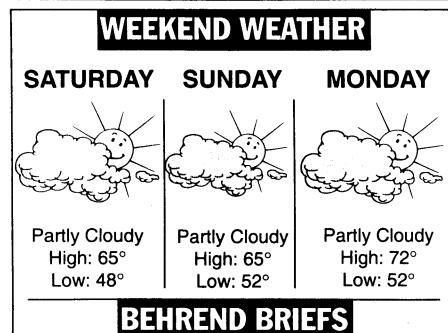


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The Behrend Beacon



Behrend's new web site saves time

If you haven't taken a close look at Behrend's new web site, you're missing a lot of information, according to Ed Blaguszewski, director of University Relations, and Carolyn Dudas, multimedia and computer support specialist.

Blaguszewski, who has been conducting training sessions with individuals from a variety of areas across campus, said that the toolbar across the top of the page places viewers within three clicks of college history, facts, people, departments, news, calendars, admissions, financial aid, research, outreach, athletics, and community information.

One of the best outcomes of the new web site is that everyone at Behrend has -- at their fingertips -- standard facts about the college to share and to use in writing about the college.

If you are interested in a training session on the new web site, contact Mary Anne Geary at x6159.

Logan House open for faculty use

Logan House was the setting for 39 faculty and student events in the 2001-2002 academic year, according to Logan House Manager Judy Glembocki. Student interaction with faculty outside of the classroom helps with retention efforts, and Logan House is an excellent setting for such gatherings.

Faculty who wish to schedule end-of-semester presentations or a reception, lunch, or dinner for class should call Glembocki to get on the schedule, which fills up quickly. Arrangements for food service and audiovisual equipment can also be discussed.

To reserve a date at Logan House, contact Glembocki at x6365.

Parents and families weekend

Penn State Behrend will host its annual Parents and Families Weekend today through Sunday. The weekend is a time for students and their families to celebrate the fall season and enjoy the traditions of the college.

The event begins tonight with a Casino Night, where play money buys real prizes. Saturday features a brunch sponsored by the student councils and continues with a college update and the Smith Chapel Open House and Tour. Visitors may also take a walking tour of the campus and learn more about the history of the Behrend family.

Saturday continues with the Scholarship Lunch, where scholarship recipients will be honored. Wilson Picnic Grove will be the site of an old-fashioned picnic from noon until 1:30 p.m., followed by a Tailgate Party in Bruno's Cafe. An afternoon jazz concert with an ice cream social rounds out the afternoon.

Saturday evening guests may choose to attend Music Mayhem: Killing Me Softly, a murder mystery dinner, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and enjoy comedian Phil

FOCAL POINT



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On Sept. 19, Erie's usually uncooperative weather allowed those who attended the Open House Nights in Astronomy series to try out Behrend's telescope. The speaker, astronomer Dr. Alan Tokunaga, works in Mauna Kea, the site of the world's largest observatory.

FROM FRONT PAGE

CAREER

they are unsure as to the quality of their resumé, they can drop it off at the CDC and someone will look it over and make corrections. They can then pick it up the next day.

A little basic research goes a long way, and students can prepare to meet company representatives by reading up on each company in which they are interested. A list of the companies and links to many of their websites can be found on the Career Development Page. Go

to the Behrend home page (www.pserie.psu.edu) and click on the Career Fair link on the left side of the page.

From the Career Development Center On-Campus Recruiting page, students can also find the names of companies that will conduct interviews on campus after the fair. If they submit a resume for these companies, they may be selected to interview with a company representative the next day or in the future. Students can brush up on their interviewing skills at the CDC, where information is available. They can even participate in a mock interview. Students should approach representatives with knowledge of their company and one or two questions. Inquiries about when the company is hiring, what

qualifications are necessary, and what the best way is to follow up after the initial meeting are all recommended. Students should also ask for a business card and provide their own contact information.

"It is very important to follow up with companies after the Career Fair," said Payne. This contact may come in the form of a telephone call, mail, or e-mail, but the level of professionalism must be high no matter what the medium. "They need to make sure their e-mails are written professionally, with correct grammar and spelling."

Students are encouraged to attend the Career Fair, which will last from noon to 4 p.m. on Oct. 8. For more information or assistance, they can check the website or stop in to the CDC.

Tips for making the most out of a career fair:

- * Prepare your resumé and have several copies with you.
- * Dress as you would for a job interview.
- * Identify the company representatives with whom you wish to speak.
- * Introduce yourself to the representative in a positive and confident manner.
- * Tell the recruiter about your interests.
- * Give the representative a resumé and be ready to dis-

Hughes at 9 p.m. in Bruno's Cafe.

