

# Behrend Collegian

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## News Shorts

Moshe Davan, the Israeli Foreign Minister, began talks with President Carter and Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, in Washington on Tuesday. The talks regarding Middle East diplomacy will be important in determining whether or not there will be a Geneva peace conference this year.

Hundreds of Federal Government facilities across the nation, mainly military installations, have been violating the antipollution requirements of the Clean Water Act. The facilities, including national parks, fish hatcheries, and atomic energy installations, have not yet been penalized by the Environmental Protection Agency.

More cases of cholera are being reported as the epidemic continues to plague the Middle East. Syria, who has had the largest outbreak during the month old epidemic, has reported 2,295 cases and 71 deaths.

Over twice the legal capacity were in the Beverly Hills Supper Club in Southgate, Ky., the night it burned down, killing 164 people. The club's capacity was 525 people, but a recent report says that there were over 1,300 people there that night.

The Staff of the Collegian would like to welcome the following additions to the faculty and staff of Behrend: Amy Atkinson, Steven Baskin, Dr. Ann Carlisle, Dr. Patricia Clancy, Charles M. Clicquenoit, Dr. Timothy DeYoung, Sandra Edwards, Dr. Margaret R. Fete, Patricia A. Gracy, Dr. Steven Greiert, Dr. Stephen Knouse, James Kurre, Larry Lapidus, Lynn Maurer, John J. Morris, Robert Pacella, and Mario Polancy.

Volunteers are needed to become "Big Brothers and Sisters" for a Millcreek organization whose main objectives are to maintain friendly and supportive relationships with children and teens who have had problems with parents, the law, etc. A four hour per week minimum is requested for volunteers, as well as a six-month commitment. Interested mature students and faculty are asked to contact Dr. Richard Quarton in the Faculty Office Building by Monday.

## Yearbook...

by Michele McWherton  
Collegian Staff Writer

Windrush, Behrend's upcoming yearbook, promises to be an exciting account of campus life here. After last year's fruitless struggle to make the book a reality, the veteran staff members have returned more determined than ever.

Headed by editor Jim Pappas and co-editor Ann Ott, the staff has already accomplished a remarkable portion of the organizational work. Although the staff already consists of many creative students, anyone interested in working on the yearbook is encouraged and welcome, especially photographers.

Pappas anticipates that the yearbook will be available to the student body prior to Spring Term. Cost is approximately \$7.00-\$8.00.

## Students Stride Off With Goods

Several cases have now been closed on a series of thefts and criminal mischief that occurred on the Behrend College Campus last year with offenders receiving jail terms and fines.

The largest case involved a series of thefts of University property amounting to about \$4,500. Taken over a period of several months were large quantities of food items from Dobbins Hall and the Reed Building Cafeteria, as well as items from the Student Union Office and Game room in the R.U.B.

Numerous articles including sheets, drapes, coat racks and fire extinguishers were taken from the dorms. Also taken were \$1,700 worth of Army R.O.T.C. radios.

Involved in the thefts were eight persons, including six Behrend students, one former student, and a student from another Erie College.

Through many manhours of work by the Behrend Security Division, headed by Chief Gene Johnson, the thefts were solved and the stolen articles (which filled two pick-up trucks and a station wagon) were recovered from a location in North East. Assisting in the recovery of the items, obtained with a search warrant, were the Pennsylvania State Police. The F.B.I. was also involved in the investigation, since the R.O.T.C. radios were federal property.

Playing an important role in the case were several Behrend students who came forward with vital information which led to the solution of the case, according to Johnson.

The persons involved were taken before a district magistrate facing about 50

charges of criminal mischief. They have all pleaded guilty and were sentenced to county jail for terms ranging from three days to ten weekends in jail. The offenders also paid fines ranging from \$100 to \$300 plus making restitution and paying court costs.

The Behrend students also faced disciplinary action by the Office of Student Affairs. After hearings, one student was dismissed, one suspended until the end of the Fall 1977 term, one suspended until Spring 1978, one placed on disciplinary probation until the end of the Spring Term and refused permission to reside in the dorms. One student case is under review and the other is still pending. The non-students were banned from the campus.

In another case, a Behrend student was charged with criminal mischief after he pleaded guilty to setting a fire in a dumpster. He was sentenced to two days in the county jail and paid \$102 in fines and court costs. He had been identified by another student who witnessed the offense.

The fire was one of several, which occurred in dumpsters last year and were extinguished by the Security Patrol.

Johnson praised the students who were not afraid to come forward with the vital information which helped in the solution of the cases. He also had high praise for the members of the Security Division who put in many hours solving these cases.

He warned that students who commit similar offenses on the campus not only face severe college disciplinary action and possible dismissal but will also face civil charges and possible fines and jail sentences.

## Out With The Old, In With The New

by Robin Baulding  
Entertainment Editor

Behrend College residence hall coordinator staff had a complete turnover this year. Three people have been hired to fill the positions. They are Robert Pacella, Residence Community Coordinator, Perry Hall; Lynn Maurer, Area Coordinator, Niagara Hall; and Larry Lapidus, Area Coordinator, Lawrence Hall.

Robert Pacella received both his bachelors and masters degrees from the University of Indiana of Pennsylvania. His undergraduate degree is in Political Science; his masters degree is in Counselor Education with an emphasis in Student Personnel Services. He presently has post masters credits in Education Administration.

Lynn Maurer graduated from Findlay College in Ohio with an undergraduate degree in Elementary Education. She has five years experience behind her as a YMCA program director. This past August she received her masters from Shippensburg State College in Counseling.

