

BEHREND BRIEFS

Behrend staff members receive promotions

Four members of Penn State Behrend's staff were recently promoted. John Fontecchio was promoted to the position of Senior Instructional Services Specialist in the Media and Instructional Support Center. Tony Gonzalez was promoted to the position of Groundskeeper, Landscape A, in Maintenance and Operations. Carole Morey was promoted to the position of Staff Assistant V in Counseling and Advising. Linda Surovic was promoted to the position of Staff Assistant VI in Counseling and Advising.

College for Kids classes filling fast

The eighth annual College for Kids (CFK) summer program will commence on June 11. The program is sponsored by the Office of Student Affairs, and proceeds go to the Penn State Behrend Child Care Center.

Seventy-five classes have been offered for this year, and several of them have already reached student capacity or will reach it soon. Class prices range from \$55 to \$75, and children enrolled in more than one class will receive a discount. A child's participation may also be tax deductible as child care.

CFK staff members will ensure secure pick-up and drop-off for children. For more information or a brochure, contact program coordinator Rhonda Carter at x6212.

Behrend welcomes new counselor

Kate Dallenbach, a recent graduate of Penn State Behrend's marketing program, has been hired as admissions counselor. Dallenbach, who also served an internship in the Admissions Office, can be found on the second floor of the Glenhill Farmhouse or at extension x6100.

POLICE AND SAFETY REPORT

- 04/11/2001 23:17 There was a report of criminal mischief done to a resident's door
- 04/11/2001 01:40 There was a power outage in Perry Hall.
- 04/11/2001 21:15 During patrol, P&S discovered a student in the Engineering Lab after hours. P&S obtained the student's information and an email was sent to the instructor in charge of the rooms.
- 04/11/2001 22:05 There was a report of vandalism to a vehicle parked in the Ohio Hall Lot, lower level. It was found that the vandalism occurred to the same vehicle in a prior incident which had already been reported.
- 04/12/2001 22:15 P&S received a call in regards to a student being in the senior design lab. P&S checked the levels of the Engineering Complex. P&S found a student in the lab who said he hadn't seen anyone else there.
- 04/12/2001 15:10 The coach of the softball team reported that a brown dog was running free around the visitor's bench. P&S found the owner of the dog and he picked up the dog at P&S.
- 04/13/2001 00:02 A complainant reported the odor of marijuana near Dobbins Hall. The officer talked with students in area but could not detect the scent.
- 04/13/2001 02:45 A caller reported that there was a group of students being loud outside of Lawrence Hall. When an officer arrived there was no disturbance in the area. Two students in the area said that there had been a loud argument but those involved had left.
- 04/13/2001 04:30 A caller complained of individuals throwing bottles in the Apartment Quad. The reporting officer didn't find broken glass in the area. There was no one in the quad or surrounding areas.
- 04/13/2001 10:05 The SEET called to report that a fire alarm was going off. The alarm was set by a power surge that happened on campus. The alarm was reset. P&S advised M&O that the fire doors need to be reset.
- 04/15/2001 01:45 P&S picked up a white and pink "Hard Rock" mountain bike which had been lying in the grass in front of Niagara Hall since early 4/14. The bike had been damaged and was placed in the garage.
- 04/16/2001 22:49 A complainant reported that a window was broken on the south side of Tiffany Hall. Individuals were identified by the complainant; charges are pending.

FOCAL POINT

WHAT EXIT ARE WE?



PHOTO BY NEIL MAKADIA

How will we ever know where we are? And does this mean that Peach Street is farther away now? And if the new exits represent how many miles away the exit is from the state line, to which state line are they referring — Ohio or New York? Or are the numbers relative to the state line you're closest to? Once you get exactly between Ohio and New York, do the numbers start counting down toward whatever state is closest? And if you were driving in your car at a speed of 68 mph and passed the former exit 9 sign, and a goose flew past heading due north at a speed of 13.54 mph, who would . . .

WEATHER OUTLOOK

TUESDAY



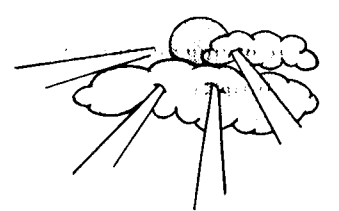
Showers
Hi 70°
Lo 50°

WEDNESDAY



Mostly Cloudy
Hi 53°
Lo 39°

THURSDAY



Partly Cloudy
Hi 51°
Lo 38°

Women Today unite to 'Take Back the Night'

by Libbie Johnson
staff writer

Women Today, Behrend's Organization for Women, and Gannon University are co-sponsoring Take Back the Night, a march that denounces rape, incest, and domestic violence, while celebrating the lives of survivors. Other Behrend organizations and 26 off-campus sponsors have also helped organize the event, which is scheduled Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Perry Square. Similar marches will occur across the country.

