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Weber, Katie Galley who will be taking over as editorial page editor, advertising managers Erin Edinger and Carey Smith, Angela Rush, who will become the new wire service editor, and associate editor Jessica Tucci.

Shannon Weber, returning news editor stated, "I am looking forward to the Fall of 1999 and working with the returning editors. I am also looking forward to working with the new staff members."

There will be several new editors joining the staff next semester. Beginning next semester the *Beacon* will be involved in the new Freshmen Semi-

nar Program. This program will introduce first year students to the workings of a college newspaper. New students will have the opportunity to learn about Behrend as they contribute articles to the *Beacon*.

"With the freshmen seminar, we will be able to reach more areas of the Behrend community, something that was unavailable to the *Beacon* in the past," Snyder added. "Will and Ayodele set a strong foundation for the *Beacon* and I will follow their example when I become editor-in-chief," said Snyder.

Don't forget to join the Beacon next semester!!!

ABC Gala: Making it a Night to Remember

by Danielle Marshall
staff writer

"From This Moment On" was the theme to describe a night of dinner, dancing, and elegance. The Association of Black Collegians (ABC) sponsored their annual gala Saturday night at 7:00 p.m. in the Reed Commons. This event gave students, faculty, and staff the chance to end the year with honor and recognition. Minority students with a grade point average of 2.75 or above were awarded certificates of achievement. "As a recipient of the achievement award, it gave me great pleasure to be so honored by my peers and staff," stated Donald Adams, 09 BLASC. Awards of appreciation were also given to those who helped make the gala a complete success. It became a success with the energetic performance of Safarace, an ethnic

dance troupe from Pittsburgh.

Safarace includes 12 African-American dancers and drum players who provide a cultural appreciation of African-American heritage. They allowed the audience to participate in their song and dance while entertaining them as well. Safarace's elaborate, colorful costumes and props added a finishing touch to the spirited atmosphere.

The speaker, Elvage Murphy, Esq., was a Human Relations Programmer at Behrend in the Fall of 1988. He is now an assistant district attorney for Erie County. Murphy spoke on the progress we, as a people, need to make in order to enhance the world we live in. In Murphy's words, "From this moment on, never pass up the opportunity to speak to each other.... With God, all things are possible."

This atmosphere, with the color

scheme of black and silver, was also enhanced by a buffet-style dinner of creole chicken, red-skin whipped potatoes, yellow corn, white rice, hard rolls, and a marble sheet cake in celebration of this memorable event. The dinner was provided by Behrend's own Housing and Food Services. "I'm glad that the ABC gala was a success. The hard work and dedication of all those involved made this event possible. I am glad that the students and guests enjoyed everything from the food to the decor and the dance troupe, Safarace," stated Ayodele Jones, President of ABC, 06 POLSC. Adams also stated, "It was very enjoyable, meaningful. A marvelous and significant turnout heightened the spirit of the occasion."

MCC announces new E-board

by Will Jordan
editor in chief

The Multi Cultural Council has a new executive board for the 1999 - 2000 semesters. The new board consists of president Shimira K. Williams, 06 ECON, vice president Greg Loyed, 08 EE BD/CEN BD, treasurer Heather Robinson, 02 Pol Sci, secretary Maria Alomar, 02 DUS, and SGA representative Michael Ross, 02 Pol Sci.

The former board consisted of president Jennifer Fontecchio, vice president Melina Fernandez, treasurer Jose Orama, and Shimira K. Williams was the secretary. There was not an SGA representative.

When asked how she felt about becoming the new MCC president, Williams said, "I am happy that I am the new MCC president. It gives me a chance to give back to the school. We have already started to plan for the Ice Cream Social, Fall Orientation Dance

and the Harambee Dinner. The Harambee Dinner is scheduled for September 15 at 6:30 pm in the Reed Commons. The Ice Cream Social and Fall Dance are during orientation on Saturday, August 22. I hope that many students will attend and get involved with the Multi Cultural Council."

