

# Letter To The Editor

## Quotes from the Bible

Dear Editor:

Spring has sprung. Love is stirred in the hearts of men. Birds sing in the open air and the sun's rays warm the ground. The hibernation is over. This sudden change may prompt a quick rally of nature and new hopes in the sportsman's mind. To which I would reprove our Happy Heretic of his misguided attentions.

He needs a study in hermeneutics and his method of pulling verses out of context is one to which I am equally adept. Before I get around to his case, I would remind him of another found in Mk. 2:2-15. This involves a young man whose insanity drove him to self-abuse and running wildly in the nude. Jesus cast out many demons from this man and afterward they found him "clothed and in his right mind."

The man in this case was obviously in a hurry to escape and wasn't parading. The Interpreter's Bible Commentary says that "Naked doesn't mean without any clothing, but clad only in his under garment or tunic (cf. Jn 21:7)." I'm sure we don't

find the apostles advocating such behavior after Pentecost.

The exhibitionist lacks self-confidence and needs to reassure himself of his identity as a man through intimidation and shock. Aggravated Apologetic

### Misquoted?

Dear Editor,

In regard to an article which appeared in last week's Collegian's "Letters to the Editor" - This article leads one to directly believe that I feel the Commuters are totally uninvolved in any facet of this college. If I have left this impression, well not so, not so at all.

My statement (which was not in quotes, nor was placed to the topic of discussion) was that, hard work, input, and continuous activities on the part of the Joint Residence Council should be recognized. By this I meant that the JRC should obtain a seat and indeed become a voting member of the SGA. This was not at all nor in any way brought out in that article.

If in the future anyone should have any trouble interpreting anything I have said, I will be more than happy to further explain myself. Thank you.

Brian Ferris  
President of the  
Freshman Class

### To Bud

To Bud Ore concerning last week's editorial:

C'mon Bud, defending commuter apathy (and this does not say that dormies are not apathetic too) because they live off campus is like defending the forty to sixty per cent of America's silent majority that don't live at the polls and are too busy to vote. Give credit where credit is due and when someone needs criticism, give it.

To Brian Ferris concerning his "rather pointed statement": Way to go Brian, what we need is someone who isn't afraid to speak up. (Even if you're not always 100 per cent right, at least you're stimulating things around Behrend.)  
Jack King

# From the Editor's Desk

To the Students of Behrend College;

I am conceding to you, that this newspaper is far from working up to its potential. Yet how can it become anything close to being great when no one except the proverbial handful of students is interested enough to work on the staff.

In a meeting with S.G.A. president Mike Chiricuzio this past week to cover this and several other major problems affecting the newspaper Chiricuzio felt that the students might have the idea that only journalism majors may work on the staff.

Assuming some students are laboring under this misconception I sincerely apologize to each and every one of you. A point in fact is that I personally am not a journalism major; in fact, I am a math major enrolled in the College of Education. Surely if I am capable of devoting my time to this paper, which has little if any bearing on my major, some of you can.

Most of the students who do work on the paper presently will not be on the staff next year. In order to start a paper next September I need people who will be willing to learn now.

To those students who attended Behrend last year and read the many editorials on student apathy until they were sick of it, I want to point out that this line has not been used once this year until now.

If any of you feel that there is any legitimate reason for such disinterested students I would be happy to hear it. This offer stands in print or in talking with me personally.

This paper can only improve if you are willing to help. I have personally asked people to join the staff as well as in print and I have received little or no response. This is another appeal. If the results are the same as in the past, it will not be my last appeal.

Respectfully,  
Linda Johnson  
Editor-in-Chief.

## Pros & Cons

- Is it Spring yet?....
- Doors opened between sides....
- Fire alarms in early morning....
- Winning a bottle of S.S....
- Greased toilets....
- Security slamming the S.C. giveaway....
- Rope-tied doors with a million knots....
- The new messed up stop signs....
- April 1st....
- Lights on the tennis courts?...
- Brushing your teeth with hot water....
- Moni Joyce putting Perry Hall to bed at midnite....
- Water battles....
- Cleaning up from water battles....
- Gorge time again....
- Going to breakfast in pajamas....
- Seven weeks left of class....

There will be a meeting for the Behrend literary magazine on Thursday, April 11, during common hour (10:50 - 12:05) in Turnball 204. The purpose of the meeting is to make initial contact with people interested in working on this year's "Illusions"; either by contributing writing, art work of photography or by working on the production, advertising or management of the work.

# PSU Offers Degree in Ceramic Science

Ceramics, to many, are decorative pottery of utilitarian bricks.

Many forget about the multitude of ceramic items that make life today more comfortable, more convenient, and safer.

Some of the ceramics on which we depend every day include such items as glass cookware, electronic components in stereo and television sets, insulators used in power transmission, spark plugs and emission control devices in our cars, and jet engine parts.

Designing and developing these ceramic items is the work of ceramic scientists and engineers—people trained to work with inorganic materials other than metals whose properties change with the application of heat.

At the Pennsylvania State

University, the ceramic science undergraduate major in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences is fully accredited as an engineering curriculum by the Engineers Council for Professional Development.

Penn State is the only university in Pennsylvania and one of only a dozen in the country that offers degree in ceramic science, reports Dr. Guy Rindone, head of the ceramic science section of the Department of Material Sciences.

Undergraduate enrollment in the ceramic science major averages 65 to 75 students but current demand and, Dr. Rindone says, could easily accommodate three times this number. There are few modern industries, he says, that do not hire ceramic scientists and engineers, and the demand is not being met.

## Editorial Opinion

by Jeff Matson

A letter from a discouraged but not beaten editor will take the place of the usual editorial this week.

Dear Reader:

You are not the one this letter will be directed to, the people who have discouraged this editor are the non-readers. The people who complain about something and then you have to tell them that the problem had been solved and that it was in this week's Collegian. It is very disheartening to walk through the Mail room and see hundreds of copies of the Collegian just lying around. We publish just enough so everyone should be able to get one copy, but hundreds of copies are just brought back to the Collegian office each week and hundreds more are swept up each night in the RUB.

I joined the newspaper because it was logical for someone who wanted to write to get some ex-

perience writing. When the editor job came along, I took it with an air of great optimism and idealism. Well, after a few weeks of: "Did you see my article?" "Well, no I missed the paper this week what was it on?", I got disillusioned. But now the paper is more than just a place for me to exercise my writing, it has become important and when I see my work lying around each week I begin to wonder if anyone else cares about the paper at all. If no one cares whether the paper is there at all, maybe they should all say so and those of us who do care and think there is a chance can just stop banging our heads against the wall and give up. However, if there is someone out there who would like to continue seeing a paper here at Behrend, someone who realizes the importance of a paper, and someone who would like to help the Collegian, we would like to hear from you also.

## You Call Us

Have you a story idea you would like us to check out? Someone giving you a hassle? Having a problem with some sort of academic affairs and don't

know what to do? Maybe we can give you a helping hand, and give you some advice. Call 899-3101, ext. 238.

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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.

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