

Editorial Opinion

Anyone Excited?

By Margie Campbell
Behrend Campus is now Behrend College, as of the Board of Trustees meeting at University Park January 19 and 20. Is anyone excited? With the efforts made on the behalf of Behrend Campus, one would think the effect that this change will have upon all involved—students, faculty, administration, staff, and the community—would instill a spark of interest in those it affects.

Behrend is a college. It is no longer a campus like the other 17 campuses under the wing of the Pennsylvania State University system. Though it's still in the nest of the system, Behrend is learning to fly by itself.

President Oswald stated that the change at Behrend is "a change in mission". If the mission has altered, so must the attitudes of those affected be modified, according to the changes occurring. Physical adjustments are planned, academic functions and programs are being

redefined, and new faculty members are being added.

Many feel that the "metamorphosis" taking place at Behrend will have little affect on them. However, changes are beginning now and new four year baccalaureate programs are proposed by the Task Force. More student enrollment in associate degree programs is also planned. Is not the academic structure the basis of our reason for being here in college? (Now at Behrend College).

The plans for the changes now coming into affect have been in the making for some time now and we're finally going to see these changes take place. It is not our mission—it's going to take place whether we support it or not. But this is our education that is being affected by the new proposals and the entire academic community can be benefited. Perhaps we should be concerned.

SGA Positions Sought

The Student Government Association has the following positions open to be filled by Behrend students: freshman commuter representative, sophomore commuter representative, junior commuter and dorm representative and senior commuter and dorm representatives. The positions have been left by recent withdrawals and resignations. Applications for these positions will be placed at the SUB Desk within the next week.

Ed Hunkele is now the freshman class president due to the withdrawal of Fred Mayer. Both Ed Hunkele and Walker Moore are hoping that class representatives will fill the vacancies on SGA.

Walker Moore had hoped to establish a homogeneity among the classes but with so many vacancies this has not happened. "SGA has a good internal structure," said Moore, and he hopes the classes can soon become organized.

From the Editor's Desk Open Forum For Your Gripes

I've heard so many complaints lately—not just about the lack of enthusiasm on campus; but now some people are disturbed at reading so much about the apathy. Well, to be truthful, I myself am quite tired of writing about the apathy.

Those people who are tired of reading about the unconcerned attitude of Behrend students can do one of two things—stop reading

the Collegian or become disgusted enough to complain to the right people.

The recent brainstorm for this new column came about because I felt a more informal method of expression was needed other than in the form of an editorial.

Now, I would like to turn "From the Editor's Desk" into an open forum device. The Collegian welcomes Letters to the Editor—

of which we've had very few. We also welcome opinions of any type.

If you have a complaint or an opinion or you just feel frustrated enough to sound off—hopefully the Editor's Desk will be the place you do it—because sooner or later no one else will care enough to bother to notice the apathy!!!

Student-Faculty Drug Seminar to Promote Understanding of Problem

By Margie Campbell
Executive Editor

In an attempt to promote an awareness and an understanding of the drug problem in contemporary society, a drug seminar will be held in two sessions this term. Coordinated by Dean Seaner and Mr. Gary Mead, the hope of the seminar is to change and/or instill new ideas and perhaps to develop attitude changes toward the drug situation.

The first session takes place tonight, Jan. 25 at 7:30 p.m. in 121 Otto Behrend Building. A film "The Answer is Understanding" will be shown and a discussion on the movie will follow. A second session will be held in the Quiet Lounge of the Reed Union Building at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 8. This session will include role-playing of various situations concerning drugs.

Participating in the seminar are Dean E. A. Lane, M. F. Flaherty, W. G. Hohwald, D. Horne, C. W. Krishna, B. J. Kuligowski, E. C. Onaroto, Dr. E. D. Masteller, Father Guy Patrick, C. Sargent, M. Small, E. Tucker, Jr., Dr. A. D. Frankforter, B. Zimmerman, Robin Charlton, John Reeves, Leslie

Rossin, Henry Walker, Mike Chiricuzio, Bonnie Angevine, Mary Mellin, Nancy Metzger, Connie Tymcio, Mitchell Schwartz, Rick Frost, Chuck Powers, Tom Bartholomew, Susan Goldberg, and John Johnston.

