wall Street — at least for now.

"You can work 10 hours for someone else and bring home a fraction of what you earn, or work 10 hours for yourself and it's all yours," Shakhawala said.

State Platters, located on the patio of Gift Adventures, 137 E. Beaver Ave., offers a menu of three dishes — lamb and beef, chicken, and falafel — as a sandwich, salad or platter.

The offerings are the product

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Tyler Sizemore/Collegian

Students stop by State Platters to grab a bite to eat on Wednesday night.