

## Housing contracts due: more students means less housing

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By now, all on-campus returning students should have received a contract for the fall 1999 housing with instructions, in their on-campus mail box. Those who have not received a contract package should go and obtain one from the Housing and Food Services office.

In the past, contracts were accepted in hopes that Housing would be able to offer housing to all students returning contracts. However they may have the situation where they have

more contracts than space available. All assignments are made on a first come first serve basis.

The meeting deadline for housing contracts is 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 29. Housing and Food Services asks everyone to turn in their own housing contract. Students should bring their i.d. with them when turning in their contract.

For the first time, single rooms will be available in Ohio Hall. In order to receive this type of housing your contract must read "single" under hall and room choices. Those who wish to live in single rooms should also write "Ohio Hall Single." Otherwise Hous-

ing and Food will think that you are requesting a double room.

This year the contract submission has been moved to Reed Commons, but only for the first morning at 9:30 p.m., Sunday, January 24. The Commons will be open so the line can begin. The doors will be closing at 7:30 a.m., Monday, January 25. Contracts will be accepted at 8:00 a.m. in the Housing office in Dobbins through 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 29.

Housing and Food Services would like to remind everyone that this is for on-campus residents only. Off campus students that want to move on-campus must fill out a wait list card in the Housing office.

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long way," Seale stated. He went on to say that at the age of 5 he was a carpenter with his father and by the age of 18 he was an architect. He is also a Jazz drummer and a stand up comedian. Seale told several stories about the BPP. He told stories to show the equality between male and female members of the BPP. His stories also explained how the BPP evolved.

Following his round table discussion, a dinner was held in Reed Commons. Throughout the dinner the Behrend Gospel Choir "Ultimate Praise." After the dinner, Seale gave a lecture in Reed 117. Russell John Baptiste, 04 MIS, introduced Seale. Seale began the lecture with the first time he heard Dr. King speak in 1962. The rally was about boycotting Wonderbread. Seale was in the United States Air Force from 1955 until 1959.

In 1962, Seale began learning about his Afro-American heritage. He was influenced to do this by a friend who was in a street corner rally. It was after the death of Malcolm X that Seale and his friend Hewey Newton began to form the BPP. After writing the Ten Point program, Seale and Newton took the first two paragraphs of the United States Constitution, paraphrased them, then put them at the end of the Ten Points.

In the beginning, the BPP raised funds to get guns by selling the "little red book" that contained the ideas of Mao-Tse Tung. "They sold like hotcakes. But we had never read it" Seale said. After getting guns and members, the leaders began training the members to use the guns.

Seale then told a story about the first time the BPP went out into the community. They observed a police officer giving out a ticket. When the

officer became aware of the presence of the BPP and their guns he slowly got in to his car and left.

Seale said that the difference between the BPP and other organizations was the fact that they had multi-leadership. He like to think of the BPP as "an extension of Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X, and Nelson Mandela."

After his lecture there was a Question and Answer session. Several questions were asked including one about how he felt about the whole Clinton situation. "I could care less about Clinton getting into some sex. The Republican's are just mad because Clinton kicked their booties," Seale said.

Several students had comments about Bobby Seale. "I think the speaker was great. I do not care where you come from, your race, color, ethnicity, or social standing. Everyone could have learned something from Bobby Seale. His idea of being a 'progressive humanist' should be understood and strived by all." Scott Miller, 04, Plastics Engineering Technology

"Being able to actually come face to face with a co-founder of the Black Panther Party was an honor. While listening to his speech, I could actually feel the vibes of that time. I

acknowledge Bobby Seale for correcting those mistakes that were portrayed in the Panther's movie. I also learned that through his willingness to do whatever he was able to win justice. I do believe that because of Seale's willingness to go to the extent and even take a more detailed look into a situation, he was willing to reach justice. Seale made me realize that if you want something

bad enough, you should go for it, because if you see something that isn't right you should try to correct it. But if you choose noy to, then you don't have a right to say a damn thing" Angelique Parker, 04, MIS

Cheon Graham, 04 Psychology, said, "Bobby Seale was very inspiring. He showed me a different view of the Black Panther Party than I had been exposed to. He was very informative and I am glad that I had the chance to meet such a wonderful and intelligent man."

Randy Rowles, 05 Communications, said, "I found the lecture by Bobby Seale both profound and motivating. It was nice to hear from someone with real initiative and desire to make things better."

Matt Elias, 05 Meteorology, said, "I thought Bobby Seale had many interesting things to say about the Black Panther Party. He made clear to me that most of the misconceptions about the party are not true. I think he is a very intelligent man and I would like to see him return to Behrend as a speaker in the future."

Erika Forde, 04 Psychology, said, "I felt Bobby Seale was an inspiration to all. He enlightened myself and many others about the true meaning behind the Black Panthers."

Michael Ross, 02 PI SC, said, "Bobby Seale was the best speaker I have ever heard in a long time. He helped all of us get a better understanding of what Black History Month means to him. As well as that, he explained why and how he and Hewey Newton started the Black Panther Party. He was just an amazing speaker, because he told the stories the way they happend, word for word."

Russell John Baptiste, 04 MIS, said, "Amazing."

## Police And Safety REPORT:

1/14/99 A girl has been harassed by her ex-boyfriend with hang up calls. She also has a PFA out on him. Police and Safety left a message with her to call them, but she has not done so yet.

1/14/99 Complainant reported the door to their apartment had frozen shut and they could not get out. They had called housing but no one answered the phone. The message was delivered to housing who will get a maintenance worker there right away.

1/14/99 Burglar alarm at the bookstore went off. Manager arrived and the store was secured. It was determined that the alarm was activated by moving items within the store.

1/15/99 Victim reported receiving several harassing voice mail messages.

1/17/99 Unauthorized computer access

1/17/99 Noisy Party in Apt 808- Police and Safety checked but it had quieted down before they arrived.



## What did you get out of the Martin Luther King Celebration?

"I have never seen the Martin Luther King speech in its entirety."

-Ketan Petal, 04, Commu

"I got a greater understanding of what happend in the past. It also gave me a better understanding of injustice towards Blacks."

- Jeremy Mills, 06, Commu

"I learned more about the Black Panthers and tactics they used to achieve their goals."

- Gavin Kiley, 06, Commu

"A real appreciation for the social injustice Blacks have gone through."

- Nicole Mcgee, 02, AD

"I got a chance to hear a great speaker that gave factual important information about the Black Panther Party."

- Tommy Stovall, 06, EE

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