

BCOHE retreat...

Minority leadership

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News Editor

Behrend students joined others from across Pennsylvania at the Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education (BCOHE) last weekend.

Three students and their advisor traveled to Lake Harmony, PA to attend the conference at Split Rock Resort.

The tenth annual BCOHE was sponsored by the Student Leadership Development Institute.

Students from all over Pennsylvania were invited to attend a host of workshops addressing different issues facing African American and Hispanic young student leaders.

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"The purpose of the conference itself as to address leadership skills, interpersonal relationships, and cultural awareness," said Patrice Madison-Pullen, advisor.

The students were broken into five tracks by personal information and attended several different workshops focusing on their main areas of interest. Workshop topics included leadership skills, cultural diversity and its effects on campus, ethnic pride and professionalism. The conference stressed interaction among students and self-expression.

"What I liked about the conference is that it was interactive between students that attended and the students that attended were able to express themselves without any caution," said Moses Johnson, 07 MET.

There were several key note speakers who ran workshops on topics such as how to gain entry into corporate America.

After the workshop[s] the students had an opportunity to explore during their free time.

"During my free time I tried to network with other student leaders from other campuses and also to try to make new friendships," Johnson said.

A party was held on Saturday night for the 230 students that attended and a talent show was held on Sunday to wrap up the weekend. Students' talents included

everything from reading poetry to singing.

Behrend students who attended the conference will bring what they learned to Behrend through workshops. Information will be posted.

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"If any student wants to get involved they can contact me at the Dean of Students Office," said Madison-Pullen.

"Overall, it was a great experience and it helped me to look at views of all cultures especially at the university level," said Johnson.

The trip was funded by the Dean of Students Office.



Award winning poet: Suzanne Gardinier, one of the most acclaimed poets of her generation, spoke Tuesday in the Reed Lecture Hall. Gardinier has received a Lannan Literary Fellowship, a Pushcart Prize, the AWP Award in Poetry and the Kenyon Review Award for Literary Excellence in the Essay. She is the author of *The New World*, a book-length poem, and *A World That Will Hold All the People: Essays on Poetry and Politics*.

Concert-goers' plans smashed; Pumpkins reschedule for January

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It turns out the sold-out concert scheduled for Friday at The Bryce Jordan Center wasn't a smash after all.

Pleading severe laryngitis, Billy Corgan, lead vocalist of The Smashing Pumpkins, was forced to cancel the concert at the center, where the band was scheduled to perform with Garbage.

The Pumpkins' concert scheduled for Saturday in Richmond was canceled as well.

The concert has been rescheduled for Jan. 29, at which time all tickets from the canceled performance will be honored.

"I know they were very excited to perform here but it came at a bad time, the illness," said Robb Larson, director of sales for the

center, expressing apologies for the band.

Housing and Food Services on-campus at Behrend will refund student's tickets.

"It's disappointing, but you can't really do anything about illness," Larson said.

Many people traveled quite a distance to see the concert. With the notice of cancellation coming only hours before showtime, many travelers arrived in State College expecting to see the band perform.

"I think they should have given more notice," said Jess Lewis, (sophomore-education), who drove from the Abington-Ogontz Campus to see the band. "I think it was real unprofessional."

Lewis was upset because she will not be able to return to the January show because it is scheduled for a week night - a Wednesday. She said

she'd have to get the refund because she couldn't miss classes to see a concert.

"It's not the money I'm worried about," she said. "I wanted to see them."

Lewis also said the drive took more than three and a half hours.

"I think it sucks because so many people came up here to see it, and probably now they have nothing to do," she said.

Eileen Tholey, a sophomore at Montgomery County Community College, said she will return for the January performance, but was not too happy about it.

"I think they should give us something free," she said. "They sold us out."

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CCSG names new vice president

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A position left vacant for several weeks on the Council of Commonwealth Student Governments was filled this weekend when the council welcomed Richel Perretti as its new vice president.

The position was left empty after former CCSG President J. Benjamin Faulds resigned. Then CCSG Vice President Tim Daniels stepped into the presidency, but there was nothing written in the CCSG constitution that stated what would happen to the vice presidency if vacated.

Daniels accepted nominations and gave his recommendation to the council for approval.

He recommended the council approve Perretti, former CCSG chief-of-staff.

"She's very determined. She does not give up easily," Daniels said. "She's not a quitter. She's a fighter. She has a heart inside of her that I envy sometimes."

Daniels added that it is Perretti's experience working with the council that qualifies her.

"On central staff, Richel has worked very closely with last year's administration of (former President) Matt Plocki and Ben Faulds and with this year's administration myself and Faulds," he said.

After winning the vote of the council, Perretti said she was grateful for the support.

"Thank you so much for putting your faith in me, and I'll make you

very proud," she said.

