Winners of the 2009-2010 Greek Awards

Panhellenic Council Rockstar Award

Liz Zahar, Vice President of Communications and a member of Theta Phi Alpha

Most Valuable Members

Peter Sobchack of Delta Chi and Annie Helbling of Theta Phi Alpha

Outstanding Alumnae/Alumni Programming

Alpha Sigma Tau, Delta Chi

Outstanding Chapter President Award Justina Solties of Alpha Sigma Tau

Outstanding Chapter Programming Alpha Sigma Tau, Delta Chi

Outstanding Advisor Award

Bill Williams, chapter advisor of Delta Chi

Highest GPA for the Fall 2009 semester Thi Pheta Alpha, Kappa Delta Rho

Highest GPA for the Spring 2009 semester Alpha Sigma Tau, Kappa Delta Rho

Outstanding Sorority Leadership Award Theta Phi Alpha

Outstanding Fraternity Leadership Award Kappa Delta Rho

Emerging Leader Award

Hannah White of Alpha Sigma Tau Matt Connolly of Sigma Tau Gamma

Outstanding Greek Spirit Award Justina Solties of Alpha Sigma Tau

2009 Greek Week "Greek Pride" Award Alpha Sigma Tau, Kappa Delta Rho

Recruitment Excellence Award

Theta Phi Alpha, Delta Chi

* Jackie Laughner of Alpha Sigma Tau, Jordan Pisano of Delta Chi, and Jim Keeley of Kappa Delta Rho were recognized on behalf of the athletics department for excelling with their peers, on campus, and in athletic competition.

Outstanding Individual in Community Service and Philanthropy Award

Sonia Rosales of Alpha Sigma Tau

Outstanding Individual Philanthropy Project Alpha Sigma Alpha for Date Auction

Outstanding Individual Philanthropy Project

Delta Chi for Benefit for Erie Warming Center

Overall Excellence Community Service Alpha Sigma Tau

Outstanding Overall Philanthropy Award

Outstanding New Member Education Pro-

Ken Miller, the director of student affairs

Christopher L. Rizzo Friend of Greek Life

Alpha Sigma Tau

Outstanding New Member

Lauren Liebdzinski of Alpha Sigma Tau, Ray Wolkan of Kappa Delta Rho

Brotherhood Award Delta Chi

Outstanding Sisterhood Award Alpha Sigma Tau

Outstanding Greek Woman

Justina Solties of Alpha Sigma Tau

Most Improved Chapter Kappa Delta Rho

Barrett hopes to kick start her marketing career

ALLY ORLANDO

majors in marketing with

a minor in economics.

news editor

For some students, the hardest part of college may be choosing a major and developing a career plan.

For sophomore Kasey Barrett, that part was easy. Barrett



She said "it was always marketing," which she has been interested in since her freshman year in high school. Kasey Barrett

Although she was sure of her interest in marketing, she says that at one point, she might have been interested in some sort of major in the field of psychology.

Of the classes she has taken in her two years at Behrend, Marketing 301 and MIS 204 were the ones that she liked best.

According to Barrett, the MIS class appealed to her because she enjoys the technical aspect of running a business.

When it comes to classes she has taken that didn't pertain to marketing or economics, some were challenging and some were not-so-challenging.

"I struggle with my business law class because it doesn't really interest me in the way that other classes have," Barrett

According to Barrett, her Human Body class was less challenging.

"It was just a lot of memorization and regurgitation back on the tests, which I think is fairly easy to do. [The informa-

tion] wasn't something that I had to learn and remember for the rest of my career," she said.

Barrett's path to success began even before she attended college. She got a head start in gaining experience with her future career when she took marketing classes in her junior and senior years in high school.

Since attending Behrend, her proudest accomplishment has been getting her current internship. Barrett works as a marketing assistant at the Center for eBusiness and Advanced IT in Knowledge Park.

"I write a lot of the copy... I've worked on brochures, press releases, and putting together different marketing campaigns," she said.

"A lot of the stuff that I'm doing [at my

internship] I haven't met in my classes vet because I'm still just a sophomore. I'm getting a lot of practical job experience that I can take with me into the future.

For the future, she has set her goals clearly and her sights high.

"I plan to graduate on time. I don't want to take any extra semesters, because that can get costly. I want to find a marketing position with an ad agency or a place that incorporates technology, like a Microsoft or Google."

Barrett's advice to her fellow students at Behrend are to "keep up with class work because as long as you do, classes aren't as hard as everyone makes them out to be.



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Behrend's Got Talent entertains a large crowd

ERIC PEIRCE

Singing, dancing, Ho Hos, orange soda, ukuleles. This is just a few of the acts that were found at Behrend's Got Talent in McGarvey Commons on Sun-

Behrend's Got Talent, which was organized and sponsored by the Matchbox Players, started off with a video that showed what the entry tickets and any money raised during event went to: The Wayne Middle School.