Having graduated from Kent State University, Larry Lapidus received his undergraduate degree in Health, Physical Education, and Recreation.

Recently, he received his masters in Guidance and Counseling from Youngstown State.

Mr. Pacella explained briefly his concepts and position on residence hall life for the dorms: "The residence life program will incorporate the concepts of student development. The goal of the residence life staff for this academic year will be to foster and realize a self governance model in the student population."

Miss Maurer goes on to say, "We are trying to guide them (the students) toward self-responsibility—responsibility for their own actions."

Mr. Lapidus has the faith and confidence that students "can be responsible for themselves and responsible to the needs of others, given the right motivational conditions, that is, if they have the power of decision making."

What are the motivational conditions? Thus far, the coordinators have established guidelines for floor governments whose main purpose is to meet the needs of the floor. As Mr. Pacella puts it, "Each floor has its own personality."

Further explanation of the residence floor government and changes from last year to this year will be continued in the next issue.

## Dollars Discussed

by Deirdre McCavley  
Collegian Staff Writer

On September 26, the Pennsylvania State legislature will reassemble to discuss higher education funding. The Pennsylvania State University has asked for 109 million dollars from the state to finance the 1977-78 year. The Governor has recommended that 103 million be granted to the University. This meager funding is a result of the public outcry against higher taxes. The large funding figure for higher education may seem overwhelming to the general public, but Pennsylvania supports many private institutions as well as Penn State University. P.S.U. is borrowing money now (in order to sustain necessary operations until a final budget is known) at a rate of \$3,000 a day interest.

The failure to gain the funds felt necessary to support adequately fundamental programs of teaching and research at the University has already had an effect at Behrend. While Dean Fox and Mr. Kochel have, as their prime interest, maintaining academic quality, positions in Accounting and Management are still not filled. Secretaries and janitors are not being hired, which results in

more time taken to mineograph exams, for example, and only minor cleaning for college buildings.

Along with the uncertainty of a budget, there is a hiring freeze in effect. The consequences of this may be seen in the Career Development and Placement position, which will not be filled. The Placement aspects are, instead, directed to the Finance Department, and the Career Development aspect is incorporated into Undergraduate Studies. This is referred to as "recycling of money."

Raising tuition increases funds, of course, but the tuition and fees of Penn State are already higher than those charged by all but three of the state and land-grant universities in the United States. The tuition for undergraduate students who are residents of Pennsylvania was increased this year by an average of 9.1 per cent per academic year. In dollars, this comes to \$78 per year at Behrend College. There is no way of knowing of a further tuition increase. The Trustees have the right to raise tuition, as is stated in the College Handbook. Unfortunately, with a low budget recommendation, inflation, and public outcry over tax hikes, a tuition increase seems more than likely.

## Parking Still A Problem

by Kathy Luddy  
Collegian Staff Writer

Chief of Security Gene Johnson revealed that Behrend College will once again have a parking problem this year.

A request for more parking facilities has been met only halfheartedly. Security has been trying for four years to obtain 198 additional spaces, and a new lot, in the process of being completed, will provide only 53. The new lot started on the 15th of August is located across from the Erie Hall lot. Weather conditions have delayed the construction of the new facilities and the date of completion is uncertain. Whether the claim of "too much moisture in the air" is a valid one is questionable.

Total student parking amounts to 552 spaces, with 550 student permits issued so far. An average of 5 temporary permits have been issued daily and there are 21 car pools of 2 cars or more. Requests for further permits, which are expected, are being delayed due to the fact that the security office has run out of permits forms. Until a new supply of forms are received, no car will be ticketed for failure to display a permit.

There is a controversy over the fact that the faculty, staff and administration are allowed to park in students' lots, but

students are not allowed access to faculty and administration lots. If faculty would stay in their assigned areas it would cut down on the number of students being ticketed. Since students are not allowed in faculty lots they have no choice but to park alongside the road or in prohibited areas. Perhaps a little cooperation from the staff and faculty is in order.

With the completion of the new lot there will be a total of 816 spaces available between both the students and faculty there are just not enough spaces to go around. Due to heavier class loads on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, the problem worsens on these days. The inadequacy is further visible when conferences and workshops are held here on campus.

The rise in the cost of registration is being questioned by many students. Permits cost \$7.50 last year and \$10.00 this year. This rise is due to a directive from University Park and is to be used to maintain and improve parking facilities here at Behrend.

Winter moves things along from bad to worse. Poor plowing of heavy snows block many available spaces. This results in not only special problems for student and faculty drivers but personal financial loss (paying for parking privileges) as well.

## New Faces In The Crowd

by Sue Wortman  
Collegian Staff Writer

Returning students may have noticed many new faces in personnel this fall. The administration's persistent attempt to acquire a first-rate staff has led to the hiring of some highly competent (in Dr. Gamble's opinion) professional men and women.

Due to the lack of space, the Collegian has opted to review new faculty on the basis of their divisions. New members to the Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences are:

Ms. Amy A. Atkinson—Physical Education Instructor.  
Ms. Atkinson coaches Women's

Varsity Tennis and Basketball. She is interested in teaching all aspects of health and physical education—especially coaching. She holds a MA degree from Kent State University and is at Behrend on a continuing basis.

Mr. Steven M. Baskin—Instructor in Psychology.

Mr. Baskin held membership in the Internship Program at the Ohio State University College of Medicine. He presently is working on a doctoral dissertation from North Texas State University. His teaching interests lie in Clinical and Abnormal Psychology. Mr.

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