

## Question of the Week

asked by Rob Wynne

*"Which of the seven deadly sins are you most guilty of?"*



*"I lust over Ryan 'Slimmy' Reinhardt..."*

Abby Ballew, Comm. 08

*"...and I envy Abby because she gets more 'love' from him than I do."*

Kristen Rodgers, English 08



*"Wrath, baby!"*

Adam Sweeney, English 06



*"Definitely lust, 'cuz there's too many good looking things walking around this campus."*

Kim Moses, MIS 08



*"Greed, 'cuz if it don't make dollars it doesn't make 'sense.'"*

Joe Greer, Marketing 04



*"Gossiping."*

Katie Leary, MIS 06

## Baldwin kicks off 'Soup for the Soul' series

by Jen Henderson  
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Soup for the Soul is a six-week series featuring speakers who talk about their personal experiences with God. The series meets every Thursday from 12-12:50 p.m. in the Smith Chapel Living Room. A variety of soups, rolls, and beverages are served at the beginning of the event, followed by that week's chosen speaker.

This week, an audience of approximately 30 people attended. A variety of students, faculty, and staff listened intently to Dr. Dean Baldwin, the assistant director of Humanities and Social Sciences and an English literature

series professor here at Penn State Behrend. Baldwin spoke of his past growing up with a Lutheran pastor for a father and also attending a Lutheran college.

The main message of his dialogue was about how people focus too much on their religious and intellectual beliefs competing with one another. He suggested that a way to get around this problem is to quit spending time worrying about the two, but rather find ways to combine them so that the concepts can learn to complement one another.

The Soup for the Soul series is a pleasant way to get some real soul food during the Lenten season. On Feb. 28, student Brian Hill will be the speaker.

## 1st phase of aviation act tightens airline security

by Nicole Charsar  
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Spring breakers and world travelers will face longer lines and tighter airport security.

The delays are a result of the First Phase of the Aviation and Transportation Act, which went into effect on Jan. 18. The act requires that all checked baggage be screened for explosives and other paraphernalia.

Anyone traveling may find a scene similar to the one at Pittsburgh International Airport Feb. 14. Passengers awaiting flight departures formed an endless line to begin their security check-in.

"Every time we learn something new, every time there is an additional threat, we are putting additional measures into place", FAA Administrator Jane Garvey told ABC News. In Pittsburgh, brightly colored signs placed from the ground level up notified passengers that no one was permitted past that point without a ticket, leaving passengers scrambling for goodbyes as the line pushed on. Large towering metal detectors flashed a red light and let out a high pitch beep when something triggered its sensors.

To the left were conveyor belts, which carried luggage, coats and other items under a screen, checking the contents for anything suspicious. Random pieces of luggage were chosen by airport staff members to be inspected further. In practice, only two to 10 percent of bags were inspected previously, which might have added up to even more dramatic slowdowns and delays than usual recently. Baggage matching, where no baggage is allowed to be stowed on a plane unless the passenger has already boarded, enforced, and all carry-on bags must be in hand when approaching the terminal check-in. The number of carry-on pieces has been limited to one bag or small suitcase that will fit in the overhead compartment and/or under the seat along with a purse, diaper bag, camera, etc.

Armed Military guards began to look

like friendly faces, considering there were groups of two or three stations every 20 yards," said Sadie Herman, a Pittsburgh native, on Flight 1528 to Philadelphia. Each guard was armed with a gun, overseeing the work of the airport security and staff members. Once through the first security check it is recommended that you remain in your departure's terminal until your flight begins boarding. A few small shops and cafes were open with a moderate crowd browsing inside, but restaurants such as TGI Friday's resembled a ghost town.

"We aren't going to suffer a great loss in profit," said Matthew Denton, manager of TGI Friday's, "but we did thrive off the business of our non-flying customers." With no teary-eyed goodbyes and reunions at the terminals, no one but passengers can enjoy the amenities that Pittsburgh International Airport has to offer.

