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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

**TODAY**  
Social Justice  
Forum (103B) @ noon

**TUESDAY**  
Election Day  
  
Van-Cation to Polling  
Location (Sign-Up 105B)  
  
Student Government  
Association (103B) @ noon

**WEDNESDAY**  
Inclusive Excellence (103B)

Research Workshop  
(Library) @ 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.

**THURSDAY**  
Hilby Juggler  
(Café) @ 8 p.m.

**FRIDAY**  
Residence Life Event (SHL)  
CCSG Weekend  
THON Canning

**SATURDAY**  
Football Frenzy  
@ Nebraska  
CCSG Weekend  
THON Canning

**SUNDAY**  
Caving Van-Cation  
(Sign-Up 105B) @ 9 AM  
(SHL)

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# ‘Balancing-act’

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Penn State Hazleton is divided by those who smoke and those who don't. Some students enjoy smoking, while others hate having to breathe it in as they walk to class. Sophomore Donnie Cronin believes smoking is one of his passions. It calms his nerves and it's social, too.

On the other side, junior Krystin Baker, a non-smoker, hates everything about smoking. She says, "It takes over people's lives and hurts others due to secondhand smoke."

Penn State's policy states there is no smoking inside the campus facilities. All students and faculty with this habit are forced outside in order to smoke. For those who don't smoke, this doesn't seem like much of a problem.

For those who do, this has become a burden for two reasons, smokers must brave the elements and face discrimination from those who do not have the habit.

Thomas Butchko, the director of business services at PSU HN said there were several designated areas for smokers, although they are not "formal." Butchko said there are 40 different smoking receptacles or cigarette urns around campus for smokers.

These locations include, most significantly, one at the basement and front entry of the Physical Education building, one at the steps in front of Butler, four in front of Graham, two in the front and back of Kostos, two in front of the library, one at the ramp entry of the High Acres Café, one in front of South Hall, one in front of North Hall, and 10 behind West Hall.

Smokers are forced to smoke at the front or back entrances of every building on campus.

Smokers want to smoke and

**SMOKING**  
on campus  
 YES  NO

Photo by Google Images

Should students and faculty be allowed to smoke on campus?  
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non-smokers have to use an entrance to get to class and walk into the smoking zone.

Cronin says whenever he attempts to light up, he smokes near doorways, but then is told to move away 30 feet by other students.

Baker elaborated on this problem adding, "there is nowhere for them to go. They huddle at ash trays by the doorways and the smoke is blown into the face of every student that walks by. It's disgusting."

For both Cronin and Baker, it's a lose-lose situation.

Butchko insisted, "It's a balancing-act. Students and faculty who smoke must be responsible and respect the rules of Penn State's smoking policy."

At the same time, there is an enforcement issue for smokers who dwell under the roof between the bookstore and Butler who are violating the rules.

There is a large, red sign on the back wall that says no smoking allowed. Yet, smokers continue to violate the rule having no other place to go on a rainy or snowy day.

In commenting on the bad weather issue, Butchko said, "It is no different than any other student. Everyone has to brave it."

Butchko was willing to hear out any possible solutions that students

or faculty have on the issue. Right now, most complaints have come from students at the residence halls, in particular, South Hall. He, along with others, is investigating how the university can resolve the problem possibly a smoking shelter away from South Hall's doors.

As a campus wide solution, Butchko said Altoona and Harrisburg campuses have enclosed smoking rooms.

"The problem is, such rooms cost anywhere from \$5,000 to \$15,000. Not only that, there is a problem of location. Where would we put these? The PSU HN campus is small enough as it is and has put in large amounts of money for campus beautification which might only be tarnished by these smoking rooms," Butchko added.

According to senior Natalie Kalecha, the campus could run that risk regardless. She thinks a major issue with smoking on campus is that people throw their cigarette butts anywhere and makes the campus look dirty.

With more areas for smokers, campus authorities could better affirm that smokers dispose of their cigarettes properly through monitoring of one or two locations versus the entire campus as they do now.

