

# Getting a job as hard as pulling teeth?

By Tami Greig

If you are like most people, you probably look forward to a job interview about as much as you look forward to a trip to the dentist. Unlike going to the dentist, however, you can learn to improve your job interviewing skills.

On Friday, December 4, 1987, the Career Development and Placement Office will host a workshop entitled "What Do Employers Look For?". Patricia Chrzanowski, Personnel Specialist at Hammermill Paper Company, will be the guest speaker.

Students should not miss this opportunity to learn about interviewing from the employer's perspective. Ms. Chrzanowski is experienced in interviewing a wide range of candidates including en-

gineering, accounting, and marketing majors for both internships and full-time positions. The discussion will focus on the types of skills and attributes that employers look for when interviewing college students. Attending the workshop should help to take some of the mystery out of interviewing with a company.

Along with holding workshops, the Career Development and Placement Office provides a wide range of services to students. You can come in and have your resume critiqued, discuss job search strategies, or browse through our references. It is important that students take advantage of the services that are available at the Career Development and Place-

ment Office. Learn the skills now that will enable you to conduct a successful job search; when you graduate, intense support will not be readily available. Some researchers estimate that it takes an average of three months of full-time (35 hours per week) job searching to find a position. It will be easier if you learn some basic skills like resume writing and cover letter preparation ahead of time. If you are not prepared for your job search, you will be unable to compete with students who are prepared to enter the job market.

The following list illustrates some of the reasons why people do not get hired:

1. Poor appearance.
2. Over aggressive "know it all".
3. Inability to express self clearly.
4. Lack of career planning — no direction.
5. Lack of enthusiasm.
6. Lack of confidence.
7. Failure to participate in activities.
8. Emphasis on money.
9. Poor grades.
10. Unwilling to start at the bottom.

- Through careful preparation and planning, you can avoid making each of these mistakes. Take a little time now to prepare for your job search. Begin by attending the December 4th "What Do Employers Look For?" workshop being held in the Reed Seminar Room at 12 noon.

## ROTC

By James Gavrilis

On the weekend of Nov. 20-22, the Behrend Rangers will have conducted an FTX, (Field Training Exercise). The Rangers will be airlifted by the 60th Medium Helicopter Battalion, stationed at Ft. Meade, Maryland, from the campus soccer field to Pittsfield, Pa. While in Pittsfield, the Rangers conducted training in raid and reconnaissance patrols, patrol base activities, reaction to enemy fire and actions upon contact with the enemy.

The Rangers were issued an M-16, blank ammunition, smoke grenades, flares, grenade simulators

and MRE's, (meals, ready to eat), for the weekend with the mission to close with and destroy the enemy. This was as close as possible to actual conditions under fire as the Rangers have ever come. During the exercise, the Rangers stayed outdoors and carried all their equipment and supplies on their backs.

As some of you may have seen, the Rangers had been practicing the various skills they will need for this exercise, every Monday night on campus for the past several weeks. Now they got the chance to put all the various skills learned together in one exercise.

By Lori Beals

Twenty-five Army ROTC cadets embarked on a trip to Ft. Knox, Ky., on Wed. Nov. 4th. After a 9-hour ride by bus, we arrived early Thursday morning and gladly piled out into 2 empty Basic training barracks, where we settled in for the rest of the night. Up early the next morning in the chilly air, we marched down the road to the mess hall to eat at 7 a.m., and got to watch Basic trainees and Drill Sergeants as they got their morning "chow."

After breakfast, we received a welcoming briefing about Ft. Knox. We were also told that a large part of Ft. Knox was on fire because of a long spell of dry weather, and that much of the field training was stopped so the fires could be put out. Instead of going into the field, first we were taken to the U.S. Cavalry store where many types of military clothing and accessories are sold. Then we were shown around a building where enlisted men were being trained in many areas of tank maintenance. We were taken to a large lot where tanks were parked, and we were allowed to get inside of them and examine their high-tech interiors of computers and sighting devices. The uses of the different equipment were explained, and we were shown where the tank's ammunition was kept and how it was used.

