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## Rev. Jackson to speak

*Doors open 4:30,  
seating limited*

by Michelle McKean  
*Collegian Staff*

An opportunity awaits in the Erie community as the visit of Rev. Jesse Louis Jackson approaches. On Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m. a man referred to as the "great unifier" will speak at Behrend.

Jackson's Lecture, "Keep Hope Alive" is one of many in the Penn State-Behrend Speaker Series.

Jackson has played a significant role in practically every social movement for the past three decades. According to him he stands for "empowerment, peace, civil rights, gender equality, and economic and social justice."

Jackson serves as a leader both politically and spiritually to the nation.

President of the National Rainbow Coalition, founded by himself in 1986, Jackson is devoted to education. He said he believes in encouraging the youth of our nation. He frequently visits high schools, colleges and universities to emphasize the importance of education and a drug-free lifestyle.

Jackson has received over 40 honorary degrees and has been presented with many honors for his dedication to human rights and social justice.



In 1990 he was elected to the post of U.S. Senator in Washington D.C. Jackson is the, "Statehood Senator created to advocate statehood for Washington D.C."

Jackson's Lecture will address issues related to the future. The

lecture will be held in the gymnasium of Erie Hall and carried via closed circuit television in the Reed Union Building Commons. The lecture will also be aired on WPSE talk radio. Doors will open to the public at 4:30 p.m., with seating on a first come, first serve basis.

## Dance-a-thon planning

by Doreen Foutz  
*News Editor*

On March 1, Behrend students will have the opportunity to dance the night away in Behrend's first annual dance-a-thon. Hosted by Alpha Sigma Tau sorority, the event kicks off at 7 p.m. Star 104 radio station is sponsoring the event in conjunction with local area establishments including

Subway, Perkins, Applebee's, Olive Garden, and Pepsi.

Proceeds from the dance-a-thon will be donated to the Emmaus Ministry.

"It is the first time anyone at Behrend has ever done a dance-a-thon and we just wanted to get Behrend students, faculty, and staff, along with the community involved," said Nicole Pepicello, sister of Alpha Sigma Tau.

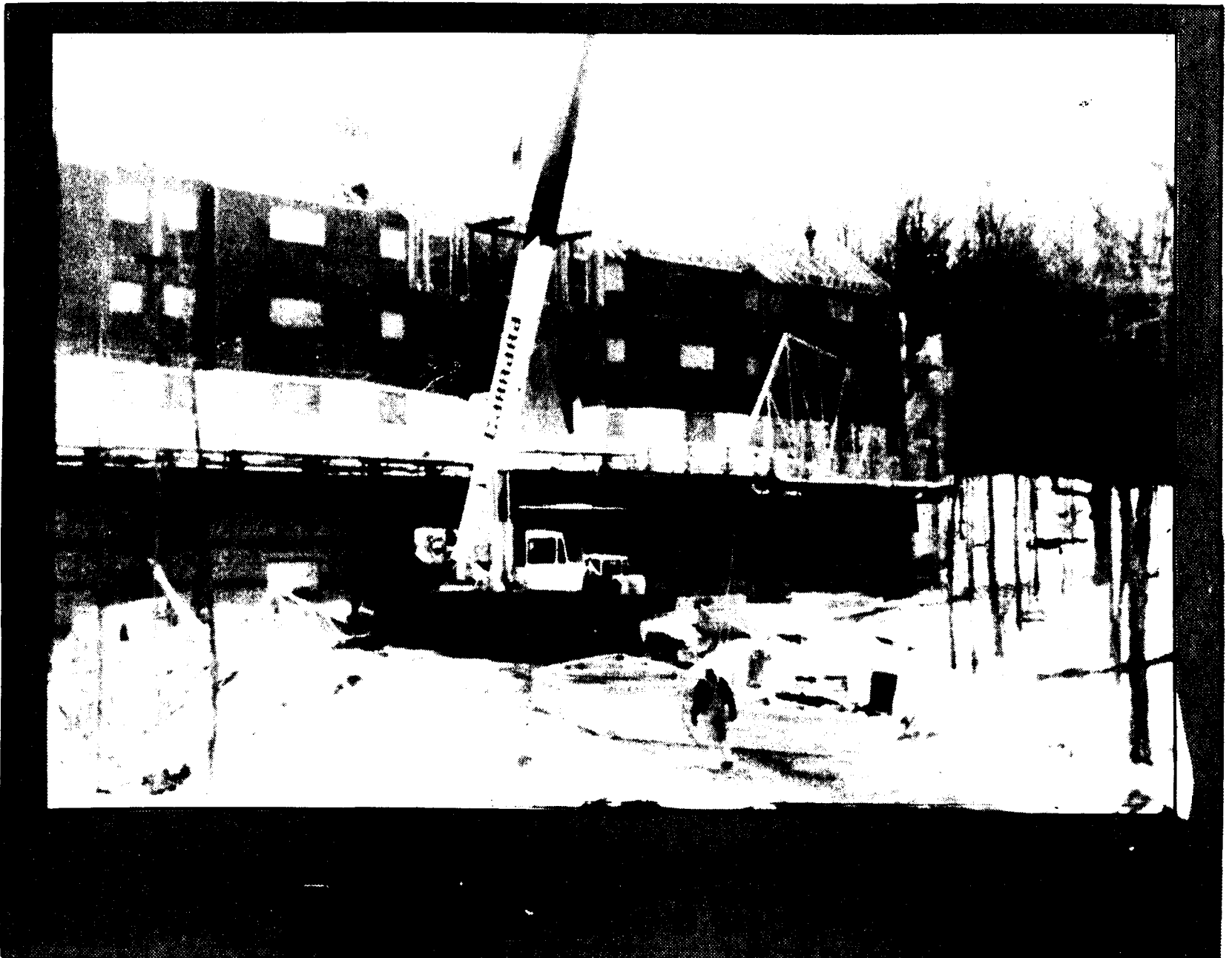
According to Pepicello, this year's dance-a-thon is the beginning of an annual event.

Prizes will be awarded to the winners and runners-up. The grand prize is a get away weekend at a location yet to be announced.

Advance tickets can be purchased at the RUB desk in the Reed Union Building. The dance-a-thon will begin at 7 p.m. on

March 1, and end at 7 a.m. the following day.

A group of ten can enter for \$50, students and senior citizens can enter for \$8 individually, or \$12 a couple. Members of the community can enter for \$15 individually or \$20 a couple. Audience members are also welcome for \$2.



**ACTION  
NEWS**

Weekend Weather

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with Joey Stevens

**Today:** Periods of clouds and sunshine. High 37 degrees.

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy. Low 27 degrees.

**Friday:** Periods of clouds and sun, maybe a flurry at night. High 33 degrees.

**Saturday:** Variably cloudy, cold, maybe snow showers. High 29 degrees.

**Sunday:** Partly sunny, not as cold. High 35 degrees.