

Harrisburg newspaper endorses Corbett

HARRISBURG — Republican gubernatorial candidate Tom Corbett has picked up an endorsement from Harrisburg's daily newspaper.

The Patriot-News endorsed Corbett, the state attorney general, on Sunday, citing his pledge to not raise taxes, his office's investigation of corruption in the Legislature and his desire to explore taxpayer-financed alternatives to public schools.

The paper said it questions whether the no-tax pledge is realistic, but that it likes his determination to hold the line on state spending.

Corbett is opposed in the Nov. 2 election by Democratic nominee Dan Onorato, the elected executive of Allegheny County.

Penn State professor Yuxi Zheng will speak about "Open Problems in Two-Dimensional Self-Similar Euler System," at 10:10 a.m. in 216 McAllister Building. The event will be hosted by the Department of Mathematics.

University of Maryland professor Ian Appelbaum will speak about "Spin Transport in Silicon," at 12:00 noon in S-5 Osmond Laboratory. The event will be hosted by the Center for Nanoscale Science - Interdisciplinary Research Group III.

Indiana University professor Roger Innes will speak about "Molecular Mechanisms Underlying Pathogen Recognition in Plants," at 12:10 p.m. in 108 Wartik Laboratory. The event will be hosted by Michael Axtell of the Intercollege Graduate Program in Plant Biology and Plant Pathology Department.

LUNCH

Findlay, Pollock, Redifer and Warnock: Italian wedding soup, wild rice soup, beef thai wrap, fried chicken sandwich, jasmine rice, vegetarian tikka masala, peas and carrots, roasted cauliflower, shoestring fries.

Simmons: Scrambled egg whites, scrambled eggs, sunrise pancakes, tofu scrambler, whole wheat apple pancakes, whole wheat pancakes, whole wheat penne primavera, cranberry apple salsa, london broil, mandarin orange salsa, roast turkey, mixed vegetables, oven roasted breakfast red potatoes

Waring: Quiche, french toast sticks, home fries, sausage links, scrambled egg whites, scrambled eggs, omelettes, beef gravy, breadsticks, cheese pizza, cheesesteak pizza, green beans almondine, maple glazed ham, marinara sauce, meat sauce, pasta bar, penne pasta plus, pepperoni pizza, scalloped potatoes, top round of roast beef, banana walnut oatmeal, multi-grain pancakes, oatmeal, tofu scrambler, sliced apple topping, waffle bar

DINNER

Findlay, Pollock, Redifer and Warnock: Italian wedding soup, wild rice soup, Alfredo sauce, top on polo a la vino, grilled chicken breast, hoagie roll, broccoli manicotti, meatballs in sauce, milano sauce, wheat penne pasta, cous cous tuscano, Italian vegetables, roasted cauliflower

Simmons: Tomato beef stir fry, chicken piccata, grilled chicken breast, honey wasabi salmon, vegetarian garden burger, baked sweet potato, barley pilaf, carrots with honey mint, long green beans, peas and mushrooms, artichoke, zucchini and yellow squash

Waring: soup of the day, stuffed cauliflower soup, blackened chicken salad, brussel sprouts with red onions and raisins, chicken fritters, feature grilled chicken sandwich, green beans almondine, grilled chicken breast, bread encrusted salmon, sweet potato fries, grilled chicken bowl, breadsticks, cheese pizza, cheesesteak pizza, hoagie roll, marinara sauce, meat sauce, meatballs in sauce, penne pasta plus, pepperoni pizza, ratatouille with penne pasta plus, baked potato, broccoli florettes, cheddar cheese sauce, vegetable chimichanga

Corrections:

An article "Paintings inspired by Ireland" on page 9 of Friday's Daily Collegian incorrectly stated information the exhibit.

Pan Unidester's "Recent Towers" is the third exhibit to be displayed in the Eisenhower Auditorium Conference Room.



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Pa. man to encourage employment

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NEWTOWN, Pa. — A suburban Philadelphia philanthropist who believes charity is a powerful incentive thinks he can help get Americans back to work one donation at a time.

Gene Epstein, 71, is promoting a \$250,000 effort called Hire Just One, with plans to make \$1,000 donations to charity in the name of businesses that hire an unemployed person and keep the worker on the payroll for at least six months.

