

Behrend Collegian

Published by the Students of the Behrend College of the Pennsylvania State University

VOLUME XXV NO. 11

Station Road, Erie, Pa. 16563

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 1980

"Get Aboard" For Fin. Aid

Returning Pennsylvania undergraduate students applying for financial aid at the University this year will not have to file the Financial Aid Form (FAF) previously used by the Office of Student Aid at University Park for need analysis, said William Boyd, associate director of the office.

The 1980-81 state grant (PHEAA) and basic grant (BEOG) has been revised to supply enough information to determine a student's need without using the Financial Aid Form, Boyd said.

Applications for all types of financial assistance are now available from the Student Affairs Office, second floor RUB. "Now is the time to get aboard for next year," William Brugel, director of the Office of Student Aid at UP, said.

The PHEAA-BEOG application in addition to serving as a grant request, supplies the student aid

office with need analysis information for University-based aid. That aid includes the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, the National Direct Student Loan, the College Work Study Program and University loans and scholarships, Boyd said.

Students must also file a student aid office Financial Aid application, he said. Students filing this form will be considered for the University-based aid, he said.

The only difference in the application procedure for out-of-state students and graduate students is that they must file the Financial Aid Form, Boyd said. This ensures that the student aid office will receive the need-analysis information necessary to award University-based aid to those students, he said.

Students who are now receiving aid from either a PHEAA grant or the BEOG program should

receive a renewal form at their home, Brugel said. It is to their advantage to file this renewal form because it has their name and student number typed on it. (However, students who have not received the renewal form in the mail, should obtain one from the Student Affairs Office.)

"Deadline for filing this renewal form is May 1. But we urge you to file much earlier so that if there are problems with the application they can be resolved and not dragged out into the summer or following winter," Brugel said.

The recommended date for students to file the PHEAA-BEOG form is February 15. Recommended date for filing the University Financial Aid Application is April 1.

Out of State students can find their state's financial aid forms or information concerning them in the Student Affairs Office.

"The University has put in an application for funds from the federal government," Brugel said. "With the funds available, we will award aid to as many students as possible. They have been ranked in order of highest to lowest need regardless of their term standing or campus location."

Boyd said awards are made no later than June for the following academic year.

The student aid office would also like to expand its full-time summer employment program on campus and the programs available through PHEAA for summer employment, Boyd said.

Those programs are also based on financial need, Boyd said. Their purpose is to enable a student to earn the \$700 minimum amount a student receiving any form of financial aid is expected to contribute yearly, he said.

The off-campus work program, co-sponsored with PHEAA, allows students to earn this contribution. Positions are

located throughout the State of Pennsylvania in government agencies and non profit community organizations. This program allows students to live at home and still take part in the full time summer work program. Full time summer jobs are also available at the University Park Campus and other Penn State campuses.

Required forms to apply for the Summer Work programs include:

—Office of Student Aid Summer 1980 Financial Aid Application.

—State Grant-Basic Grant document filed for the 80-81 year.

These forms are currently available in the Student Affairs Office.

(The above article was adapted from an article by Cheryl Bruno in the Daily Collegian. Behrend students who have questions regarding financial aid should contact Mary Pat Carney, financial aid counselor, in the Student Affairs Office.)

Need Off-Campus Housing Next Year?

UNIVERSITY PARK (PAIN)—Need off-campus housing next year?

Rental applications with deposits are required by practically all major apartments. So it is not too soon to start looking now. When checking rental rates, make sure to find out if the lease is for 9 or 12 months, if the apartment is furnished or unfurnished, and if some or all utilities are included in the rent.

Below is a list of major apartment owners/managers and properties in State College:

