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Homecoming tradition continues

Melchiorre and Lopez crowned 1994 homecoming queen and king.
Alpha Sigma Alpha and Delta Chi win Greek Week.

by Loretta Olson
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Behrend's Parents and Family Weekend began this past Friday and concluded with a brunch on Sunday giving parents and alumni an opportunity to celebrate this tradition.

Co-coordinator Pat Smith said, "Despite the rain, the weekend went really well; even the inside activities."

Smith added, "Every year gets better. The carnival was a big success and the comedienne went off well."

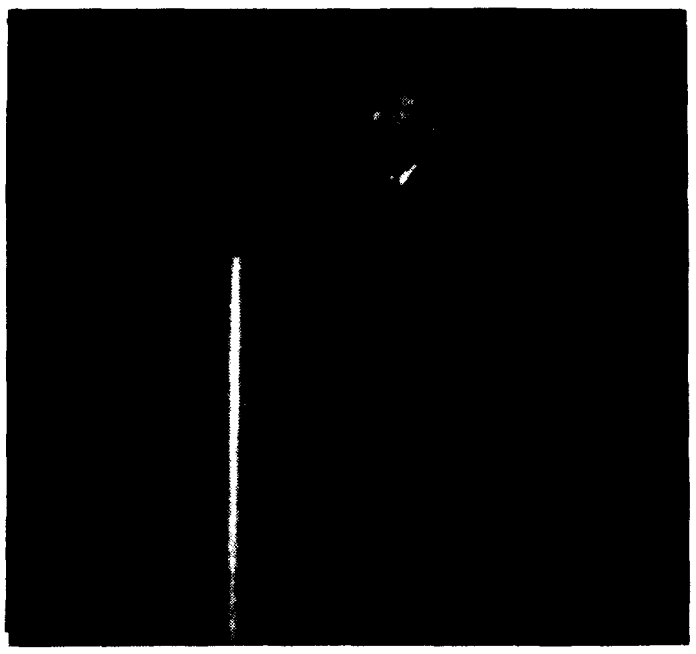
The weekend's events also included the crowning of the homecoming queen and king, Sarah Melchiorre and Marcos Lopez.

Melchiorre said, "I was very surprised and very honored to be crowned queen. By the time 3:40 rolled around I was so nervous I was shaking."

Lopez said, "It was a surprise and I was delighted that this could happen my last year at Behrend."

The weekend also concluded Greek Week '94. Of the sororities, Alpha Sigma Alpha took first place followed by Alpha Sigma Tau and Theta Phi Alpha. Of the fraternities, Delta Chi won the first place trophy followed by Sigma Kappa Nu and Zeta Beta Tau.

Chinese law scholars speak at Behrend



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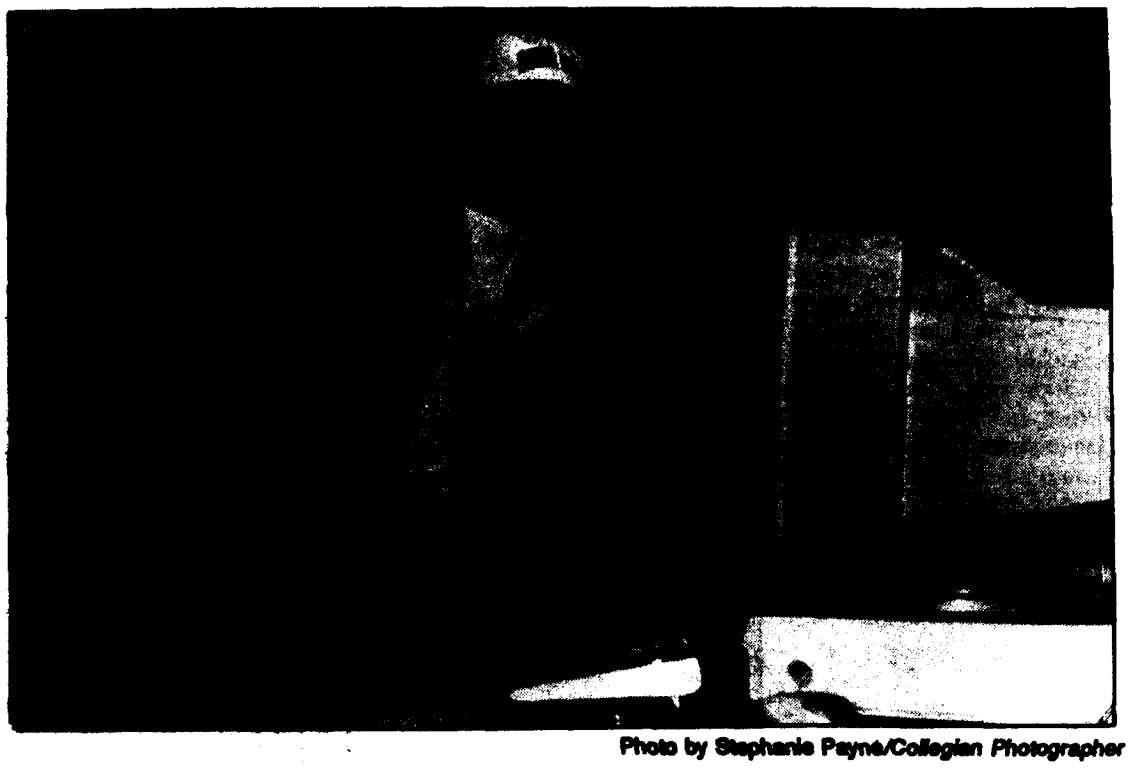
Shuxan Xu speaks on "Issues and Problems of Contemporary China." Zhaojie Li, who serves on the faculty of law at the Peking University in China, joined Xu in answering questions after the presentation.

New computer center on-line



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Justin Tinker, student consultant, shows Michelle Henry how to use the computer.

by Greg Pierce
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After nearly a one year delay, the new computer center has finally opened. Located in the basement of the library, it houses thirty-one 486 IBM computers.

The setback was due to a budget cut made by the state. In May of 1993 the state cut the building budget without prior notification to Penn State-Behrend.

This left approximately $125,000 worth of equipment to still be purchased. Without state funding, this money would have to come from Behrend itself.

However, the Provost's office was able to collect the money by trimming other budgets on campus.

Once the rest of the computers and communication equipment were purchased it took approximately three weeks to set up the center.

The new computer center was open for student use the second week of the semester.

The computer center is open from 8:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. on weekdays, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on Saturdays and on Sundays from noon-11:00 p.m.

Any questions or problems can be handled by the student consultants.

Behrend professors published

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[illegible] said, "Large corporations will pay out millions of dollars each year in [illegible] insurance claims for workers, and most companies have only one administrator to do all of the paperwork."

According to Martin "an expert system, properly implemented, will continually audit the claims, lowering the chances of overexpenditures."

Fizel has published a paper about the efficiency of health care facilities.

Fizel, while earning his doctorate, worked for the state of

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