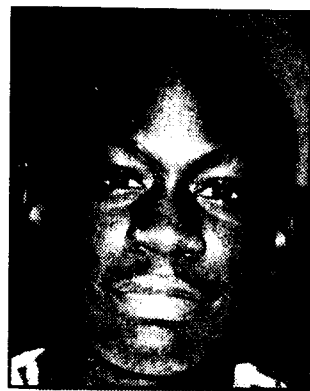


# NEWS

by Teresa Nicolita

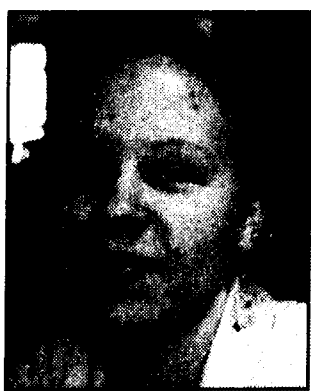
## Which campaign is doing better in the debates?



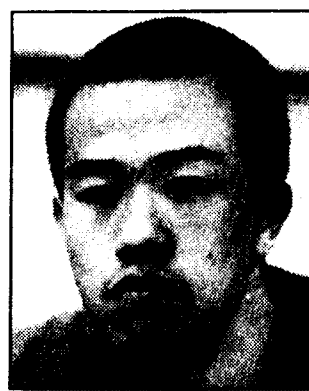
*"Bush. He has ruled the country before, so he knows what he is doing."*  
**Emmanuel Akintayo,**  
 EE BD, 01



*"I haven't watched them so I can't form an opinion."*  
**Justin Ryder,**  
 CHMBD, 03



*"John Kerry, because I think he stands for better opinions. He's more realistic than Bush...and he wants to stop the war in Iraq."*  
**Alyssa Zimmerman,**  
 CH E, 01



*"I think Bush. It seems like more people still like him. I heard that more women are going to vote for him because he looks better than Kerry."*  
**Xiaonan Zhu,**  
 FNC, 05



*"I'm a democrat and I don't really agree with either side. In the first one I think Kerry did a better job. In the second one Cheney did well. So, I think it's pretty even right now."*  
**Connie Chung,**  
 DUS, 04

Have a suggestion for Question of the Week? Email your question to us at: [behrroll2@aol.com](mailto:behrroll2@aol.com).

### Outdoors club treks to PA Grand Canyon

By Brian Mitchell  
 staff writer

Many people enjoy sleeping under the stars and spending time with nature. There is an opportunity to spend time with nature, sleep under the stars and view beautiful fall colors at the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon.

The Behrend Outdoors Club is sponsoring a 16-mile backpacking trip through the West Rim Trail at the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon on Oct. 15-17. The hike will start at the north end of the trail and continue to Bradley Wales. If anyone is interested, sign up at the RUB information desk. There is a \$5 sign-up fee and the deadline is Oct. 12. On the day of the trip, people will meet at the RUB desk late Friday morning for departure and return Sunday morning. If anyone has any questions, feel free to contact Floyd Mattie at [flm131@psu.edu](mailto:flm131@psu.edu).

"People should go because it is very incredible and people will have a very good time," said Luke Borowy, BLASC 03, president of Outdoors Club. "I went last year and I had fun along with other trips I have taken with the Outdoors Club."

Last year, the Outdoors Club hiked the West Rim Trail at the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon and had a wonderful adventure.

"The Pennsylvania Grand Canyon will be very scenic and the colors of the leaves should be at their peak," said Floyd Mattie, BIOBD 07. "Last year when we hiked the canyon, it was very scenic, and the colors were just at their peak."

"I am looking forward to camping and seeing the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon because I have never been there," said Wayne Chnieliwski, C E 03.

The Pennsylvania Grand Canyon is approximately 160,000 acres of the Tioga State Forest beginning south of Ansonia and continuing about 1,450 feet at Waterville. There are various rock formations at the canyon that are over 350 million years old and a gorge that was formed during Pleistocene time.

## ASA sponsors Behrend blood drive

By Emily Hannah  
 staff writer

On Wednesday, Alpha Sigma Alpha, will sponsor the annual blood drive here at Behrend in Reed McGarvey Commons, from 11 p.m. till 4 p.m.