Later in the day, we were shown a laser and computer device called the Weaponeer. The laser was attached to an M-16 rifle which was placed to simulate firing it from a standing position within a foxhole. A few feet away from the end of the rifle was a backboard which simulated a field. The first time using the Weaponeer, we fired 3 shots at a silhouette target that popped up in the field. Then on the computer screen, we could see what the movement of the gun barrel was like for 3 seconds before we shot, and where the laser "bullet" landed on the target.

We also fired 32 times at 3 silhouette targets which would pop up randomly for 5 seconds at a time. When each person finished, they got a printout of how many times they had hit and missed each target. A few cadets got to try firing on another Weaponeer, using the weapon on automatic and firing at one silhouette target, then getting a printout to see how accurately they had fired.

A few cadets also got to try the UCFT (tank simulator). The computerized simulator allowed the cadets to experience sitting and shooting enemy tank target inside a mock-up of the inside of a real tank. A grader helped them by telling them where the next target would be and giving them advice on what to do. After the cadets shot at a few tanks, the computer calculated the number of hits and misses and how quickly they destroyed the tanks.

For dinner that night, we went to the Officer's Club, where we had a nice meal at the Beef 'n Burgundy, then went dancing in another area of the "O Club" called the Fiddler's Green.

Another activity on the trip was getting to look at and sit in helicopter trainer/simulators, but unfortunately we did not get to operate them! We also visited the military clothing store and the Post Exchange (PX). The cadets got to see that the PX is just like a big K-Mart, except you need to have a military ID to get in. On Saturday, a trip was made to the Ft. Knox Armor Museum. The museum showed many old types of clothing that were worn, and the tanks, helicopters, and weapons used in the past.

Overall, the trip was worthwhile because everyone had some fun, saw and tried new things and learned a little more about what the Army is really like.

# New nurse a practical move

by James Martin

As part of the Generating Involvement theme and effort to expand the scope and quality of the University Health Center, Patricia Pasky was hired recently as a Nurse Practitioner.

Pasky's appointment follows the retirement of Registered Nurse Doris Adamack, who was one of our two full-time RNs. A Nurse Practitioner falls between a nurse and a doctor, being qualified to diagnose and dispense medication in addition to possessing the skills of a Registered Nurse. According to Dean of Student Services, Chris Reber, a committee was formed to explore the alternatives to a Health Center with a goal of expansion in both faculty and quality. It was the committee's view that a Nurse Practitioner would best meet the school's needs, and Pasky was selected from a group of 14 qualified applicants. Reber believes that Behrend's selection of a Nurse Practitioner will set a precedent for other Penn State campuses.

Pasky, who has an MS in nursing from the University of Pennsylvania, will oversee the year-round operation of the University Health Center, as well as assume responsibility for wellness and health education programming. Additionally, as the individual in charge of the Center, she will chair the Health Advisory Board.

According to Reber, a number of changes await the Health Center. These may include the relocation of the Center to the Reed Union Building, following the completion of the new library. This move would provide the Center with much needed space and privacy.

In the meantime, Pasky has planned steps such as installing a partition in the Center's office to increase privacy for anyone using the Center. Strongly committed to promoting increased awareness on health and health issues, Pasky has many plans that will shape the role taken by the Center. She is striving to eliminate the common impression that the Center is merely a dispensary for those requesting medication. Instead, she will try to establish the Center as a full service environment concerned with total wellness and health.

Already she has implemented educational programs, including some on smoking cessation, drug and alcohol awareness, and one on eating disorders such as Anorexia and Bulimia. She also conducted a very successful seminar, in Perry Hall, on women's health problems.

Open Mon. through Thurs. from 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. and Fri. from 8 a.m. - 9 p.m. services offered by the Center include: providing Physical Examinations, emergency treatment, diagnosis, medication and referral services. The Center also provides information on health topics ranging



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from alcohol and drug abuse to weight control and physical fitness. The Center also provides assistance concerning condoms and contraceptives. According to Pasky, the Center will provide the opportunity for both counseling and physical examination for women seeking contraceptives.

Reber sees this as a role that the Center can assume, and said, "I expect to see the distribution of condoms as well as birth control pills (through the Center)."

