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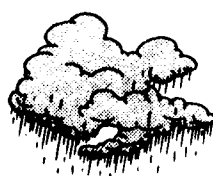
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## WEATHER

FRIDAY - Rain



High - 70  
Low - 50

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## NEXT WEEK



A Look Back...  
Dr. John Lilley

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Behrend's Women Today will march on Wednesday against sexual harrasment.

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**CUT THE BLUE BUS, BUT NOT COMPLETELY**  
A View From the Lighthouse suggests cutting back on funding for Behrend's Blue Bus because of low ridership and high costs.

## PLUS...

The Beacon's monthly installment of *Healthy Living*.  
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# Lilley accepts new job

## Dr. Jack Burke named Interim Provost

by Jason Snyder  
and Liz Hayes  
editor-in-chief and news editor



Dean Lilley announces his decision to accept the position of president at the University of Nevada, Reno.

The decision has been made and the deal is sealed: Provost and Dean Dr. John Lilley, Penn State Behrend's long-time executive officer, has decided to accept a position as the president of the University of Nevada, Reno.

At a press conference on Friday, April 20, Dean Lilley made the official announcement that he would be leaving Behrend.

"This is one of those classic bittersweet days," said Lilley. "I have accepted the offer of the Regents of

the University of Nevada, Reno, to become their president this summer." Lilley will be the 15th president in the 127-year history of the University of Nevada, Reno.

Lilley announced that Dr. Jack Burke, his first major appointment in his 21-year stay at Behrend, has been named as the interim provost. Burke is currently Behrend's Senior Associate Provost and Senior Associate Dean. A national search will take place next year to find a permanent replacement.

"I suspect I will not be a candidate, but I'm not holding that out," said Burke who did not wish to comment further on his future role at the

college.

Back in February a search committee approached Lilley, requesting that he permit them to submit his name as a candidate for the position that was vacated by Dr. Jim Crowley in December 2000. Crowley had served as president of UNR for the past 23 years.

"I certainly wasn't looking for it (job at UNR)," said Lilley. He bet a co-worker \$.25 that nothing would come of the opportunity. "I had to pay off my quarter this week."

## LILLEY LEAVING

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## Reactions mixed

Shaggy's late arrival gets mixed reactions from sold out crowd at the ARC

by Ann Marie Havey  
ad manager

At 6:00 p.m. the line started outside of the new Athletics and Recreation Center as fans began to anxiously await the Shaggy concert. "Shaggy's going to blow it up," said Kim Moses, a Behrend student. However, organizers of the concert became nervous when Shaggy had not yet arrived for the sold out concert, two hours after his scheduled arrival time. It wasn't till 8:30 p.m. that he entered the ARC.

Upon arrival Shaggy didn't acknowledge the students working the event. He walked past committee

members when asked if they could do anything for him. In his dressing room he stared at hospitality until they left, not speaking to any members of the staff.

Immediately after Shaggy's arrival, RikRok and Ray Von began their opening act. The 30-minute delay was a result of Shaggy's late arrival. The crowd screamed with approval at the end of each of the opening band's songs. RikRok responded by talking to the audience and complimenting Behrend.

## SHAGGY

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## Congressman English discusses China crisis and Bush's presidency

by Katie Galley  
editorial page editor

Taking the time from his busy schedule, United States Representative from Pennsylvania Phil English made a stop at Behrend on Wednesday to meet with students, faculty, and staff in Bruno's. In one of his informal "town hall" forums, English spoke with a crowd of about 50 people in Bruno's about legislation he is working on, upcoming proceedings, and issues that the students present wanted to discuss.

The afternoon started off with a greeting and handshake from Provost and Dean John Lilley. Representative English then addressed the audience that gathered in front of the stage in Bruno's. After apologizing for suddenly being detained in Washington D.C. for the last Behrend town meeting during the fall 2000 semester, Rep. English made it clear that Behrend had his undivided attention for the next hour and a half.

Representative English started the forum with his take on the China/United States spy plane situation. He

told the audience that he believes that the United States needs to be more stringent in the country's dealings with China.