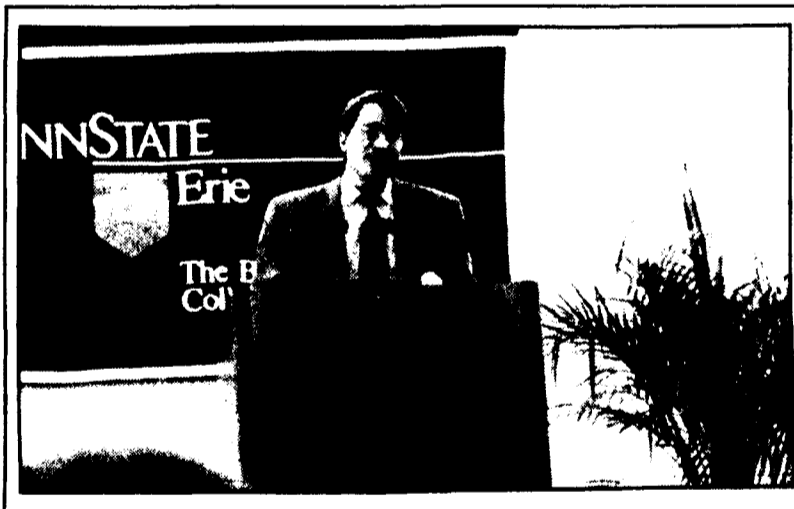
Tony Miller, Student Government Association president at the New Kensington Campus, believes Perretti will continue with the goals set forth by Daniels and Faulds in their platform.

"This is still the same platform that we elected for council last year," he said.

Perretti said that because she worked very closely with Faulds and Daniels in the past, she shares the same vision for the future.

"I was overwhelmed with all these feelings of knowing why I do what I do," she said. "I'm just very, very honored and excited that I've been given this opportunity."

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Wired: John Battelle, the "High priest of High Tech" spoke last night in the Reed Commons. He is founder and executive managing editor of *Wired* magazine. Battelle is also director for the magazine's parent company, Wired Venture Ltd.

Friday Fiesta

BEHREND-Aye curumba! It's fiesta time again--Friday Fiesta, of course.

Friday Fiesta, a celebration of Hispanic culture, will be held Friday, Nov. 15 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Reed Commons. Traditional Latino food and drink will be available, and DJ Despierta Latino will be spinning tunes. The event is free and open to the public.

A program of Mexican-American folk music will be presented by Dr. Jesus Negrete, founder and director of the Mexican Cultural Institute of America. The program will include the sounds and images of the Mexican Revolution.

Also, on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. Negrete, a visiting professor of Latino Studies at Behrend, will discuss the use of Chicano/Latino folk songs, poetry and other folk traditions to preserve Mexico's cultural history. Negrete holds an honorary degree in musicology and popular culture from the University of California at Berkeley, and has a master's degree in bilingual education.

The lecture will be held in the Reed Lecture Hall and is free and open to the public.

Police & Safety Report

November 11: A student reported the theft of several fund raiser items from the Engineering department.

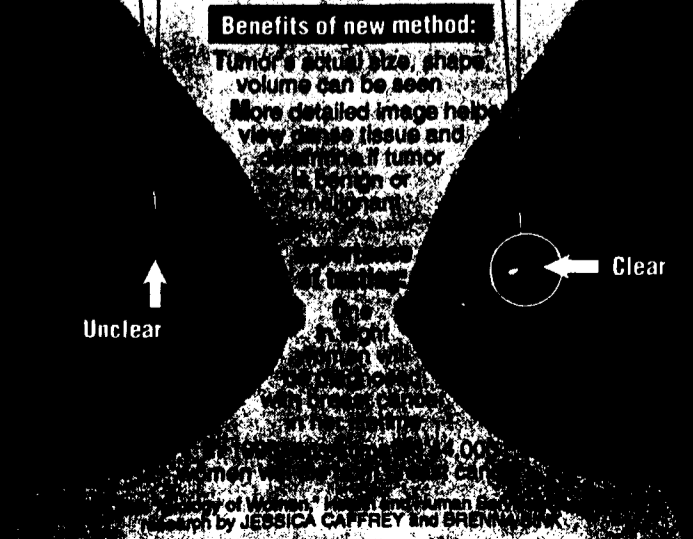
November 11: A student was issued a non-traffic citation for underage drinking resulting from an incident in the apartments.

Advanced imaging for breast cancer

A new breast exam technique is ready for clinical trials. It's based on technology developed for the military and may allow early detection and diagnosis of breast cancer.

Standard mammogram
 ▶ Creates one-dimensional X-rays of breast from top and side
 ▶ Misses 15% to 20% of cancerous tumors

New method combines:
 1 Computer-enhanced X-ray
 2 Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
 Images processed by computer to create 3-D picture of breast



Organizations needed: To help make the Multi-Cultural Council Holiday Carnival both successful and memorable.
 * The Holiday Carnival will be held Saturday, Dec. 7 from 12 to 3 p.m. in the Reed Commons. MCC has extended an invitation to all clubs and organizations to either put on an event or help out at the carnival.
 * MCC asks all interested organizations to send a representative to an informative meeting in the MCC Resource Center at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 14. Those unable to attend but interested in helping can contact the MCC office x6098.

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