

CALENDAR

Calendar of Events

<p>19 Fri</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday Fiesta—9:30 p.m.-1 a.m., Dobbins Gazebo • LEB Movie: <i>American Pie</i>—10 p.m. • Basketball (W)—Penn State Behrend Tournament, 6 p.m. & 8 p.m. 	<p>20 Sat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bruno's: Karaoke—8 p.m. • LEB Movie: <i>American Pie</i>—10 p.m. • Basketball (M) vs. Hilbert—8 p.m. • Basketball (W)—Penn State Behrend Tournament, 1 p.m. & 3 p.m. 	<p>21 Sun</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEB Movie: <i>American Pie</i>—9 p.m. • <i>Teibele and Her Demon</i>—2:30 p.m., Studio Theatre • Sunday Mass, Reed Commons—8 p.m. 	<p>22 Mon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catch up on your studying
<p>23 Tues</p>	<p>24 Wed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classes End—12:05 p.m. • Halls Close—5 p.m. • Thanksgiving Break 	<p>25 Thurs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanksgiving Break 	<p>26 Fri</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanksgiving Break
<p>27 Sat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanksgiving Break 	<p>28 Sun</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanksgiving Break • Halls Open—Noon 	<p>29 Mon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classes Resume—8 a.m. • Basketball (M) vs. Elmira—7:30 p.m. 	<p>30 Tues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative Writers Speaker Series: A Fiction Reading, with Andrea Barrett—7 p.m., Lecture Hall
<p>1 Wed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SGA Pizza Party - 1:00 p.m. outside Brunos 	<p>2 Thurs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEB Movie: <i>Runaway Bride</i>—9 p.m. 	<p>3 Fri</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEB Movie: <i>Runaway Bride</i>—10 p.m. • Bruno's: Comedian, Robert Kelly—8:30 p.m. • Basketball (W)—Penn State Behrend Winter Classic—6 p.m. & 8 p.m. 	<p>4 Sat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coffehouse Night—7 p.m., Bruno's • Basketball (M) vs. D'Youville—8 p.m. • Basketball (W)—Penn State Behrend Winter Classic—1 p.m. & 3 p.m.

All submissions for the calendar should be made available to the Beacon by 5:00 p.m. 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.

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Events

BEHREND RUGBY CLUB INFORMATIONAL MEETING

There will be an informational meeting on November 22, 1999, at 5:00 p.m. in Reed 3 concerning the formation of a rugby club here at Behrend.

Rugby is a fast-paced physical sport involving 15 athletes competing for two 40-minute halves. The sport has similarities to football as well as soccer, with continuous action, no forward passing and no padding for the players. Rugby can be played by people of any size or speed and everyone is welcome to come out to this meeting to learn more about the sport.

For more information about this meeting, contact Bill at 456-2949 or e-mail at rugby@ieee.org.

COFFEHOUSE NIGHT

The Returning Adult Student Organization (RASO), and Women Today will be hosting a coffeehouse night in Bruno's at 7 p.m. on Saturday, December 4. This unique event will offer free babysitting for Behrend student families.

The talented and poular band, 2 *Girls Alone*, will be performing at 7:30 p.m. and there may possibly be suprise guests! Games, prizes, food, and discounts on certain items will be provided.

For more information, contact Abby L. Atkinson at 898-6030.

NASA SPEAKER COMING TO BEHREND

Thomas Benson, a speaker from NASA, will speak at Behrend on Monday, November 22, at 7 p.m. in Reed 117. This is provided by the Engineering and Technology

Speaker Series.

CREATIVE WRITERS SPEAKER SERIES

Andrea Barrett will continue the Creative Writer Speaker Series with *A Fiction Reading* on Tuesday, November 30, at 7 p.m. in the Reed Lecture Hall.

Described as "unique" and "brilliant" by reviewers, Andrea Barrett's writing transforms science from "hard and known fact into malleable, strange, and thrilling fictional material." She is the author of the recently acclaimed novel, *The Voyage of the Narwhal*, and her collection of short fiction, *Ship Fever*, received the 1996 National Book Award.

Barrett currently teaches in the MFA Program for Writers at Warren Wilson College.

