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### SPRING 2001

#### WEATHER

FRIDAY — Showers



High 60  
Low 42

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SGA has been working hard the past few semesters to get a student-run music radio station on campus.

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Tickets are now on sale for the 3 Doors Down Concert at the Civic Center.

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PHILLIPS REACHES 1,000 POINT MARK  
Women's basketball player and Behrend junio Erin Phillips has climbed her way up to the 1,000 point plateau.

##### PLUS...

The Beacon's monthly installment of *Your Money and You* gives you tips on mutual funds.

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## Vandalism of cars reported on campus

by Liz Hayes  
news editor

While the Behrend community may be accustomed to hearing complaints and rumors about Police and Safety's treatment of parking problems, it seems a new problem has cropped up. Rumors are circulating about abnormal amounts of vandalism to cars parked in the campus lots.

Since the beginning of the spring semester just over a month ago, Police and Safety has received eight reports of damaged vehicles

parked in the various campus parking lots. Also, one vehicle was damaged over winter break. A commuter student apparently visiting the apartments over break reported that one of his windows had been broken, and items had been stolen from his vehicle. Since mid-January Police and Safety has also investigated two incidents in which vehicles had been damaged during the weekend.

Also, there have been two recent incidents in which Penn State vehicles have been damaged. One involved a report of criminal mischief to a University vehicle, and in the other incident,

damage was done to a University van parked behind the Otto Behrend Science Building.

Student Serena Coulter, a resident of Almy Hall, had damage done to her car last Friday, February 2. She had parked her car in the lot in front of Almy around 1:30 a.m., and when she returned around 3:00 a.m., she found that the only thing keeping her side-view mirrors attached to her car were the electrical wires that run through her mirrors. She said that she saw other cars near hers that had similar damage done, and that some of the mirrors were lying on the ground.

"The thing that makes me mad is that there was no point to it and that it was a huge inconvenience to me because I had to take my car home this week to get the mirrors repaired," Coulter explained.

Another Almy Hall resident's vehicle sustained vandalism toward the end of last semester. Student Melissa Moser had a large dent put into her trunk, a dent that cost \$80 to

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## Warmed by Music



Floutist Nadine Jeong-Eun Hur performs with the Zephyros Quintet during Music at Noon: The Logan Wintergarden Series on Wednesday, February 7, in the Reed Wintergarden. The wind ensemble derived its name from the god of the west wind.

## Posters advertise Behrend stats on drinking and drugs

by Liz Hayes  
news editor

Students may have noticed the new drug and alcohol signs up around campus. For those who have not, the Partnership for Prevention Team at Penn State Behrend has begun a social marketing campaign to make the Behrend community more aware of alcohol and drug use on campus.

Beginning at the end of January, the Team began distributing a series of posters to be hung around campus. There are a total of five poster designs, with a new design to be posted every two weeks. Each poster depicts drinking, drug use, and partying statistics that were gathered from a survey distributed by the Center for Organizational Research and Evaluation (CORE). This survey was distributed in the spring of 1999, and the results were then turned over to the Office of Student Affairs. Others involved in the Team include the Provost's Office, community members, and students.

On the first poster that appeared in January,

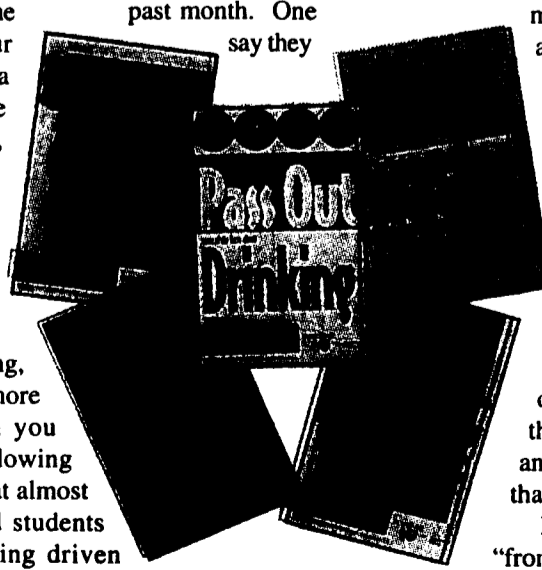
the statistic presented was that "44 percent of Behrend students say they've used alcohol only once or twice in the past month. One out of every four haven't had a drink at all." The second poster, which was just released, makes the following statement: "If you're totally sure it's OK to drive after partying, you've wasted more brain cells than you think!" The following statistics state that almost 40% of Behrend students admitted to having driven under the influence in the past year.

Nancy Panepento, associate director of student affairs, commented that she hopes to expand the campaign beyond posters. "It is my

hope to possibly make screen savers with the posters . . . Another idea was to make magnets and distribute those around campus."

The Partnership for Prevention Team is cooperating with the Higher Education Center's comprehensive prevention approach. As stated on the HEC's Website, the campaign is "grounded in the principle that student decisions about alcohol and other drug use are shaped by the physical, social, economic, and legal environment in which that behavior occurs."

Panepento explained that "from the survey we learned that students' perceptions about



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## Trigon and Women Today host annual Safer Sex Cabaret

by Paige Miles  
copy editor

The Reed Commons heated up Thursday night, February 8, as Trigon and Women Today presented the Safer Sex Cabaret. The purpose of the event was to highlight and educate students on the dangers and pleasures of sexual activities. Abbey Atkinson hosted the event, and between acts asked the audience questions regarding sexually transmitted diseases. A sex "tool kit" was given out for correct answers.

The value of relationship between a couple was demonstrated through partner yoga. On stage, two women performed stretching and breathing exercises designed to strengthen understanding between two people. To set the mood, serene music was played as a voiceover described the different exercises and stretches the women performed.

"Phone sex," the next act, consisted of two women sitting behind separate white curtains as they "talked" on the phone. The two began by asking what each other was wearing, and then continued by describing sexual acts in order to drive the other to orgasm. Phone sex is

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## Local entrepreneur to open 24-hour dance club

by John Federowicz  
staff writer

If you build it, they will come. And, if Chad Hershey's vision materializes, they should come — in droves.

A 24 hour a day, seven day a week, cavalcade of social interaction occurring in the confines of the former Don Pablos at the Pavilion of the Millcreek Mall is just what 21-year-old entrepreneur Hershey envisions.

With himself as the ringmaster, "The Chad Hershey Show" would boast a repertoire of attractions that would include standup comedians, Elvis impersonators, magicians, up-and-coming musicians, and even live animals. Hershey, a man who prides himself on his connections, also hints at a possibility of ushering in world class acts such as Rodney Dangerfield and Chris Rock, along with new bands on the cutting edge of breakthrough.

#### CHAD HERSHEY

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