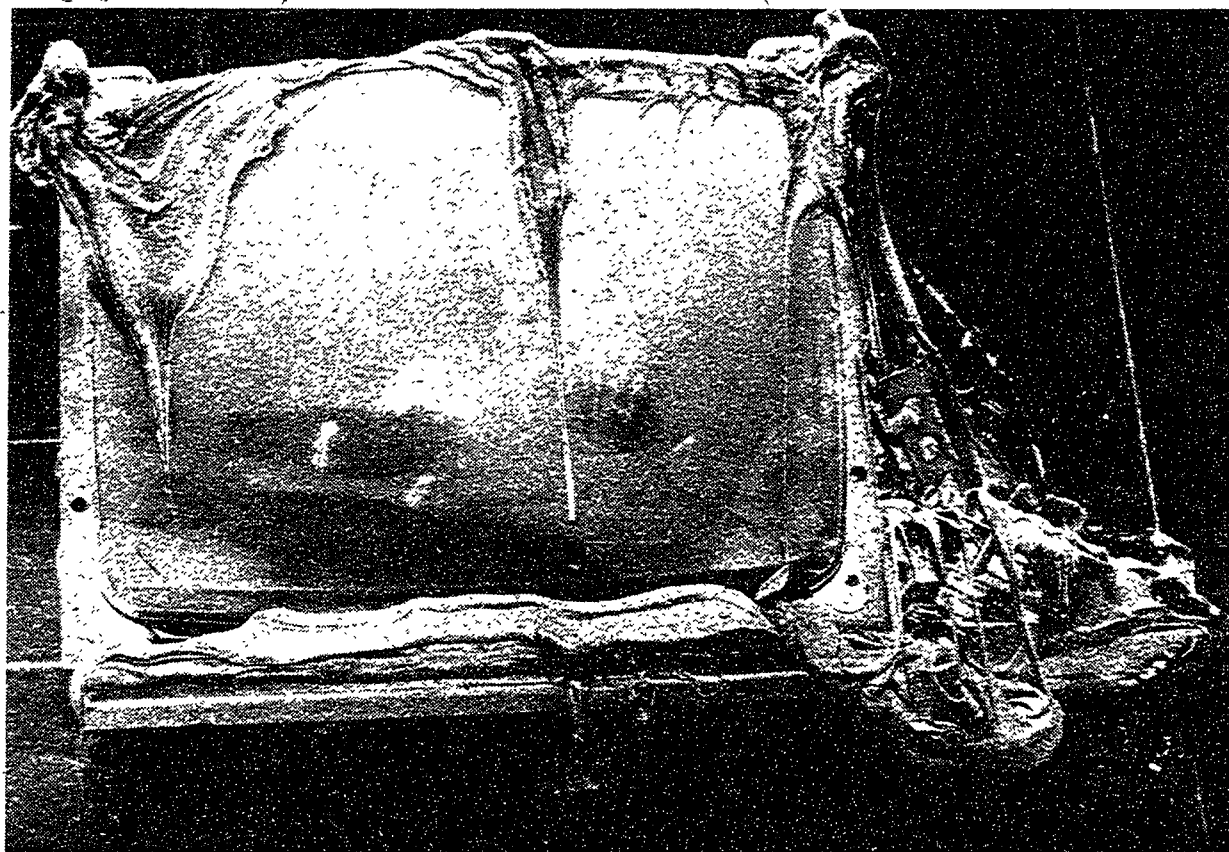


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Either Salvadoré Dali brings his work to Behrend, or Dobbins tries its new dish, "Video Melt". Or...see story below. (Photo by Steve Nesbit.)

\$10,000 Damage In Perry Fire

Fire struck Perry Hall dormitories early Monday morning. Around 2:16 a.m., a multi-alarm fire devastated the 2nd floor Perry Hall T.V. room.

The alarm evacuated the men's side instantly and the entire dorm was evacuated moments later.

Cold Behrend dorm students dispersed to other dorms and the RUB seeking refuge from the early morning cold. The dorm wasn't reopened until 7:00 a.m. Monday morning.

Public Relations Director, Ben Hancock, had this to say about

the evacuation of the dorms. "The students evacuated the building promptly and handled the situation quite well. Much praise can go to the people who helped make the evacuation effective."

An exact figure for the damages hasn't been released yet; but the cost of clean up will be around \$11,000. The television, walls, ceiling and furniture were all destroyed and construction crews were already cleaning up the debris Monday afternoon.

Mr. Hancock said, "the official

investigation on the fire isn't in, but the fire supposedly started on a couch in the T.V. room, possibly by a smoldering cigarette."

Many students had just left the T.V. room after watching a late show and were only back to their rooms for a short time when smoke was detected. That was one reason why the building was evacuated so quickly.

No damage was done to any other areas of the dorm and smoke was the only reason for not letting the students back in until 7:00 a.m.