Sunday morning worship services will be open to all in the Smith Chapel at 10 and 11 a.m., followed by a brunch for students and families in Dobbins Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

For more information or to register for Parents and Families Weekend, call the Office of Student Activities at x6171.

POLICE AND SAFETY

- 9/19/02 17:45 An officer was dispatched to Roche Hall after receiving a call that someone had passed out. Brookside VFD and a medic were dispatched. The patient refused transport to the hospital.
- 9/21/02 16:10 A complainant reported that someone had torn off the driver's side view mirror from his vehicle while it was parked in S Lot sometime the night before.
- 9/21/02 17:52 A resident assistant reported a fire alarm ringing in the 500's apartment building. Upon arrival, the officer was advised that burnt food had activated the smoke detector.
- 9/21/02 18:30 A complainant reported receiving prank phone calls.
- 9/23/02 17:00 A student reported having chairs stolen from an apart ment.
- 9/23/02 14:00 A faculty member reported a meter being stolen from a lab in Engineering.

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Primal Fear

Who: United We Stand Theatre Troupe What: Stage adaptation of "Primal Fear" When: Thurs. 9/26 to Sun. 9/29 Thurs. 10/3 to Sat. 10/5 Performances at 8 p.m., Sun. at 5 p.m. Where: Blasco Library - H. O. Hirt Auditorium 160 East Front St. Erie, PA Price: \$6 students (mature audiences only) and seniors \$8 adults Why: Proceeds benefit 9/11 Charities How: Tickets available at Borders Bookstore, at the door, or by calling Rob Kocur @ 814-459-5084 Sponsored by: Voices for Independence Produced by: Rob Kocur Directed by: David W. Mitchell

"Character can be measured by what we say... and what we didn't." - Jim Brosseau



cuss your background, qualifications, and career goals.

- * Think of questions that you would like to have answered regarding your area(s) of interest.
- * Make sure you obtain the representative's name, title,
- address, and phone number so you can follow up. * Afterward, make it a point to follow up with another
- resumé and a letter/e-mail expressing your gratitude and interest in the company and what it has to offer. -courtesy of the Career and Development Center

Behrend academic quality makes up for smaller population

by Aimee Pogson staff writer

It was recently reported in the Eric Times News that Penn State Behrend will become the second largest campus in the Penn State system after the completion of a new residence hall. However, Dr. Jack Burke, interim provost and dean said that is not accurate.

"The Penn State University Schools are categorized in different ways," Burke said. Population wise, the Commonwealth College reigns supreme, encompassing 12 different campuses. It is followed by University Park, which features the different disciplines: business, technology, etc.

Then there are the campus colleges, such as Behrend. It is joined in this category by Capital College, a combination of Penn State Harrisburg and Schuylkill; and the new colleges of Abington, Altoona, Berks-Lehigh Valley and the Commonwealth College, which is still considered a campus College despite its large size.

Last are the special mission campuses, which specialize in a certain area of study. These schools include Hershey Medical School, Dickinson School of Law, Great Valley Graduate Center, and the Pennsylvania College of Technology.

The new \$8.85 million residence hall, recently approved by the university's Board of Tustees, is expected to raise Behrend's enrollment from 3,700 to 4,000.

Penn State Erie and Penn State Harrisburg are the oldest of the campus schools and as a result have had more time to develop academically. Both schools offer a wide variety of undergraduate programs, with both baccalaureate and associate degrees, and some graduate programs, while Abington, Altoona, Berks-Lehigh Valley and the Commonwealth College offer associate degrees and very few baccalaureate degrees.

Behrend served as the school that all of the other campus colleges were modeled after. In the way of academics, it falls as second on the list right behind University Park.

Burke pointed out that to increase the population of Behrend, the school would have to lower admission standards to allow more people in. This would jeopardize the academic quality of the programs at Behrend.

Although Behrend is second behind University Park, Burke still sees room for improvement. He would like to get more space on campus to expand the programs at Behrend. The school is also planning to construct a new building for Engineering and the School of Business.

Administrators are working towards a fifth year accreditation for business, putting more money towards scholarship programs, and building more campus housing. They are also trying to hire and retain the best faculty that they can, and improve the academic culture of the school by introducing more active learning through programs similar to the award winning Speaker Series.

When asked if he thought Behrend would ever surpass University Park in terms of academic quality, Burke replied that it was a big dream, one that would take quite a while to accomplish.





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Mario Loreti won a large pizza Sept. 20, while Loretta Brandon and Ken Bauer won the Spirit T-shirt. The next "Pizza Hut Spirit Day" will be Oct. 11. Faculty and staff are encouraged to show their School Pride and wear Blue and White or a "Spirit Shirt" on the next "Pizza Hut Spirit Day."