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Michael Woods, eighth term psychology major, has been elected SGA president. Mike will assume the responsibilities of his office next fall.

Budget problems again ...

SGA pinches JRC

A disappointing 10 per cent of the student body voted in the SGA elections which were held last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Nevertheless, there are new officers in the SGA.

Mike Woods was elected president with 216 votes over Alan Kirk's 58. Bill Dale had 184 votes to defeat John Farren with 76 for the position of first vice-president. Jeff Urraro and Grant Walker won, unopposed, the positions of second vice-president and treasurer respectively. The secretary position was filled by Pat Walker with 9 write-in votes while John Masterson fell short with 8. Since there were no candidates for secretary, there were also write-in votes for everyone from Donald Duck to Richard Nixon.

The next week's issue of the Collegian will feature an interview with the new SGA president, Michael Woods.

This week's meeting showed an improvement in attendance and

involvement over last week's. Still scrounging for money for the Spring Arts Festival, SGA told Bob Curtiss of JRC that they were "almost demanding" \$200 because having been allocated \$1,100 by SGA and earning money of their own, the JRC is the handler of the most funds of any club. "The money must come from somewhere," was SGA's plea to Curtiss, who was adamant in JRC's reluctant position. The JRC budget was put on the board and the trip JRC plans to Cedar Point was pointed out as a possible waste; the pizza party planned for the end of the term was suggested as a source of income, at up to a 25 cents charge per person; and Dean Bainum suggested JRC sponsor a student patron rally. First, JRC representatives maintained the organization's independence and right to organize with its funds apart from SGA, then reluctance to cancel another event for the students like the amusement trip, and finally the priority JRC feels to leave some money for next year was given in support of JRC's financial difficulties. The possibility of money from the pizza party and a rally will be brought up with this problem at JRC's next meeting.

Money was seen lurking in a benefit production Arno Selco is willing to give from the Behrend Players to SGA. Discussion over how to go about selling tickets and/or vouchers, and when, ended with Barb Jolly going to Selco with the idea that SGA members try to fill the house selling tickets, not vouchers.

A faculty evaluation form newly constructed by a faculty committee was brought up by Paul Seiferth, the member attending Faculty Senate. As Dr. Mester had suggested, the form, made for purposes of determining tenure and promotion, was passed around to be critiqued by ten students.

The still-disgusted SGA members passed a motion that those members who had accumulated four or more unexcused absences out of 25 meetings so far will not be sent tickets to the SGA honors and awards banquet. Those 12 members leaving next year will be given certificates at the banquet.

A motion was passed to select the most outstanding member of SGA this year. Mike Woods won this honor from the vote of the attending members.

Biological radio show

Mr. Davis Giersch will be moderating the informative Behrend College Radio Series this Thursday, April 10, with guests including Richard Bollinger, Toby Cunningham, Larry Eckroat, and Donald McKinstry. "Biological Science Update" will probably be more lively and entertaining than the name suggests.

The program will be aired at 7 p.m. on WQLN-FM, 91.3 stereo. So tune in and discover all the new happenings in Biological Science.

Behrend honors Erie doctor

Dr. Russell B. Roth of Erie, who has achieved national prominence in the field of medicine, has been selected recipient of the Medallion Award of Behrend College, Penn State, it was announced by Irvin H. Kochel, Behrend director.

The Medallion, the single highest award that can be presented by Behrend, will be given to Dr. Roth during ceremonies Sunday, April 27, at the college during a luncheon to which Behrend students, faculty and staff, the Advisory Board and guests have been invited.

The award distinguishes an individual who, by serving society and by attaining eminence in his chosen field, brings honor to himself, his community and mankind.

Dr. Roth, whose term as president of the American Medical Association in 1973-74 put him in the international spotlight, was born and raised in Erie.

A noted urologist, Dr. Roth is a member and has served in

leadership roles in a variety of medical societies. He is presently the attending urologist at St. Vincent Health Center and consulting urologist at Hamot Medical Center and the Veterans Administration Hospital.