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# Women's clinic, STD testing planned

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The women's clinic in the Health Service office in the gym offers everything from STD tests to birth control.

The health of all students is important. The women's clinic emphasizes how important it is to know one's own body and to take care of it in the best way possible.

The clinic and health services tries to make sure students know as much as they can about themselves. The wellness team at health services believe it is absolutely crucial for all students to know ways to prevent diseases from spreading to themselves and to their partners.

The first women's clinic will be held on Nov. 13 and there will be a monthly clinic held on the second Tuesday of every month.

**Did you know?**  
(from the Centers for Disease Control)

1. Nineteen million new sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) occur each year, almost half of them among young people ages 15 to 24.
2. Ten thousand teens are infected by STDs per day, one every eight seconds!
3. One out of every four sexually active teens has an STD, and one in two sexually active youth will contract an STD by 25.
4. An estimated one in five Americans have genital herpes infection, and up to 90 percent of them don't know it.
5. Forty percent of older adolescents surveyed incorrectly believe that the contraceptive "pill" and "shot" protect against STDs and HIV.

Also, if men are interested in being tested for sexually transmitted diseases, there will be a free STD clinic starting today and running through Friday (Nov. 5-9.) To make an appointment call (570)-450-3029. This appointment will be absolutely free and confidential.

This will be open for both men and women.

Allen Sabatino, coordinator of the health services, said although there isn't a men's clinic on campus, during physicals he and health services makes sure to educate the men about men's health and safe sex.

# Smoking issue pits those who do against those who do not

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Another solution Butchko mentioned was the route Penn State York took.

"They are a smoke-free campus, which was formally approved by their SGA. This would be the most cost-effective option, but would we really want smokers traveling all the way to a parking lot just to have a smoke?"

PSU HN's reference librarian, Shannon Richie doesn't agree.

"I think it is reasonable for people to have an area for smoking, but I am not in support of a complete ban. There needs to be an area that is mutually agreeable for both parties – like a place for smokers to congregate."

Richie added, "This is certainly an issue worthy of discussion."

Other opinions came from Cronin and Baker. Cronin believes an easier solution would be for students and faculty to follow the rules already set and allow for smokers to be able to actually smoke by the ash trays where they are placed.

Baker feels there shouldn't be so many ash trays on campus. Instead, there should be a shelter for smokers to use.

Baker said this isn't just a residence hall issue, but a campus wide issue. The rules on smoking need to be enforced more, in her opinion.

Smoking is a serious issue on campus that needs to be addressed. Butchko said he is willing to hear suggestions from anyone. He may be reached at (570) 450-3156 or tmb24@psu.edu. Penn State

Hazleton's SGA can help as well. Students with an issue about smoking should talk to a senator about any concerns or voice them at one of their Tuesday meetings noon in the Butler seminar room.

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# Penn State strong

## ‘White Out’ produces 107,800 fans

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Penn State held its annual White Out game Oct. 27, hosting the Ohio State Buckeyes. Despite falling to the Buckeyes 35-23, the score of the game was not the true story. The story lies in the 107, 800 Penn State students, alumni and fans, all brought together for one common goal. The white out turned Beaver Stadium into a concrete monster, echoing through each and every Buckeyes helmet. This is a concrete monster that took down the Buckeyes in 2005 and nearly did it again.

In August, Sports Illustrated released a magazine with a cover that read, “We were Penn State” and depicted a Penn State football helmet with water pouring down on it, mocking what Jerry Sandusky reportedly did to those innocent children in the showers. In the wake of the white out game, Sports Illustrated recently released an issue with a cover that read “We are still Penn State” paired with a bird’s eye view picture of the stadium during the white out.

Penn State Hazleton sophomore Lauren Piazza said of the two Sports Illustrated covers, “I thought the first one in August was horrible and made a mockery of my school, which we certainly did not deserve.”

Piazza, in referring to the second SI cover said, “I feel like it was an apology for the first one. They realized their mistake, and realized that Penn State is still what it always was, and is still alive and kicking.”

