

# Calendar of Events

**1** Thurs

- SPC Movie: "A Civil Action" Reed 117- 9pm
- Softball vs. Pitt Greensburg (DH)- 3pm

**2** Fri

- SPC Movie: "A Civil Action" Reed 117- 10pm
- Karaoke 8:30pm
- IM Deadline: Modified Softball-4pm

**3** Sat

- SPC Movie: "A Civil Action" Reed 117- 10pm

**4** Sun

- Catholic Mass Reed Commons 8:00pm
- SPC Movie: "A Civil Action" Reed 117- 9pm

**5** Mon

- IM: Modified Softball Begins

**6** Tues

- Baseball vs. Pitt-Greensburg (DH)- 1pm

**7** Wed

- Speaker: Patricia Schroeder Reed Commons 7:30pm

**8** Thurs

- Softball vs. Lake Erie (DH)- 1pm
- SPC Movie: "Stepmom" Reed 117- 9pm

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

### SPRING COMMENCEMENT

The Spring 1999 Commencement ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 15, at noon on the Reed Union Building lawn. In case of inclement weather, two ceremonies will be held. The first will begin at 12:00 noon and the second at 2:30pm, both in Erie Hall.

Seniors who intend to participate in the graduation ceremony must purchase a cap and gown from the bookstore. Prices are as follows: Baccalaureate-black (keeper) \$22.75, Associate- blue (Keeper) \$22.75, Graduate- black cap gown, hood (keeper)- \$46.00 and Graduate black cap, gown, hood (rental)-\$35.25.

The deadline to order caps and gowns is April 9. Beginning April 6, graduation announcements may be purchased on a walk-in basis from the Media and Instructional Support Center (MISC) in the Academic Building. The cost is 35 cents for each announcement.

### ELM CITY ENSEMBLE AT BEHREND APRIL 13

Music at Noon: The Logan Wintergarden Series will close its 1998-99 season with a performance by the Elm City Ensemble on Tuesday, April 13 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.

This award-winning chamber music ensemble was formed in 1995 at Yale University and includes graduates of Juilliard, Eastman, and the Mozarteum in Salzburg. Opening to critical acclaim, throughout the 1996-97 season Elm City Ensemble received the top prizes of four national chamber music competitions and other prizes from the Contemporary Record Society's National Chamber Music Competition and the Pro Piano Competition in New York.

Members of the quartet include Garrick Zoeter, clarinet; Ingrid Sweeney, violin; Rebecca Patterson, cello, and Jessica Bruser, piano. As much as they appreciate music written

in the past, they are very much fans contemporary classical music and have found that a winning formula for the group. We try to break down barriers with our audiences and invite them to open up their ears to new possibilities, said Bruser.

A relatively young group, the Elm City Ensemble is already recognized for its interpretation of contemporary musical pieces. They have played at the Norfolk Music Festival, the International Festival of Arts and Ideas in New Haven, the Winners Concert of the Carmel Competition, the Winners Concert of the Fischhoff Competition, and St. Patrick's Cathedral. More information about the ensemble is available at its web site, [www.elmcityensemble.com](http://www.elmcityensemble.com).

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.

### BEHREND HOSTS ENGINEERING EDUCATORS CONFERENCE

Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, will host the 1999 North Central Section regional American Society for Engineering Educators (ASEE) conference on Thursday and Friday, April 8-9. Representatives from more than 34 different academic institutions covering 14 states will collectively share ideas that encourage continuous improvement in the quality of engineering and engineering technology education.

The conference theme is Reshaping Engineering and Engineering Technology. In keeping with the theme, 75 educators will present papers at sessions dealing with improving the freshman experience, innovative laboratory and teaching methods, academic collaboration with industry, outreach in continuing education, and other issues.

Exhibitors from computer aided design and analysis companies

Prentice Hall, Solidworks, and ANSYS, Inc., will be on hand to display the latest technology software available for use in the classroom. Local industries including Lord Corporation, FMC, and Erie Plastics will sponsor scheduled break periods to provide time for participants' discussion. P.C. Hoop Roche, president of Erie Plastics and chair of the Penn State Behrend Council of Fellows, will present the luncheon keynote address, Business and Engineering: Strange Bedfellows at the Millennium. An awards dinner honoring the best paper presentation will conclude the conference.

For more information about the conference, please call the Penn State Behrend School of engineering and Engineering Technology at (814) 898-6153.

