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Behrend Briefs

University Park, Pa.—An intensive two-week course designed to meet the career development needs of managerial and public accountants will be held at The Pennsylvania State University May 25-June 9.

The program modules: Organizational Behavior and Managerial Economics, Accounting Theory and Practice, Auditing Theory and Practice, and Business Law and Taxes.

For further information, contact Dr. Malcolm, 409 Business Administration Building, University Park, Pa. 16802.

GEAC is offering 1,000 jobs to students between the ages of 14 and 21. Interested students should contact the Placement Center, 2nd floor RUB and pick up applications for the Neighborhood Youth Corps Program.

Applications for the Neighborhood Youth Corps must be completed and submitted by May 13 to the Bureau of Employment Security, 1316 State Street.

Regular applications can be picked up and submitted directly to the GEAC Office, 2911 State Street, Erie, Pa.

The Placement Center at University Park will promote a special resume referral program to assist unemployed May and August graduates.

A brief biographical sketch will be designed from each resume and included in a promotional booklet which will then be sent to approximately 2,000 employers located predominantly in the Mid-Atlantic region.

If you want to make use of this service, come to the Placement Office, 2nd floor RUB, and fill out a SPRING BOOKLET INFO CARD. Please leave a copy of your resume.

This service may be used by both Associate and Baccalaureate degree candidates. Deadline for acceptance of resumes is May 17.

A lecture on "The Tempest" by eminent Shakespearean scholar, Kenneth Muir, will be presented Friday, May 13, at Behrend College, Penn State. Muir's appearance is being sponsored by the Division of Arts and Humanities at Behrend. Coming on the heels of Mercyhurst College's production of "The Tempest," his lecture is a timely one as the play deals with power and freedom, civilization and barbarity, magic and nature, and the "brave new world" of America. The lecture begins at 8 p.m. in Room 101, Behrend Building. It is free and open to the public.

Absentee ballots must be received by the County Board of Elections no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, May 13, or they won't be counted. Primary Municipal Election day is Tuesday, May 17. Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Behrend Faculty Council, the organization which will be replacing the Behrend Faculty Senate as of May 12, 1977, has elected their officers and publicly designated the positions as follows: Chairman, Mr. Charles Kolb; Vice Chairman, Mr. Ernest Fryer; Parliamentarian, Mr. Adrian Boh. The position of Secretary is pending.

SGA candidates speak out

Today is the last day to vote for next year's S.G.A. officers. The staff of the Collegian would like to ask that all students who have not yet voted, do so before the end of the day. The place to vote is by the lower main entrance of the RUB. A few words from the three presidential candidates, Rick Landy, Rick Nau, and Jerry Straut follow:

Hiring freeze

By Kristen Hastzel
Collegian Staff Writer

Officials indicated recently that the recent P.S.U. hiring freeze, officially termed a "curtailment", will not drastically affect Behrend College and its plans for filling certain faculty positions. Director Kochel explained that the curtailment resulted from uncertainty about the amount and date of a final approval of state appropriations, which forces the University officials to use a zero-based budget as a guideline in planning next year's budget. This means that despite inflation, the University must plan on the same amount of appropriation next year as it had this year.

Though the University fiscal year begins July 1, the ultimate amount of State funds may not be known until late summer or early fall. The curtailment compels the University to review all additional hiring requests again to determine which positions at which campuses must be filled in order to sustain satisfactory academic standards.

The immediate effect the "freeze" has on Behrend College is to halt hiring procedures. For example, Dr. Charles Cottle, offered a temporary position in Pol. Sci. next year, has refused it and accepted a Political Theory position at the University of

Students get "psyched"

Twelve Behrend students have shown a lively interest in psychological experimentation recently by combining their interest with research and presenting professional papers to three various psychological organizations.

During the 12th annual Undergraduate Psychology Conference at The State University of New York, Fredonia, Brian Warnaka and Michael Vance presented a paper entitled, "Mathematical Analyses of Optical Illusion."

The following students presented papers at the Northwestern Pennsylvania Psychological Association Undergraduate Conference held at Allegheny College: Richard Tauson and Joseph Grandalski, "Apparent Depth Movement"; Michael Peightal and Lawrence Snarski, "Optical Illusion"; Lawrence Snarski, Carol Parks, Mary Scharrer, Joseph Grandalski, and Cheryl Anderson,

Richard Landy

My name is Richard Landy. I am currently a fifth term Political Science major, here at Behrend College. My future ambitions include a career in law.

At the present time, I am seeking the office of President of the Student Government Association of Behrend College. You may be acquainted with my name, but not my policies. Some of these include, first, extending library hours from 10 p.m. until 11:30 p.m., second, creating a quiet floor for students who prefer a more conducive atmosphere for studying. Finally, continuing the work of the Ad Hoc committee (S.U.N.), to preserve the rights of the students. A complete statement of our policies has been printed, and is available in the R.U.B. or in the lobby of your resident building.

In conclusion, I would like to add that my ticket includes Marty Dorfman for Vice-President and Dan Fleming for Treasurer, whose integrity is of the highest caliber. Thank you for any support.