A person may donate blood by going to McGarvey Commons on Wednesday. There won't be a sign up sheet to donate blood. It was found to be more effective to have the students walk in and donate instead of scheduling a specific time to be there. All blood types are needed.

Patty McMahon, Donor Chair, said that she hopes a lot of people show up because there is a need for blood. She expects approximately 70 to 80 students to show up and donate to the Community Blood Bank.

Before a person donates blood, it is necessary that the phlebotomist does a mini-physical and the donor spends good amount of time in the refreshment area before and after donation. The entire process takes approximately 45 minutes, while just donating blood takes 6 to 10 minutes. While most

donors do not experience dizziness, some do.

Nicole Eller, Mobile Drive Coordinator at the Community Blood Bank, says "It is important that we have university sponsored blood drives, such as Behrend College, because it is an extremely valued asset to us here at the Community Blood Bank. Not only do the blood donations boost local blood supply but they also introduce young adults to the life saving process of volunteer blood donation."

The Community Blood Bank supplies blood to all the hospitals of Erie, Elk, Kane and Warren Counties. The Community Blood Bank is the only supplier for these counties. This is why it is important to obtain new donors every day. They rely solely on volunteer blood donors to provide 100 percent of the blood transfused. There is no substitute for blood. That is why they rely on donors. Approximately 32,000 pints of blood are used in America everyday.

For every pint a person donates, three lives can be saved. A person can donate every eight weeks, or 56 days. In one year, a donor can save up to 25 lives.

The future of our local and national blood supply depends on the young people that are donating now and throughout their entire lives. Donating blood is a simple and easy process.

In order to donate blood, a person must meet the requirements. The requirements include good health, weighing at least 110 pounds, and at least 17 years of age. Eller also said that "one of the most important steps in preparation of donating is to eat a good and hearty meal beforehand."

If students aren't able to make the blood drive here at Behrend on Wednesday, they can go to the Community Blood Bank at 2646 Peach Street and donate there.

For more information about donating blood, students may use the Community Blood Banks website, [www.fourhearts.org](http://www.fourhearts.org). On the website, there is a camera which was placed on a donor seat to enable prospective donors to see the process themselves.

If you cannot make this Wednesday's blood drive, ASA will be sponsoring a blood drive this February as well as next October.

## Behrend Auto Club's car show a success

By Jeff Smen  
 staff writer

They're the club that can talk to you about turbo systems, awesome six gear engines and tell you why your car won't start due to your car starter dying out. Some call these guys "gear heads" for the amount of knowledge they have and for what they can do to your average car. They're the Auto Club and they know how to put on quite a spectacular show.

The Auto Club held its annual fall car show last Friday with much success. Cars were always pulling in and out of the lot and everywhere you looked people were having fun checking out some fast and furious cars. With a little bit of old and a little bit of new, the show offered various cars that any car fan

could enjoy.

The show averaged 30-40 cars which included a 5.0 turbo Ford Mustang with over 600 horse power, several Volkswagen GTIs, and classic muscle cars both foreign and American made. It wouldn't be unusual to see a car there with a huge exhaust system, hood scoop, turbo charged, and have a built in mini television for their DVD player. Some of the cars have even been in national competitions with some winning different awards. The show not only featured cars, but also several different types of motorcycles.

Bryan Chambers, a member of the Auto Club said, "I thought the vehicle turn out was good. Adding something like a raffle could bring more people and cars to the next show."

Darrell Pearson is also a member of the Auto Club, bringing his 1987 Oldsmobile Cutlass 442 to

the show. Darrell said, "I think it went well; there seemed to be decent number of people there."

For next fall's show Pearson said, "Maybe spread the word better for the fall car show. We tried to get a band for this one, but that didn't pan out, hopefully in the fall we will have a band."

Leo Juarez attended the show and said, "I think the show went really well, and there were some of the sweetest cars there I've ever seen. For next year's show I hope to see even more cars. It would be awesome if someone brought a Diablo, my personal favorite."

Hopefully the auto club will be putting on their show next fall or even consider a spring show if possible. Everyone there looked like they had fun and even the people showing off their cars looked like they were having fun telling about how hard work and determination made their car that much better.



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