### SPRING MUSICAL REVUE-B.R.U.N.O

Matchbox players is proud to present B.R.U.N.O.S., an original musical revue about college life at Behrend. The show was created, written, and produced by members of Matchbox players, Behrend's theatre club. B.R.U.N.O.S. will be performed in the studio Theatre on April 15, 16, 17, and 18 at 8:00pm and April 18 at 4:00pm. Reserved seating is limited and reservations will be taken beginning April 5. Call the Studio Theatre at 898-6016 for reservations. General Admission is \$3.00, and each performance is FREE to all Penn State students with ID. Come out and laugh...right this way, a good time's waiting!

### BLUE BUS RESERVATIONS

The blue bus is reserved for the following dates and times: Saturday, April 17, 1999 All day (Pittsburgh requests)

## Events

### CORNELL ASTRONOMER TO SPEAK AT BEHREND

Dr. Yervant Terzian, astronomer and director of the New York State Pew Cluster of Colleges and Universities for the improvement of undergraduate science education, will present The Magnificent University on Thursday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m. at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College. His lecture, which is free and open to the public, will take place in the Otto Behrend Science Building.

Terzian has been associated with the Arecibo Observatory since 1965. His areas of study include the physics of the interstellar medium, HII regions, the evolution of late type stars, binary galaxies, colliding galaxies, and the physics of planetary nebulae. With students and collaborators he has used the Arecibo radio telescope, the Palomar five-meter telescope, the International

Ultraviolet Space Explorer, and others. His current work uses the Hubble Space Telescope to study the detailed structure of planetary nebulae.

Terzian's lecture will explore the universe from a historical perspective, including modern cosmological theories developed using the scientific method. His presentation includes astronomical slides taken with the world's largest telescopes and with cameras from spacecraft.

Terzian's lecture concludes the 1998-99 Penn State Behrend Open House Nights in Astronomy Series. Astronomical observing will follow the lecture, weather permitting. For more information, please call the School of Science at (814) 898-6105.

### SCHROEDER TO DISCUSS HOUSEWORK AT BEHREND

Former Congresswoman Patricia Schroeder will share her thoughts on politics, government, and the future at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, on Wednesday, April 14 at 7:30 p.m. Her lecture, Twenty-four Years of Housework and the Place is Still a Mess, is the final presentation of the 1998-99 Penn

State Behrend Speaker Series. It takes place in the Reed Union Building Commons and is free and open to the public.

Schroeder was elected to Colorado's First Congressional District seat in 1972 and went on to serve 12 terms, making her the longest-serving woman in the House of Representatives. An outspoken and independent voice within the Democratic Party, Schroeder was Dean of Congressional women and co-chaired the Congressional Caucus on Women's Issues for ten years. She served on the House Judiciary Committee, the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, and was the first woman to served on the House Armed Services Committee.

Under Schroeder's leadership, the Caucus on Women's Issues launched an effort to improve women's health policies by submitting a comprehensive legislative package, the Women's Health Equity Act, and investigating gender discrepancies in health research and services. As chair of the House Select committee on Children, Youth, and Families from 1991-93, she saw the Family and Medical Leave Act and the National Institutes of Health Revitalization Act passed in 1993.

Never a single-issue candidate, Patricia Schroeder has been a leader

in the cause of education and a champion of free speech. In 1995, the year she retired undefeated from the House, she was named to the national women's Hall of Fame and labeled by Oliver North as one of the country's 25 most dangerous politicians.

Schroeder, a 1964 graduate of Harvard Law School, currently serves as president and CEO of the Association of American Publishers, the national trade organization of the U.S. Book Publishing industry. She is the author of two books, Champion of the Great American Family, and 24 Years of Housework and the Place is Still a Mess.

The Penn State Behrend Speaker Series is sponsored by the Office of Student Affairs and is partially funded by the John Nesbit Rees and Sarah Henne Rees Charitable Foundation and the PNC Corporation. An interpreter for deaf and hard-of-hearing audience members will be visible at the lecture, and assistive listening devices are available upon advance request from the Office of Student Activities at (814) 898-6171. These services are made possible through funding from Penn State's Equal Opportunity Planning Committee. All lectures are also taped for broadcast on AM1450/WPSE, Penn State Erie radio. For more information about the Speaker Series, please call the Penn State Behrend switchboard at (814) 898-6000.



Elm City Ensemble



Patricia Schroeder