Amity Apts.	806 1/2 Stratford Dr.	234-1452
Atlas Realty	301 S. Allen St.	238-0741
A.W. and Sons	340 E. Beaver Ave.	237-0360
A.W. and Sons	1000 Plaza Dr.	238-3432
Benchmark Realty	1212 N. Atherton St.	237-5384
Briarwood Apts.	681-B Waupulani Dr.	238-7134
Falk Realty	532 E. College Ave.	238-8788
Federated Home & Mortgage	808 Cricklewood Dr.	237-5881
Federated Home & Mortgage	Toftress	238-0534
Heim, Heckendorn, & Bruce	1840 N. Atherton St.	238-8080
J.A. Hawbaker	2000 N. Atherton St.	238-0974
Kissinger, Leonard, & Assoc's.	245 S. Allen St.	238-4400
Laurel Glen Apts.	424 Waupulani Dr.	238-2600
Lenwood Corp. Apts.	917 S. Allen St.	238-6655
National Capitol Co.	200 Highland Ave.	238-5081
Lions Gate Apts.	424 Waupulani Dr.	238-2600
Lions Gate Apts.	424 Waupulani Dr.	237-1761
Nittany Garden Apts.	455 Waupulani Dr.	238-2092
Property Management	901-E W. Aaron Dr.	238-1965
Schlow Enterprises	106 E. College Ave.	237-3456
Southgate Assocs.	801 Southgate Dr.	234-0333

Additional information is available at Otis, 20 HUB, University Park, PA. 16802; and between terms and during summer months at Off-Campus Housing Listing Service, 135 Boucke Building, University Park, Pa. 16802.

This partial listing was compiled by the Residential Life Programs Office, 135 Boucke Building, and is subject to change.

Warning: Late Drops Hazardous

by Paul Elbel

I went to the Records Office last week to talk with Mr. Robert R. Schenker, Registration Officer, about "a pretty serious thing," late drops.

According to the Policies and Rules for Students, (34-89 Course Drop, pg. 15), "Use of the course drop from the beginning of the fourth week to the end of the eighth week of classes is limited to a maximum of 12 credits for baccalaureate degree candidates or provisional students who aspire to become baccalaureate candidates and six credits for associate degree candidates or provisional students who aspire to become associate degree candidates. The credit limits specified apply to all courses taken prior to the awarding of a degree."

In other words, if you're going for a BA or BS degree, then you can only late-drop a total of 12 credits over the entire four years.

If you're going for an associate degree, then you can only late-drop a total of six credits over the course of two years.

During the eight weeks of Fall term, 1979, about two-hundred students late-dropped courses. "I was very surprised by the number of students using the late-drop in the Fall, especially during the eighth week," said Schenker. "They're really doing themselves an injustice." Mr. Schenker went on to say that students should use greater discretion in exhausting the number of credits allotted to them for late-drops. Rather than use-up all 6 or 12 credits, one should resort to late-drops only in times of real need.

A student will find him-herself in a problem situation when they must drop a course late in the term but have already used-up the valuable late-drop option. Mr. Schenker asserted that "We

(the records office), will not let any student late-drop if, in the process of doing so, they exceed the limits set by the policy." If a student gets by the records office and exceeds their 6 or 12 credits, then the student will suffer the consequences, (i.e., he or she will more than likely end up with an "F" for those courses which were presumably dropped).

Since Fall, 1978, fifteen students have exceeded the limit as prescribed by policy. With computerized accuracy, the records office is now monitoring all late-drops. "We know exactly how many late-drops have been used since Fall of 1978."

Mr. Schenker went on to state that students should bear in mind when they go to register that, "The student is responsible for his own schedule, and he cannot blame his error on his advisor, the records office, or anyone else."

Preregister Now!

The Spring term schedules will be out today. Preregistration for Spring term, 1980, will start on Monday, February 4th and continue through Friday, February 8th. The hours will be from 8:30 until 12 noon and from 1:00 until 4:30 in the records office. So see your advisors and get those Number 2 cards ready.

The early registration period will, as usual, take place during

finals week. Only those who have preregistered can early register. Students who early register do not have to report back until the first day of classes. Because the regular registration day falls on Friday, March 7th, and classes do not begin until Monday, the 10th, registering early allows for a three day extension of the term break. So why not take advantage of it?

Few Attend Snowflake Ball



As the weekend of January 25-27 approached, it looked as though the snow would never get here. Consequently, the S.U.B. decided to cancel all outdoor Winter Weekend activities except for the Snowflake Ball.

This year's Ball was less crowded than in past years—only 50 students were present. Those who attended appeared to have enjoyed themselves. One benefit of the small crowd was the extra room for dancing. The band,

"Fat Chance" played mostly Rock, a few Disco numbers, and many slow dance songs. During one of their sessions, they played five slow dance selections and a polka.

In regard to next year's dance, a participant made this comment. "It would be nice to see more people attending, but those who do will probably enjoy it as much as we did."

(Pictured above, right of center, is Student Senate President Linda Schweinitz.)