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## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

### Four students test positive for H1N1

BY CONNOR SATTELY  
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Two more Penn State Behrend students have tested positively for Swine Flu, bringing the college's total to four. According to a Penn State Behrend press release on Thursday, the two students were both tested at the college's Health and Wellness Center.

Seven students in total tested positive for the Type A influenza; three

were tested off-campus while four were tested in the Health and Wellness Center. All students have gone home to recover. Further testing for the H1N1 virus returned positive for the four tested at Behrend; the school does not know the results of the other three students' tests.

No additional students have returned tests positive for Type A influenza; as of press time, the total remains at seven. Many students,

though, have inundated the Health and Wellness Center with complaints of flu-like symptoms.

Students who have influenza-like illness (ILI) symptoms are being advised to follow self-isolation guidelines, as well as fight the illness through "bed rest, fluid intake, and the use of over-the-counter medications to reduce pain, fever, coughs and other symptoms."

When students complain of ILF

symptoms, they are tested for Type A influenza, which can either be seasonal flu or the H1N1 virus, otherwise known as "Swine Flu."

If students test positive for Type A influenza at this point in the year, Erie County Department of Health estimates they have about a 90% chance of having the H1N1 strain, because usually the seasonal influenza will not

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## INTERNET

### Price of Piracy Campus cracks down on downloaders

BY ALLY ORLANDO  
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Students coming to Penn State Behrend have to sign an Internet policy agreement that specifically prohibits the illegal downloading of copyrighted materials. That doesn't stop all students from trying their luck. Some aren't aware of the possible punishments for stealing movies or music off of the Internet.

Jamie Boorman-Padgett, a Behrend freshman, brought his laptop with him to the Hammermill labs while waiting for class to begin on Friday. While there, he decided to illegally download two of the newest episodes of HBO's True Blood.

After his downloads completed, he closed his laptop and went to class. Two hours later he returned to the Hammermill labs and tried to connect to the Virtual Private Network (VPN). It didn't connect.

"I wonder if I've been caught," he says was his first thought. Upon returning to his room, Boorman-Padgett says he received an e-mail from University Park security.

"Due to a complaint, your VPN access is being temporarily disabled in accordance with University Policy AD 20," it read.

"I knew I was doing something wrong, so you know, I can't complain, but it's frustrating," he says. "It's like the first time you get a speeding ticket; you were doing something wrong, so

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## Student Organizational Stipends