The video highlighted the poor quality of the school, which was filled with dirty hallways, broken lights, missing ceiling tiles, water stains on the ceiling tiles, dented lockers, and many other signs of poor condition.

The show got off to a great start with Jeremy Omard, a freshman, playing the piano. After the next act of Terrance Norwood singing, an up-and-coming comedian took the stage.

While unexpected, the man entertained the crowd of well over a hundred people with the lively details of his dysfunctional family, his mom's insanity, and of people living in trailers in Missouri.

Next, two dance teams took the stage to get the crowd pumped up. One of the most unusual (and messy!) skits of the



Connor Sattely and Evan Koser perform a hilarious skit for Behrend;s Got Talent.

night involved two students playing the role of a time-traveling scientist and his quirky friend taking trips back into the past again and again, always managing to refuel themselves with a seemingly endless amount of orange soda and Ho

The rest of the night included singing by Sonia Rosales, accompanied by Nathan Myers, a hard-rock band from

Behrend, poetry, a beautiful rendition of "Burn Me Out" on the ukulele by Ethan Kobochic, and free-rapping by Earl Bass and two others.

All-in-all, the show, which included both a snack bar and a raffle for great prizes, raised almost \$300 from the

But the question still remains: who was the 2010 winner of Behrend's Got

Talent? The winner was none other than Sonia Rosales, a long-time participant in the program's seven year history, and also a previous winner.

But it can be sure that even though there was one winner, all those who participated in the program, including the audience, left as winners by being greatly entertained by fellow students.

"In All Seriousness" to teach summer improv course

Students living in Erie this summer and are interested in theater are in luck. Bill De Lozier, member of improv comedy troupe In All Seriousness, will be teaching an improv course downtown over a six-week period, two classes a week.

The course is open to anyone over 21: it teaches everything from basic staging ing things up.

JEFF KRAMER (for those who have never done theater) to more complicated techniques.

The goal of the course is to "shake up the students, make them be more creative...and to be entertaining.'

De Lozier would like to lend his 25+ years of performing on stage to "give them an insight into the relationship with the audience and what will ultimately turn out to be their success."

The premise of improvisn't just mak-

"It's increasing the amount of options of things you have to think of."

De Lozier says that taking an improv class helps in any situation that you have to deal with conflict.

"Having the basic training from improv, you are equipped with more solutions, bigger comfort zone."

The environment will be similar to the popular TV show Whose Line Is It Anyway? because they take suggestions from the audience.

The difference is that Whose Line records for two hours and show the best twenty-two minutes, and live performers have no editing.

"You have to be good the whole time. Lots more pressure."

If you're interested, go to In All Seriousness's website, www.inallseriousness.com

Women's tennis team in need of players

AMANDA STETZ early as sophmore year. Barger tries to staff writer

It may be the end of the semester, but for coaches and recruiters, it is only the beginning for fall sports.

Recently, e-mails were sent out to females at Behrend asking for anyone with tennis experience to contact Jeff Barger, the tennis coach at Behrend.

"This is something I do every year," Barger said. "Normally, there's talent on campus that isn't aware of the team or some good players that haven't tried out

As most know, it starts in the high school level, when coaches and scouts start to observe potential recruits, as start looking for talent in Erie and expand to surrounding areas, such as Pittsburgh and Buffalo. Usually, for every 100 recruits, there

will be ten interested. However, it is unlikely that all 10 will join in the fall.

The program hopes to match new players with not only the tennis program, but also the eductional opportunites as well. Of course, there are opportunities for prospects to stay overnight for a weekend.

"We try to get them to stay overnight for weekend, usually when there is a match in the spring," Barger said.

"They are able to see the college and see the level that they will play."

When this is all in place, they will usually get three incoming freshmen to play.

As for the e-mails sent this year, Barger had eight responses, which is a higher number than normal. "Normally, I only get two or three re-

sponses," Barger said. "This year, I have already gotten eight repsonses, some who I have recruited in the past, but decided not to play fresh-

Usually, there is a meeting for interested students, giving them basic information, such as commitment and try out information.

"I try to give them a chance to see what they have skill-wise in the spring,"

Barger said. "But I invite everyone to try out again in the fall."

Even though the women's tennis team was one of the largest in the conference this past year (17 members), there are still challenges, especially with Penn

State campuses. This year, two seniors are graduating, a student is transferring, and there is also the understanding that anyone could drop at anytime.

"There are usually three or four every year," Barger said.

"The classes get smaller as the years go by, but some do stay all four years."

Corrections

In the front page article "Rylee Dorer's fight for life" that published in last week's Behrend Beacon, we made two mistakes.

First, we said that Molly Thomas and James Wolfe were former Behrend THON presidents, with Thomas being the current one.

In actuality, Behrend THON does not have presidents. It is run by chairs. Carly Lapp and Erin Moran are the current Behrend THON chairs.

Secondly, we said that Rylee Dorer was born on Oct. 1, 2001. She was actually born on Oct. 3.

We regret the errors.