

# ALL THE LOOSE ENDS...

Hirings, crimes, campus events and championships make up all the loose ends of campus life at Behrend

## NEW FACES IN NEW PLACES

### Moore hired as Behrend's first Director of Alumni Relations

This past summer Penn State Behrend created a new position — Director of Alumni Relations. After a series of interviews, Kevin Moore of the Career Development Center was chosen.

Some of the duties of the Director of Alumni Relations will include building relationships with Behrend alumni, advising the Penn State Behrend Lion Ambassadors, coordinating a senior gift program, and developing and maintaining an alumni web site and newsletter.

Moore commented that he was "thrilled" to learn that he had been chosen for the job, which he will begin January 2, 2001. "I'm very excited about the opportunity," he said, adding that the creation of such a position is a huge development and will be very important to the college.

In order to build strong relationships with Behrend alumni, Moore stated that the first big task was to establish and mold Behrend alumni chapters, specifically in cities such as Philadelphia and Washington, D.C., as well as in North Carolina. He also hopes to build a



Kevin Moore

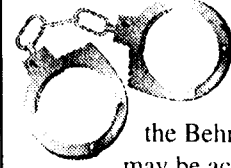
network of alumni that will be willing to help Behrend graduates move into the workforce.

Another one of Moore's big tasks is to contribute alumni information to Behrend's web site. The web site is currently being redesigned, and Moore hopes that an alumni page will be added. The alumni page, he said, will provide general alumni information, such as marriages, children, and accomplishments. He also wants to create a companion piece to the Behrend Quarterly. The additional piece will provide much of the information on the web page, but will also include current campus news, such as construction projects.

Although Kevin Moore enjoyed his job in the Career Development Center, he is excited to take the next big step in his career. He stressed the importance of the new position to Behrend's maturation, saying that such a job is a key piece in a university's growth.

Moore declared that the role of Director of Alumni Relations helps a college with both "fund and friend raising."

## VANDALS AND THIEVES



While the Behrend community may be accustomed to hearing complaints and rumors about Police and Safety's treatment of parking problems, this past year seemed to have a new problem crop up - vandalism to cars parked in the campus lots.

Since the beginning of the spring semester, Police and Safety had received eight reports of damaged vehicles parked in the various campus parking lots.

Also, there were two incidents in

which Penn State vehicles had been damaged. One involved a report of criminal mischief to a University vehicle, and in the other incident, damage was done to a University van parked behind the Otto Behrend Science Building.

The vandalism problem seemed to be a reoccurrence of problems faced in past years. However, Manager of Police and Safety Bill Donahue said that there wasn't an overabundance of reports in comparison with past years.

This past semester Behrend has been subject to five data projector thefts. These are the projectors that are suspended from the ceilings of many classrooms and are used with PowerPoint and other programs. Police and Safety Services, with the help of the Pennsylvania State Police, have followed the leads in the case and have two suspects.

"With the help of a citizen we were able to identify two very strong suspects," said William Donahue, manager of Police and Safety Services. "An informant came forward with information that wasn't firsthand. So we back-tracked it to gather enough evidence."

On January 2, projectors were stolen from Nick 170 and Witkowski 109. Another projector was stolen from Academic 41 on April 9. One of the projectors was located in New York and is in the

process of being recovered by state police there. If caught and convicted, the students will be responsible for an estimated \$15,000 in theft.

These crimes were a third degree felony and are part of an alarming trend of rising theft that has hit the campus in the last year or so, Donahue said at the time of the theft. Donahue recalled that he has not seen theft to this degree in all seven years of his tenure at Behrend.

On April 9, a janitor reported the most recent theft from Academic. The thief bypassed several security measures while removing the projector from its overhead bracket and cutting the wires leading to the computer in front of the classroom. Also, the locked computer stand in the podium at the front of the classroom was broken into in order to retrieve the remote control for the projector.

## Watters replaces Moore as Assistant Director of CDC



Andrew Watters

Andrew Watters has set many goals in the new millennium in his new position as the Assistant Director of Career Development Center (CDC). Watters took the place of Kevin Moore at the beginning of the new year, after Moore vacated the CDC to assume his new position as Alumni Director in the Office of Development and University Relations.

Along with counseling, Watters will oversee employer relations and behind-the-scenes technological work in the CDC.

Watters' specialty is preparing juniors and graduating seniors for career planning. He especially assists the seniors — he helps them to start their careers or to choose graduate schools.

To get more variety of companies to recruit on campus, Watters and the other CDC counselors want to continue reaching out to companies and establish connections.

The CDC offers individual career counseling, internship counseling, and many career-related workshops including Resumes & Cover Letters, Job Interviews, Graduate School Programs, and Conducting a Job Search. Every year, the CDC office holds large career fairs where employers visit the campus and talk to students regarding careers, internships, and summer and full-time jobs.

## EVENTS THAT FILLED THE SEATS

### Student groups promote 'safer sex' and fun times

The Reed Commons heated up on February 8, as Trigon and Women Today presented the Safer Sex Cabaret. The purpose of the event was to highlight and educate students on the dangers and pleasures of sexual activities. Abbey Atkinson hosted the event, and between acts asked the audience questions regarding sexually transmitted diseases. A sex "tool kit" was given out for correct answers.

The value of relationships between a couple was demonstrated through partner yoga. On stage, two women performed stretching and breathing exercises designed to strengthen understanding between two people.

"Phone sex," the next act, consisted of two women sitting behind separate white curtains as they "talked" on the phone. The two began by asking what each other was wearing, and then continued by describing sexual acts in order to drive the other to orgasm.

A "forbidden fashion" act was presented as students modeled what they thought was sexy. To further inform the audience of the various sexually transmitted diseases that can be spread, "Sex, Truth, and Deception (STD)", a mock game show, was presented.