In the AMA, Dr. Roth has served as chairman of the Federal Medical Services Committee and the Council on Medical Service, and is a member of the Commission on Costs of Medical Care. Prior to his selection as president, he was vice speaker then speaker of the House of Delegates.

He is a past member of the Erie County Medical Society and has served as chairman of the Board of Trustees and speaker, House of Delegates of the Pennsylvania Medical Society and currently serves as a member of the Judicial Council.

Dr. Roth is also a Fellow in the American College of Surgeons and member of the American Urological Society Association, and Northeastern Section, AUA.

He is a member of the American Association of Clinical Urologists; past president of Hess Urological Foundation, Inc., chairman, Erie County Board of Mental Health. He has served on committees for the Department of Health, Education and Welfare and is on a special medical advisory group for the Veterans Administration.

The son of Dr. Augustus Henry Roth and Florence Burton Roth, he attended Erie public schools and graduated from Phillips Academy, Andover. He earned his bachelor degree at Yale College and his M.D. at John Hopkins University of Medicine. His internship was served at John Hopkins Hospital, Brady Urological Institute, and his residency was also there and at St. Mary's Hospital in Pierre, S.D., and Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.

Dr. Roth served in the U.S. Medical Corps in the states and overseas.

Dr. Roth is the second person to receive the Behrend Medallion Award. The first was presented last year to Skylab Astronaut, Captain Paul J. Weitz of Erie and Harborcreek.

The Medallion is comparable to Penn State's highest award, the Penn State Medal, which ranks in status with honorary degrees presented by other universities and colleges. Neither Penn State nor Behrend presents honorary doctorate degrees.

The recipient must be a native or current resident of Erie, Warren or Crawford County and must have distinguished himself by service to society through his chosen profession. Selection is made by a committee representing the college administration, staff and Advisory Board.

Director Kochel will present the Medallion to Dr. Roth during ceremonies at the luncheon. The purpose of the award is to provide a means of recognition of Northwestern Pennsylvania persons who have brought honor and fame to the area through notable achievement in their specialized fields, to serve as an inspiration, and foster the welfare of Behrend College to increase its contribution to society.

(The preceding article was made up of excerpts from the Erie Times-News article on April 6).



Presenting the Behrend Medallion Award to last year's recipient, Captain Paul J. Weitz, is Director Kochel. Captain Weitz, Skylab Astronaut, received the award for outstanding service to society.



The Behrend Medallion Award is comparable to Penn State's highest award and carries significant status with its presentation. Dr. Russell B. Roth of Erie has been selected for this year's honors.

Spring Arts dance

By Brad Federspiel
The Joint Residence Council met for its weekly meeting on Tuesday, April 8 in the Conference Room of Lawrence Hall. The major topic of discussion was the Spring Arts Semi-Formal Dance. The dance will be sponsored by JRC and will feature the crowning of the Spring Arts King and Queen.

The Spring Arts Semi-Formal Dance, themed "Spread Your Wings and Fly" will be held May 3 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Ramada Inn. The dance will feature live music, hors d'oeuvres, and an open bar for those with proper LCB cards. The feature event of the evening will be the crowning of the Spring Arts King and Queen. This couple will preside over the dance and the other activities of the Spring Arts Festival. Tickets for the Semi-Formal will be on sale this week by the RUB desk. The cost per

couple is \$5 for seniors and those students receiving associate degrees this spring will be \$4 per couple. JRC chairman Bob Curtiss also revealed that in addition to sponsoring the dance the JRC would also sponsor an All-Nite Film Festival. The festival will be held the night of May 9 from 11:30 - 2:00 p.m. in the back of the Behrend Building, weather permitting.

JRC chairman Bob Curtiss called for final approval of the JRC budget for 1975-76 and the proposed attendance amendment, presented in the last issue of the Collegian. Both items were submitted to SGA for approval and only the amendment was tabled.

As a final piece of business, JRC received confirmation from Mr. Robert Finley, Manager of Food and Housing, that pencil sharpeners would be installed on all dorm floors by next fall.