

Piracy

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you're pissed you got caught." The e-mail specified that he would be contacted in the near future with instructions on how to reconnect. He has not heard back from them as of yet.

According to Meeghan Hollis, Assistant Director of Residence Life, he is likely to receive the standard consequences for violation of the AD 20 policy.

The policy states that Penn State reserves the right to suspend network access or computer accounts if user-maintained files, pro-

grams or services are believed to have been operating in violation of either law or policy.

Companies hire agents to monitor and track a company's copyrighted material. If the agents find that a Behrend student has illegally downloaded or shared the company's files, they will e-mail University Park security who will then e-mail the student.

At that point the student must set up an appointment with Judicial Affairs to discuss the ethics behind infringement, the university's expectations, and the possible sanctions that he or she may face, Hollis says.

The computer must be taken to the computer center in Hammill where Todd Say, the manager of IT Support Serv-

ices, will review its content and rid the computer of any incriminating files that remain. After this process is complete, the student's connection will be reinstated.

In the event that a student is caught violating the AD 20 policy more than once, that several unpleasant consequences may arise. Parents or guardians may be contacted, a notification of violation may be put on the student's transcript, or the student's network connection may be suspended anywhere from 16 to 32 weeks, Hollis explained.

Hollis says that a common misconception is that students believe that they cannot get caught pirating while using the VPN.

"They think that since you are catching a signal rather than plugging in, the files are more difficult to monitor," she says.

As computers get smarter, the agents who monitor a company's files also need to get smarter in order to do their job, Hollis said. She explained that students might not realize that music-downloading programs such as LimeWire are so well known that they have become "sitting ducks."

Students must also be careful with taking their laptops home. "If they use one of those programs and forget to delete the files before returning to school, they risk getting caught," Hollis said.

Swine flu

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reach its peak until January or February.

Swine Flu is thought to be spread the same way as seasonal influenza, according to the CDC: coughing, sneezing,

or transmittance of viruses to nose or mouth.

Behrend continues to promote prevention as the best method of avoiding influenza. CDC lists the highest priority as taking everyday steps to protect one's health, including good hygiene, avoiding contact with sick people, and not touching one's eyes, nose, or mouth.

SERVICE

Powder puff football to benefit Make-A-Wish

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A powder puff football tournament, Huddle for Hope, will be held at the Behrend Fields on Oct. 17 at 1 p.m. and all proceeds will benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Oct. 2 at 5 p.m. is the last day to sign up for the tournament. Students can sign up in the Reed Union building outside of Bruno's.

Sophomores Emily Harrington, Catherine Franks, Matthew

Forian, Beth Bimber, and Krista McClelland are involved with putting the tournament together.

Harrington came up with the idea of the football game over the summer.

"[The game] is something to get the campus going and it will pull everyone together for one common cause," Harrington said.

Harrington then proposed the idea to Franks, Residence Service Leader of Almy and Ohio.

"Emily came to me with the idea and then we just went for it," Franks explained.

Eight teams will be part of the football tournament. The teams are Almy, Ohio, Senat, Perry, Lawrence, Niagara, the on-campus suites, and Behrend

apartments. Each student will be charged \$3 for participating.

According to Franks and Harrington, every team is responsible for getting their own team together.

Teams are encouraged to come up with a team name and colors, which will be first come, first serve.

Each hall is responsible for assigning a girl team captain who is in charge of collecting team money and getting it to Franks no later than Oct. 7.

No general admission will be charged at the event, however donations are encouraged.

"[Donations] are what we are really hoping for," Harrington said.