For more information, please call 898-6108.

Student Government Association

Over the weekend (Nov. 13th), SGA met at the Logan House to discuss goals and brainstorm. We discussed committee activity and parliamentary procedure. Currently, SGA committees include: *Radio Station Committee* is working on establishing an on-line radio station for Behrend and they meet Mondays 2 p.m. in Reed 113 or call VP George Leshnock at x0598. *Web Page Committee* has hired two webmasters to build a student-oriented Behrend Web page. We desperately need a cool name for this page!!!! If you have any ideas, stop by the SGA office, call or accost a senator or SGA member. We have been meeting with these two fellows to discuss how the page should look, what should be on the page and other cool stuff. No web experience necessary. If you are interested in giving input, meetings are Tuesdays at 10 a.m. in Reed 112. Call George for more information (x0598). *Transportation/Technology Fee Committee* is in charge of figuring out where all of those extra fees go. Each of us pays \$100 a year toward technology, plus an additional fee for "transportation" (i.e., the Blue Bus). This committee voices student concerns for what should be done with this money. Currently being discussed: faster connections, a T-3, and extended Blue Bus service. Concerning the Blue Bus, if you are a commuter without reliable transportation, we would love to know where you are and how the Blue Bus could better serve your needs! We also welcome ideas of where the Blue Bus should be going and when. Transportation info: Melody Sherosky - 455-3325, technology info - George Leshnock x0598. After Thanksgiving break there will be a free pizza event (somewhere obvious in Reed) on Dec. 1st, 1-2 p.m. The following week, Monday the 6th, there will be a Student Forum in the evening. Keep an eye out for signs as the event gets closer. At our last meeting, the International Student Organization (ISO)'s constitution was voted in, so they are officially a new club! Congratulations!

The Student Government Association box is written weekly by a member of the Student Government Association. The SGA office is located in the Reed Building, next to the Back Room, and meetings are held every Wednesday at 5:20 p.m. in Reed 114. To contact the Student Government Association, call their office at 898-6220. The views expressed do not necessarily reflect the views of the Beacon.

Commuter Corner

At the Nov. 15 meeting, several topics were discussed. The main topics were "Angel gifts for kids" and the Wish-A-Thon. We have two boys ages 7 and 12 to shop for. We were given their sizes along with a few desired gifts. A group of us will go shopping for these items in the near future. If you would like to join us on the shopping trip, feel free to let us know and we will give you the day and time we are going. We will also need to get together to wrap the gifts and we may have a small gift wrapping party to accomplish this. From now until Dec. 10 we will be selling our stress balls in front of Bruno's from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. If anyone would like to help sell them we would greatly appreciate it. Thanks to Melissa for getting all the needed materials to make them. Also thanks to all of those who made them last week, we appreciate your help. The Wish-A-Thon was discussed in great detail at the meeting. The actual dance will last from 8 p.m.-8 a.m. in the Reed Commons. We will need everyone's help from now and until the day after the event. We need to start calling and asking for donations of time, money, prizes and other needed supplies. If you have any connections to anyone that might be able to help, please let someone in the office know. We will need everyone's help in making this a great Commuter Council event. Also, don't forget that on Dec. 10, we will have coffee and cookies in the Reed Commons for everyone to enjoy before they head off to take their finals. If anyone would like to help with any of the above events, please feel free to stop by the office, call the office, and leave a message or email either Karl or Meggan. You can reach Karl by email at kfg103@psu.edu or Meggan at Mbellallen@aol.com. Everyone's ideas are welcome, so bring them in.

The Commuter Corner is written weekly by a member of the Commuter Council. The Commuter Council office is located in the Reed Building, and meetings are held every Monday at 1 p.m. in Reed 112. To contact the Commuter Council, call their office at 898-6452 or e-mail Karl Gressley at kfg103@psu.edu. The views expressed in the Commuter Corner do not necessarily reflect the views of the Beacon.

Event of the Week:

Andrea Barrett
Tuesday, November 30th,
7 p.m.
Reed Lecture Hall

Come check out the winner of the 1996 National Book Award. Barrett is a brilliant writer who transforms factual science into exciting fictional material which is sure to appeal to Behend student interests.