Wisconsin—Whitewater. This places the administration in a difficult situation; they can actively recruit but cannot officially offer the position to anyone else without special recommendation and or permission from the Provost. This does not mean, however, that the administration has lost the opportunity to fill this position, but they will have to hold all offers until the freeze is lifted, or permission granted to make them.

Behrend administrators have contacted the Provost and requested that certain positions be filled immediately. They are awaiting a reply.

"Figural Aftereffect"; Robert Beckwith and Donald Hartman, "The Effect of Noise on Study Performance"; Richard Sekula, "Self-esteem"; Grandalski, Scharrer, and Vance maintained their research by support of the Work Study Program. The other students completed their research through psychology courses taught by Kiyoe Mizusawa.

Last Spring Term, Thomas Fox and Betsy Pierce wrote a paper entitled, "Psychophysical Analysis of Movement Perception" under the direction of Ms. Mizusawa, which was published in the Proceedings of the Society of Photooptical Instrumentation Engineers which is an Associate Member Society of the Optical Society of America.

Our congratulations to all students involved and to Ms. Kiyoe Mizusawa for their efforts and interest in furthering psychological research.

Rick Nau

Our biggest problem at Behrend arises from student apathy. This has to be expected since there is not a great deal to be excited about under present conditions and since Behrend is predominantly a two year school. Having been a commuter as a freshman and a dorm student as a sophomore, I am sympathetic to both groups. I have a vested interest in Behrend as I plan to remain here until my graduation.

I believe that it is time we give students at Behrend something to get excited about, something to be involved in. Through proper allocations of the budget, we can channel our resources to the benefit of the majority of students while considering the interests of all.

Faculty awareness must be increased. We must keep our lines of communication with key administrative officials open, work with them when possible, and confront them when necessary.

With your help, support, and vote, I will help you make Behrend an exciting two or four year experience.

Jerry Straut

"Participation, progress, change, and the fulfillment of the student body." These are the ingredients for a successful student government.

My name is Jerry Straut and I am running for the president of the S.G.A. I am 21 years old and my major is Political Science. I have been at Behrend for four terms and before that I commuted to the New Kensington campus.

I am running for president for several reasons. The important thing in this election is experience. I have worked with Dean Bainum; Dr. Daniel, Chairman of Faculty Senate; and Dr. Cottle. The Ad Hoc Committee has already drafted a workable visitation survey and is now beginning to revise the student handbook. I, along with Evie Perkowski, Leslie Schuller, and Janis Reh, want to continue with our work and we need your vote to do so.

The S.G.A. is for you, the student. The only way to improve the S.G.A. to make it what it should be, the voice of the students, is to elect sincere and experienced people. We meet these requirements. What we need now is your vote of confidence. Together, we can make S.G.A. work.

Student feedback on alcohol and pot

The Psy. 102 Class of Behrend College, under the direction of Dr. Hall, designed a questionnaire to discover the students' attitude on drinking and marijuana smoking. The following results are based on a sample of 64 student interviews:

- DRINKING:
- males drink more often than females.
 - males and females drink the same amount.
 - parents' views about drinking affect how much the student drinks.
 - most parents know their child drinks and tolerate it.
 - parents of females disapprove of their drinking more than parents of males.
 - if the student who had older siblings who drank felt it had no effect on their drinking.
 - if the student didn't have older siblings, the student tended to drink more heavily.
 - most students were introduced to alcohol by own experimentation or by friends. These students usually drink more.
 - moderate drinkers (3-6 drinks) feel less peer pressure to drink.
 - social activity of the student in organized or unorganized activities did not effect how often they drank.
 - most student drink for their own enjoyment.
 - dorm students drink less on term and summer breaks.

- MARIJUANA:
- approximately 70 per cent of the students interviewed smoke marijuana.
 - the frequency of smoking is the same for both sexes.
 - parents' views about smoking did not affect their smoking habits.
 - parents of males disapprove of their use of marijuana more so than parents of females.
 - if the student has older siblings, he or she is more likely to smoke if the student knows the older sibling smokes.

- dorm students smoke with greater frequency than students at home with parents.
- dorm students smoke less during term and summer breaks.
- peer pressure does affect the students' smoking habits.
- if students are at a large party and are moderate to low smokers, they will usually not smoke. However, if at a small party where others are smoking, they will usually pass the joint on. —most students smoke for their own enjoyment.

Some general statements, concluded from this survey: grade point average was not affected by the frequency of partying. Students may party for own enjoyment not realizing how bored they'd be without it. The students of Psy. 102 offer our thanks to all who participated in this questionnaire.

Not just a myth

Consider the following questions: What is the relationship of Circe, Raquel Welch, Astarte, the Playboy Bunny, and Eve? What is the link between John F. Kennedy and Beowulf? What is the connection between myths and dreams? Is Nixon a modern incarnation of the Trickster God? Was Hitler a product of Germanic myth? Are your Yin and Yang well balanced? What does the mythic content of fairy tales reveal about human sexuality?

If questions such as these arouse your interest and curiosity, and if you wish to fulfill one of your two "Other Cultures" course requirements, you might wish to consider signing up for "Comparative Literature 108: Myths and Mythologies", which is being offered for the second time at Behrend during the 1977 Summer term. For more information, see Dr. Wayne Scott, 101 Turnbull Hall.