

BEHREND BRIEFS

Behrend lecturer receives grant

The Art Initiative of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council has given Dr. Scott Pincikowski, Behrend lecturer in Humanities and German, a \$10,385 grant. The money will pay for the coordination and promotion of the first conference of The Institution on the American Dream.

The conference, which will run from Tuesday, February 27 through Thursday, March 1, is entitled "Working for What? Winners and Losers in the American Dream." It will be held at Behrend and other locations throughout Erie.

Baseball clinics for boys planned

Three boys' baseball clinics presented by Head Baseball Coach Paul Benim will be held in Erie Hall on February 4 and February 11.

The first two clinics will occur on Sunday, February 4. The session on offensive basketball will last from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The second session of the day, focusing on catching skills, will begin at 2:30 p.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. Both of these sessions are geared for boys between the ages of 10 and 15. No more than 30 boys may participate, and each participant must bring a fee of \$15 and appropriate baseball gear.

Saturday, February 11, will focus on the fundamentals of baseball. The session lasting from 8:30 a.m. until noon is limited to boys between the ages of 6 and 9, while 10- to 12-year-olds may participate in the session which begins at 1:00 p.m. and ends at 4:30 p.m. No more than fifty boys may attend either session. The twenty-five dollar fee includes a T-shirt. Anyone wishing to enroll in the clinic should call x6322.

Annual Quad Games to Begin

Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield will host this year's QUAD games, in which Behrend faculty and staff participated last year under Dr. Ed Masteller's leadership. The games consist of four events, but participants are not required to take part in each event.

The first event, a five-mile cross-country ski, will occur at Peek 'n' Peak on January 21. The second, a 100-yard swim, will kick off at the Edinboro University pool on April 1. A 12-mile walk and run is scheduled to take place in Edinboro on July 21. The final event, a five-mile walk and run, will be held on September 22 in North East.

Registration cost is \$35 for those who register before January 17. YMCA members receive a \$5 discount, and children under 12 are free if they are registered with a participating adult. The fee for a single event is \$15. Anyone wishing for more details may contact Patty Pasky McMahon on pap1@psu.edu or X6217.

Babes in Arms to hold auditions

Auditions will be held for Behrend's Spring musical, *Babes in Arms*, on Monday, January 22, and Tuesday, January 23, in the Studio Theatre. On Monday, auditions will begin at 6:30 p.m. and run until 9:00 p.m. with Tuesday's auditions beginning at 4:30 p.m. and running until 7:00 p.m.

Roles in the musical are open to Behrend students, faculty and staff, and will consist of singing and non-singing roles for a variety of ages.

The musical, which will open on March 21, and play through March 25, is a comedy written by Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart. Those interested in auditioning should call x6279.

POLICE AND SAFETY REPORT

01/10/2001	22:20	A report was filed of possible use of an illegal substance in a room.
01/11/2001	18:20	A report was filed of a suspicious odor in Niagara Hall.
01/14/2001	20:40	A student reported a stolen wallet.
01/14/2001	23:00	Non-students from a previous complaint were asked to leave Erie Hall due to disruptive behavior.
01/15/2001	13:40	A complainant reported that damage was done to the van assigned to their department. It was parked behind the Otto Behrend Building.

Business students to take on the Big Apple

by Jason Snyder
editor-in-chief

Behrend's Society of Undergraduate Economists (SUE) in a co-sponsorship with the Financial Management Association will be hosting a trip to New York City on March 28 - March 31, which will be open for all Behrend students.

The students will depart early on Wednesday, March 28, 2001 and arrive later that day. The group will then have a three-day, three-night stay before heading back for Behrend on Saturday, March 31, 2001.

The trip will allow students and faculty to see the New York Stock Exchange, the TIAA CREF, the country's largest pension fund, the New York Mercantile Exchange, Bloomberg Television, and other visits including meetings with Behrend alumni that now work in New York City.

Clint Lewis, president of the Society of Undergraduate Economists, said, "this is a great experience because we are going to visit the financial capital of the world." He added, "since we are a business-oriented club, this is very interesting to us. Hopefully, this trip will help us decide what we want to do when we graduate."

The trip will be open to 43 students and four faculty members. Dr. James Kurre and Dr. Barry Weller, associate professors of economics are two faculty members already signed up.

The maximum cost of the trip, including transportation and accommodations, will be \$200, although a definite price has not been nailed down as of yet. The trip was mostly funded through the Student Activity Fee and Student Government Association, who greatly reduced the cost per student.

Registration for the trip will begin

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Monday, January 22 and run until Friday, February 2. A non-refundable deposit of \$75 is to be paid at registration, which will go towards the complete cost of the trip.

"We're not only going to learn a lot from this trip, it's going to be a lot of fun as well," concluded Lewis. Anyone with questions can email Lewis at cnl107@psu.edu or stop by the RUB desk.

FOCAL POINT

INVIGORATING MUSIC



PHOTO BY BECKY WEINDORF

It's the second week of classes, and we are already bored to tears. It is good to know, however, that all the money donated to Behrend for our cultural programming is going to good use during the Music at Noon: Logan Wintergarden Series. And isn't our friend "Ralph" lucky that he managed to snag a sofa in the Wintergarden - those white metal chairs aren't that comfortable. Good thing Behrend bought that new furniture.

