

Question of the Week-

**Work Study: Should open positions be offered to students who do not qualify for work study?**

Yes, I think all work study positions should be opened to all students. I don't think it is right to base hiring eligibility on a student's parents' income level. I work in Dobbins and by the current system, this is the only job I qualify for on campus.

-John Butler 05 Accounting

You always see signs up, "Work Study," for people who qualify. They seem to have more positions than students who qualify. They should offer them to students who don't qualify.

-Dan Jaecks 07 GAS

It would give the people who don't qualify for work study the opportunity to work on campus and become more involved on campus.

-Brian Morton 05 Accounting

I think that people should have the opportunity to work any where they want to regardless of having work study or not. Not everyone qualifies for it and there are still people who need jobs. If the only place with job openings is for work study then they should be given an equal chance at getting that job.

-Danielle DeCarolis 02 DUS

No, the system is set up so people get the money they need. They work study positions should be reserved only for those who really need it.

-Kevin Wellejus 01 Engineering

They should be offered to other people only after a certain date to fill unused positions.

-Spyce McMahan 04 DUS

No, the work study positions are for people who are financially disadvantaged. If the program is working correctly, then the people on work study need and deserve that money.

-Brendan O'Donnell 03 History

Yes, the money is used for what the students need. If it is not used for tuition then it should be open to all students. Everyone can use money for anything.

-Steve Pavlock 03 MET

Yes, everyone needs the money. There are plenty of open positions that work study students aren't taking. Why not open those positions up to students who are willing to work.

-James Bunce 01 Engineering

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**Theatre professor fails as cop, gets nabbed**

by Justin Bergman  
The GW Hatchet

WASHINGTON-- It seems as though George Washington University theater Professor Bradley Sabelli could benefit from some acting classes himself. In fact, his latest performance in his latest role was so unconvincing, it could land him in jail.

Sabelli was arrested recently for allegedly impersonating a police officer when he stopped two girls who were driving recklessly in Centerville, Va., on Oct. 23.

According to Fairfax County police reports, Sabelli, 47, was driving west on Northbourne Drive at about 8 p.m. when he said he approached a vehicle that "appeared to be weaving within its lane."

Sabelli was not without his theatrical props. In attempt to get the car to pull over, he placed a flashing red light in his front windshield.

The occupants of the other car, two girls also from Centerville, ages 16 and 18, refused to pull over at first and allowed Sabelli to follow for several blocks with the flashing red light on, the police report said.

Finally, at the intersection of Ghoptank Court and Indian Rock Road, the girls stopped at a red light and Sabelli pulled up beside them, rolled down his window and implied that he was an off-duty police officer and could write the driver a ticket.

The girls were apparently unconvinced by Sabelli's performance, so they took down his license plate number when he drove away and later called police. Sabelli was arrested last Tuesday and charged with "falsely assuming or exercising the function or duty of police

officer," the police report said.

Sabelli was released on a summons pending a court hearing. If convicted, he could face a maximum penalty of one year in jail and a \$2,500 fine.

According to The Washington Post, Sabelli told police he didn't like the way the girl was driving.

"A police officer who saw driving behavior like that would stop someone," Officer Cherly Watson said. "But obviously it doesn't give someone else a right to put a flashing red light in their dashboard and do it."

Sabelli did not return several messages left at his office last week requesting that he comment on the incident. He has been a theater professor at GW for 20 years, said Leslie Jacobson, chairman of the theater and dance department.

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**Officer  
-Cherly Watson**

University officials would not comment on the incident, either, because it is considered a "personal matter," according to Mike Freedman, director of Public Affairs in the University Relations office. Freedman did say, however, that in any case, Sabelli should be considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Linda Salamon, vice president of Academic Affairs, called the arrest "a civil matter," which occurred nowhere near the GW campus and did not affect GW students in any way. Therefore, she said the University will not involve itself in the matter through the judicial process.

Freedman said the University might have reason to get involved if Sabelli is convicted in court, though. He said the university has a faculty code of conduct to evaluate incidents like this, and if convicted, "the issue would be looked at to see if it

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**-Leslie Jacobson**

merited further attention." He added, though, that he thought this crime was just a misdemeanor, and not a crime of "moral turpitude."

Jacobson, who said she has known Sabelli for 18 years, agreed with Freedman. She said she thought Sabelli had acted with the best intentions, because he was worried the girls "would kill themselves or someone else."

"It was possible that he did save lives," Jacobson added. "(Sabelli) is one of the most moral and decent people I know."

She said that Sabelli will "absolutely" continue teaching at the university for the time being, as he is one of the most "valued members of the department."

**SGA Report**

by Sean Siekkinen  
Collegian Staff

The Student Government Association holds its weekly meeting every Wednesday at 5:15 in Reed conference room 114.

Whether or not SGA should publish a student-faculty phone directory this year has been a topic of debate for more than a month. It appeared, based on recent committee reports, that the question had been answered and that a phone directory would almost assuredly be published and available by the start of the spring semester. But now the question of to publish or not to publish is back on the table, and hopes of a phone directory being out next semester are growing dimmer.

SGA President Timothy Mallon gave no explanation for the new twist in the phone directory saga, saying that it would be published by January if SGA still backed the directory.

"We're wondering if it's something we should do now," Mallon said.

The petitions against cuts in state funded student aid which are currently being circulated across campus by SGA senators have been signed by 600 students. SGA had an initial goal of receiving signatures from half of Behrend's student body. The petitions will be in circulation until tomorrow.

The constitution for Behrend's newest soon to be student organization, the Tae Kwon Do club, is being held up by red tape at University Park. According to Director of Student Activities Chris Rizzo, the organization falls into a special 'high risk' category and must have its constitution approved by University Safety Services before official recognition can be granted.

A motion to retain the 6th resident senator seat and 11th commuter senator seat passed. The seats were added early this year when the accuracy of the senate's representation of residents and commuters was questioned. The motion is provisional, guaranteeing the seats only throughout next semester.

Several students would be interested in having SGA or the Commuter Council provide group health insurance for the student body, according to Commuter Council President Steve Landon. Both Rizzo and Dr. Chris Reber, Dean of Student Affairs, said that Behrend currently does offer a health plan to students. But the plan currently available is either too expensive or inadequate, and Landon will look into other group plans, as well as updating the current one.

Behrend's 47th annual Hanging of the Greens will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, December 1. Blue bus transportation will be provided to and from the event.

"It's really a special ceremony. It's the oldest tradition at the college," Dr. Reber said.

Nightline will be at Behrend on Wednesday, December 6 to cover Rae Lewis-Thornton's talk. As part of the Behrend Speaker series, Thornton will discuss living with HIV and AIDS. Thornton contracted HIV and is currently carrying full blown AIDS. She will speak noon in the Reed commons.

Monday's Coffee with the Provost has been cancelled. Provost and Dean John Lilley will be out of town.

**Police and Safety Report**

**November 28:** A staff member reported that someone had removed a telephone answering machine from his office.

**November 28:** Police and Safety officers are conducting an investigation into a complaint of someone using marijuana in a residence hall.

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