Beaver Stadium was rocking Saturday night and early on gave Penn State a distinct home field advantage. Jake Stiles, also a Penn State Hazleton sophomore said of the atmosphere at Beaver Stadium, “At some points, I had chills down my spine. It was a fun atmosphere because everyone came together for one common reason.”

“White! Very white. All you could see were white out shirts, white jerseys, and sweatshirts. It was so loud I could barely hear

BEAVER STADIUM - UNIVERSITY PARK					
	1	2	3	4	T
Buckeyes	0	7	21	7	35
Nittany Lions	0	7	3	13	23

myself think,” said Piazza.

There was one specific memorable moment when Ohio State quarterback Braxton Miller walked over to the sidelines to talk to head coach Urban Meyer and as they were standing only three yards away from each other, they had to use headsets to communicate due to the volume of crowd noise.

A big concern heading into this season would be how fans would react to the team and if Penn State games would still be as memorable as they were once. Judging from Oct. 27, everyone would say without a doubt that they were indeed memorable.

“Penn State showed the world that no matter what we stand by our team, regardless of the sanctions placed upon us,” said Lucas Gouvalis, another Hazleton sophomore in attendance of the white out game.

Piazza reiterated, “Even though it doesn’t count in terms of going to a bowl game or winning the Big 10, it counted in our hearts. We all came for one thing, to show spirit and stand by our team to hopefully get a win over mighty Ohio State. We are extremely proud of our team; they put in a great effort. I was proud to be a Penn Stater that Saturday night.”

Penn State has not been a team synonymous with being the underdog. The team will have to accept an “us against the world” mentality and always play with a chip on their shoulders. The team must play like everyone and their mother is rooting against them because that’s



**PSU quarterback Matt McGloin, at a recent game.**

the harsh reality of the NCAA situation.

Fans learned a lot Oct. 27 and none of it had to do with what the scoreboard read after 60 minutes of football. The true lesson was found in a much more emotional experience: those chills that ran through everyone’s bodies. It was a solidarity like none other, The pure emotion and intensity that was on display in between the white lines told a story. It told the world that Penn State was, still is and always will be Penn State. The actions of an ignorant few will not ruin the tradition, legacy and spirit of the university. PSU is strong and it is just beginning a new journey.

### LJ’s Predictions

#### COLLEGE



**NEBRASKA over PENN STATE**

Penn State makes the trip to Nebraska for their toughest road test yet. It will be a hostile environment that the Nittany Lions will have to deal with which means running the ball and staying out of long third downs will play to their favor. The Cornhuskers have a high powered offense on the back of the 7th best rushing attack in the nation. McGloin and the offense will move the ball and score points, but I do not think they will have enough to overcome Nebraska.

**Nebraska wins: 30-20.**

#### NFL



**SAINTS over EAGLES**

A very interesting Monday Night matchup between two underachieving, talented NFC teams. Mike Vick seems to be running on borrowed time as the Eagles starter, as the 2-5 Saints could be playing with their season on the line. Look for this to be a shootout in a very loud, hostile Superdome with two weak defenses trying to prove their worth. I think on the back of their home crowd the saints pull it out.

**Saints win: 34-31.**

#### LJ’s RECORD

#### COLLEGE

4-1

#### NFL

3-2

Get to know . . .



Adrianna Gass

**¿Dónde está tu familia?**  
Nueva Jersey

**¿Cuántos años tienes?**  
Dieciocho

**¿Qué cursos tomas?**  
Psicología, Español 3, Inglés, Matemáticas, la civilización occidental y PSU

**¿De dónde es tu familia?**  
De Honduras, Alemania, Irlanda, África, América

**¿Cuáles son sus pasatiempos favoritos? ¿Por qué?**  
Dibujo.

**¿Cuáles son tus películas favoritas?**  
Ocho millas

**¿Qué tipo de música te gusta escuchar?**  
Rap, hip hop, reggae

**¿Quién es tu artista favorito? ¿Por qué?**  
Eminem, porque me encanta su música

**¿Cuál es tu clase favorita? ¿Por qué?**  
Español, ya que es fácil para mí.

**¿Cuál es tu programa de televisión favorito?**  
Family Guy

\* GET TO KNOW is a weekly feature to help Penn State Hazleton students, faculty and staff get to know each other. This week, The PSU Collegian presented G2K in Spanish courtesy of Dr. Glick and her classes. If you have a suggestion for this feature, please contact Daphnie Vega at dmv5121@psu.edu.