Buck, Binder, in Behrend Brew Battle

By Tony Newman

At halftime of the Geneva-Behrend Men's Basketball Game in Erie Hall on February 17, the final game of the Miller Beer two-on-two Men's Basketball tournament was held. The 62 participating players were reduced to four after a week of single team elimination play.

Entrants paid a \$1 intramural fee to cover the cost of officials, and received a T-shirt and bumper sticker with "It's Miller Time at Behrend College" printed on it. Games were five minutes long, with a one minute overtime and sudden death play if necessary.

Glenwood Beer Distributor and the Miller Brewing Company directed the event, and Behrend Intramurals acted as sponsor. Usually, the basketball games

are played in the form of one-on-one competition, however, Behrend and other nearby colleges were asked to play two-on-two as an experiment by Miller Beer.

Intramural Director Duane Crider felt that the event was very successful, far exceeding the participation expectations. "Glenwood Beer and the Miller Brewing Company have the community in mind when conducting this event. The emphasis on playing these games is to show everyone that these businesses have more than a desire to sell beer, that they don't want to see students abusing alcohol," said Crider.

Kirk Binder and Dave "Buck" Weakland were the first place trophy winners, owing their victories to intelligent passing and

layups. They will now play the winning Edinboro team, and if they win, will play champions from other regional colleges.

Second and third place trophies were also awarded. Following the game, trophies were presented and Kevin Bemis of Glenwood Beer Distributor thanked everyone who participated in the Intramural Program of Behrend College for their help.

Records Office Announcements

Need three credits to satisfy your Humanities credits? Locked out of Humanities 001? American Studies 100, Comparative Lit. 100, Humanities 101, English 121, and

Reagan Poll

Students Back Administration

In a January 18th issue of the Collegian, John Skrzypczak authored an editorial entitled "Speak Up." In the article he stated "250,000 students will lose PELL (BEOG) grants and 500,000 students will be dropped from the Guaranteed Student Loan Program.

"Only \$2.18 billion will be given out in Federal grant forms. Approximately 110,000 students will lose their college work-study and 75,000 will lose SEOG grants." He also explained that all Student Social Security benefits have been completely eliminated, with present recipients phased out over a four-year period.

The Collegian polled 184 students February 8th to determine if students support the Reagan administration. Of those 184, 119 respondents approve of the current administration, 54 disapprove, and 9 expressed no opinion.

Of those who indicated that they approve of the current administration, 52 approve of Reagan's cuts for education, especially in colleges and universities; 55 students disapprove and 12 had no opinion. However, those who indicated on their survey that they disapprove of the present administration felt more strongly about cuts in education: 3 approve of them while 52 disapprove.

When asked how they plan to finance their education next Fall, most students expect to get personal loans or work more hours at their jobs. A minority of students expect their parents to contribute more money to tuition. A few

students replied that they may have to resort to drastic measures if funds are unavailable, such measures include joining the Army and quitting school.

Most respondents felt that Reagan should not make any more cuts in the education and Social Security programs. However, many respondents wrote that they would like to see the defense budget cut.

Other areas that students feel that President Reagan should leave alone are: the Presidency, excise taxes on alcohol and any research programs, to name a few. One student wrote that he would like the Socialist party in his home town left alone.

The poll, devised by John Skrzypczak, was generally well-received. However, some students felt that the poll was biased and therefore, unreliable.

Skrzypczak responded to the allegations that the poll was prejudiced by stating, "I can't help but be biased. I feel very strongly about the issues at hand. I hate to stand idly by while people's throats are cut."

March 1st is slated as a national day of action against the financial aid cuts. S.G.A. is launching a mass letter-writing campaign. It is imperative, according to S.G.A. that students voice their opinion.

Addresses are posted and form letters are available to sign. Student Government will mail all letters if dropped off at the S.G.A. office. Sue Richardson, president of S.G.A., encourages all Behrend students to express their opinion, Pro or Con.

Cultural Festival A Success

Tom Hicks

The Association of Black Collegians held its First Annual Cultural Festival on Sunday, February 14. Members of the ABC and the Erie Community crowded the Reed Lecture Hall to listen to the speakers for the day.

The speakers spoke on the importance of Unity in our community and our nation. They spoke on where our nation would be if blacks were more unified. Reverend Paul Martin talked about the black heroes. Martin Luther King Jr., Sojourner Truth, and Nat Turner.

Attorney Edith Benson told the audience how blacks can become

better business people.

Poet Paris Baker, and Freshmen Jennifer Prosper and Tyrone Harvey received rounds of applause for their performances.

Professor Eva Tucker spoke on how important it is for blacks to become better educated.

The closing remarks of Reverend Ernest Denny inspired the crowd. The Mt. Ebal Choir ended the program by singing "Reach Out and Touch Somebody's Hand."

The audience left the Reed Lecture Hall talking about how they enjoyed the activity, and were looking forward to next year's.

He also advised all students to take advantage of Early Registration, to take place this Wednesday through next Monday.