

Editorial Opinion

# Collegian Faces 'Multi'-Problem

The Behrend Collegian is currently facing a variety of problems. Most important of these is its continued existence. There is also the problem of whether or not the Collegian can remain financially solvent.

There are several reasons why the Collegian is facing these dire straits. The principle reason is the lack of interest among the students of Behrend Campus, which also includes the staff of the Collegian.

It would appear that many people at Behrend take the Collegian for granted. There has always been a newspaper every week, and there always will be. Many people are badly disillusioned.

It is true that many students support the Collegian by reading it regularly and providing valuable information that is necessary for articles. However, it takes more than moral support to put out a newspaper weekly.

The current staff of editors has been working at the same job for at least a year, and in the case of some personnel, more than a year. After such a lengthy duration it is quite easy to become saturated with the same weekly grind. For some, it is almost impossible to continue. A transfusion of new blood and spirit is required to revitalize the staff of the Collegian.

Knowledge that the editorship of the student newspaper will be vacated Spring Term has been circulated weekly via notices in the paper, but response on the part of the student body has been nil.

It also takes funding to publish weekly the type of newspaper that many of the campus have come to expect and take for granted. When someone is told, however, the exact figure necessary to print the Collegian on a weekly basis, they are shocked. When the advertising staff is composed of solely one man, it becomes an inhumanly impossible task to bring in enough advertisements to cover the printing costs. The money that is allotted to the newspaper is not enough to cover the extra costs that are run up in daily operation, but not considered; things such as stamps, copy paper, and office equipment.

If publication is to continue, the students of the Behrend Campus will have to decide if the newspaper is worthwhile, and necessary for the expression of Behrend thought.

### Editorial Policy

The editorials appearing in this newspaper will be opinionated and therefore subject to criticism. All letters that are typewritten of 200 words or less, and submitted to the newspaper staff will be printed with the exception of those that are repetitions or in poor taste. The staff reserves the right to correct

or delete portions of all letters for publication purposes.

All letters must be signed, but names will be withheld upon request. Term standing, major, and hometown must be included.

Signed columns represent the view of the author only and do not reflect the Editorial policy of the Behrend Collegian.

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# To The Editor

Dear Editor;

It was only recently that the Behrend Ecology Group began taking on projects. We have many expectations as to what we can do. Our present endeavors include a future proposal to recycle campus wastes, aiding in an Erie recycling system; teaching in Erie's public schools; research into laws and corporations for future use in identifying polluters, and many other related projects.

We have also recently put a conglomerate of information materials in the library and will add to the collection as we receive materials.

The world is pretty messed up now and the earth is our only refuge, we must protect it. If anyone is interested in helping our cause in any way, please contact me anytime, at 132 Lawrence Hall, 899-1404.

Thanks,  
Mark Bodycombe

# Events Of The Week

Sunday, February 13  
Toboggan rematch-ski slope-2 p.m.  
Movie-"Psycho"-RUB-7 & 9 p.m.  
Tuesday, February 15  
Speaker Claudia Dreifus on "Liberation Now-What are Militant Women Fighting For"-RUB-8 p.m.  
Saturday, February 19  
Wrestling-Jamestown CC-Erie Hall-6:30 p.m.  
Basketball-Jamestown CC-Erie Hall-8 p.m.

# Editorship of Behrend Collegian Open Spring Term

The position of editor-in-chief of the Behrend Collegian will be vacated at the end of Winter Term. Anyone interested should see Betty L. Seanor, chairman Board of Publications or Ray Geiger, editor Behrend Collegian as soon as possible. Experience or training desirable, but not necessary. Final decision rests with the Board of Publications.