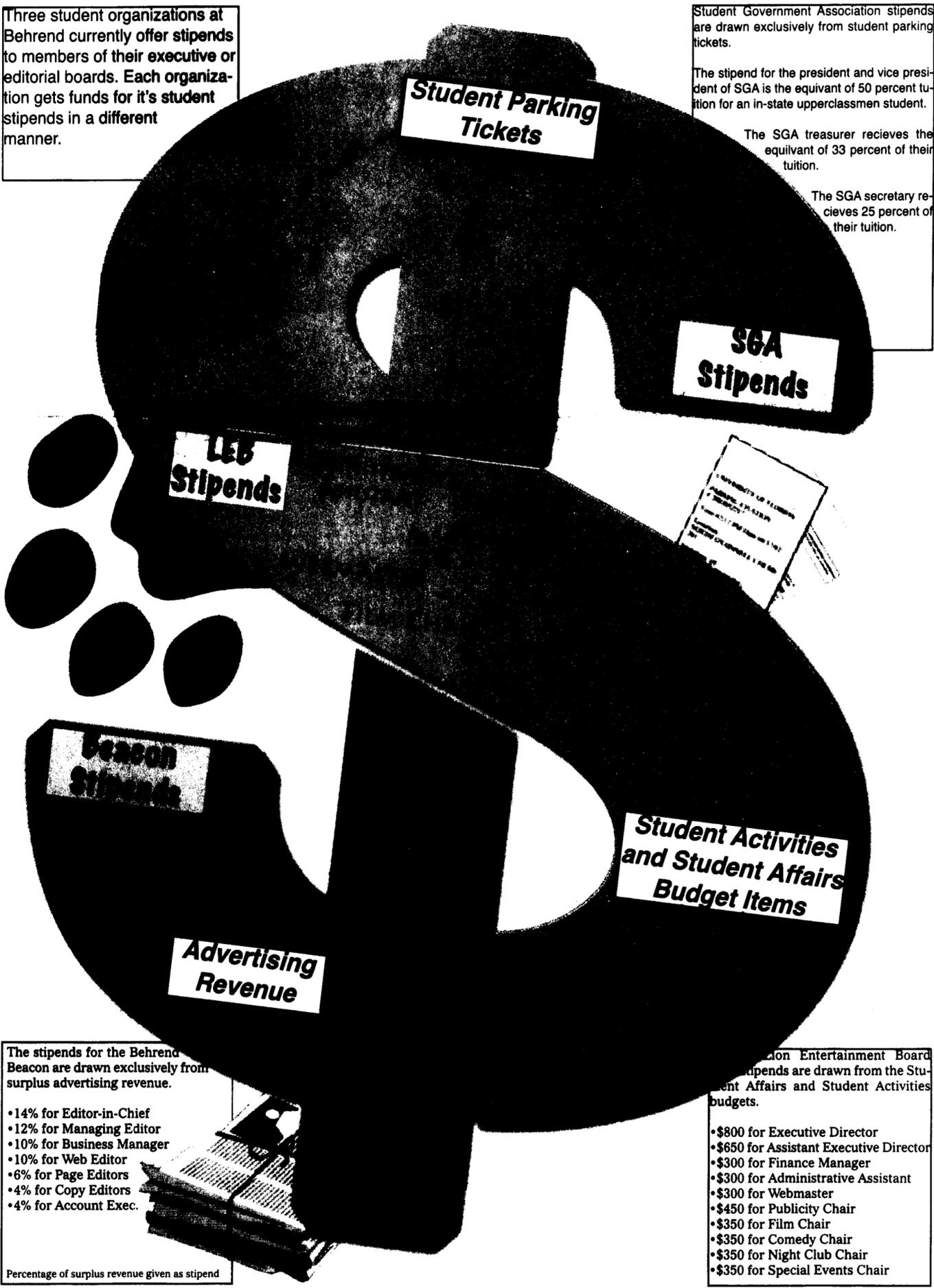
Three student organizations at Behrend currently offer stipends to members of their executive or editorial boards. Each organization gets funds for its student stipends in a different manner.

Student Government Association stipends are drawn exclusively from student parking tickets.

The stipend for the president and vice president of SGA is the equivalent of 50 percent tuition for an in-state upperclassmen student.

The SGA treasurer receives the equivalent of 33 percent of their tuition.

The SGA secretary receives 25 percent of their tuition.



The stipends for the Behrend Beacon are drawn exclusively from surplus advertising revenue.

- 14% for Editor-in-Chief
- 12% for Managing Editor
- 10% for Business Manager
- 10% for Web Editor
- 6% for Page Editors
- 4% for Copy Editors
- 4% for Account Exec.

Percentage of surplus revenue given as stipend

Student Entertainment Board stipends are drawn from the Student Affairs and Student Activities budgets.

- \$800 for Executive Director
- \$650 for Assistant Executive Director
- \$300 for Finance Manager
- \$300 for Administrative Assistant
- \$300 for Webmaster
- \$450 for Publicity Chair
- \$350 for Film Chair
- \$350 for Comedy Chair
- \$350 for Night Club Chair
- \$350 for Special Events Chair

## SCHOLARSHIPS

### Behrend to expand leadership scholarship

BY MIKE O. WEHRER  
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Frequently, students at Penn State Behrend have to choose between being active in student organizations and working a job. Dr. Ken Miller, Director of Student Affairs, is hoping to change that by offering leadership scholarships.

"Currently, there are 45 students receiving a \$1000 per year scholarship for leadership," said Miller "15 freshman, sophomores, and juniors. Next year we will include seniors as well."

Miller said that students often don't participate in student activities as much as they want to because they often have to work.

Miller hopes that by offering leadership scholarships to reduce the need for money, Behrend can get more students to participate in organizations on campus.

Miller acknowledged that \$1000 was "a drop in the bucket" of a student's financial obligations. "We're working hard to create leadership scholarships," continued Miller.

These scholarships are meant to be for students of all walks, said Miller, not just those with a perfect GPA.

Anyone can apply for the scholarships via an online application, although incoming freshman must do so earlier than current students.

To raise money for the scholarships, Miller has approached former student leaders who are now alumni, but the sluggish economy has made it harder to get donations.

Miller was confident, however, that things would turn around in the future for the scholarships.

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## friday

69 51

mostly sunny

## saturday

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mostly cloudy

73 58

mostly cloudy

Forecast courtesy Matthew Alto, weather editor