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Behrend Briefs

The Inter-Church Ministries of Erie, in cooperation with churches in the Harborcreek Community, will conduct a series of Protestant Worship Services at the Behrend College beginning March 13.

The services will be held at 9:30 a.m. in the Seminar Room and will last approximately one hour. If the series of six services proves successful the program will be continued. The services will be conducted by clergymen from the local community.

All Faculty and Staff members and their families are cordially invited to attend these services.

Roman Catholic services have been conducted on a weekly basis over the past several years every Sunday at 11 a.m. by Fr. Guy Patrick, and all Faculty and Staff members and their families are invited to attend these services.

JRC is sponsoring all night free movies, tomorrow night beginning at midnight, in the Niagara gameroom. The uncut, uncensored version of *Whatever Happened to Baby Jane?* will be shown, along with such standard favorites as *Little Rascals*, *Three Stooges*, *Shirley Temple*, *The Pink Panther*, *Bugs Bunny*, *Tweety Bird*, and assorted others.

University Park (PANS)—Small double and triple rooms will be used again next year at Penn State if the demand for residence hall space is as great as it was this year, the assignment manager at University Park said.

According to the manager, more temporary space will be assigned if the demand is greater.

The officer said he cannot determine how the strict alcohol policy has affected the number of residents; however, he did point out that the number of contract exchanges for winter term 1976 decreased from the number in winter term 1975.

Contract cards for fall term 1977 will not be accepted prior to March 10, 1977 and must be submitted by March 25, 1977.

Get Psyched

Does psychology interest you? It's an exciting field, so come to the Behrend College Psych Career Meeting. Former psychology students who are now using their psych training in business, government, and education will answer your questions. - Get psyched up and come - Further information later.

A new position, Assistant Director for University Relations has been approved for Behrend College. The ADUR will be responsible to the Director for organizing and conducting a comprehensive University relations program for the entire campus, including Continuing Education, Public Information and Relations, Gifts and Endowments, Alumni and Community Relations activities. A bachelor's degree, or equivalent, plus two to four years of related experience, preferably involving newspaper and/or journalistic writing or public relations. Relevant experience in higher education is desirable. Anyone interested in applying for the position should send a detailed resume to R.L. Kidder, Employment Manager, Box E-T, 117 Willard Bldg., University Park, Pa. 16802 by February 15, 1977.

WBCR Awaits FCC A-Ok

by Mike Pond

Program Director-WBCR Behrend College Radio Club has reached a limbo stage. Since the beginning of the year, its members worked diligently on the construction of a fully operational radio station. Within the organization there were a news staff, advertising staff, technical crew and programming staff. Within each department, responsibilities were delegated to individuals efficiently. The news staff carried both local and national news each night at six o'clock. The potential in this area was recognized and the staff interviewed faculty, students, administration, and community leaders. The Erie County Fieldhouse was cooperative and allowed us to interview popular groups performing in the area. The potential for expansion seemed incredible. With the help of several EEG majors we had a professional studio and good high-fidelity equipment. This freed us to supply students with service entertainment, and education in a professional manner. WBCR was instrumental in quickly announcing events such as campus activities and class cancellations during Fall and Winter Terms.

Enthusiasm for WBCR this year was exhibited by faculty, administration, and students alike, who volunteered time and service. A staff of over thirty anxious D.J.'s broadcasted daily from 1 p.m. to 1 a.m. With much hard-work and dedication, WBCR was quickly becoming an expanding network of efficient operation. But something shifted

all this into the past tense.

Last month we began trial FM broadcasts in anticipation of our application for FCC licensing. We also broadcasted cable-carried AM signals through the electrical system of each dorm. The problem with FM carrier-current, however, is the necessity for an FM transmitter and noise filter for each dorm, which runs into a bit of money. Only one transmitter is required for fully licensed FM broadcasting.

Personalities from stations WERG, WMDI, WJET, and WQLN have visited WBCR and advised us on technique and operation. More important, they have put us well on the road to FCC licensing. But today WBCR remains in anxious anticipation for a coveted FM license. A few weeks of research and paper work follows our request. Next term WBCR will broadcast during the dinner hours in Dobbins, Niagara and Perry Halls on our old AM signal (560). Frankly, our location is optimal for broadcasting. The cable-TV antenna directly behind Behrend is available for mounting our own devices. (It seems they used up some of our property for suspension lines and they owe us a favor!)

Believe it or not, WBCR is not in hibernation. With little encouragement and recognition WBCR is still working around our last obstacle, which is the test of our efforts. WBCR promises to be one of the most innovative seeds ever planted within the Behrend Student Organizations. We ask your support to help it grow.

