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## Spring Arts Festival

A jazz group from Erie entertained several Behrend students, Saturday, May 13 during the Spring Arts festivities. This group was one of the many attractions on campus for the weekend activities.

## PSU Researches Student Expenses

Five-hundred and three undergraduate students at Penn State who were surveyed by Student Affairs Research for annual educational expenses reported that dormitory and fraternity students can expect to spend nearly the same, but University Park off-campus students "can expect to pay more on the average for room and board."

All campuses of the University charge the same for room and board - \$1,065 - while fraternities reported spending \$1,068. Off-campus students reported spending substantially more annually on room and board than did either on-campus students or fraternity members.

Student Affairs Research feels that this comparison may not be as reliable because of a poor response from students living off-campus, according to Ralph Locklin, associate director.

Students living off-campus in private homes or apartments at the Commonwealth Campuses reported an average room and board cost of \$1,116, depending on the type of residence and the amount spent on food.

All students reported spending roughly the same - \$150 a year - on books and educational supplies. Students in the Colleges of Arts and Architecture, Earth and Mineral Sciences and Engineering said they spent from \$30 to \$40 more a year.

Clothing costs were on the average the same for all students, in that the average reported was \$153, almost one-

third of which is spent at the beginning of the Fall term.

The cost of incidentals for a year was reported at \$180, or about \$5 a week.

Transportation expenses varied greatly, according to the report. The average yearly cost was reported as \$80 a year, with males spending on the average \$20 more than females. Commuter students reported spending an average of \$116 annually, or \$36 more than non-commuters.

The report concluded that the biggest factor in determining the amount spent by a Penn State student annually is place of residence. Total costs for on-campus students were \$2594 for Commonwealth Campus students and \$2624 for University Park students (reflecting a \$30 tuition difference). The same costs for off-campus University Park students were reported much higher, (but again less reliable because of poor response), while off-campus Commonwealth Campus students reported total costs of \$2627.

## Penn State Holds Press Gathering

The Press Association of Commonwealth Campuses will hold its annual Awards Banquet in conjunction with its Spring Business Conference June 2 and 3 at the University Park Campus.

Student newspaper editors and staff members from the campuses will arrive for an opening General Assembly in the Hetzel Union Building at 1 p.m. June 2. Nominations for 1972-73 officers will take place with election of officers taking place the following day.

The Awards Banquet will be held at the Nittany Lion Inn Friday evening at 6:30. Both publication and individual awards will be presented to newspapers and staff members to recognize outstanding journalistic achievement. First-place

## SGA Candidates Debate Main Issues of Election

by Carol Turkington  
Staff Reporter

A "semiformal" debate between incumbent Student Government President Al Quinlan and Art Muchow kicked off the election rally for the SGA officials and representatives Tuesday, May 23, before a crowd of about 65 students, in an attempt to familiarize the students with the views of the candidates.

### Quinlan Speaks

Quinlan (6-ComDev-Erie) listed the main ideas he plans to endorse if elected:

- establishment of a commuter committee (consisting of 3-5 students who will meet with the executive committee or attend SGA meetings; possibly working with Security Force concerning parking problems, etc)
- poll conducted during third or fourth week to determine which speakers students want.
- Orientation plans including extensive training of student

advisors, printed slips of paper informing freshmen of various organizations (SGA, JRC, SUB, Collegian), complete lists of SGA member's names, addresses, phone numbers; dates and places of SGA meetings and summaries of what the SGA does. He also advises working with the RA's during their 3-day orientation period concerning SGA, and having members knock on dorm doors to discuss the purpose of SGA

- posting SGA minutes on every building
- Quinlan proceeded to list the achievements of the past SGA which he intends to continue which include the faculty evaluation program, an evaluation of faculty advisors, a student book exchange, and monthly dorm meetings.

Art Muchow, presidential candidate, bases his platform on an effort at making the SGA a more relevant branch of the student body. "I feel the SGA hasn't gotten to the students. It hasn't really been a representative body. I'm going to try to bring the SGA and the students closer together. Muchow's ideas include:

- assigning each SGA member 50 students who he will contact periodically throughout the year in an attempt at keeping the student body informed.
- continuation of the book exchange
- continuation of the Spring Arts Festival
- talent show for retarded children
- student polls for speakers
- itemized bills for dorm damages
- cheaper parking rates
- alteration of time of SGA meetings to Common Hour (Tuesday, Thursday, 3rd period)

### New Programs

Charlie Rainey, candidate for 1st vice president, stated that, "I'm sure I can initiate some new programs." These include getting the students to back and support SGA related activities. The purpose is to act as a voice, on academic, recreational, and social activities. Commuters must be involved. They make up 60 per cent of the student body. I realize this isn't going to be an easy task. But I'm willing to try."

