

## Website of the Week

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With all of the webpages out there, how do you find what you're looking for? You could use a search engine, like Yahoo! or Altavista, but they only cover about 20% (at best) of the sites available. And you can never tell if the site that the search engine returns is going to be useful. When you need practical, specific information, and the Metasearches and Amazons don't help, try some of these sites.

With [www.capweb.net](http://www.capweb.net), government is just a few clicks away. This site offers access to volumes of government information, such as votes and laws. You can also get information about your elected representative, their address, and links to their webpages. The site also offers a link to the Jefferson Project (a guide to online politics), which then offers links to the U.S. government.

If it's software you're looking for, try [www.download.com](http://www.download.com). You can find anything you could ever want to download - screensavers, games, mp3s. Most of the applications are for Windows and Mac users, but the site also offers tools for Windows CE, Palm, and Linux users. You can also jump right to [www.news.com](http://www.news.com) to keep up on the latest computer developments.

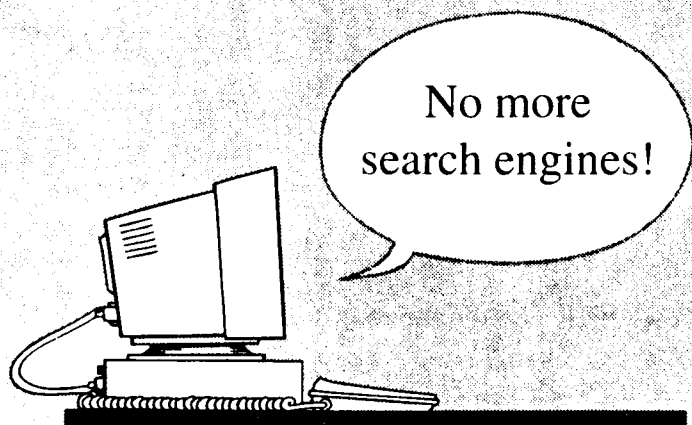
Sometimes you need a way to keep in touch with the people around you. Go to [www.ecircles.com](http://www.ecircles.com) where you can create a private circle for you and your friends or family. Your circle will include a private group calendar, discussion board, photo album, and to-do list. Now you can share news and plan group events with the click of the mouse. It's much quicker than making multiple phone calls or writing out emails.

Looking for a certain book and don't have time to run to the library? Try [www.ipl.org](http://www.ipl.org), the Internet Public Library, a comprehensive assortment of reference materials available

online. The collection includes more than 9,500 online texts, more than 2,300 magazines and journals, and links to newspapers from around the globe. You're sure to find a wealth of information here.

Other important sites include [www.findlaw.com](http://www.findlaw.com), where you can get easily accessible legal information, [www.mysimon.com](http://www.mysimon.com), which searches for items you would otherwise have to spend hours looking for in the store, and [www.learn2.com](http://www.learn2.com), where you can find answers to everyday questions like the best way to iron a shirt, write to your congressman, cure hiccups, and read music.

Sites like these offer much more than the traditional search engine. They narrow the focus of your search and come up with specialized sites containing just what you're looking for. Sometimes Yahoo! just isn't enough.



## Raiders Club brings outdoor adventure to Penn State Behrend

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If your idea of a good time is a physical fitness test that entails a timed two-mile run, sit-ups, and push-ups, the newly formed Raiders Club just may be the club for you. Now, for those that don't really get excited when you think about running and working out, you may still want to check it out.

According to the Raiders Club constitution, "the purpose of The Raiders Club is to provide students with mentally and physically challenging outdoor recreational activities to increase self-confidence and leadership potential while increasing total fitness and enjoyment of these experiences in a social setting." To see the Raiders Club Constitution, pull up their Web site at [www.personal.psu.edu/users/r/b/rbk115/constitution.html](http://www.personal.psu.edu/users/r/b/rbk115/constitution.html).

Captain John S. Gillespie, instructor of military and ROTC on campus, is the organizer and advisor of the club. Students of the ROTC class requested for the club to form a branch here at Behrend. The students wanted to do more training, but ROTC guidelines and funding did not cooperate. The guidelines for Raiders Club came from the ROTC handbook. It was an organization that non-ROTC students could also participate in.

The Raiders Club is a way for students to see some of the experiences of a ROTC member. Captain Gillespie hopes that it will generate more interest for the ROTC program. However, becoming a part of the ROTC program is not a requirement for joining the club. Mainly it is a way for students with similar interests to get together

for some interesting activities to have a good time. "We may not do something every weekend, but we try to do things that people are interested in," said Captain Gillespie.

The members choose many of the events the Raiders Club is involved with. So far the club has been to Peek-n-Peak for skiing and to the Riceville Paint Park for a few paint ball matches. Anyone who has never been involved in a paint ball experience may not know that it, "hurts like the dickens, but it is still a good time, maybe too fun," said Captain Gillespie.