ASPA Charter Presented

by Ann Hamilton
Collegian Staff Writer

A charter for ASPA (The American Society for Personnel Administration) was presented at the SGA meeting last Monday night.

This organization, intended for the business majors of Behrend, can provide many opportunities for interested students. Lectures will be given throughout the year, concentrating on the various areas of business including finance, marketing, banking, and stocks. Field trips to observe business in operation will be offered, and job interviews for students can be arranged.

SGA Vice President Mike Pond stated that he "hoped this organization would dissolve some of the fantasies that college people have of the business world, and maybe help them learn a few tricks of the trade."

Dean Bainum said that this organization could be very beneficial for those students planning to enter the four-year business program soon to be offered at Behrend.

Membership is \$2.00 for the first twenty members and \$5.00 for any others interested. Meetings are on Thursdays, during common hours, in Nick 113.

Another organization presented to be re-chartered was the ABS (The Association of Black Students) formerly known as the Black Student Union.

Mike Jackson, a representative from ABS mentioned that the rules concerning dues would be more strict under the new charter. The membership fee of \$2.00 must now be paid within the first ten days of each term.

The next SGA meeting will be held on the first Monday after term break, March 14.

Potential RA's Take Note....

by Janet L. Mazur
Editor-in-chief

To some, the term "R.A." connotes a person who breaks up beer parties, reprimands, chides, and generally bitches about rule violations. To others, an R.A. is a counselor, advisor, and friend who is willing to lend a hand and sympathetic ear in time of need.

Have you ever wondered, however, how these select few are chosen?

In order to become Resident Assistants, students must have at least 4th term standing when they begin, cannot be under disciplinary sanction, and must have at least a 2.0 grade point average.

An eligible applicant is then subject to a series of three interviews. The first is conducted by a group of six or so present R.A.'s, the next by select members of the Joint Residence Council, and the last by the Resident Coordinators (John Geismann, Gene Schaefer and Deborah Carella).

These interviews consist of a series of questions concerning an applicant's aptitude, on a scale of 1 to 5, in the following areas: Clarity of communication, motivation for the job, innovative ideas, self awareness, social awareness, level of self confidence, sense of responsibility, emotional stability and maturity, and overall impression.

The scores are then compiled and averaged, including the number of total points received. Mr. John Geismann, Residence Community Coordinator, then sends a list of applicants to the present R.A.'s and the Student Affairs Staff, who provide recommendations, positive or negative, on each applicant.



Pictured above is diligent D.J. Zeke Hoffman, broadcasting to his fellow Behrendites top sounds and timely announcements on WBCR. See the accompanying feature story for further details.

Finley Promoted

by Ann Hamilton
Collegian Staff Writer

Mr. Finley, the Director of Food and Housing, has taken on the job as Assistant Director for Operations at Behrend. This new job will include all the work areas on campus that are not academic, such as personnel, purchasing, and maintenance. He is presently working both

jobs, until his replacement from University Park, Marjorie A. Taylor arrives on the first of March.

Mr. Finley has been working up at Dobbins since it opened in 1971. When asked if there was anything that he would miss about Dobbins, he replied, "I'll miss the clowning around with the kids and being around them during mealtimes the most."

Winter Fantasy

by Kristen Hartzel
Thoughts on Winter

I drive up to Behrend complaining (or shall I say bitching?) about the gutted roads and inefficient plowing methods that Wesleyville so graciously bestows upon us commuters. I imagine for a moment that I am being filmed for a commercial and have been assigned to "conquer the roads of Morocco." Seriously, it seems strange to me that, after three days of clear skies, there should still be 11 inches of snow on Station road.

I make it to the parking lot, thankful that I haven't developed gangrene and head for the library, turning my head eastward so my nostrils won't freeze shut. Damn this weather!

I meet Ronny in the library and tell him that I must write an essay on winter. We laugh and he gives me a few ideas, most of them unprintable. I suggest a walk through the gorge and he submits, somewhat regretfully. I needed an inspiration, I told him. Something fresh and sunny to brighten up our whitish days. So we begin...

Looking for a pathway that no longer exists in this time of abominable snow, we carefully choose our steps to coincide with others' previous visits. How long has it been since man attempted this perilous terrain? The footprints are passive and deadened by white.

Then walking slowly, planning our steps carefully, I stop frequently to finger snow from my boot tops. We reach the top of a beautiful hillside and stop to watch the world.

How silent winter is! I feel like an intruder, a foreigner in this land of glittering white. The sounds of animals are missing.

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