

Editorial Opinion

# Election Needed? Collegian Says Yes

Although the Student Government Association election results have been tallied and confirmed, more than a few students at the Behrend Campus remain unconvinced that the issue of elections has been, or should be, put to rest. The Behrend Collegian is among these few.

According to interviews conducted by the staff of the Collegian, the recent and sudden announcement that incumbent president-elect Alan Quinlan will be forced to transfer to University Park Campus next fall has renewed the already slowly burning embers of student disenchantment over the Spring election. (This announcement will presumably be officially made at tonight's SGA meeting.)

There has also been some evidence of doubt concerning the officiality of election procedures under which the last election was conducted. Notably, Student Affairs Committee chairman, Eva Tucker, Jr. remarked, "I was really surprised to find that there was nothing in the constitution as to election procedures." Other questions raised among the student body include: (1) the announcement of Quinlan moving to U.P. three days after the election, (2) the lack of identification needed by voters, (3) the keeping of the ballot box during the night in the room of a close friend of one of the candidates, and (4) the moving of the voting day to include Wednesday.

The Collegian does not wish to cast deprecating shadows on any of the individuals involved, nor even on the election itself. It wishes only to present the facts, and with these facts in mind it wishes only to suggest that the S.G.A. take whatever steps necessary to remove any reasonable doubt concerning the election and the events that have occurred since.

Further, the Collegian realizes that the Student Government is constitutionally within its bounds to move Vice-president elect Walker Moore (See Page 1) directly to the presidency. However, if such a move brings about any further student discord, the Collegian feels that it would be within the students' interest as a whole, to hold a new election, this term, regardless of the short time remaining. In the eyes of the Collegian, such a move would better serve the student body, and at the very least remove any stigma which may later be attached to the office of the S.G.A. president.

The Collegian additionally believes that precautions must be taken to prevent future occurrences of this nature from developing. Allowances in the S.G.A.'s constitutional system must be made to permit the proper channeling of the unusual circumstances which have occurred.

A unified student body, not homogeneous, but tied by such a viable system in which students may trust, must always be the concern of any truly representative government. The Collegian hopes that the Student Government Association will realize this prospect, and take proper and immediate action toward implementing the student's best wishes.

# Letters to the Editor

## Collegian Praised

Dear Doug, Ray, and everyone:

My warmest congratulations to The Behrend Collegian for your achievements this year. It certainly is rewarding for The Press Association to see a Commonwealth Campus newspaper which has reached your level of fairness and professionalism.

The Behrend Collegian, as you know by now, received the highest score ever awarded to a Commonwealth Campus newspaper in the history of The Press Association's awards program. We were especially impressed with your news sources, your balance of news sources and the good coverage you gave your campus.

Having been a Commonwealth Campus editor for two years, I can say that an active, fair and frequent newspaper contributes tremendously to an active campus spirit. By reporting the news of your campus, you not

only publicize events, but you also create a need to be filled - that is, a desire to be active. To some extent, your campus is as active as its newspaper has been.

And as I've said at conferences, a good newspaper is respected, but it usually is not liked by the power structure. Fundamentally, the student press is a powerful element of change, and if it is used with a high level of editorial conscience and desire to be fair, its worth is tremendous. But I'm sure students at your campus do not need to be told this.

Again, my congratulations, and at the same time my recognition of your dedication and service. The Press Association is proud to be associated with The Behrend Collegian.

Sincerely,  
Gary K. Fisher  
Vice President for Newspapers

## Temple Available

Dear Editor,  
Due to the lack of funds and

time, Tempus was only able to be produced once this year. Because of this, the number of activities and organizations covered had to be limited. However, the policy for the future is that Tempus will appear once a term (a term magazine). A folio will be given in the Fall Term with the purchase of the first edition. This folio will also hold the Winter and Spring Editions. With the magazine being published each term, it will enable the staff to cover a wider range of activities and organizations.

The price of the publication will be either \$2.00 per edition or \$5.00 per year.

Due to the limited supply of the first edition of Tempus, the sales will be maintained on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Thank you,  
Tempus Staff

## Girls Basketball

There will be a meeting for Girls Basketball in Erie Hall Thursday, June 8. Any girls interested in playing next year should attend.

# Grads Receive Degrees June 18

Seventy-three students are expected to be graduated this year from the Behrend Campus. The Collegian would like to take this opportunity to thank those graduates. Degrees will be given on Thursday, June 15, to the following students:

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### (GNAS). MECHANICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

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