Lisa Chimenti and Jaimi Bonczar of Women Today described ways to heighten their own and their partner's sexual pleasure. On a table on stage,



the pair showed different foods that can be used as aphrodisiacs. Audience members were called to the stage to demonstrate different lubricants.

A brief discussion and lecture was opened to talk about the misconceptions of female masturbation.

Last, proper condom methods were taught as members of the audience put latex condoms onto a wooden penis. Methods such as opening the condom wrapper and being able to tell if the condom is inside-out were taught.

The audience left the Commons with a variety of gifts such as lip gloss, mouth wash, candles, condoms, flavored lubricants, and chocolate. On the table, there was also information on how to put on a condom and local phone numbers for health and crisis centers. The Safer Sex Cabaret conveniently preceded Valentine's Day, which is also National Condom Day.

### Strangers become friends at Dinner for Six

Members of the Behrend community enjoyed the 13th annual "Thanksgiving Dinner for Six Strangers." On November 14, more than 140 students, faculty, and staff joined together to celebrate Thanksgiving as a community in the Reed Union Building Commons.

Several years ago when the idea began, faculty, staff, and administrators invited members of the Behrend community to their own homes for a Behrend Thanksgiving celebration. Due to transportation problems in getting home for the holiday and the increasing popularity of the event, the tradition became one that the school took over. Several years ago, the dinner was moved to campus where everyone could be together. Sponsored by the Office of Student Activities with a meal prepared by the Behrend Housing and Food Services, this event has become a popular and very

meaningful tradition for many.

The evening began with a welcome and a nametag from one of Behrend's many Lion Ambassadors. Then, at 5:30 p.m., all were invited to socialize in the Wintergarden. Various cheeses, crackers, punch, and cider were served to the guests as they mingled. This activity encouraged the faculty, students, and staff to meet new people and hopefully make some new friends in the Behrend community.

Salad and the traditional turkey, gravy, stuffing, mashed potatoes, and cranberry sauce were all part of the holiday buffet. After dinner, the guests were each given a piece of pumpkin pie to finish the meal.

After the last dishes were cleared, the Service and Feed the Need speeches began. Kris Motta, assistant director of Student Activities, was the emcee for the evening. The first speaker was Celine Yanosko, a student at

Behrend. She talked about when she worked in the soup kitchen at a men's recovery shelter called The Christopher Place.

Next, Brad St. Germain, also a student at Behrend, talked about his experiences working in a shelter for AIDS patients, located on New York City's Staten Island. Finally, Nick Pflugh of the Lambda Sigma honors fraternity discussed his role in the "Feed the Need" program, which took place in the weeks before the dinner. He informed the dinner guests that his Greek organization, along with 10 other Behrend clubs and organizations, collected more than 1,800 packages of food.

As another "Dinner With Six Strangers" came to a close, Motta said, "The dinner is a great way to kick off the holidays, before finals get under way."

### 'Babes in Arms' finds new home in the ARC

Behrend's Spring Musical "Babes In Arms" opened in the new Athletic and Recreation Center. Presented by the Penn State Behrend Studio Theatre and the Music Department, the play focused on the mayhem that takes place between a group of college-age, would-be actors at a summer theatre in New England.

The students tire of the demanding conditions under their producer Seymour Fleming (Dan Schiesser), and decide to produce their own play, which they call "The Review."

With much comedy spurred from the mayhem at the summer theatre, the play isn't complete without the various romantic subplots. Love stories in the play involve main characters Valentine White (Thad Esak), "The Review's" playwright and director, and Susie Ward (Mary Beaumont).

On a musical level, the performance was impressive. With remarkable renditions of tunes like "My Funny Valentine," "I Wish I Were In Love Again," "Where or When" and more, the audience's ears were pleased. The orchestra made up of Behrend students and directed by Dr. Daniel Barnard and Dr. Gary Viebranz provided a musical score that was totally on point.

All that goes into good theatre production was present including superb lighting by technicians Amber Foster, Sam Roodman and Brittany Hess, sound by Adam Gaines and set construction by Theatre 189 (Troubled Youth With Power Tools). The production staff as a whole did a great job of replicating a real theatrical atmosphere in the Athletic and Recreation Center.

## CHAMPIONSHIPS AND AWARDS

### Blair wins Alumni Fellow Award; was Behrend's first newspaper editor

The 2000 Alumni Fellow Award was presented on November 9, to Donald Blair, a 1952 graduate of Penn State. Behrend Provost and Dean Dr. John Lilley and Penn State President Dr. Graham Spanier presented Blair with the award during a reception in the Wintergarden, which was followed by a private dinner at Logan House with friends of the University and former Alumni Fellow recipients.

The presentation began with an introduction by Dr. Lilley, who identified all the former Fellows in attendance. Awardees included George Sample ('99), Robert Metzgar ('96), Richard Fasenmyer ('91), and Edward Junker ('87).

This award is the most prestigious honor given by the Penn State Alumni Association. Since it was first given in 1973, it has honored a select group of alumni who are recognized as

leaders in their professional fields. The University's Board of Trustees has designated the title of Alumni Fellow as permanent and lifelong.

Blair first joked with the audience, stating that the Council was not yet certain if he had won the award because the absentee votes in Florida had not yet been counted. He also continued the comments Dr. Lilley and Dr. Spanier had made about his difficulty in calling the campus Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, and not The Behrend Center — as it was called when he went to school here. Blair was a member of the first class to attend the College.

Blair also joked that he had spent more time in class when he visited than he had his whole first year of college. Blair visited three classes throughout the day.

## 4-PEAT SAKE

### Tennis wins AMCC title for fourth straight year

