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Fourth Annual Blood Drive

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It's time, once again, for Behrend's organizations to compete in the annual fall blood drive.

The blood drive will be held on October 21 and 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Wintergreen Cafe, Reed Building.

"Behrend campus has been a major donor drive for the Community Blood Bank for several years running," said Lori Royer, public relations assistant at the Community Blood Bank of Erie County.

The drive is conducted by the Community Blood Bank of Erie County and is co-sponsored by Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

Royer said, "In the past few years, Behrend has received the collegiate award for most pints donated, competing with three area colleges (Villa, Gannon,

and Edinboro)."

"Behrend has participated in the drive since 1988," said Lisa Graff, Erie Community Blood Bank Donor Group Coordinator.

Graff said, "Craig Buck, Tau Kappa Epsilon secretary, mentioned to me that they (TKE's) are aiming for 140 pints this drive. Last spring's total for Behrend was 112 (pints)." The Erie community as a whole donates between 16 to 17 thousand pints annually.

The TKE's have been two-time winners in the campus-wide student organizations competition for most pints donated in their name. Delta Phi Epsilon sorority upset the TKE's winning streak last year and captured the honor of most pints donated.

Last fall, to encourage donations, Behrend staff member Bob Sauers, challenged to run a mile for each pint donated.



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You're Out!: Stephen Binder, eighth semester BLASC Senior, stretches for the ball as it hits his glove to make the last out in an Intramural Softball game.

Alcohol Awareness Week Starts Monday

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National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week will be held from October 19-23.

The Penn State-Behrend Health Advisory Board and Health and Wellness Services have planned a variety of campus activities in celebration of the event.

B.A.T.M.A.N. (Breaking Abuse Through More Awareness Now) is the theme for this year's Alcohol Awareness Week.

This is the fifth consecutive year that Behrend has participated in the national celebration of Alcohol Awareness Week.

Administration hopes that the issues of substance abuse and its consequences will be raised through student involvement and discussion.

Programs are planned all week to heighten the college community's awareness regarding substance abuse.

To kick off the celebration a carnival is planned in the Reed

Building on Monday from 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Highlights of the program include a live performance by Angelo Sanchez and the Mexicali Strings Tuesday afternoon.

Dobbins Hall will be the site of Happy Hour and Hors d'Oeuvres Wednesday evening from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

The high point of the week will be the fourth Annual Penn State-Behrend Clubs and Organization Blood Drive Competition.

The blood drive will be held Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the Reed Building Wintergreen Cafe.

"Events such as the blood drive are designed to be a celebration of serving the community and of positive alternatives to alcohol and other drugs," said Cathy Eck, senior research technician for the Health and Wellness Center.

The week's activities will be wrapped up Friday afternoon (12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.) with the participation of Behrend faculty and staff in a breathalyzer test.

Jonathon Hall, Gerald Spates and Bonnie Fagen will participate in self-inebriation while John Harrington, police and safety officer, will administer a breathalyzer test.

Eck commented that events such as the the breathalyzer demonstration will help students have a realistic view of how substance abuse or overuse can affect their campus.