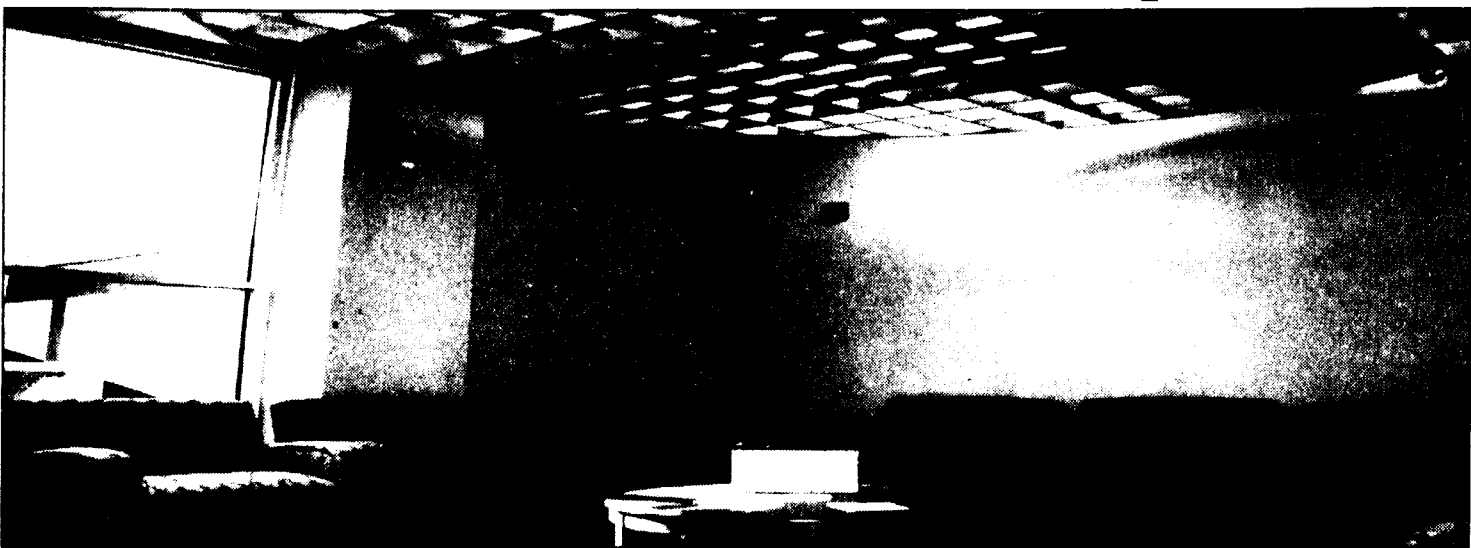
Harrington said that the powder puff game focuses on a service project.

"We want to get a wide variety of people over campus to come together to make a little kid's dream come true," Franks said.

Franks and Harrington are hoping that Huddle for Hope will turn into an annual event. "We would love for this to become Behrend's service project every year," Franks said.

Students can email Franks at cef5087@psu.edu or Harrington at eah5154@psu.edu if they have any questions.

New Reed offices completed



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Penn State Behrend's Division of Undergraduate Studies (DUS) and Career Development Center (CDC) recently combined names and moved to the second floor of the bookstore following the renovation and construction of the Reed Union Building Bookstore. The DUS and CDC moved into the newly constructed office complex, Reed 125, above the Bookstore under its new official name—Academic and Career Planning Center (ACPC).

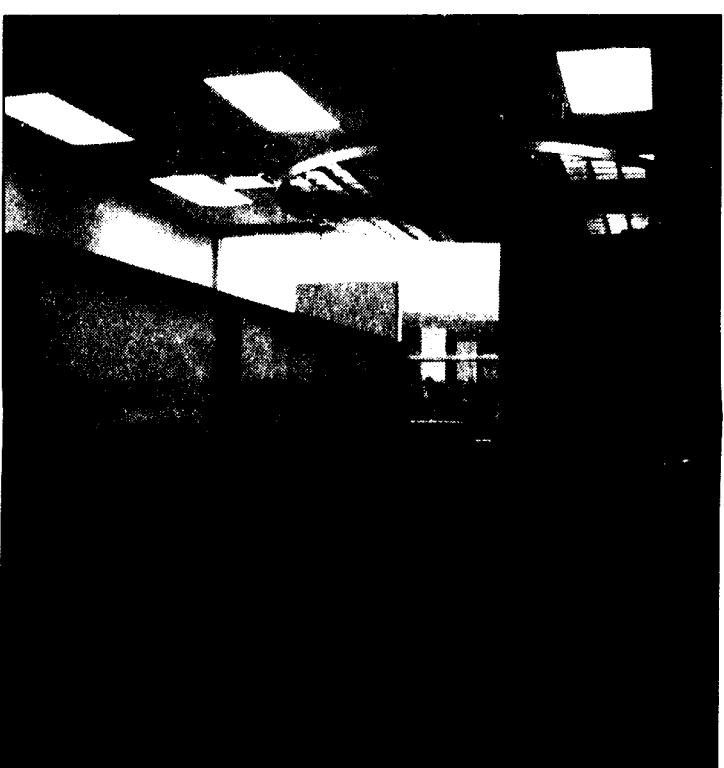
The new offices also saw the opening of Reed 150, a modern conference room which is open for any student organization's usage.