Epstein, who amassed a personal fortune through car sales and real estate investments, has set aside his money for the first 250 hires — and thinks thousands more jobs could be created if others took on his idea, too.

"It's an encouragement to businesses to not wait," said Epstein, who thinks the incentive may be just enough to get small businesses over the hump to make a hire in tough economic times. "This becomes like an incredible stimulus program."

The idea came to Epstein at his sprawling home in suburban Bucks County last month.

He said he hopes his program will encourage businesses in the region and beyond to make hundreds of thousands of new hires they wouldn't have otherwise made.

More than 100 businesses have expressed interest, Epstein said, but for the most part he plans to wait until the new employees have been on the payrolls for six months before he makes the donations. Only time will tell how effective the incentive may be.

Epstein, known for matching gifts for organ donations and other chari-

table programs, previously promoted a novel way to increase voluntary organ donor signups: \$10,000 insurance payouts to each donor's eventual beneficiary.

He and his wife, Marlene, have a charitable fund that contributes to the Jewish National Fund, the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center and other causes.

"They are going to see that they need more employees," said Epstein, a registered Republican who has donated money to both political parties. He said he believes his program is a good way to address unemployment without the need for government intervention.

One expert on small businesses said a charitable incentive might prove more effective at spurring discussion in the boardroom than in translating into new hires.

"The upside is small enough that it probably is going to have more effect in bringing the issue up than it is in actually getting people to hire people," said Lawrence Gelburd, a lecturer at The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania who teaches about entrepreneurship and works with small businesses. "That's a pretty tough sell."

When businesses submit qualifying paperwork, Epstein expects to donate to groups like the American Red Cross, the food program Philabundance, organ donor efforts and others.

Despite his requirement that businesses keep workers on the payroll at least six months first, Epstein said he recently made an exception and sent \$3,200 from the fund to go toward the Flight 93 memorial in western Pennsylvania.

Epstein said he has been choosing most of the charities that will get

donations so far, but he is not against businesses choosing the charity themselves, as long as the charity is legitimate.

Several participating businesses said hearing about Epstein's philanthropic promise helped to push them over the hump and move toward making new hires.

"We're gun-shy like everybody else," said Philip Chant, vice president of Chant Engineering in New Britain, Pa., which has fewer than 40 employees. "It spurred the conversation internally as to, 'Hey, we should hire somebody.' That in turn got the conversation to 'Hey, we should hire more than one person.'"

The company ended up making four new hires, he said, estimating that Epstein's program probably got the company to make the hires about six months before it would have otherwise.

Chant said he expects all the new employees to still be working there in six months. He does not know yet if they were all unemployed beforehand, as the program requires.

"If we qualify, that's great," Chant said.

The Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce has briefly discussed Epstein's idea but isn't sure how effective it will be in the long run, said spokesman Christopher Pinto.

It's an innovative concept that Epstein is bringing to the table, he said, but there's simply no way to know how well it could work at motivating businesses to hire in tough times.

An executive at a credit union said hearing about Epstein's program did encourage him to finally move forward with hiring a social media coordinator.

Borough

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when UPUA President Christian Ragland proposed adding a non-voting student member to the council.

Ragland (senior-political science) said he is "pretty confident" the resolution will pass — he's excited to move forward.

"[We] pulled it off in October, so that speaks very highly about hard work and what you want done can happen," he said.

Since the council initially rejected the proposal because the term "member" implies that the student was elected onto council, council members opted to draft a resolution that specifies a name change to student representative.

The draft was presented at the council's work session last week, and because there were few revisions, it was decided that the resolution was ready to be brought to the

floor at tonight's meeting.

Council member James Rosenberger said he favors the current resolution.

"I think it offers us a good way to get direct input from the student community," he said. "We had some questions from the first proposal on how it was structured, but the current one seems to be appropriate."

Council member Theresa Lafer said that to her knowledge, no council member is against the resolution.

"We've gone for years with students saying nobody hears them, and the borough frequently says students don't hear us, so now we will have a clear channel with which we can hear each other," Lafer said.

The resolution is a testament to the hard work that both the students from UPUA and the council put into it, she added. Don Hahn and Tom Daubert, both council members, said the passing of the resolution is important, but the selection of the student representative is key.