"The goal of Take Back the Night is to take a stand against sexual assault and domestic violence, and in doing so, make the night safer for women, men, and children," according to Jaimi Bonczar, president of Women Today.

Unlike previous years, Take Back the Night will be held in downtown Erie instead of on Behrend's campus. Nicole Johns, vice president of Women Today, said this makes the march more open to the community and will generate more exposure.

"What excited me most about getting involved in Take Back the Night was that all the officers and all the other members were so passionate about it. They're all really dedicated to making it a really nice ceremony and something that's really meaningful," said Erin Lyons, a member of Women Today. Lyons feels it is important to bring attention to sexual assault and violence against women. This is Lyons' first year as an active member, but she plans to attend future Take Back the Night marches.

"Take Back the Night is a chance to make a

statement that sexual assault is not to be tolerated," said Dr. Eric Corty, associate professor of clinical psychology. "By having many people participate — students, faculty, staff, members of the community — we can demonstrate a strong degree of support against sexual violence and, importantly, against the fear of sexual violence."

According to Corty, about 22% of women

stand up for and help our sisters, and our mothers, and our friends who are injured by this crime." According to Parson, one in four women and one in seven men are sexually assaulted.

Bonczar, along with Sue Daley, Behrend's staff psychologist, and Donna Douglas from the YWCA, will speak. Other guest speakers include representatives from the Rape Crisis Center, SafeNet, The Ophelia Project, and the District Attorney's Office.

The first 300 participants will receive a free t-shirt. Transportation will be provided for Behrend students to and from the march. Those needing rides should sign up at the Rub Desk. A bus will pick up students at 5:30 and 6:15 p.m. Childcare is available at Gannon from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. The march will conclude with a sing-along of Tracy Chapman's "Behind the Wall" and a speakout, a time for survivors to speak about their experiences. A reception will follow at Gannon, featuring the band Freudian Slip and free refreshments.

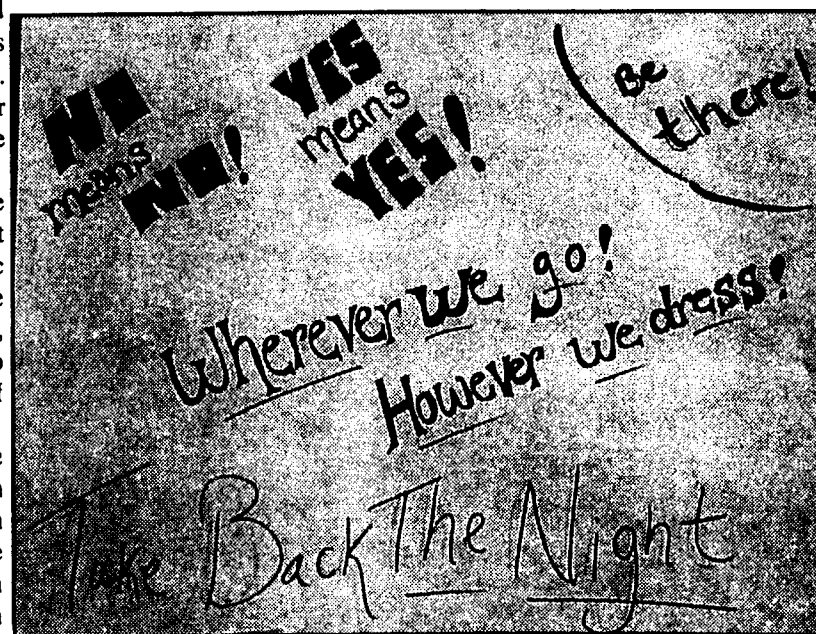
Bonczar invites those seeking more information about Take Back the Night to call her at x7450 or the Women Today office at x7162.

"Take Back the Night is truly an eye opening experience. It will change how you think about women, men, relationships, and sexual assault. That is a promise. And remember . . . silence is acceptance — so take a stand against rape," Bonczar added.

in the United States report that they have been forced to engage in sexual activity by a man and only 4% of the victims did not know their assailants. Clearly, sexual assault is an issue relevant to college students.

"Take Back the Night focuses attention on this issue and increases awareness. Awareness of the problem is the first step to change," Corty said.

Matt Parson, secretary of Women Today, would like to see more men involved. Parson is involved because he feels "we as men need



As demonstrated by Women Today's signs, the organization is advocating an end sexual harassment and violence against women.