The new ACPC consists of 11 offices, 3 basic interviewing

rooms, and 1 video conference room for the increasing number of University Park employers seeking students from Behrend. Situated next to the ACPC is an administrative conference room open for student organization use.

Although both student services successfully co-existed within the same office complex in an alternative location, the name change aims to further emphasize the interconnection between each office. The name alteration reiterates the already unified processes of academic and career advising offices.

Carol Capan, Employer Relations Coordinator of the ACPC, says, "It made sense to make the name official since we had been working together very well all along and just make it one unit."



photos by Jon Klein/The Behrend Beacon

The Division of Undergraduate Studies and Career Development Center offices were moved to the second floor of Reed.



Keep an eye out online: Coming soon to our website, www.thebehrendbeacon.com: a video tour of the new Reed offices, showing all of their new features and technology.

2009-10 Speaker Series Niles Eldredge



photos by Jon Klein/The Behrend Beacon

Niles Eldredge, author, paleontologist, and Charles Darwin biographer opened the 2009-2010 Speaker Series on Thursday, Sept. 24. Behrend students, many of which received bonus in classes for attending, packed McGarvey commons, with extra students lining the doorway. Copies of his 2005 book, *Darwin: Discovering the Tree of Life*, was also available.

Behrend may lose some money to other campuses

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For the past four years, Behrend sent 30 percent of every new dollar it earned to the Vice President of Commonwealth campuses, and so far, it has always been returned.

For the first time ever, it's possible that not all of the money will be returned.

The purpose of keeping the money centrally is as an insurance policy of sorts, said Behrend Chancellor Jack Burke in an email to the *Behrend Beacon*.

The money, or a portion of it, would be used to offset a decline in the growth of a campus. So if Behrend or another Com-

monwealth campus were ever to grow less than the year prior, the school would only lose 30 percent of every dollar it shrank relative to the previous year.

"When all campuses are okay in terms of enrollment, there is no real need to keep the money centrally" said Burke, "in each and every year it has been collected, the 30 percent we paid in has been returned to us."

"This year that may or may not happen depending upon enrollments elsewhere and what budget cuts might be forth coming from the state."

Burke added that he was optimistic about getting the 30 percent back again this year.

STUDENT FINANCE

Students paid for class notes

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"Be a binge thinker." That's the slogan for StudyBlue, a website that provides everything from flash cards to notes specifically for the classes you're taking right now. According to the StudyBlue website, "Last year 70 percent of students who used StudyBlue said they got better grades."

You can add friends that are in your class, find tutors, take and share notes online, and study with flashcards, quizzes, and games. Call it Facebook for your schedule. In fact, it even lets your Facebook account interact with it.

StudyBlue also offers money for using it. The site pays 50 cents per file if you are one of the first people to post notes in a class. An additional 50 cents will be added per file if three people say that the notes are good.

Competition exists within each school system. The three people who have earned the most "crowns" (you receive a

"crown" when three people say your notes are good) receive \$100 each in Dec. Students are able to earn up to \$2 per file. Referring a friend can earn students \$1, and students can earn \$2 if that friend signs up with the premium account.

Students are able to earn a maximum amount of \$300 per semester, just for studying.

There are two options for registration. The first is free. It allows you to connect with classmates, view textbook outlines, find or become a tutor for a class, password protect your notes, take notes through text, audio or video, and search other classmates notes.

The second option, premium, charges \$9.99 per month (or \$59.99 for a year package). It includes all of the latter, plus an iPhone app, reminders, no advertisements, and personal site support help.

The free version allows you to print, export, and study with class material, but only your material. The second allows you to use other people's quizzes and notes.

monday

68
51

mostly cloudy;
p.m. rain

tuesday

59
49

mostly cloudy;
lingering rain

wednesday

61
51

partly cloudy;
possible showers

thursday

69
53

mix of sun and clouds
-Matt Alto, Weather Editor