

Calendar of Events

4 Thurs

- SPC Movie: "Beloved" Reed 117 10:00pm
- Matchbox Players Spring Musical Meeting Studio Theatre 6:30pm

5 Fri

- Band Graffiti Tribe 8:30pm
- SPC Movie: "Beloved" Reed 117 10:00pm

6 Sat

- SPC Movie: "Beloved" Reed 117 10:00pm
- Mad Man of Magic Comedian 8:30pm

7 Sun

- Catholic Mass Reed Commons 8:00pm
- SPC Movie: "Beloved" Reed 117 9:00pm

8 Mon

9 Tues

- Logan Series: Maelstrom Percussion Ensemble Wintergarden 12pm

10 Wed

- Basketball (W&M) vs. Pitt-Bradford- 6:00-8:00 pm

11 Thurs

All submissions for the calendar should be made available to the Beacon by 5:00pm on the Monday before publication.

Please send via inter-office mail to the Beacon Calendar Editor, drop it off at the Beacon office, or send it to BEHRCOLL3@aol.com.

The Beacon cannot guarantee publication of events due to space constraints. The Beacon also reserves the right to edit any material submitted for publication. The calendar is intended for Behrend notices and events.

Notices

SUMMER STUDY ABROAD

Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, is again offering a summer study abroad opportunity in Trier, Germany. Known as the oldest city in Germany, Trier will be the spectacular setting for four-week courses in German language and culture. Students at all Penn State locations are welcome to apply.

Cost for the program, including round trip airfare from Erie, lodging in 2 or 3-person rooms, insurance, and optional cultural and recreational opportunities in and around Trier, is \$1,999. Cost does not include tuition. The group will depart from Erie May 17, 1999 and return on June 11.

Courses offered during the session include Intermediate German (GER 003, 4 credits) and Conversation and Composition (GER 201, 4 credits). International Business 596, (3 credits), designed for MBA students who would like to become more familiar with aspects of European culture and/or language, will also be offered.

The application deadline is Feb. 15, 1999. For more information, readers can contact the program director, Dr. Steven de Hart, associate professor of German and humanities at 898-6448.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

The Career Development Center at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, will hold its first career fair for students in Business, Humanities, and Science on Thursday, Feb. 25 from noon to 5 p.m. in the Reed Union Building Commons. More than 900 companies and organizations were invited to attend the fair, and 50 companies have already confirmed their participation. This event will be of interest to freshmen and sophomores as well as junior and seniors, since employers will be seeking candidates for summer and intern positions as well as full time, permanent positions.

In addition to Penn State Behrend students, this event is open to students from other Erie College Career Cooperative schools: Allegheny College, Edinboro University, Gannon University, and Mercyhurst College.

For more information about this career fair, visit the Web site <http://www.pserie.psu.edu/career/bfair.htm> or call the Penn State Behrend Career Development Center at (814) 898-6164.

PENN STATE ERIE OFFERS SUMMER PROGRAM IN ENGLAND

Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, is offering students an opportunity to travel to England this summer July 6 through August 12 for study at the University College of

Northampton (Nene College). Located in the center of England, Nene College is just one hour from London, Oxford, Cambridge, and Birmingham. This summer course offerings are the first step in collaboration between Penn State Behrend and the British college. Participating students may register for any of the eleven 3 credit courses that are offered. Courses available include Elizabethan and Jacobean Literature, Romantic and Victorian Literature, Advanced Expository Writing, Creative Dramatics, Playwriting/Scriptwriting, Ecology of the United Kingdom, Biological Assessment of River Water Quality in the United Kingdom, Contemporary Social Problems and Policies, Principles of Sociology, The History of the English Country House, and Politics and Economics of the European Union.

In addition to four weeks of formal course work, field trips, and cultural activities, the summer program offers students a week of course related excursions to Scotland, Ireland, London's West End, or the Lake District. The program also includes bed, breakfast and full use of the college's facilities.

Cost of the program is \$2,000 for students taking 3 credits; \$2,500 for students taking six credits; and \$2,900 for students taking nine credits. Airfare is expected to cost an additional \$700. Participants will be expected to place a \$500 program deposit by Feb. 28.

Individuals interested in the Nene College program may contact Dr. Dean Baldwin, acting director of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at Penn State Behrend, at (814) 898-6152.

BEHREND BUSINESS FACULTY LEARN FROM HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL PROFESSOR.

Dr. Samuel W. Kennedy, faculty development coordinator for the Harvard Medical School, was in Erie recently to conduct a workshop for faculty in the School of Business at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College. His presentation, which was focused on problem-based learning, was part of the ongoing faculty development program that supports the School of Business plan for accreditation by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). The Schreyer Institute assisted the School of Business in organizing the program.

In addition to serving as faculty development coordinator in the Harvard Medical School, Kennedy is curriculum coordinator for courses in pharmacology and anatomy. He lectures in cell biology and human anatomy and in 1993 was awarded the Harvard Medical School Faculty Prize for Excellence in Teaching.

