by Priya Daugherty Collegian Staff

Saturday, September 23 is the United Way of Erie County's Third Annual "Day of Caring." Several Behrend student groups and organizations will volunteer in this project which will directly benefit the local community.

"Day of Caring" services include painting homeless shelters and neighborhood youth centers, delivering meals to homebound senior citizens, building wheelchair ramps for local community centers, and serving as Big Brothers/Big Sisters for a day to young people. Volunteers will see first-hand the needs of the community and see those needs being met on through their involvement.

Women's Studies...

Chris Rizzo, Director of Student Activities, has organized Behrend's participation in this event, which will mark the beginning of a year-long focus on student involvement in community service activities. During Spring Break, students will be invited to work in a homeless shelter in Baltimore,

Maryland. Justin Ropele, vice-president of Sigma Tau Gamma, is participating in the volunteer project along with twelve fraternity brothers. According to Ropele, Sigma Tau Gamma participates in charitable events throughout the year. "When something like this comes up, we consider it," said Ropele. "And I thought it was a good cause.'

Last year, over 1,200 volunteers from local organizations throughout Erie County completed 75 different community service projects on the "Day of Caring."

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Activities begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 4:00 p.m. A reception/celebration will follow. featuring food and live music at Perry Square in Downtown Erie.

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SGA Report

By Sean Siekkinen Collegian Staff

At Wednesday night's Student Government Association meeting, Multi-Cultural Council President Lourdes Tirado opened things up by motioning to suspend the agenda in order to voice concerns about SGA policies and practices which, according to her, are painting the student governing body in a bad light and tarnishing its reputation.

Tirado, now in her third year of SGA service, questioned the dedication and seriousness with which some members are handling their positions, but did not voice a personal attack against any SGA member. The SGA has not been the active voice that it is supposed to be so far this year, according to Tirado.

"I feel that all the work I've done for SGA... I don't want that to be lost," she said.

Commuter Council President Steve Landon also spoke out against shirking of responsibility within SGA. Landon thinks that SGA should present itself in more of a professional manner.

"I'd like to be proud of what SGA does this year," he said. "I just don't think the SGA executive board is very organized right now."

President Mike Woycheck responded to the concerns by pledging his increased dedication.

"I'm as serious as anyone else when it comes to this organization," Woycheck said. "I'll take everything said here tonight and attempt to make SGA more professional.

After returning to the scheduled agenda, SGA heard details about the new student activity fee, whose concept was unanimously accepted on Friday by a board of trustees.

Although elections are Thursday, SGA accepted a new Commuter Senator, Anthony Ricciardo. Since there were three Commuter Senator seats without candidates to fill them, the post is not up for election. However, the two remaining vacant seats may be filled by write-in balloting.

Correction: The motion to officially change the number of Resident and Commuter Senator seats in last week's meeting was withdrawn.

BERHEND-The Women's Studies/Gender Studies Speaker Series brings Micaela Amato to the Studio Theater on Thursday, September 21 at 8:00 p.m. Amato will speak on "Interdisciplinary Thinking within an International Context."

Program at Penn State University Park. She is a multi-media artist who uses photographs as well as painting in her work.

Amato's work, "Cuando Sale La Luna, Nadie Come Naranjas," (Translation: "When the Moon Rises, No One Eats the

Artist to speak

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