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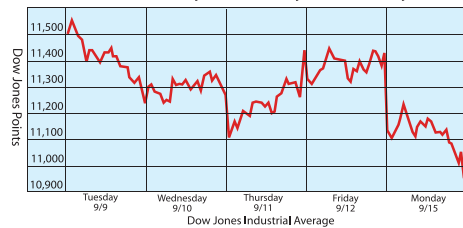
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Market plunge worries some

DOWNfall

Wall Street had its worst daily loss in seven years on Monday.



Days with Greatest Net Loss

Rank	Date	Close	Net Change	% Change
1	09/17/2001	8,920.70	-684.81	-7.13
2	04/14/2000	10,305.77	-617.78	-5.66
3	10/27/1997	7,161.15	-554.26	-7.19
4	08/31/1998	7,539.07	-512.61	-6.37
5	10/19/1987	10,917.51	-508.00	-4.65
6	09/15/2008	10,917.51	-504.48	-4.42
7	03/12/2001	10,308.25	-436.37	-4.10
8	02/27/2007	12,216.24	-416.02	-3.39
9	07/19/2002	8,019.26	-390.23	-4.63
10	08/09/2007	13,270.68	-387.18	-2.83

Source: NYTimes.com and DJIndexes.com

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The more-than-500-point plummet of the Dow Jones industrial average Monday has drawn into question not only the national economy but also Penn State students' futures.

Simran Grover (senior-finance) interned in the investment banking division of Lehman Brothers over the summer, and was offered a full-time position to return to her "dream job" when she graduates.

But since then, she said, "things have gotten pretty turbulent."

Monday marked the worst day for the stock market since this month

seven years ago, following the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001. Lehman filed for the largest bankruptcy in U.S. history. Merrill Lynch, another investment bank, was bought by the Bank of America, according to the Associated

Press. The day ended with the sixth-largest Dow industrials point drop ever.

Austin Jaffe, chairman of the department of insurance and real estate at the Associated Press, said another out-of-county police agency, which they would not

Police: Attack details false

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Although a Mifflinburg man was reported to have been stabbed three times in downtown State College Friday night, police are now saying the incident occurred elsewhere.

"The investigation has revealed new circumstances indicating the alleged victim was stabbed, but not in downtown State College or even Centre County," according to a State College Police news release.

Police could not provide any other details about the incident but said in the news release, they can "assure the public the new investigative leads conclude there is no public safety risk and there is no one responsible for the stabbing in the State College area."

Police said another out-of-county police agency, which they would not

name, is involved in the investigation. Pennsylvania State Police at Selinsgrove, who oversee the Mifflinburg area, said they have no information about the incident.

It was initially reported Saturday that the man and his wife said they arrived in State College at about 11:15 p.m. Friday to help a friend who had vehicle trouble and needed assistance in a downtown parking lot, police said.

Police said the man told them he later exited his vehicle in the area of the 400 block of East College Avenue and was attacked somewhere between the 400 block of East College Avenue and the intersection of East Beaver Avenue and Locust Lane. The man said he was walking when he was hit in the head and stabbed three times, police said.

Police said the man told them he waved down his wife, who drove him to Mount Nittany Medical Center.

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UNITED NATIONS



Abby Drey/Collegian

Camila Rocas (senior-toxicology and immunology and infectious diseases) presents a flag from her ancestral country Cuba during Monday night's kick-off for Hispanic Heritage Month. Penn State has recognized the month for 14 years, but this is the first time it will be recognized on the same days as it is celebrated nationally, Sept. 15 to Oct. 15. More coverage of Monday night's event. | **LOCAL**, Page 4.

Family faces suits

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Almost two years after Anthony Torsell struck and killed one pedestrian and injured another in downtown State College, the parents of the deceased man have filed a wrongful death suit against the driver and several of his friends and family members.

Richard A. Smith, 21, died Oct. 23, 2006 after Torsell, a Bellefonte native and former Penn State student, struck him and Aaron Stidd, then 20, with his Buick Skylark while Smith and Stidd were crossing the street at the Beaver Avenue and Atherton Street intersection.

Stidd was critically injured as a result of the incident.

Torsell was convicted of vehicular homicide, aggravated assault and three separate counts of driving under the influence in September 2006 and is serving a more than five to eight year sentence in The State Correctional Institution at Albion.

Friday, Smith's parents, Arthur R. Smith, of Chadds Ford, Pa., and Ann Marie Brutch, of Ridley Park, Pa., filed a lawsuit against Torsell and

some of his family and friends, seeking monetary compensation because of negligence they say resulted in Richard's death.

Daniel Doyle, the attorney for Smith's parents, said the suit came after a pdriving under the influence with a BAC of 0.02.

According to the suit, Smith's parents are also suing Torsell's parents, Daniel and Leslee Torsell, of Fayston, Vt., for allowing Torsell to drive their vehicle despite knowing Torsell had a habit of driving drunk.

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Family

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But for the most part, he fits like a See **ANDERSON**, Page 2.

Local group accepts Café ownership

By Elizabeth Murphy

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The new ownership of the Sports Café & Grille is hoping to start fresh following weeks of controversy surrounding the sale of the bar.

The former owner, Kevin Anderson, sold the 244 W. College Ave. bar to a local businessman and his group, KNC LLC, last week, Raquel Price, Anderson's lawyer, said.

"KNC LLC wants to put this entire Arrington-Anderson controversy behind him," Price said.

In so doing, the new owner — whose name has yet been made public — is offering a September special: Any person wearing a LaVar Arrington jersey will receive a free appetizer. The bar originally became the focus of attention when rumors persisted Arrington, a former star linebacker for Penn State, was interested in purchasing the bar.

While Arrington did want to buy the bar, he said negotiations with Anderson eventually fell through, and Arrington accused Anderson of using his fame to publicize the bar. Anderson said last week that is not the case.



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Patrons sit outside the Sports Café & Grille during its reopening the night of Thursday, Sept. 4. Although former Nittany Lion LaVar Arrington was denied ownership of the bar, the Café's new owner is from the area.

The new owner grew up in the area and works in the hospitality industry, but does not want his name released, Price said. AJ Madden, one of the bar's managers, said the new owner was not at the bar on Monday and could not comment on the management change.

Anderson has no further interest in the bar, Price said.

"The Sports Café is open and ready to serve clientele with exceptional service," Price said.

For past coverage of the Sports Café: www.psucollegian.com

Arrington said last week purchasing negotiations began with Anderson about six months ago, but Anderson did not appear at the closing meeting to finalize the deal last month.

Anderson said last week he did not appear at the closing because the "monies that were going to be See **CAFÉ**, Page 2.

Anderson criticized for business practices

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If all goes as planned, Kevin Anderson will no longer be the owner of the Sports Café and Grille by this time next year. For the first time in his lifetime, the bar will come under new leadership.

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Weather: Today: High 70

Tonight: Low 48

Tomorrow: High 74

Extended forecast | **WEATHER**, Page 2. Courtesy of Campus Weather Service cws.met.psu.edu

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