# Padres preocupados

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Fui a un lugar donde los niños pasan tiempo tomando tutorías mientras sus padres están ocupados. Cuando entré allí, estaba en otro mundo; se me olvidó que estaba en Hazleton de tan bonito que es. La sala a la que fui estaba llena de niños pequeños y otras personas de mi edad les daban tutoría. Me emparejaron con un niño llamado Jonathan, que está en el cuarto grado y le gustan las matemáticas; mi tipo de persona. Lo primero que hicimos fue leer. Él no pudo encontrar nada para leer pero yo encontré algunos libros de Goosebumps. Goosebumps es impresionante. Me gustan mucho. Goosebumps luchó hasta conseguir lo que quería. Después de eso hicimos matemáticas. La gente que trabajaba allí me dijo que él se sabía de memoria la tabla del 8. Nos pusimos a practicarla, pero luego me di cuenta que él no tenía ni idea de por qué  $8 * 7 = 56$ , así que le expliqué el



De izquierda a derecha, John Gibbons, Emily, Ramcy y Jonathan Martínez

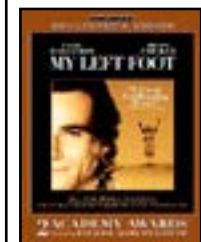
concepto y le enseñé algunos trucos para manipular los números y aprender la tabla del 8 más fácilmente, ya que es mucho mejor entender que multiplicar. Realmente fue divertido enseñarle esto porque pude verlo tratando de entender lo que le estaba diciendo. Pude ver el proceso de su cerebro. Todo esto fue una experiencia interesante.



Hurricane Sandy canceled classes for two days at PSU HN but plans for the "The Day of the Dead" festivities were able to continue

with face painting, crafts and great food when students returned. Sean DeLouise shows others how to paint a paper flower.

## Steve's Corner



**15 MOVIES in 15 WEEKS**  
"My Left Foot" is the story of Christy Brown. He was born with cerebral palsy and could only use his left foot. He eventually learns to paint and write with the only useful limb he has and shows the world.

## Joke of the week

I am friends with 25 letters of the alphabet. ....I don't know why.

## SGA Happenings

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### Reminder

Fall research workshops are being held in the Highacres Studio of the campus library on Wednesday, Nov. 7. These workshops are of special interest to students of all backgrounds and in all disciplines.

Kicking off this year's evening will be Dr. Chris Goguen's SARI information session at 11 to 11:30 a.m. Dr. Goguen will share information on how to complete this training as well as context information needed. He can be contacted at cbg10@psu.edu with any questions.

At 12:30 p.m. Jackie Ritzko will be discussing technology needed to support a research endeavor. This session is useful to any student. She will highlight the usages of Google Docs, Lynda.com and Microsoft Excel, as well as other Media Commons resources. Jackie can be contacted at jmc14@psu.edu for additional information.

Val Lynn will talk about advanced literature searching for sciences. She will demonstrate tips and tricks for using science database to extract relevant information. She will present from 1 to 1:30 p.m.

Closing out the workshops is Shannon Richie's session at 1:30 p.m.. He will be discussing advanced research concerns for students in the Humanities.

All of these sessions are especially valuable to students, from those presenting at the spring research fair to those considering graduate school.

### THON gets busy

The members of THON are planning a dodgeball tournament next Monday, Nov. 12 starting at 8 p.m. To participate it will cost \$5 a person or \$20 for a team of five. Sign-ups will be held in the club space in lower Butler. If there are any questions, email naz547@psu.edu. Participants can win up to \$100 in prizes.

### It's canning time!

Speaking of THON, the members will hit the area supermarkets and shopping areas this weekend to raise funds for children with cancer. Tell your family and friends to think of PSU and all it does for ill children.