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Friday's forecast:
Mostly cloudy



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Low: 45°

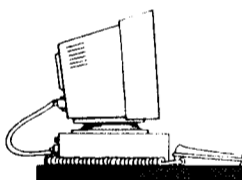
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Meet the people behind the characters in this profile of the actors in the fall's play, "Sand Mountain."

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Before the cold weather set in, we sent our photographers far and wide to capture the season at its best.



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Behrend Lions imitate Go Fish campaign

by Daniel J. Stasiewski
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The student organizations of Penn State Behrend, in a push to get students involved with the United Way campaign, have begun work on a project titled "Go Behrend Lions." Organizations decorated lion statues and the student body will have a chance to vote for the best lion in return for a small donation.

While looking for a way to get students involved with the United Way campaign, School of Business Professor Margaret Thoms, associate professor of management, was inspired by Erie's popular Go Fish campaign. She changed the fish to lions, and the result was Go Behrend Lions.

"What we're [the United Way Campaign] hoping is the students will start get into a pattern of charitable giving," said Thoms who is a member of the United Way campaign.

The lions are replicas of the Nittany Lion statue in front of Old Main at University Park. A campus office sponsors each student organization. Once the lions are decorated they will be placed in the sponsoring office until the voting.

The School of Business was partnered with Delta Sigma Pi and is using an international business theme. The Glenhill Farmhouse office gave

the Student Government a theme focusing on "The Faces of Behrend." Beta Beta Beta, a biology honors society, decorated their Lion in laboratory instruments for the School of Science. For the library, Commuter Council used a book theme. The Psychology Club plastered optical illusions on the lion statue for the School of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Other partnerships include: Returning Adult Student Organization and Corporate Adult Learning; Interfraternity & Panhellenic councils and the office of Development & University Relations various sports teams and the Athletics Department; the Multicultural Council and the Division of Undergraduate Studies; the Joint Residence Council and Student Affairs; the National Society of Black Engineers and the School of Engineering.

The United Way is Penn State Behrend's official charity. Behrend is among 800 local companies and organizations participating in the 2001 Campaign. This year's goal is to raise \$35,000, almost all of which will stay in Erie County.

Students will be able to vote for their favorite lion on October 25 and 26 at an Ice Cream Social outside of Bruno's. The donation for each vote is 25 cents and the money goes toward the United Way Campaign's goal.



PHOTO BY LIZ HAYES

The Panhellenic and InterFraternity councils decorated this lion, now on display in the Bookstore, for the Office of Development and University Relations. All the lions will soon be displayed around campus and students will be able to vote for their favorite on Oct. 25 and 26. All proceeds raised will be donated to the United Way Campaign.

The Registrar's new look



PHOTOS BY KELLY WALSH

Robert Schenker, left, has retired from Behrend after 33 years, including 22 years as the campus' Registrar. Dr. Mary Ellen Bayuk, right, moved from Penn State McKeesport to take his place. Schenker remembers his years at Behrend with a smile, while Bayuk awaits the challenges to come.

A semester of change for the Registrar's office

by Liz Hayes
news editor

It's been a semester of change for the Office of the Registrar at Penn State Behrend. Not only did the office move from Jordan Road to the first floor of Erie Hall, but Behrend's longtime Registrar, Robert Schenker, retired and Mary Ellen Bayuk came in to fill his shoes.

Bayuk has been in the Penn State system for 14 years. She was the Registrar for Penn State's McKeesport and New Kensington campuses, as well as a substitute Registrar at the Beaver campus. She was also the Registrar at St. Vincent College in Greensburg, Pa. Bayuk has also had experience teaching English for the women's division of a teaching institution in Saudi Arabia.

"This was a natural move for me," Bayuk said. She moved from the campus level to the college level,

which is a promotion for her. "Plus, I'm from western Pennsylvania, so it's a nice fit."

Being the Registrar of a commonwealth campus is quite different from working at a location that has its own degree programs, Bayuk explained. Behrend also has many four-year degrees and graduate programs, while the other campuses she worked at had few.

Another major difference Bayuk has had to adjust to is the level of autonomy Behrend has from University Park. Since the other campuses' degree programs were run through University Park colleges, UP would set up the graduation requirements and other components of the programs. But as Behrend is its own college within the Penn State system, the College determines its own degree requirements.

"Behrend is four times the size of what I came from," Bayuk said. Therefore, she has many more people

to meet, more buildings and facilities to remember, and just more to deal with overall.

Once Bayuk familiarizes herself with her surroundings and becomes accustomed to Behrend's infrastructure, there are improvements and alterations she would like to look into. She described herself as a "process and systems person," saying her strength lies in streamlining and

increasing effectiveness.

She said she would like to work on educating the campus community. She wants to make sure students and faculty are comfortable interpreting degree audits and eLion, Penn State's interactive, online advising

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Schenker fondly remembers

by Erin McCarty
assistant news editor

Behrend was not just a place to work.

"It was a place to live," says Bob Schenker, who recently retired after 22 years as Behrend's Registrar. He described Behrend as a family, a "caring community where faculty, staff, and students mutually care for

each other."

Schenker, whose positive attitude has won him much admiration in the Behrend community, is gratified to observe the close friendships which have developed among the students, staff, and faculty over the years. That sense of comradeship has

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Stephanie Domitrovich: Judge by day, professor by night



by Rob Wynne
editor-in-chief

In the upcoming Nov. elections, one of Behrend's own will be seeking election to a state judicial seat. Stephanie Domitrovich, a general jurisdiction judge in Erie by day and Behrend lecturer in business by night, is looking to acquire a seat in the Pennsylvania Appellate Court system. With an ever-growing track record behind her, Domitrovich will pose tough competition in November.

Before she was elected general jurisdiction judge in 1989 and 1999, Domitrovich held a number of judicial seats, including administrative Judge of the family orphans court division (April 1996 through June 1998), criminal court judge (May 1992 through March 1996), and family court judge (Jan. 1990 through April 1992). Also, during Oct. 1996, she participated in a United States Agency for International Development project which helped some of the former Soviet Republic states develop judicial systems after the fall of Soviet Union.

But that's not all; in addition to the several judicial positions she has held, Domitrovich holds faculty positions with the following organizations: The National Judicial College, the

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