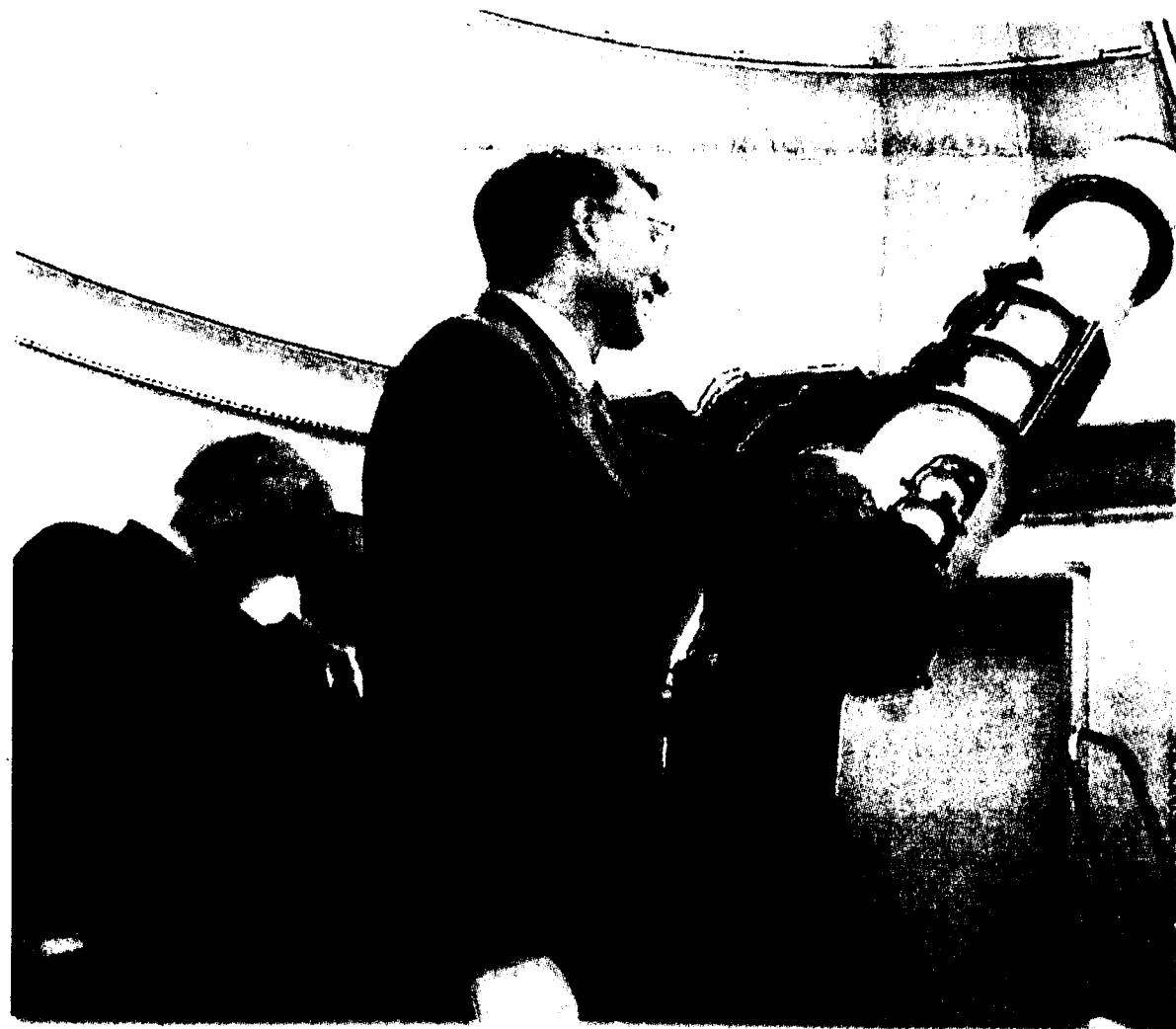
"They [China] should be the ones apologizing," he said, adding that China should not be allowed to win its bid to host the 2008 Olympics.

"We should also be prepared to make examples of Chinese behavior to other foreign countries in regards

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## Shooting for the stars



Dr. Robert Mehalso looks at the new telescope at the dedication of Behrend's new observatory.

## Mehalso Observatory dedicated

by Becky Weindorf  
photo editor

What's big, shiny, round, and has a ring to it? According to Provost and Dean John Lilley, it's the new Mehalso Observatory behind the Science Building, dedicated by the Mehalso family to the students, faculty, and the community of Penn State Behrend.

"The Mehalso Observatory — doesn't that have a ring

to it?" Dean Lilley asked the audience during the April 17 dedication ceremony at Science 114.

"The observatory will be a wonderful difference to faculty, students, and the community here. We are celebrating the generosity of a great family here tonight."

The dedication ceremony, which began with Dean

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## SGA 2001-2002

### SGA President-elect Hovis eyes 'unfinished business'

by Jason Snyder  
editor-in-chief

One year ago, Hovis had no idea of what she is today. She had just completed her first year as a Student Government Association (SGA) senate seat, a position that she hoped would give her some insight to what was going on at Behrend. One year later, Hovis

is preparing for her term as SGA president, a position that will allow her to take her insights on campus issues and begin making a difference.

Hovis claims her first job will be to take care of "unfinished business." Hovis and her running mate, Clint Lewis, campaigned heavily with the message of unfinished business and will begin

by tackling the problems with Behrend's student-run radio station and SGA's website.

"The radio station is kind of at a standstill right now, but it's something that will be taken care of," said Hovis. Once SGA's unfinished business is taken care of, Hovis has more ideas

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Congressman Phil English speaks to Behrend students during lunch at Bruno's.