

EDITORIAL OPINION

Board Understaffed

By Paul Corbran Executive Editor

In the past weeks I have talked about different problems concerning this institution. Included in these articles were those with students, the university administration, and conditions here at Behrend. This week I would like to review something that touches a little closer to home. That being of the Board of Publications here.

At this you may ask "What do I care about the Board of Publications?" thinking that it has nothing to do with you. This is wrong! The Board of Publications appoints the officers of the organizations involved, have the final say as to who is put onto or taken off of the staffs of these organizations, handles libel cases, and takes on various other duties concerning the organizations. This affects you, the student, by controlling the student-published material that you read.

When I think of this so called "board" I have to chuckle a bit. The Board of Publications, here, consists of two people: Dr. Tomsic, advisor to the Collegian, and Linda Johnson, Editor-in-

Chief of the Collegian. Of these two people, only Ms. Johnson is a voting member. It seems that the original plan for this board was to include the advisors of the clubs and organizations concerned and their highest officers. The only organization, as such, remaining at Behrend is the Collegian. How can we progress with the, obviously biased, ideas of just one person?

The position of Editor-in-Chief of the newspaper will be open soon and will bring a problem with relation to what I have been writing about. The Board of Publications must appoint this person. The way things look, as of now, the appointing will be up to one person, possibly two. No matter how objective a person is, there are still the personal favorites in a group. Personality clashes, and such, are natural and a biased selection is inevitable.

Most industries are run by a board of directors consisting of a large number of people. The university that we are attending is governed by such a group as well as the country in which we

live (although, at times, it doesn't seem so). More productive ideas are attained through a larger group. In such a field as publications it should be considered as very important. Publications are the principal means of communication between groups.

I believe that further investigation should be made into this situation and that the rules of membership to the Board of Publications should be changed. The number of representatives from each organization on the board should be expanded as well as the possibility of other students, not members of concerned organizations, on the board.

Hopefully this will lead to a wide variety of publications and those of better quality for the student body.

Next Week: The Collegian: "Which issue is it?"

Editor's Note: This editorial is not an attack on the members of the board. It is only a hopeful stimulus, to those involved, to improve the system.

SGA's Man in 'Power'

by Tim Grosser

Power- when used in connection with government and men, can kindle unwieldy ambition and imagination in even the most democratic of human beings. In addition one might reason that the office of a president would carry along with it inevitable opportunities for the manipulation of men with power, a position truly hazardous to a free thinking democratic society. When applied to Behrend, however, power in government simply means responsibility in government. The office of president becomes the office of mediator and organizer. Within the SGA, the man in "power" is David J. Scypinski. Originally, Dave was elected first Vice-President, and only after James Armstrong left Behrend did Dave rise to the position of President.

Dave believes that as SGA President he must truly know

the members of the SGA, and be able to use the art of communication effectively in order to keep them enlightened and up to date with the concerns of the student body. Also a President must organize the topics of discussions for the meetings, in categories such as new business, old business and open business.

In Dave's opinion, Behrend is a hard community in which to develop good student government; student government being the major link between the administration and the students. One reason for the difficulty in achieving good student government is the classic problem of student unresponsiveness. There is also a problem with a vague constitution which hampers the SGA's effectiveness in accomplishing the tasks it sets out to do.

Like any Vice-President who is called upon to take over where his

former President left off, Dave feels the pinch. He expressed a wish that he would like to have had more experience before becoming President in order to help him carry out his responsibilities better. If you wish to find out more about your student government and its distribution of power, stop in at the seminar room in the R.U.B. any Monday night at 7:30.



Note: This is the eighth in a series of weekly articles.

The Aries person comes in one of two packages. He is either gregarious, cheerful, and dynamic, or reserved, aloof, and difficult to know well. But whatever the wrapping he is headstrong, volatile and temperamental. He is frank, sometimes too open, but always direct in his actions. He says what he feels, talks back to anyone and is not afraid of life. Whether male or female he abhors weakness of any kind and seeks always to emulate strength.

He is sometimes referred to as the "baby" of the Zodiac. Like a baby, he is preoccupied with himself; how he thinks, what he feels and what he believes. This often makes for a personality which is rough on others, but he really doesn't mean any harm. He is just not aware of the discomfort he causes others. The last thing he wants to do is to hurt another fellow human being.