Upcoming events include a Skeet Trap Shoot on April 1 in Wellsville, Pa., and for those more daring, a skydiving outing on April 8 in Harborcreek in conjunction with the Erie Skydivers. The cost for the Skeet Shoot is \$20, which covers everything. Skydiving, on the other hand, is a little bit more pricey at \$140, which covers the cost of the training and the first jump. If you decide this is a thrill you would like to try again, every jump thereafter will only cost you \$40.

There will also be an Orienteering event on April 29 at Behrend. Orienteering is learning how to read and navigate with a map and compass and finding a point on the ground using these tools. The orienteering event is a competition: one must be quick and accurate. One is given a point and has to find that point on the ground in order to locate approximately 5 other points. Whoever locates the points the quickest is the winner.

In addition to the scheduled events, the Raiders Club offers events for smaller interest groups, including the Ranger Challenge Team and the Color

Guard. The Ranger Challenge Team is a nine-person team that competes against teams from twenty other colleges and universities. Events in the competition include the two-mile run, push-ups, and sit-ups, along with rope bridge construction, orienteering, assembling/disassembling an M-16 rifle, a hand grenade assault course, a patrolling exam, and a six-mile rucksack race. The Color Guard requires much less effort and ambition. It is a five-member team that performs a service by presenting the "National Colors" at special University events. Events include graduation and convocation ceremonies. The team is made up of a color sergeant, two flag bearers, and two riflemen.

Thus far there are about 55 members in the Raiders Club. There is only one requirement to become a member: one must contact Captain Gillespie and alert him of the interest. Members of the club are not required to be in the ROTC program. It is not mandatory for members to attend meetings or be involved in any certain number of activities. Members don't pay dues. It is a pay-as-you-go arrangement, and Captain Gillespie tries to find the best rates for the members. The Raiders Club website lets members know when there is a change in plans or if anything new has come up. The Raiders Club is also open to any faculty and staff interested in outdoor adventure training.

Anyone interested in finding out more about the Raiders Club can check out the website at [www.personal.psu.edu/rbk115](http://www.personal.psu.edu/rbk115), or contact Captain Gillespie at x7279, or Kim Moses, president of the Raiders Club, at [kjm216@psu.edu](mailto:kjm216@psu.edu).

## The Gaslight Lounge has the special recipe for the original burger

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Has your search for the best burger on the planet left you with an empty wallet and a bad taste in your mouth? Well then, it seems that you've overlooked Erie's greatest little bar and lounge, the Gaslight Lounge.

Of all the small local bars and big chain restaurants scattered about Erie where one can get a burger, this is by far my personal favorite. The atmosphere is truly one of a kind, and the service has a warm and inviting feeling that is unmatched by any other in the city, or on the planet for that matter. But what else would you expect from a restaurant that not only claims to have, but delivers the "best burgers on the planet?"

The secret to a good burger is in the meat, and that's why the Gaslight's chef, Mary, starts with a half pound of ground Black Angus beef. The burgers are seasoned with Chef Mary's special blend of spices and then cooked to your desired temperature.

Now for the rest of the burger, you can either choose to have a traditional burger with lettuce, tomato, and mayo, or you can try one of the Gaslight's specialty burgers, like the Mushroom Swiss Burger, a Black Angus burger topped with sauteed mushrooms and smothered with Swiss cheese. Or how about trying the Lombo-Jack Angus Burger with sauteed onions and peppers and melted Jack cheese?

Not in the mood for a burger? The Gaslight also offers other specialty items. Try the Philly, a 6 oz. U.S. Choice Sirloin so tender it will melt

in your mouth. This entree is covered with sauteed onions and smothered in an original cheese sauce stuffed into a fresh baked roll.

The Gaslight's menu also features a variety of appetizers such as mozzarella cheese sticks and pizza logs; both are served with a tangy marinara sauce. Or, perhaps one of their six flavors of wings will better satisfy your appetite.

Not a meat lover? How about trying a hearty garden salad, piled high with mixed greens and fresh vegetables. There is also a 14-inch fresh baked pizza, dripping with melted cheese and topped with your choice of vegetables. The Gaslight also offers a big, plump, juicy veggie burger that can be stacked up with the same toppings as their Angus burgers.

Another great thing about all of this excellent Gaslight food is that not one sandwich on the menu is priced over \$4.95!

In addition to great food, the Gaslight also boasts a full bar of wine, beer, and spirits, including my favorite, Beck's Dark.

