

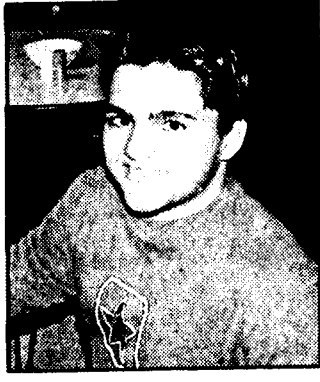
Question of the Week

by Justin Curry and
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News Editors

"What TV show are you most looking forward to this fall?"



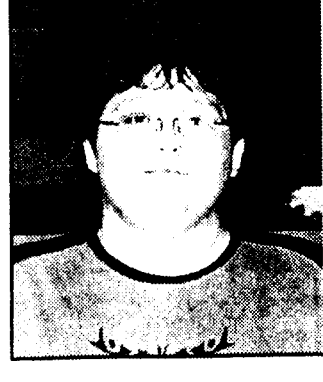
"'7th Heaven' because the Camdens warm my heart."
Ashley Ordy
Psychology, 05



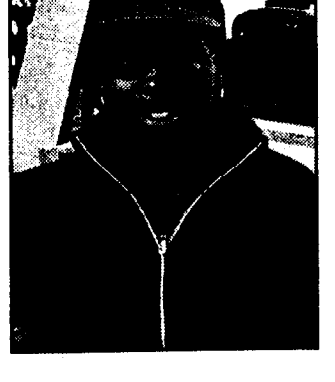
"'24' because it's thrilling and exciting."
Sagar Patel
Comp. Engineering, 01



"'Friends' because it's the last season."
Britni Delorenzo and
Megan Gerber
DUS, 01



"'Brotherhood of Poland, New Hampshire' because I [love] Randy Quaid in those Elmer Fudd hats."
Shawn King
English, 07



"'The Parkers' because I want to know what's gonna happen between Dr. Olguvee and Nikki."
Gillian Young
MIS, 03

Greeks 'step up' for kids and a cure

by Courtney Straub
news editor

The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation was founded in 1970 by parents of children who have diabetes.

The organization raises awareness of the importance of diabetes research and attempts to raise funds to fight to find a cure for diabetes and its complications. JDRF holds special events, throughout the world, each year to accomplish these tasks.

One of JDRF's chapters is the Northwestern Pennsylvania Chapter located right here in Erie. Every year the chapter holds its annual "Walk to Cure Diabetes" at Presque Isle State Park. This year the event was held on Sept. 21.

Hundreds of Erie residents came out to walk the course. However, it is not as if they just showed up and walked on their own. The event took time to plan and organize. More than 60 members

of the greek fraternities and sororities from Behrend volunteered their time to help the walk run smoothly.

"It's been an annual tradition for the past few years," said Chris Fox, Coordinator Student Organizations and Program Development.

It all started with the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity. One of its alumni, Scott Hornyak, died from diabetes. The brothers wanted to do a service project in his honor and naturally they chose the JDRF walk. Tau Kappa Epsilon then encouraged the other greeks on campus to become involved.

Now that all the greeks are involved, they are able to help out with the whole event. Throughout the day, the greeks had many different jobs which included registration, set-up, clean-up, handing out food, and walking.

"Students arrived early to start setting up tables and preparing breakfast," said Fox.

All in all, the greeks were represented

from 6:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. "We enjoy doing it," said Emily Gabrys, Vice-President of Theta Phi Alpha, "It's a tradition we do every year".

This is an event that the greeks will continue to be involved in.

"We enjoy helping out the community and showing them greeks really do care," said Steve Funalock, President of Delta Chi. Not only did the walk benefit the JDRF foundation, it also gave the fraternities and sororities a chance to get to know one another better. During the school, each fraternity and sorority is busy within its own chapter. They do not often get a chance to all get together as one group.

"The JDRF walk was a common experience," said Fox.

By all of them volunteering their time, they were able to do something good for the community, get to know one another, and feel good about it.

Former CNBC economist Rossell addresses full house



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Dr. Rossell encouraged many students and adults to become more aware of the U.S. economy.

by Eileen Jensen
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According to Dr. Marci Rossell, former chief economist of CNBC, corporate America is the most significant generator of jobs and wealth that the world has ever seen. On Tuesday, Dr. Rossell kicked off the Speaker Series for the 2003-2004 academic school year.

Rossell attended Southern Methodist University where she received a bachelor's degree and a Ph.D. in economics as well as a bachelor's degree in business administration. You might recognize her from appearing every morning on CNBC's program, "Squawk Box." She was also an expert commentator on the U.S. economy for the CNBC Europe Market Wrap.

Speaking to men and women of all ages, Dr. Rossell said, "You will get something out of tonight."