Walker Moore (10-GAAS-New Castle), candidate 1st vice president, commented that "Shapp is making us pay more but he's not giving us money for buildings. We're not getting screwed by the students, the SGA, the administration, but the state legislature. . . the commuters come, go to classes, go to work, and go home. . . I can't make any promises." Questioned as to his reason for running for the

vice presidency. Moore responded, "I like activity. I don't like to see people getting screwed. (I see) the SGA as the only viable organ (of the student body) that has any power to talk to the administration. . . you can't get the students to do anything but as a member of SGA you supposedly have the power of the students behind you."

### Student Responsibility

Mike Chiricuzio, 2nd vice presidential candidate, expressed the fact that past presidents and representatives have been commuters and that they are represented. "In an attempt to get the students to understand SGA there will be a monthly bulletin to let the student know what is going on. We should get a written record of voting of SGA. I don't feel personally I can reach as many students as have previously been mentioned. It is the student responsibility to find out."

Ken Musherush (9-GAAS-Erie) 2nd Vice Presidential candidate, was not present for comment.

The representatives were next on the program of speakers. Mona Cwon stated that "if I'm chosen I want to revise the things that are bad. . . I would like to see revisions in visitation, with an increase in visitation hours, if that's what the students want. . . I would like to see the elimination of letters being sent home for warnings."

Kevin Fitzgibbon (3-EET-Pittsburgh)-stated that "presenly I serve in SGA as a representative. I would try my best, try to put myself out, but it's mostly up to the students."

### SGA Effective

Kim Anderson (6-CommDev-Meadville) - said "I've been on SGA all year, and served as treasurer this term. I feel the students need this student representation. It's important to Behrend."

DeeDee Gordon (3-Math-Pittsburgh) - Thought that this year the SGA was "really effective." "I would like to see more revision on the knowledge of the campus (for incoming students) and better student advisers. I think SGA should take part in voter registration and should take an active part in voting."

Bill MacTabgart asked "how many people here are commuters? (5) You wonder why there is no representation!"

Al Davis expressed his "exasperation". . . "I'm sick and tired of people saying "all the apathy". I realize there is apathy. I spent more hours than anybody on the Arts Festival and the Book Exchange. I'm sick of shoving it down people's throats. All that time (spent complaining about apathy) could be spent on more important issues."

Representative candidate Rob Hicks was not present for comment.

## Candidates Present S.G.A. Views

Due to an oversight on the part of the Behrend Collegian, the names and speeches of two SGA candidates were omitted in the last issue.

Tim Callion (3, Bus, Erie) is running for the position of representative on the SGA. He is very much concerned with the rift between the commuter and the dormitory students and would like to see something done about it next year. He would also like to push toward a more active campus both socially and educationally.

Ramona Cwon, (3, LA, Coraopolis) stated that, "if chosen for Student Government representative I plan to be impartial in my views and open-minded, taking in all sides of an issue. I also plan to spend all the time needed to revise the things we think are bad and progress the things we know are good."

We would also like to acknowledge the fact that Mike Chiricuzio is opposing Ken Musherush for the second vice presidency.

publication trophies are sponsored by various newspapers across the State.

Awards to be presented are Best Newspaper, Most Improved Newspaper, Best Advertising, Best Layout, Best News Coverage, Best Sports Coverage, Best Editorial Page and Best Photography. In addition, several awards are presented for individual articles. Doug Leichter, Editor-in-chief of the Behrend Collegian, said, "The Collegian is very happy to be able to send a large portion of the staff to the conference this spring. The Press Association conferences have proven very fruitful in the past and we are looking forward to this one this spring. I feel that we have earned it."



## More Efficient Force?

The canine "stuff" is not an addition to the Pinkerton Security Force. She belongs to Tip Dworzanski, a senior student in the College of Human Development, L.E.C. division who is doing an eight-week intership with this agency.

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