Great food at excellent prices isn't all that the Gaslight has to offer. The atmosphere is relaxing and friendly. When you walk in through the front door, the bartender Dave calls you by name and greets you with a hand-shake. Then out from the kitchen comes Chef Mary with arms open and ready to give you a big hug and ask you how you've been, if they know you, of course. The Lombardozzis are also the proprietors of the Gaslight, and even if they don't know your name, I'm sure they'd like to know it and they'd rather you call them by their name. It's the kind of

place where "everybody knows your name."

Once inside you can either choose to sit down at the bar or at a table, and either way the service is exceptional.

Inside, the walls are decorated with eclectic pieces of artwork, and shelves are home to antiques and knickknacks. There are also some of the more traditional bar novelties such as a jukebox and dartboard for your entertainment.

The Gaslight Lounge is located at 2306 State Street. The Restaurant opens at 4 p.m. on Monday through Saturday, and closes whenever the number of employees outnumbers the customers Monday through Saturday.

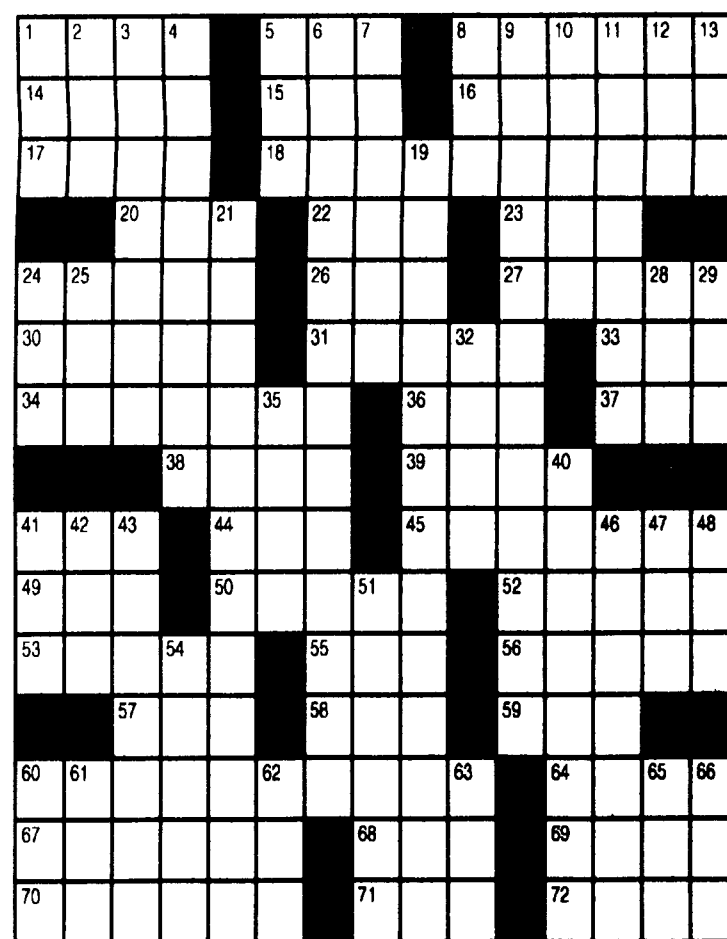
The kitchen, where the creation of the masterpieces takes place, is open from 4 - 10 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays; 4 p.m. - midnight on Wednesdays and Fridays; and 6 p.m. - midnight on Saturdays.

On Mondays from 8 p.m. until close, the Gaslight offers movie night. One of the finely trained bartenders brings in a couple of movies and a bunch of friends to sit around drinking beer, watching movies, and examining some of the finer details of life, or shooting the bull. On Wednesday and Saturday, the Gaslight hosts karaoke from 9 p.m. until close with "The Best Sound in Town," by Paul Amann.

So whether you're looking for a few friendly faces and a beer, or a killer burger to fill your stomach, stop by the Gaslight Lounge and say hi to Dave and Mary, as they're sure to fill your stomach without emptying your wallet.

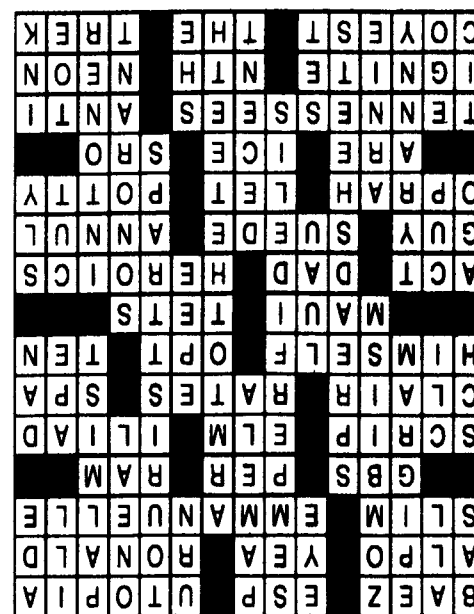
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March 25

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