He is extremely sensitive and very vulnerable. He acts tough, ignores people, smiles a lot, or laughs loudly to shield himself. It takes very little to hurt him. He fears rejection and it wounds him to be around cold, negative people. He looks for warmth, compassion and emotional feedback. He is very much an ego person (this includes women also). In his brighter moments, Aries feels he is the greatest. This can lead to arrogance and conceit. Aries' sense of worth has nothing to do with his accomplishments. He just thinks he is pretty special. But at the same time he can be painfully aware of his shortcomings. If you can make an Aries feel good about himself when he is down and out and the rest of the world is tearing him apart, you will never lose his friendship or his love. Often in life, the people who appear to not give a damn about anything, or who appear to be able to stand alone, or weather all kinds of storms, are the ones who most need protection, concern, and love. Aries is such a person. But oddly enough he rarely realizes this.

The Aries man is a romantic idealist. A great deal of impulsiveness colors his love life. When Kahlil Gibran wrote: "every man loves two women: the one is the creation of his imagination and the other is not born.", he must have been thinking of the Aries man. In his youth he roams from woman to woman. He thinks he's making conquests but he is actually searching for his ideal love. When in the throes of love he is like an adolescent. He wants to shout to all of the world that someone has chosen to love him.

Molkie Cole Burns

Hot fiery coals. Blazing heat emitting from within blasting furnaces. Steel on steel. Cold metal, hard and shiny, like jackhammers pounding at my brain. Clanging, banging, crashing at my inner soul. Light, blinding, cascades down from the darkness baking my eyes. Faces. Horrible faces, painted like pictures, dancing to way-out whirling music. Shaking the walls, muting my ears. The sound, it hums, it breathes down my back, like tigers. Burning, seething like hot coals, or coles. Molkie Cole. That's how my friend described it to me. But being more sensible than Howard, I adopted a different view towards Molkie Cole Saturday night at Erie Hall. They were cold metal all right, and they were loud, hard and shiny. My eyes were baked and I couldn't hear a damn thing when I

got out. Hot coals. The Cole machine cranks out greasy oily metal music with the blended precision of a finely tuned Mack diesel. Their theatrics resemble those of the Flying Bumbinos. Their faces were horrible. And for two beans it was a bargain to catch a good show. (one bean W.A.C.)

Molkie Cole brought joy into every little heart of every girl and boy at Behrend. So, you see, it is now time to thank Behrend College especially the S.U.B. (Scott Taylor,) and all of those who made that great night possible, and we want to thank Molkie Cole and the students who brought all the money down. And as for Howard, I always liked the kid, but he's got weird ideas.

The Behrend College Radio Series will feature Dr. Calrein Spector in "Biological Clocks: Nature Takes Care of Its Own." The program on Thursday, January 30, 1975 will be moderated by Mr. Davis Giersch. As always, it will be at 7 p.m. on station 91.3, WQLN-FM.

The Behrend Faculty Women and Wives is sponsoring a showing of the film, "The Great American Funeral," Monday, at 8:00 PM in 101 Behrend. Afterwards, panel members representing various viewpoints on the subject will react to the film. Participants will be Mr. David Burton, from Burton's Funeral Home; Mr. Pritindra Chowdhur, founder of the local Thanatopsis Society; and Ms. Linda Colvin, a nurse's aide at St. Vincent's. Students, faculty and general public are welcome!

PHEAA Aid Available

Representative David S. Hayes announced he has available Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency applications for financial aid for those students who plan to attend post-secondary institutions during the 1975-76 school year. He will be glad to furnish them to interested students upon request.

Hayes pointed out that if a student has already filed an application for next year, he need not file a duplicate and that this would just delay the final processing of the original.

Filing deadlines have been modified and all new and renewal applicants must file on or before May 1, 1975. Those interested in receiving applications and brochures should write to Rep. Hayes at: House of Representatives, Room E-8, Main Capitol Building, Harrisburg, Pa. 17120 or Box 33, Fairview, Pa. 16415.

Star Corner

by Rosa Myers

The Aries woman is passionate and deeply sentimental. She is one of those women who can get along quite well without a man. She's very self-sufficient. But she loves the excitement of romance. When she decides to love, she looks for someone she can respect. She doesn't play games, so you'll always know where you stand with her and what she thinks of you. Since she is not known to excel at marriage, perhaps her self-sufficiency is a good thing. In her lifetime, many men will be attracted to her but few will be able to withstand her aggressive, combustible temperament for long. A word of advice: If you are in love

with an Aries, don't let yourself be run over. Stand up to him (or her) and don't always bend over backwards. Hold your ground and hang onto your own self. And be honest with your Aries, above all.

Some Aries people: Al Carter, Debra Vactor, Michael Morocco, Mary Beth Finke, Rosa Myers, King Kong, Sue Simonian, Cynthia Krishna, and Mr. Irvin H. Kochel.

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