

Editorial Opinion

New Registration A Little Bit Easier

"Things get a little bit easier once you understand." In the words of a currently popular song, let it be known that it is absolutely impossible for anyone to come through a Penn State registration unscathed.

It is quite possible that throughout the average Penn State student's academic career, the only thing that keeps him going is the fading hope that the next registration might be just a little bit better. However, as the term standing goes up the flickering light of hope goes down. Certainly the most recent registration fiasco at the Behrend Campus is in keeping with the traditional image.

It goes without saying that some of the burden of blame rests on the students themselves. If it could be driven into the minds of some of the students that attend Behrend to make an honest effort to pre-register, some of the screams of outrage that shatter the air at registration would be toned down to a great extent.

The entire blame cannot be laid upon the students however. The Administration itself is certainly responsible for many of the problems that arise at registration. Apparently many of the advisors have not been informed that certain classes are going to be limited to science majors or that only a very limited number of students are being admitted in a particular course. Such information would definitely alleviate some of the problems caused by what evidently seems to be a universal attempt at scheduling biology II at the same time.

The change from registration by term standing to registration by colleges has also caused many problems for students. This shift in procedure has made it nigh unto impossible for students with term standing as high as sixth and seventh to get health and gym classes.

The advisors themselves sometime leave something to be desired. Many students find it almost impossible to locate their advisors in order to receive their No. 2 card. It is also rather difficult to adequately pre-register when the professor does not really understand the requirements of your major so that he can help the student choose the courses he needs. The end result is a student putting together his own haphazard schedule.

With another registration under the belts of Behrend students, let it be once again hoped that things will get a little bit better Spring Term.

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All letters must be signed, but names will be withheld upon request. Term standing, major, and hometown must be included.

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Letters To The Editor

Faculty, Students and Staff:

I would like to personally thank those individuals who make the effort to show their concern for the need to help others through the donation of a pint of blood on December 2. The response was very good. Thirty-one pints of blood were drawn and they ran out of donor cards near the end of the day. For those who did not have the opportunity to donate you may go to the infirmary on campus and have your blood typed and if there is a call for your blood type, we will contact you. If you are interested in donation in the immediate future, watch for information of the blood donor V.I.P. Day, December 18.

Once again thanks to those students who donated and in a very personal way displayed community involvement. A special thanks to Jill Selleck and the residents of the third floor of Niagara Hall for their promotion.

Cordially,
E.C. Masteller
Asst. Prof. Biol.

Events of the Week

Thursday, January 13

Coffee House—Mary Smith—9-11 p.m. (RUB dining hall)

Friday, January 14

Drop-Add period ends
Coffee House—Mary Smith—9-12 p.m. (RUB dining hall)

U.P. preregistration ends

Saturday, January 15

Coffee House—Mary Smith—9-12 p.m. (RUB dining hall)

Sunday, January 16

Movie—"Endless Summer"—7-9 p.m. (RUB)

Monday, January 17

Proctor and Gamble interviews—June EET, MET grads

Tuesday, January 18

"Amazing Kreskin"—mentalists and ESP performer—8 p.m. (Erie Hall)

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Editorship of Behrend Collegian Open Spring Term

The position of editor-in-chief of the Behrend Collegian will be vacated at the end of Winter Term.

Anyone interested should see Betty L. Seanor, chairman Board of Publications or Ray Geiger, editor

Behrend Collegian as soon as possible.

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