

NEWS AND WEATHER

'Feed the Need' to culminate at Dinner for Six Strangers

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staff writer

With the holidays quickly approaching, many students are looking forward to the break from classes and spending some quality time with their families. However, many students are unable to travel home for the short Thanksgiving break and that is why Behrend hosts the Thanksgiving Dinner for Six Strangers.

Chris Rizzo, Director of Student Activities, explained that the concept of this dinner began years ago, actually before the construction of I-79. Before the road was built, even students from Pittsburgh couldn't return home for the short four-day break. So, in lieu of a traditional family dinner, faculty and staff members would host students in their homes for Thanksgiving.

Around 1989, the student body at Behrend became so large that it was impossible for the participating faculty and staff members to accommodate so many students, so it was incorporated as a campus program. The program was built around the underlying principle of students getting together to celebrate and share the holi-

day spirit and to meet new people in the process.

Approximately 200 students and faculty members participate in the yearly activity. The dinner tables consist of five students and one faculty or staff member. Rizzo explained that the tables are assigned in hopes that you do not know any of the other guests because the dinner is really supposed to give everyone an opportunity to open up, converse and get to know those that you really didn't know all that well before.

"I think it really is one of the richest Behrend traditions. The value reflected is that of Penn State Behrend; we're a community that knows one another and values the importance of faculty, staff and student involvement," Rizzo commented.

This year's dinner is planned for Nov. 16 in the Reed Union Building Commons. A reception is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6 p.m. Dinner is free of charge, so RSVP to the Office of Student Activities by Nov. 12, and don't forget to bring a food donation for the "Feed the Need" food drive benefiting the Second Harvest Food Bank.



PHOTO BY KATIE GALLEY
Boxes for "Feed the Need" have been placed around campus for students to donate food for the needy.

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student behavior that help maintain a safe university environment. If the suspect is a student, a victim can file a complaint against the alleged rapist through the Office of Student Affairs, which will invoke the University disciplinary system.

For more information, students can

call Police and Safety at 898-6101 (business) or 898-6231 (emergency); Health and Wellness Center at 898-6217; and the Personal Counselors at 898-6164. In case of an emergency after hours the personal counselor can be reached by contacting Police and Safety.

FOUNDER'S DAY

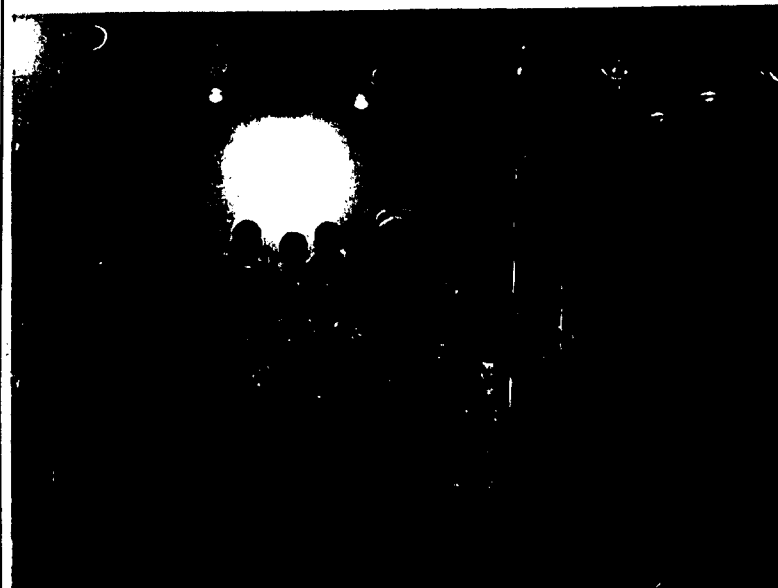


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Penn State Behrend Founder's Day occurred on Friday, October 29, in Bruno's. Events included a performance by the Behrend Pep Band and a brief presentation about the significance of Founder's Day.

Question *of the* Week

**DO YOU FEEL SAFE ON CAMPUS?
WHY OR WHY NOT?**

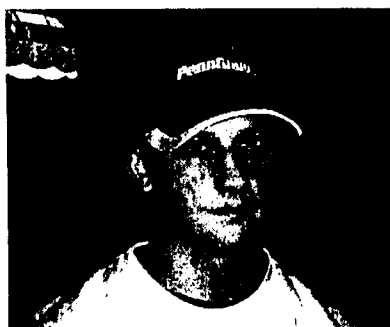


"Yeah, definitely. There's not much to worry about with Police and Safety around all the time."

-Danny Ahmed, 01 CE

"Yeah, I feel safe; I have no reason not to feel safe."

-Ben Atkins, 01 PLET



"I feel fairly safe. It's pretty well lit where I walk, and I park close to campus."

-Shellynn Jacobs, 04 MIS

"I feel safe . . . I don't really have any reason not to feel safe. It's one of those 'it'll never happen to me' kinds of things."

-Miranda Galbreath, 03 PSY



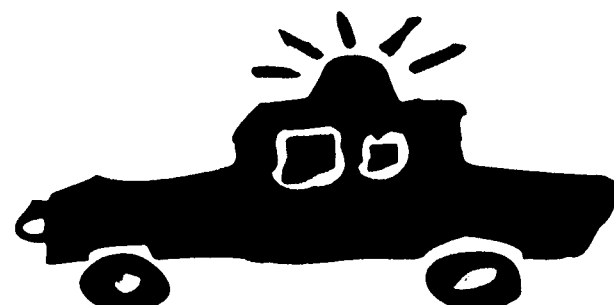
"Yes, I feel safe. It looks safe. There's always a lot of people walking around."

-Maria Niemiec, 03 BIOL

Police And Safety

REPORT:

- 10/28/99 02:15 A complainant reported a theft from a vending machine in the women's locker room.
- 10/29/99 01:15 A complainant reported having received harassing phone calls.
- 10/29/99 21:50 P&S cited a 17 year old female for underage drinking.
- 10/29/99 09:00 A complainant reported a tractor trailer hitting a light pole in front of Erie Hall.
- 11/1/99 01:05 An officer found a tipped-over portable toilet in front of Erie Hall.
- 11/1/99 18:00 A Greek Week banner was reported stolen from the Academic Building.
- 11/2/99 18:50 A complainant in Tigress Hall reported having received a harassing email.
- 11/2/99 20:20 P&S saw a non-student exiting the men's restroom in the Niagara Lobby, and immediately detected the smell of marijuana.



WEEKEND WEATHER OUTLOOK

NOVEMBER 5-7, 1999



Friday

PARTLY SUNNY & FAIR;
HIGH IN THE LOW 60'S.



Saturday

FAIR; HIGH OF 50-55.



Sunday

FAIR; LOW OF 30-35, HIGH
OF 45-50.