The seminar involves 16 students and 16 faculty and staff members. If successful this term, the seminar will be repeated later. The seminar is part of an attempt by Student Affairs to develop a drug program at Behrend College

SGA Will Sponsor Commuter Council

Did you ever get a ticket for a parking violation in the student parking lot? Why not form a body of students intent on working for the good of the commuters Plans for a commuter council, similar to the Joint Residence Council for dorm students, are in the making, but the materialization of this council depends on the interest of commuters. The Commuter Council could deal with anything concerning the commuter such as parking violations, snow removal in parking lots, and the commuter's cafeteria. Seeing that commuters are in the majority here (and Behrend is basically a commuting campus) they should

be concerned about the affairs and policies of the campus which affect them. College need not be an extension of high school.

A coffee hour in the Quiet Lounge, sponsored by the Student Government Association, will be held Thursday, February 1 during common hour, to allow interested students to get together and work out whatever arrangements they feel are necessary. If you have a complaint or a solution to a problem-causing situation, channel it in the right direction by becoming involved in something you can make work for you.

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Demonstration Held in D.C.

By Susan Sammons
Staff Reporter

In demonstration against the war, adults and students from Behrend College and the Erie area traveled to Washington D.C. At 10 a.m. January 20, 2,000 Vietnam Veterans against the War began the march in peaceful solemnity from Arlington Cemetery to the Lincoln Memorial. At the Lincoln Memorial, the veterans were joined by another two hundred

dismayed over the prolonging of the Indochina war. Gathered under the eyes of Abraham Lincoln, the people began their silent march down Constitution Avenue to the Washington Memorial. The march began simultaneously with the President's Inaugural Address. At the lead was the March of Death; one hundred black robed Americans, carrying signs that proclaimed the names of the Vietnamese cities and villages

thousand citizens who were destroyed by American and South Vietnamese forces over the course of the long war.

What was accomplished? Maybe nothing. The gears of the final peace treaty announced Tuesday may have already been turning. Maybe the united sound of close to a quarter million disgusted citizens shouting "Out Now" served no more purpose than to vent their anger. But then, just maybe...

Rabbi Schechter Will Speak

The Erie Jewish Community presents the second in its Cultural Series with Rabbi Philip Schechter speaking January 28 at Temple Anshe Hased, 10th and Liberty Streets, at 8 p.m.

Rabbi Schechter is the second in the series of four programs. On February 25 there will be a film, "The Golden Age of Second Avenue" and a lecture by its producer, Arthur Cantor, at 8 p.m. at Brith Sholom. Singer Yacov Dan will present the last program of the series April 15 at Temple Anshe Hased. Tickets may be purchased at the Jewish

Community Welfare Council office, 110 West 10th Street (\$2.00 singles or mini seasons \$5.00) or at the door. Special rates are available for students and Golden Agers. For further information call the Council office at 455-4474.

Rabbi Schechter served as an assistant rabbi in Baltimore, and as rabbi in Atlantic City, where he was extremely active in the community. In 1970 he was called to serve as rabbi to Temple Shaaray Tefila on Manhattan's upper East Side. Following a tenure of only nine months he was

ousted in a controversy over life-style and belief that was covered in newspapers across the country.

Presently, Rabbi Schechter publishes his own newsletter, The New Morning Community. He serves three congregations on a part-time basis preferring not to participate in the administration of a congregation.

Rabbi Schechter brings to his pulpit an unusual combination of spiritualism and relevance. He deplores the spiritual vacuum he says has developed in Judaism with its concentration on preserving the institutions.

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