Kennedy's workshop explored the central elements of problem solving and provided strategies for using those elements in the process of formal, classroom education. Problem-based learning is an educational strat-

egy that involves a sequential process, noted Kennedy. The problem comes first, then students follow a list of specific actions that move toward a resolution. Those actions include brainstorming, Penn state Erie/Kennedy add hypothesizing, discussion, elaboration, analysis, summarizing, and reaching conclusions.

Problem-based learning also offers a team-oriented approach to the classroom. The teacher serves as coach, and students work together to acquire information and to develop interpersonal communication and team-building skills. "In business, as in medicine, our students struggle with real-life problems," said Dr. John Magenau, director of the School of Business. "Dr. Kennedy did an excellent job of demonstrating to our faculty how the problem-based learning used in medical schools can be an effective teaching strategy in business education."

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE.

The 1999-2000 academic and leadership scholarship is now available in the Financial Aid Office.

Applications must be returned to the Behrend Financial Aid Office by Friday, February 12, 1999.

MICROPHONE NIGHT

There will be an open MICROPHONE Night at Bruno's. Poets are needed to recite poems. Please contact Shimira Williams at ext. 6098 for more information. A sign up sheet is in the Student Activities Office for all who are interested and being involved. This event takes place on Friday 12, 1999, at 7:00pm.

INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP HOSTS DEBATE AT BEHREND

The InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, will host a televised debate on the question, "Is There a Meaning to Evil and Suffering" on Thursday, Feb. 11 at 6:30 p.m. The debate, sponsored by Leadership University's Faith and Science Forum, will be televised via satellite and may be viewed in room 117 of the Reed Union Building. It is free and open to the public.

Renowned Christian Apologetic speaker Dr. Ravi Zacharias, who leads his own international ministries program, will address the question. Dr. Bernard Leikind, a plasma physicist familiar to skeptics for his pioneering work in explaining the physics of firewalking, will respond. Also responding will be Dr. Jitendra Mohanty, the Robert W. Woodruff Professor of Philosophy and Asian Studies at Emory University, and Dr. William Lane Craig, a religious philosopher and research

professor at the Talbot School of Theology.

There will also be an opportunity for questions and answers from viewers, and refreshments will follow the debate. For more information search the Web site at <http://www.leaderu.com/events/rz/> or call 898-7237.

MAJOR PROGRAMS

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, February 3 at 8 pm in the Niagara Hall Lobby. Faculty from Behrend's School of Humanities and Social Sciences will be on hand to discuss the majors you can complete at Behrend. Refreshments will be served.

Events

DISCOVER WINTER AT PRESQUE ISLE

Penn State Behrend students are invited to participate in the upcoming Discover Winter at Presque Isle event, which is set for Saturday, Feb. 6 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Presque Isle. The Healthy Lifestyles Committee, a collaboration of students and administrators from the four area colleges, is sponsoring the event in conjunction with the Presque Isle Partnership.

Discover Winter at Presque Isle events will be located near the cabins at Water Works on Presque Isle. Activities planned include hayrides, ice skating, cross-country skiing, storytelling, a scavenger hunt, and snow sculpting. Food will be available, including the ingredients for smores, and a snowman will be available for photo opportunities. The Mercyhurst Lakers will pro-

vide an ice hockey demonstration, the Coast Guard will provide a safety information, and a guest speaker will discuss safety in the winter weather.

Penn State Behrend students interested in volunteering to help with these activities may call Kris Motta, assistant director of student activities, at 6171 for more information. Transportation to and from Presque Isle will be provided.

LOGAN SERIES

Music at Noon: The Logan Wintergarden Series will continue with a performance by the Maelstrom Percussion Ensemble on Tuesday, Feb. 9 at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College. Guests are invited to bring a brown-bag lunch to the noontime concert, which takes place in the Wintergarden of the Reed Union Building. All performances in the Logan Series are free and open to the public.

With explosive rhythm and red-hot improvisational skills, the Maelstrom Percussion Ensemble gives its audiences an exhilarating look into the world of percussion music. The group was formed in 1982 by four graduate students from SUNY Buffalo, where they

fine-tuned their mastery of the classic percussion repertoire.

Since 1985 the group has been committed to bringing percussion and contemporary music to all audiences, including school-aged children. During the groups two-day visit to Erie it will present its arts in education program, Day of Percussion for Schools and Communities, to Penn State Behrend's Adopt-A-School partner, Diehl School. Members of the Maelstrom Percussion Ensemble include Gary Rutkowski, Bob Accurso, Kirk Brundage, and John Bacon, Jr. Each member contributes a variety of penn state Erie/maelstr experiences and expertise, from African and Latin American music to jazz, rock, classical, ragtime, and contemporary fusion. The group, whose performances appeal to a broad range of audiences, has received a prestigious three-year residency grant from Chamber Music America and has also received support from the Aaron Copland Fund for Music.

Music at Noon: The Logan Wintergarden Series at Penn State Erie brings world-class musicians to the college to perform in an informal setting. The series is made possible through a grant from the Harry A. Logan, Jr. Foundation.

For more information, please contact the Penn State Erie Office of Student Activities at (814) 898-6171.



Maelstrom Percussion Ensemble



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