Council Member Silvi Lawrence

said she is pleased that students are showing more interest in the borough council — she's optimistic the resolution will pass.

UPUA Governmental Affairs Chairman TJ Bard — who previously met individually with council members to discuss the proposal and clear any confusion surrounding it — said he is excited for the meeting.

"I'm really, really hopeful for it," Bard (sophomore-political science and economics) said. "I've definitely been anticipating this for a long time. I'm nervous just for the sheer fact that it's coming up because it's been such a big part of my life for the past four months."

Though the resolution has not been passed, Bard said UPUA is already "hammering out some details" on its end — such as who would fulfill the student representative position — in order to not waste time should the resolution pass.

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hopefully will make this an attractive position for a coach who can come in here and win more football games." With Brewster's firing coming more than midway through the Gophers' season, Horton said his

sole job is to be "the calming influence on this team." Horton insisted he won't overlook the Gophers' final five games, and Thompson said the interim coach will also try and put forth a solid effort to try to possibly gain a job with next year's staff.

"The bottom line is we have to instill confidence in our players over these last five weeks, and we need to

find a way to let them have the excitement and the thrill of winning football games," Horton said during the press conference. "I don't think people realize the kind of commitment and time and effort that they put in to the program, day in and day out."

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Drag show

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For Joseph Davi, who dressed in drag to support the performers, the show represented an upbeat finale to a week filled with both pride and sorrow.

After the recent suicides committed by gay students across the nation, Davi (junior-political science) said he wanted to provide visibility to Penn State's LGBTQA

community to show there is support available to students who may be struggling with their identity.

"We are here and we are queer. There is help available if you need it," he said.

Performer Michael Faris (graduate-English) said he has done drag for nearly five years — such events bring people together to have fun with the LGBTQA community, he said.

"We can play with gender roles and society's norms," he said.

Faris, whose stage name is "Faris Hilton" said he and the other performers appreciated the audience's enthusiasm and support while they expressed themselves.

"For someone to do this for the first time, it takes a lot of courage," he said.

By the end of the show, the audience was both pumped up and proud, crowning drag queen "Lady GayGay" as this year's winner.

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Passion Pit

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But for Maddy Ketrner (freshman-elementary education), the band's performance of "Little Secrets" was the best part.

"Everyone seemed excited to be there and everyone was dancing," Ketrner said.

"They're one of my favorite bands, so I'm glad I got to see them here."

In between two of the songs, Angelakos stopped. "It gets so quiet between songs, but there are so many people here," Angelakos said to the audience, which roared immediately after.

The band came out to play an encore — with each member sporting a Penn State jersey and one carrying out a cutout of Joe Paterno, which was placed next to Nate Donmoyer's drumset.

Included in the encore was the band's biggest hit: "Sleepyhead."

The audience jumped up and down to every lyric. Michelle Smyly, 20, of State College, said the performance of "Sleepyhead" was her favorite part of the show.

She said she's been to Passion Pit concerts before in both Florida and Philadelphia.

"This was my first Penn State show, and it was really neat to have a lot of energy and they seemed to be really into it," Smyly said.

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THON 5K

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expand and Dowd said she couldn't be happier about the growth.

"It has gone far beyond my wildest dreams. It's just amazing to see that all the work has paid off today, and to watch all the planning come alive," Dowd said. "I literally cried when I said 'go' at the starting line."

After 17 minutes, a steady stream of runners bolted toward the finish line to a cheering crowd that chanted "For the kids, FTK"

One runner who heard the chant was Penn State student Mike Redebaugh.

Redebaugh (senior-finance) finished the race in 20 minutes and 10 seconds, but he wasn't racing against time — instead, he was running 'for the kids' and for a friend who died of pancreatic cancer this past summer.

"He was a real good friend in my fraternity," Redebaugh said. "He was only 20 when he died."

Not every attendee was directly involved in THON.

Robyn Hill, a member of Students Taking Action to Encourage

Recycling (S.T.A.T.E.R.), came to get volunteer hours.

Though she went to the race just to volunteer, Hill (freshman-elementary education) said she left with a newfound goal: to be a part of THON in February.

"It's so hard to even describe the energy here right now. Everyone is so excited," Hill said.

"Coming from a high school where there was no school spirit, this 5K race is the complete opposite. Penn State in general is the complete opposite."

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