

Scholarships keep students in the green

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system. The Academic Scholarship Application can be picked up in the Financial Aid Office and must be turned in by April 1 of this semester.

Among the twenty-five scholarships offered by Behrend are the Joseph H. DeFrees Scholarship, for outstanding students whose home is in Warren County and attending Penn State-Behrend.

The Petersen Scholarship is for full-time students enrolled or planning to enroll at Penn State-Behrend who've graduated from Erie's East High School and hold a GPA of at least 2.8.

There is also the Donald and Dorothy Leslie Scholarship for outstanding students from Erie County enrolled at Penn State-Behrend.

The ten-member Behrend Scholarship and Awards Committee attempts to disperse the money to students with high GPAs. Last year, a 3.7 was the lowest GPA a student could hold to receive money. Some of the scholarships require that you meet certain residency requirements but may open up to the general student body if eligible students do not apply.

"Some of the scholarships have some more specific requirements and we have an attachment to that scholarship application which asks more specific questions," said Kate Delfino, assistant director of Financial Aid.

One new scholarship will be available in the fall for financially needy students. The Pauline and Christ Scott Scholarship was set up in memory of Christ Scott, the self-made businessman who was born in Greece and made his home in Erie in 1940. The scholarship awards will vary according to

need.

Student leaders may be interested in applying for the Edward P. and Barbara F. Junker Scholarship. This scholarship is designed for students with leadership ability who are enrolled at Behrend. A personal interview with the selection committee (comprised of nine faculty members and one student)

the applicant.

The American College Scholarship Program and the B.F. Foundation both offer scholarships to undergraduates attending colleges and universities in the United States. Nothing is required.

The McMannis Scholarship enjoins students to have financial need and good academic standing. Pennsylvania Head Start offers a scholarship to undergraduates who are former Head Start Students.

Students who belong to racial minority groups can apply for funds through the Minority Scholarship Program and minorities in the engineering field could qualify for the Xerox Technical Minority Scholarship Program.

Students who are at least 25 percent Native Indian and tribal affiliated could be considered for a scholarship offered by the Association On American Indian Affairs, Inc.

Women have a wide variety of options in the scholarship arena. Depending on your major, time away from formal education and financial need, you could qualify for many scholarships offered by various organizations nation wide. The Lake Erie Women's Club requires that the woman be a returning student whereas the American Business Women's Association simply requires the applicant to be a female.

Students who are interested in scholarships should research the matter carefully. There are many books available both in the Behrend library and in most public libraries. Grades, outside activities, and writing skills are given considerable attention by the scholarship contributors.

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for current students and recommendations from faculty for new students will be a requirement. Financial need is not necessary, but a good academic record is. The deadline for the scholarship is March 5 of this year.

If you don't qualify for these scholarships, you may want to check into the hundreds of outside scholarships offered. For the price of an envelope and a stamp you could qualify for thousands of dollars in free education money.

A request for an application is the first step in this procedure. After receiving the application, you may find that an essay is required. Each scholarship may entail some specific action from

Drug Awareness Week

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Highlights of the week include a panel from the ABRAXAS center Monday night, a drinking demonstration featuring Behrend faculty and staff Wednesday afternoon and a candlelight dinner Friday evening.

Concluding the week will be a special Friday night event at Bruno's Night Club featuring "Mocktails" by Kappa Delta Rho fraternity and the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority.

The main function of the Wellness Center "is to provide programming to promote wellness among faculty, staff, and students," said Eck.

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World

MOSCOW -- Russians haven't been too successful in hiding their disappointment over the U.S. humanitarian aid airlifted to them in the past week. Russian citizens expressed mixed reactions over the \$78 million worth of surplus medicine and foodstuffs left over from the Gulf war -- gratitude for the supplies, disappointment over lack of quantity and a bruised national ego. "Honestly, I think it's shameful. In principle, our country is like America. Look how low the government has brought us!" said Vladimir Boiko, a 20-year-old forklift operator.

Nation

HARRISBURG -- Pennsylvania's redistricting plan will more than likely wind up being decided by the Commonwealth Court. The Pennsylvania legislature, scrambling to restructure the Commonwealth's legislative districts to conform with the latest U.S. Census, has stalled over partisan conflict. The House's plan is being ignored by the Senate and vice versa. Legislators have already missed one deadline, forcing presidential candidates to wait longer to circulate their petitions.

INDIANAPOLIS -- Mike Tyson reported to his probation officer Tuesday for a pre-sentencing hearing following his conviction of one count of rape and two counts of deviate conduct. Tyson, accused of raping an 18-year-old Miss Black America contestant last summer, will be sentenced on March 6.

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA -- Dr. Cecil Jacobsen is charged with 52 counts of fraud and perjury after being accused of deceiving some patients into thinking they were pregnant when they were not and artificially inseminating as many as 75 others with his own sperm. Several patients testified Jacobsen told them they were pregnant -- contrary to other physician's opinions.

PITTSBURGH -- Long-stem roses ranging from \$30 to \$70 a dozen are still the rage during this thorny recession. According to Alvi Voigt, agricultural economics professor at Penn State University, consumers regard valentine flowers as a necessary part of their budget. Other sweetheart gifts have not fared so well. Greeting cards, jewelry, and even dinner reservations have been affected by the economy's weak heart.