

Equal opportunity explored

BEHREND-Equal opportunity is the next issue to be explored in the 1995-96 Speaker Series, "Facing Change: Generations at the Crossroads," at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College.

Juan Williams, author of the 1987 nonfiction best-seller, *Eyes on the Prize: America's Civil Rights Years, 1945-1965*, and Terry Eastland, a fellow of the Ethics and Public Center in Washington, DC, will debate "Equal Opportunity in a Post Affirmative Action America" at

Behrend at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 22 in the Reed Union Building.

The debate is free and open to the public.

At present, Williams is writing a biography of Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall. He is a political analyst and national correspondent for the *Washington Post*, and serves as a political commentator for the syndicated television news program, *Inside Washington*.

Williams is also a scriptwriter, having written numerous

documentaries on health care, civil rights and prominent Black Americans, as well as the 1989 Oprah Winfrey prime time special, *No One Dies Alone*.

Eastland is the editor in chief of *Forbes MediaCritic* and a member of the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, DC. His work has appeared in the *Wall Street Journal*, *New York Times*, and the *Washington Post*.

Eastland believes that affirmative action programs run counter to the nation's ideals and has created legal and ethical problems that stand in the way of fair treatment of all people.

Williams and Eastland will participate in a one-hour call in program on WPSE AM 1450 at 4 p.m.

The debate will be carried live on WPSE AM 1450. An interpreter for the deaf and hearing impaired will be on hand, made possible by a grant from the Equal Opportunity Planning Committee.

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Eastland replaces Linda Chavez, who was previously scheduled to participate in the debate.



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Juan Williams: To participate in next Thursday's debate.



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Terry Eastland: To debate against Juan Williams next Thursday.

Police and Safety Report

February 7: Computer equipment was reported stolen from the Nick Building. This case is under investigation.

February 8: A handicapped sign was removed from the K-lot area. The investigation indicated that two students were involved. Administrative action is pending.

February 11: A non-student was charged with underage drinking for an incident that occurred in F-lot.

February 11: A non-student was charged with criminal trespass for an incident in the apartment area.

February 12: A vehicle parked in F-lot was vandalized.

February 14: A theft of a Vendacard was reported in the library. This case is under investigation.

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SGA report

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The Student Government Association holds its weekly meeting every Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 in Reed conference room 114.

President Timothy Mallon spoke about last week's CCSG meeting. A provision for student stipends for all SGA members is currently under consideration. The stipends would be funded by next fall's tuition increase.

As another revenue generating measure, CCSG announced the sale of Penn State license plates, as well as an increased computer access fee.

Mary Kay Bleil resigned from the budget committee. President Mallon will appoint a replacement at next week's meeting.

Applications for the upcoming elections are now available in the SGA office. Every commuter senator and resident senator seat is open. The posts of President, Vice President, JRC President and Vice President, Commuter Council President and Vice President, and SPC President and Vice President will all be up for election. The application deadline is March 11.

A motion to reallocate money from a fund for a new laser printer to a fund providing for the upgrade of other computer components was passed.

SGA debated the approval of JRC's new constitution. Before SGA can consider the constitution, it must be voted on by JRC.

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