However, making it to the airport to catch your flight "Home Alone" style just isn't going to cut it anymore. The FAA now suggests that passengers arrive two to three hours prior to their departure time depending on the month, day and time. The final stop for security comes as you begin to board your flight and consists of emptying your carry-on bags — and your shoes for that matter — then having your body inspected one last time with a hand-held metal detector.

Here are a few tips for all you travelers who aren't afraid to face flying:

If for any reason you have to abandon your flight at the last minute for an emergency, tell a customer service agent immediately.

Don't try to load down your carry-on to avoid having a bag to check. This will merely shift the slowdown to the security checkpoints.

Ship items to your destination ahead of time if possible.

Pack nothing even remotely suspicious, hard to inspect, or extremely personal that you wouldn't like the entire group to see as they spill onto the table.

## FROM FRONT PAGE

### DIVERSITY

Behrend is not diverse enough, but he pointed out that there are many programs in place to improve diversity.

"We have done quite a bit this year (to improve diversity)," he said, "even though our success has not been that good so far. One of our major goals is to work on diversity because we can do better."

According to Burke, the school received special training from the Affirmative Action Office at University Park to help learn how to recruit minority faculty. Also Behrend is planning to set up a minority dissertation program which will bring in minority faculty for a year to work on the writing stage of doctorates.

Another program Burke mentioned was the Provost Committee on Diversity, which was set up to deal with diversity issues. The committee is made up of faculty, staff, and administration.

Burke said Behrend also wants to recruit students of color. A new admissions minority

counselor was recently hired. The school has also worked through recruitment centers and used techniques such as phone-a-thons and on-line recruitment fairs to attract students of color.

A Diversity Council will also be added to SGA in order to address campus diversity.

Miller also said the issue at diversity will be discussed at the next Faculty Council meeting in order to help increase awareness of diversity issues among teachers.

The second topic of discussion was on MCC's finances. The MCC is requesting to be financially independent from SGA. The MCC is requesting a \$100,000 a year budget from the Student Activity fee to be used for diversity programs.

"Put your money where your goals are," said Khalif Rhodes, president of MCC.

The MCC said that by being given a set amount of money to work with, they would be able to better plan their programs based on that amount, rather than having to wait and see what they get from SGA.

"We want to put our efforts into doing rather than into scraping and finding," said Abbey Atkinson, president of Trigon.

According to the most recent SGA budget allocations, the nine organizations in MCC received 29 percent (\$9,742.87 of \$33,490.69).

"They (MMC) do get a lot of money compared to other organizations because they are so active," said Hovis.

"There is no way SAF is going to be able to allocate \$100,000," said Miller.

Miller said there is enough money in the current funding. He also said that by having a set amount of money, the MCC might be "setting its own limit."

"Student involvement is a more pressing issue than funding," said Miller.

All parties said that diversity is an important issue on campus and vowed to work together to improve diversity.

"This is not a black white issue or a majority minority issue," said Jackson. "It's about diversity at Behrend and everyone has a stake

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### GENERAL STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE FUNDING CATEGORIES

- **CAMPUS ACTIVITIES** that enhance out-of-class experiences for students, including registered student organizations, publications and radio stations, publicity for student activities and programs, learning experiences, and travel. (NOTE: The Committee will accept project-based proposals from registered student organizations. Funds will only be allocated for one-time events.)
- **EQUIPMENT** that facilitates opportunities for student involvement and campus-wide programming.
- **FACILITIES UPGRADES** in direct support of out-of-class experiences.
- **PROGRAM SUPPORT** to meet campus-wide programming needs, such as lecture series, music programs, cultural events, and entertainment.
- **RECREATION**, including support for club sports, intramurals, open recreation, and facilities and equipment that support these needs.
- **DIVERSE POPULATIONS AND ISSUES**, including programs and activities which support and/or enhance such diversity and non-traditional activities as women's and multicultural issues, subsidized child care, special lounges, and program support.
- **SELECTED SUPPORT SERVICES**, including athletics, career development and placement services, child care services, health services and health education, personal counseling, and student activities.

To strengthen your proposal, please provide itemized details and quotes.  
Written quotes are required for all food or refreshment requests.



Proposals are due by 5:00 p.m.  
Friday, March 15, 2002.