WEEKEND WEATHER OUTLOOK

SATURDAY



Snow
Hi 30°
Lo 27

SUNDAY



Mostly Cloudy
Hi 31°
Lo 17°

MONDAY



Mostly Cloudy
Hi 33°
Lo 21°

FROM FRONT PAGE

CAMPUS SAFETY

suggested the use of cameras to monitor all the actions outside of Perry Lobby to ensure safety in the residence halls and to prevent vandalism.

Lilley suspects that there might be privacy issues with the use of a camera. He pointed out that the Penn State Housing and Food Services handles vandalism, which Behrend has no control over. He suggested that Pennington email him with the details of the issue and he will pass it on to someone best suited for the problem.

A few suggestions on diversity issues on the Behrend campus also were made during the program. "I don't feel Behrend goes out of its way to encourage out of state and international students and the spread of different cultures," said Lisa Carter, a first year student from Hawaii. "I've spoken to some other minority students, and we all agree on the lack of diversity on our campus. I don't feel our college provides an environment where we can meet people from different backgrounds and learn each other's cultures. I wish the school would do more to make us feel more welcome and wanted by simply encouraging more minority students to come to Behrend." Dean Lilley acknowledged Carter's viewpoint, and agreed that the college needs to be more diverse. He explained that Behrend is limited on its advertising. "University Park only allows us to advertise within Pennsylvania and a couple other border states; we have to depend on University Park to tell others about us. This becomes a barrier for us from outreaching," Lilley said. Lilley suggested that Carter talk to Mila Cooper, Director of Educational Equity Programs, and to look into the Multicultural Council (MCC) organizations.

One student suggests that there was a lack of programs to entertain early-arriving athletes during the orientation period. Nevertheless,

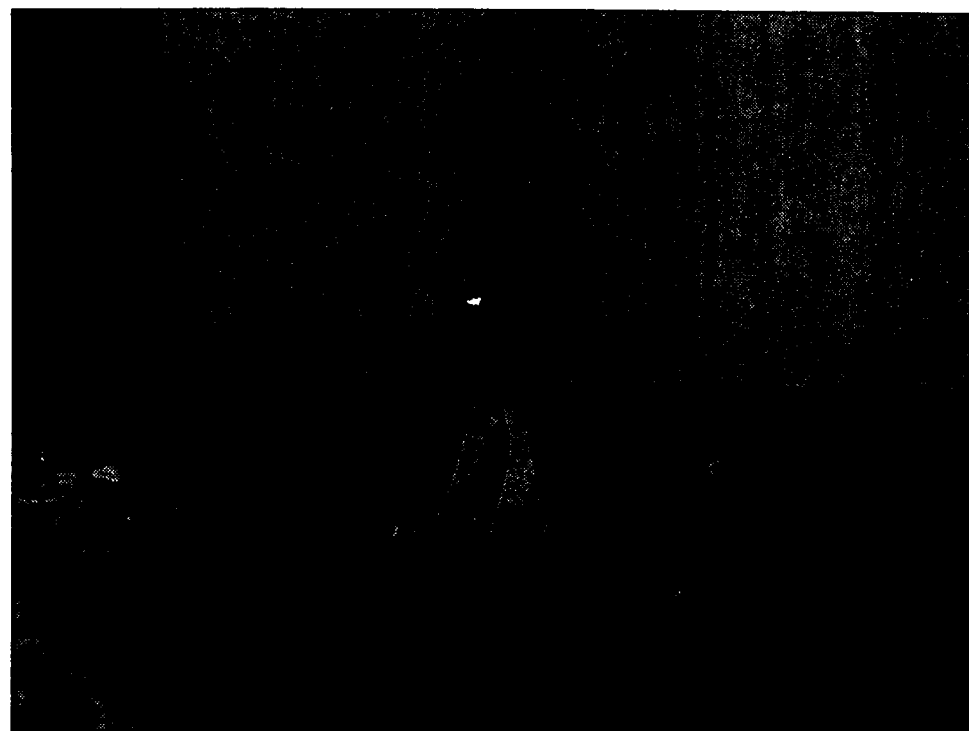


PHOTO BY NEIL MAKADIA

Provost and Dean Dr. John Lilley reclines on a sofa in Perry Hall while listening to students' comments during Tuesday's Pizza with the Provost.

other students mentioned that the spring semester's new student orientation was very disorganized, that all places on campus were closed, and that they were starved. Lilley gave his email address to the students, told them to email him with their concerns and he would look into it.

In addition, Dean Lilley updated students on the upcoming expansion of the college. "Behrend is expected to meet a 4,000 population, and University Park told us to be prepared for 5,000 students," Lilley said. Students were also concerned about housing and parking problems, and the quality of education as a consequence of expansion of the college. Lilley reassured them that the

goal of all the expansion is to make Behrend "better, not bigger!"

"We need more residence halls, and to appoint more professors to meet the expansion needs," Dean Lilley said. "More housing is planned, major renovations will be done to expand Perry Hall, following Lawrence and Niagara Hall. A parking garage will be built as the \$30 million REDC project begins. In two and a half years, the completion of the highway project will bring business vendors to campus."

According to Dean Lilley, the bell chapel will be open in fall and the elevator in the "million dollar staircase" should start its lifts in two weeks.