Registered Nurse Mary Jane Hamilton, Dr. Thomas Obenreder, and NP Patricia Pasky invite you to stop by the Center, located in the rear of the Glennhill Farmhouse, for any health-related reason, or just to get acquainted with the Center itself and services offered. If you have any suggestions or questions concerning the Health Center, call 898-6217.

# First Aid then CPR APO Inductions

Want to learn about first aid? What about CPR?

Multimedia First Aid will be offered Sat., Dec. 12, 1987 in Eric Hall room 6 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$15, and the card is good for three years. Call ext. 6163 for more information and reservations.

CPR will be offered Tues., Dec. 8, 1987 in Turnbull 204 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Cost is \$10. Call the University Health Center at ext. 6217 for reservations.

By Marie Sprumont and Stew McKinney

The number of faces in Alpha Phi Omega nearly doubled on Nov. 7 when the 1987 fall pledge class was inducted as the newest of the fraternal brothers. The ceremony was held in the Behrend Science Building. Among those that attended were founding father Ed Bailey and alumni brothers Dan Eccles and Russ McDaid.

New brothers are: Joe Bardo, Shannon Cerami, Mark Cripe, Lavarr Dixon, Joseph Dominiak, Jill Gardner, Robert Hanes, Traci

Hughes, Larry Laporte, April Loper, Stewart McKinney, Robert Nowak, Marie Sprumont, Erica Stross, Tamara Toy, Tricia Underwood and Susan Yetter.

A traditional bash was held after the ceremony. It was the best in our history and one that will be hard to top, but we sure will try to.

As soon as the jackets arrive for the new brothers, APO will be even more noticeable around campus. To assist in the funding of these jackets, the pledges held a car wash. Did you notice how clean the blue

bus looked? No one walked away from that function dry!

Braving the cold and frostbite threatening weather, the pledges of APO held a campus clean up on Nov. 5, and you wondered where all those beer bottles went that you threw out your window. It was a dirty job, but somebody had to do it!

As you can see, APO is still making the difference! So go tell two friends, and they'll tell two friends, and so on, and so on, and so on!

By Lori Beals

An awards ceremony for ROTC cadets was held on Nov. 23 in Reed Lecture Hall. Awards were given out for participation in the Ranger,

Drill, Rifle and SCUBA clubs, and also for involvement in IM sports. Congratulations to all those cadets who received awards.

## JRC

JRC set up a publicity committee to go out and get ads for phone books.

JRC will be having a Christmas Bazaar with ICC to raise money. We will probably be selling stockings with names printed on them and filled with candy.

JRC will be Christmas caroling with ICC also. This probably be held on Wednesday, December 8. We will have to schedule the blue bus and we will be going to either Children's Hospital or the retire-

ment home.

We will be having study break movies for finals week. We will be showing Christmas movies. On Sunday, December 12, the movies will be shown in Niagara. On Monday, December 13, the movies will be shown in Lawrence. On Tuesday, December 14, the movies will be held in Perry.

In order to get change machines in the lobbies we have to get everyone to sign the petition.

Lawrence dorms need hooks in the second floor girls bathroom.

## Campus Ministry

To bring in the Christmas spirit of love and joy, Campus Ministry is sponsoring an Advent/Prayer Service. It will be held on Monday, Nov. 30 at 5:15 p.m. in Reed 117. The service will be run by students under the supervision of the clergy of Campus Ministry.

This year's service will be particularly special. Special plans and preparations to create a festive and warm atmosphere have been made. Make plans to join in song and prayer celebrating the joys of love of the Christmas season. Come and see the special surprises and events that will help to make this year so special.

If you have any questions, feel free to stop in to Campus Ministry, located in the Student Services office in the Reed Building.

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What do you do if you are a victim or a witness to a crime? Please report it to the Police and Safety Services at 898-6231. The longer you wait, the harder it is to solve the crime. All injury reports will be handled quickly and the proper medical teams will be summoned by the Police.

If you're a victim, don't be embarrassed. Crime is not the victim's fault, no matter what is said: it's the criminal's fault, and the victim has nothing to be ashamed of.

Please remember, however, to report it. The Police can't properly protect people if they don't know what crimes are happening and where. In addition, if you notice any security problems, like hazards or headlights out, please report them to the Police and Safety Services at ext. 6101.