She began her speech by stating a frequently asked question regarding the United States Economy, "When's it coming back?" Dr. Rossell declared that, "recoveries never look like the boom. Change requires adjustments, therefore the economy won't look like it did in 1999 and the stock market won't be the same either."

With the comparison to an accident of someone close, Dr. Rossell mentioned that after an accident, people aren't always the same as they were before-just as the U.S. economy won't be the same as it was in the past.

Dr. Rossell's address focused on three areas of the economy, "employment situations, inflation, and the behavior of the U.S. dollar."

Beginning with the employment situation Dr. Rossell stated, "the last

recession was in the early nineties when the unemployment rate peaked at 9 percent. Right now it's at 6 percent." She believes that, "during a recession the unemployment rate in the U.S. is overstated."

Dr. Rossell explained that to determine the unemployment rate, the census bureau calls the bigger companies within the U.S. When the bigger companies fire people more than they hire people, the unemployment rate increases. That's why it is overstated because the unemployment rate is based upon bigger companies' actions.

After speaking about employment and recession, Dr. Rossell answered the question that most students might ask, "Where can I find a job?" According to Dr. Rossell there are three main areas in which employment is crucial and in need of employees.

"Security of business, anything related to health care, and the granola trend," stated Dr. Rossell. The "granola trend" was explained as being a job opportunity that involve cultural change. Dr. Rossell believes, "cultural change will be the defining thing in the next decade when it comes to employment opportunities"

Secondly, Dr. Rossell spoke of inflation. She first defined inflation as, "a situation when prices increase throughout the entire country." Dr. Rossell believes that there will be higher rates of inflation within the next three years.

With a simple demonstration she explained that, "in a well rounded economy the stuff [product] and the money are at the same level. Right now the U.S. economy has a loose monetary policy, which means inflation will increase in the future. When inflation increases, interest rates increase. People think they can't lose money, but they can," Rossell stated.

The final area that Dr. Rossell spoke about was the value of the U.S. dollar. "If the economies look similar, then they can tie monetary policies [currencies] together. When the exchange rates decrease, then inflation will increase, making the value of the U.S. dollar to change," commented Rossell.

During a question and answer discussion, Dr. Rossell mentioned, "If you want an honest system and want to make money, go out and work hard. If you try to make everyone equally rich, they will be poor, which is a paradox we have to live with."

Students get lei'd at annual activities fair

by Justin Curry
news editor

"Hey, wanna get lei'd?"

After hearing a comment like this, most students would either turn around in disbelief or sheer, utter hope to see what was about to happen to them. Such comments were flying around the Reed Union Building during this year's Activities Fair, held on Monday.

The Activities Fair gives students a chance to learn about and see the different clubs and organizations on campus, and also gives students a chance to talk to current members and officers of the clubs as well as sign up to join any club or organization. The event was held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and was sponsored by the Office of Student Activities.

Behrend has more than 80 registered clubs on campus, and more than half of the clubs sent representatives to the fair. Any club that wanted a table at the fair simply had to request one and they were granted space at the fair.

Some clubs and organizations were very creative in the way information was presented to the students.

Student Government, for example, passed out leis with the meeting time stapled to them. A large sign hung over the table that read, "Don't just lei around this semester! Get involved!"

The Campus Crusade for Christ had an ice cream stand set up on one side of the Wintergarden, where most students stopped over for a free sundae as well as literature on the CCC.

Most organizations had information pertaining to their organization. ABC had their upcoming calendar of events displayed, and Trigon had a lot of information on homophobia and allies.

"I had a lot of fun and we're really reaching the student body. We're inviting everyone to our pajama party," said ABC member Dennys Franklin (03, Marketing). The ABC pajama party is being held Oct. 4, from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the Studio Theatre. Admission is \$3 for Behrend students and \$5 for all other students. For more information, contact

ABC President Victoria Anderson at 217-6138.

"It was fun meeting new people" said Atheia Mobley, President of the Association of Women in Communication.

She also said they had a "really great turnout."

AWC plans a major celebration every year for the NEA's Read Across American campaign. Last year, thirty five children and their parents attended the two-hour celebration.

The activities fair is a great recruitment tool for clubs and organizations because if utilized right, membership can soar as a result of the fair. Most clubs and organizations take advantage of the situation at the fair and use it as their main recruiting time.

Julie Lafferty (08, History), who attended the activities fair, said, "I felt the turnout was good and that most clubs and organizations got their names positively enforced. The lei's were a huge success, I mean, who doesn't want lei'd?"

Where is my money going?

Information on this semester's rise in parking

Students have been told that parking fees have increased. The parking fee is higher than some other college's fees. Some colleges add a parking fee to tuition, separate from paying for a permit.

Students arriving from 9:30-2:00 should be prepared for a ten to fifteen minute walk.

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