

Students take part in Drug Awareness Week

by Jennifer Flanagan
Collegian Staff Writer

The Behrend Health Advisory Board sponsored activities to celebrate the National Collegiate Drug Awareness week March 5 to 9.

Laurie O'Sullivan, a member of the Advisory Board, said that the basic purpose for the week was "to provide a program looking at a wide spectrum of concerns and to create awareness."

The kickoff event for the week was a mock cocktail hour at Dobbins Hall "to let the students know that something was happening," said O'Sullivan.

Some students said that the event was a good idea, but that dinner should have been served.

Kristen Delouchry, a sixth semester junior, felt, "It was an interesting idea, but it wasn't substantial enough for dinner because it was all deep-fried snack foods."

Tim Baron, a fourth semester sophomore, agreed with that description, saying that he liked the drinks but "would rather have had a meal instead of a snack."

Tuesday evening, there was a mock drug trial featuring

community members, including District Justice Charles Smith (as judge); Assistant District Attorney John Trucilla (as prosecutor); Attorney James Pitonyak (as defense counsel); Tod Allen of Police and Safety (as arresting officer); and Michael Harvey (as student defendant).

The program was intended to illustrate the seriousness of being charged with drug possession.

Ryan Reed, sixth semester junior, said that, "It was a worthwhile experience, but it is too bad that more people didn't attend."

The panel presentation following it was cancelled because the mock trial ran overtime, but according to O'Sullivan, the Advisory Board plans to have the community leaders back for another presentation in April during Wellness Week.

Wednesday, there was a display in Wintergreen Lobby by the Erie City Chemical People which caught the eye of many students. Greg Nardi, a second semester freshman, was surprised by the number of household items shown and felt that, "It answered a lot of questions."



Giving it up: Sophomore Bill Taylor waits patiently as his blood is being withdrawn

The blood drive competition began on Wednesday as well. This, according to O'Sullivan, "was a way for the students to serve the community, especially since many of the Greek organizations have community service projects to fulfill."

That evening there was a performance by Quiet Riot, a comedy theater group.

O'Sullivan said that the board "tried to include some fun events like Quiet Riot to attempt to get some points across as well as to

entertain." On Thursday, the blood drive continued, and the week's activities closed Friday afternoon with a performance by contemporary guitarist Marty O'Connor.

O'Sullivan said the board tries to "provide alternatives for people" through these types of activities, which they plan both through input from board members and from what has worked in the past.

Behrend professor resigns suddenly

by Mark Owens
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A full-time Behrend professor has resigned her position late last week for an unknown reason.

According to Dr. James Seroka, head of the Humanities and Social Sciences Division, Florence Rothwell tendered her resignation last week. He said her classes would be covered by other faculty and staff members for the remainder of the semester.

Rothwell taught two sections of Humanities 001 and two sections of English 202D this semester. Both Humanities classes will be taken over by Dr. Steven deHart. One of the English classes will be taught by Ms. Majorie Podolsky and the other by Ms. Mary Wagner.

Rothwell was a part-time professor for the past two years and a full-time professor for one year before resigning. She was unavailable for comment.

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Best of the Blood Drive



Blood drive champs: Patty McMahon of the Health Center and Tau Kappa Epsilon president James Taylor display Behrend's first-place trophy from last semester's Greater Erie Collegiate Blood Drive Competition. TKE was the winner among all Behrend organizations

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