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Crime prevention awards



Pictured above are Manager of Police and Safety William Donahue, McGruff the Crime Dog, award winner Gregory Dunham, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime Delinquency James Thoms, and Police and Safety officer Tod Allen.

Behrend community recognized for its efforts to prevent crime

ERIE--Behrend students and departments have been acknowledged with crime prevention awards for 1993-94 by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

Alumnus Rebecca Durkin and seventh semester student Loretta Russ were awarded for their efforts as crime watch leaders.

Alumnus Charles W. Bish, Jr. was acknowledged for his technical assistance for departmental computer equip-

ment.

Alumnus Gregory Dunham was presented with the 1994 state-wide volunteer crime prevention award for his leadership in the Penn State-Behrend Campus Watch program.

Behrend's radio station, WPSE, was awarded for its public service against crime.

The maintenance and operations departments were acknowledged for prompt reporting and response to crime and unsecured property.

Father and son make rescue

by Alicia Hartman
Co-editor

A Behrend alumnus and a current Behrend student rescued a man from his burning car Monday morning in North East.

Father and son Ronald and Michael Galbreath saved Christopher Lee Jenkins from his flaming car which had slammed head-on into a tree on East Lake Road.

Michael was home watching television at 2 a.m. when he heard his car alarm go off. His alarm had been triggered by the

impact of Jenkin's car hitting a tree.

"I thought someone was trying to break into my car," said Michael.

When Michael went outside to check on his car he saw Jenkins' vehicle on fire.

Michael and his father attempted to put the fire out with an extinguisher. The fire did not die so Michael and Ronald pulled the driver's door down to the ground.

When Jenkins was pulled from the vehicle he was unconscious. Michael and

Ronald carried Jenkins across the yard, stabilized him and put blankets over him. Michael said Jenkins then showed signs of consciousness.

Although it was in the back of his mind that he might have been injured attempting to rescue Jenkins, Michael said, "I never freaked out or got scared. Everything kept coming to my mind and I just kept doing it."

Ronald said, "We weren't worried about it (getting hurt). We just wanted to get him out."

A couple minutes later the car went up in flames. Sheryl

Galbreath, a nurse and Ronald's wife, then called 911.

When Michael saw the car go up in flames he thought, "I was like wow--he (Jenkins) could've been in there."

As of yesterday Jenkins was in critical condition at St. Vincent Hospital.

"I found out how much first aid training in high school helped," said Michael.

Michael, who was supposed to stay the night at a friend's, asked, "What if I wouldn't have come home and heard the car alarm?"

"I'm just glad that he's (Jenkins) living," said Ronald.

Michael said "the media made it sound like it was all me" calling him a "local hero," but that "it was totally 50/50" with his father.

"It had taken two to pull the door down and two to rescue him," Michael said.

Michael is a first semester agricultural business management major. Ronald is a 1974 business major.

Young Lady Lions ready to strike. Face Lake Erie College tomorrow night.

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