

NSBE receives high award at Regional competition

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During the weekend of October 30. The National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) held its 1999 Fall Regional Conference (F.R.C.) in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. The Penn State Behrend NSBE chapter received the Chapter Recognition Award in honor of its excellent work and performance as a NSBE Chapter.

Behrend's NSBE chapter was awarded in recognition of its development of outstanding programs, progression as a chapter and for holding a high level of communication in the NSBE regional executive board. It is due to the contributions of some very active members, and in particular, a hard working executive board, that Behrend's NSBE chapter was able to achieve this nationally acclaimed award. "Throughout the year I was really impressed with how hard the e-board (executive board) was working, it shows that the regional board was impressed as well," said Russel John Baptiste, President of Penn State Behrend's NSBE. In regards to the award Baptiste went on to say, "I would like to personally thank my e-board." With the executive board continuing to work hard and with students becoming increasingly interested in membership, Behrend's NSBE chapter looks toward a future with holding more success.

While the award ceremony was the height of the occasion for NSBE members, this portion of the conference was only the icing on the cake for an already fulfilling experience. The 1999 Fall Regional Conference brought together more than 1,000 aspiring engineers in an event that resembled a celebration more than it did a ceremony. The occasion was kicked off Friday evening with a hype session that intensified the excitement level within the Sheraton Hotel of Research Triangle Park N.C. The night only grew more intense as college students from all over the east coast screamed at the top of their lungs, chanting in school pride. Things exploded at about 1am when the first of the two scheduled parties began. At this point there was enough energy in the Sheraton Hotel to put Con Edison out of business (and this is not because there was an abundance of engineers present.). On Saturday morning gears were switched to a more conservative mode as students were dressed in proper attire to participate in a career fair. NSBE members had the opportunity to hand their resumes to representatives of companies, such as General Electronics, Sprint, IBM, Texas Instruments, Anderson Consulting and more. The fair was followed by a workshop session in which students participated in the workshops of their choice, which ranged from themes of money, power and respect to those entitled "Ten Steps



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From left to right: Baena Cabiri, Dale Lamb, Lisa Younger, Kanisha Scott, Russell John-Baptiste, Tommie Stovall, Gyasi Stewart, Jermaine Hardy and Kim Moses (front).

to the Office of Vice President." Such events provided for a conference that put much emphasis on preparing students for success in the real world. "The theme of the conference, success is chosen one road at a time, is a collaboration of personal development, leadership, academics technol-

ogy, community service, and professionalism," said Rita Johnson, NSBE's Region II Chair.

It was the period between the workshop session and a pre 2000 bash that the awards ceremony was held in which Behrend's NSBE chapter received The 1999 Fall Regional Con-

ference Chapter recognition award. It was a great ending for an event filled with networking, friendship making and lots of love. The 2000 Spring regional conference will be held in Penn State University Park.

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On the contrary, Carville thought that the high tariffs would slow economic growth and increase inflation.

They each agreed that the government should give a tax cut, but had individual views on what kind.

"Even in an economy as good as ours, you have a lot of people that are standing still or falling behind," Carville stated. "If we could aim our tax cut at those people, then it would be useful."

Buchanan said that the people pay too much in taxes. She would reduce the taxes on smaller businesses.

"The key to this part of your life is that you decide what is important to you. But you don't decide what you think by listening to people talk," Buchanan said in closing to the students in the audience. She encourages others to debate the issues with people that feel differently.

Carville and Buchanan were both well received by the audience.

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Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

On December 31, 1999, Dr. Richard Progelhof will end his stay at Behrend after holding the position of Engineering Director for the six months that the search was being conducted. His stay at Behrend helped the search run more smoothly. A ceremony recognizing his contributions to the School of Engineering and Engineering Technology and his overall contributions to Behrend is being planned for Monday, December 6.

Dr. Simoneau will begin duties as the Engineering Director at Behrend on January 1, 2000.

Question *of the* Week

DO YOU THINK JOE PATERNO SHOULD RETIRE?



"No, I don't think he should retire. As long as he can walk he should keep pacing the sidelines."

-Daryl Dambaugh, 07 MNGT

"As long as he can bitch at the players he can coach!"

-Jose Colon, 03 DUS



"Oh my gosh, NO! He is my second god. He is like the father of Penn State."

-Jennifer Primerano, 01 COMM

"I don't think he should. He still is having a good season."

-Statia Sullivan, 01 ED



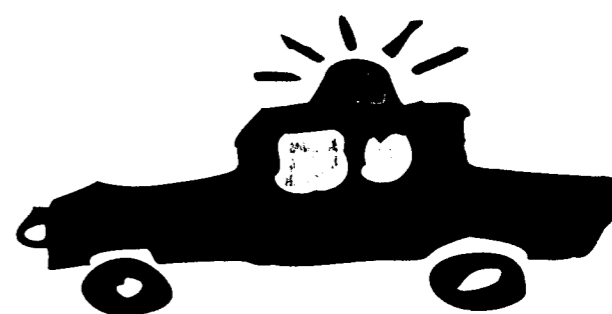
"No, because he's not old enough."

-James Calpin, 05 MIS

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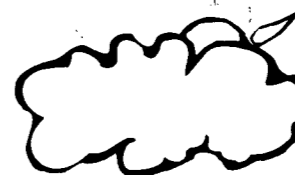

REPORT:

- 11/3/99 14:45 A complainant reported that his car had slid off the road on College Drive, coming to rest against a tree.
- 11/3/99 15:23 A complainant reported having his cell phone stolen.
- 11/4/99 19:45 A complainant reported having received a harassing phone call from someone on-campus.
- 11/4/99 15:30 A student refused to accept the ruling of the Appeals Board regarding a campus parking ticket.
- 11/6/99 13:30 P&S discovered new damage in the form of tire tracks on the lawn on the extreme east side of the S Lot.
- 11/8/99 15:45 P&S has received some "strange mail."
- 11/8/99 17:00 P&S was given information about a student involved with academic dishonesty.
- 11/9/99 07:50 A complainant reported that he arrived on campus at 07:00 and parked his vehicle by the pump house. He later found that someone had spray painted the passenger side of his vehicle with red paint.



WEEKEND WEATHER OUTLOOK

NOVEMBER 12-14, 1999

		
Friday	Saturday	Sunday
INCREASING CLOUDINESS; HIGH IN LOW 50'S.	FAIR; LOW OF 30-35, HIGH NEAR 60.	INCREASING CLOUDINESS; LOW OF 35-40, HIGH OF 60-65.