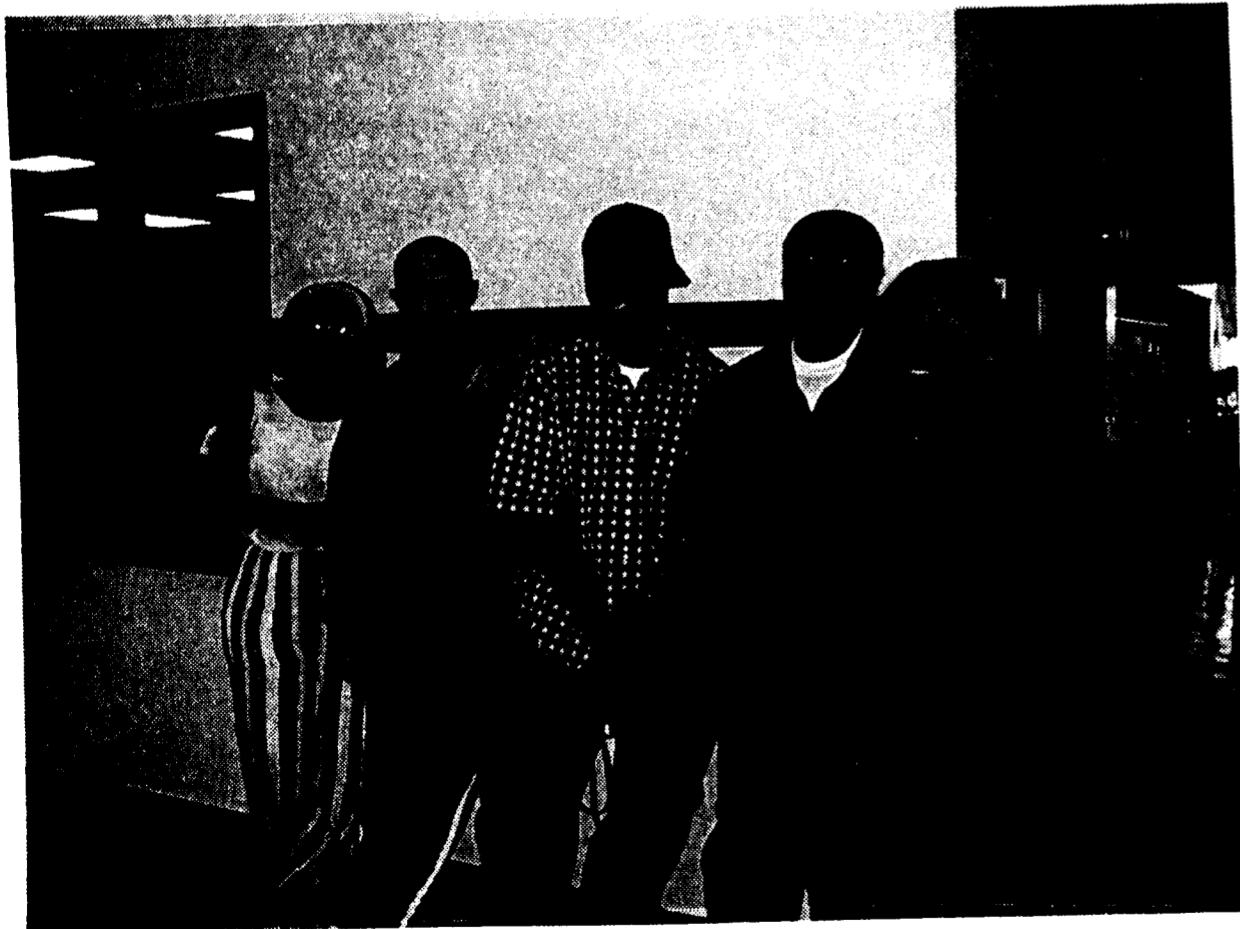
Loyed is looking forward to an exhilarating experience as vice president of the MCC. He stated, "I am glad to have been chosen to help aid in the culturalization and diversification of this campus. I plan to be very active and to promote the MCC's goals and hopefully help in achieving those goals. I am thankful for this opportunity and hopefully I can perform up to expectations."

Robinson stated, "I am happy that I am treasurer. It will give me experience in my intended major which is Finance."

Alomar said, "I am glad to be work-

ing with the MCC organization and I hope that next year, we will have more support from all the other organizations and students at Behrend."

Ross, the new SGA representative, said, "MCC is a good way to get a college experience. The rest of the E-board and I are going to do what we can to help increase cultural awareness across the Behrend campus. Along with cosponsoring all of the activities that will go through the MCC and doing my best to represent the MCC in the confines of the SGA, increasing cultural awareness across the campus is my biggest priority. Also, I would like to find a better way to promote MCC to the students as a whole, because I have found that most people are intimidated by the MCC. That is another important goal to me. I am sure we will find a way to do these things as the fall semester draws closer."



The new MCC e-board (from left to right) : president Shimira Williams, SGA rep. Mike Ross, vice president Greg Loyed, treasurer Heather Robinson, secretary Maria Alomar photo by Ayodele Jones

Have A Great Summer!!!
from the Beacon staff

Police And Safety REPORT:

4/21/99 Complainant reported having CD's stolen from their car.

4/22/99 Reported people in the back of Lawrence Hall with a sling shot aiming at parked cars.

4/23/99 Complainant reported the theft of a wireless mouse from a computer cart in Nick.

4/23/99 Complainant reported that several vehicles had been damaged. Witness reported seeing a Pepsi truck do the damage.

4/23/99 Underage person caught carrying a case of beer.

4/23/99 Officer stopped a student with an open bottle of Ice House beer.

4/25/99 Fire Extinguisher missing from Reed Building.



Would you ever streak and where? Why not?

Question of the Week

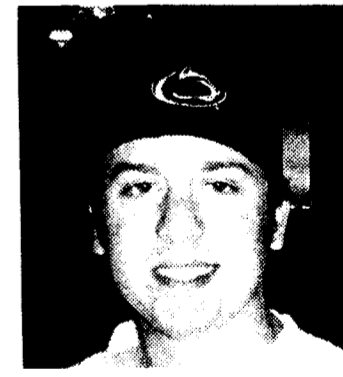
"Probably, no, I have too much pride."
-Mike Snider, 02, Act. Sci.



"No, I'm not that kind of girl."
-Carmen Cole, 02, Eng.



"No, 'cause I'd turn red."
-Scott Dzemyan, 02



"Yes, anywhere, anytime."
-Jason Fearnow, 04, Comp. Eng.



"Probably around the mall just to be an a**hole."
-Ron Starvaggi, 02, Bio.

