Record crowd at Midnight Bingo

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A red carpet rolled down the length of McGarvey Commons, Frank Sinatra hits played on the sound system, and flash photography greeted over 300 students who attended Friday's Midnight Bingo.

The popular event, held roughly three times per semester, normally draws around 150

"We had a record of over 300 students in attendance," says Lauren Restich, Treasurer for Lion Ambassadors, who hosts the event. "It was really unexpected due to the Penn State Ohio State football game that weekend.'

Students who participated remidnight, will take place Saturceived one free bingo card to use throughout the night. Additional cards were 50 cents each, which would go towards defraving the costs of the event.

Prizes included a Nintendo Wii, iPod touch, a digital camera, new DVD releases, movie soundtracks, board games, dorm essentials, and gag gifts, Restich said.

Midnight Bingo, Restich says, was initially a club set up by RAs in 2001 as an alternative for students on weekends instead of partying. Lion Ambassadors, founded in 1982 by Irvin Kochel, adopted the event

The next event, starting at 10:00 p.m. and lasting until



day, Dec. 5 in the McGarvey

Commons. A brand new bingo

machine has been purchased

for the event, which will follow

a "Holiday" theme. Pizza, subs,

and drinks, along with prizes,

will be provided.



Students competed against each other for the chance to win prizes such as a Nintendo Wii and iPod touch.

At a glance

Who: Lion Ambassadors What: a chance to win prizes including a Nintendo Wii, iPod touch, digital camera, new DVD releases, movie soundtracks, board games, dorm essentials, and gag gifts

Where: McGarvey Commons When: 10:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5 Why: prizes, fun, and friends Association of Black Collegians hosts Kwanzaa dinner



Daniel Smith / The Behrend Beacon Agatha Nixon, a Behrend student, and others enjoyed the Kwanzaa dinner hosted by Charwan Allen and Dawn Richards. Activities included a Poetry to the People performance and Unity statement.

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honor the SKN brother's donations, minus the offending letters. Thomas went on to say that it was up to THON whether or not to remove them, but the request to do so came from Brown.

"They [IFC] approached someone they thought was a representative of THON," said Lindsey Hopkins Hall, Coordinator of Student Involvement and Fraternities and Sorority Life

"Because Molly had been the chair, Cody [Brown] felt comfortable approaching Molly to ask about it. But it was not IFC that took them down, and it was not necessarily an IFC decision, because it wasn't an IFC function.

Lauren Restich / Contributed photo

Midnight Bingo's usual crowd of 150 students was doubled with over

300 students in attendance at its Nov. 27 session.

"I was approached by Cody to take them down" said Thomas "because they didn't want Sigma Kappa Nu to be recognized as an organization, or recognized with THON. Because of that, I took them

"It was not the choice of THON to take these cut-outs down with the SKN letters on contradicts THON chairperson Carly Lapp.

"The IFC stated they had a petition that [SKN] not be recognized on campus and asked us to do this. We did not want to do that, since we do not have any problem with the fraternity and believe they have every right to write what they want on the cutouts."

"Again, this was not the choice of our committee to do this," confidued Lapp,"we were asked to and could not do anything about it when a petition was shown to us by Cody Brown. We wish we did not have to do that, to have less controversy between organizations but we are trying to re-

solve this as best as we can to make sure their names are still placed on the wall, showing that they did support the cause of THON.'

All of Behrend's Greek Letter Organizations, including Pan-Hellenic council and the IFC. have signed a petition stating their agreement that they would not associate with SKN on an organizational level.

Shortly before 7 p.m. on Dec. 3, the names that had been removed were replaced, sans Greek letters.

Ashley Bemis / The Behrend Beacon A THON fundraiser cut-out was left after similar decorations with the SKN letters were taken down. The decorations in question have been replaced with the offending letters removed.

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