

Campus Ministry

"Trying To Show God In The Midst Of People's Lives..."

By: Phyland Robertson

"We're an ecumenical ministry, here to serve students, faculty, and staff," said Pamela Griesbach, the coordinator of Penn State-Behrend's Campus Ministry, in a recent Collegian interview. "Our activities include counseling, seminars, cultural events, Bible studies, worship services, films," and various other projects.

Behrend's Campus Ministry, according to Ms. Griesbach, has been extremely successful. "We've been here one full calen-

dar year now. Other colleges are using our Campus Ministry as a model for their Campus Ministries."

One reason for this success, said Ms. Griesbach, is that "Behrend's Ministry has six clergy. That covers a pretty wide area." The clergy currently participating in Behrend's Campus Ministry include: The Rev'd Dave Dobrowolski (Roman Catholic), the Rev'd Jeffrey Hamblin (Episcopal), the Rev'd Martin Roth (Lutheran), the Rev'd

Gerald Schmidt (United Methodist), the Rev'd Charles Schmitt (Roman Catholic), and the Rev'd George Schoonmaker (Baptist).

Addressing her own function, Ms. Griesbach stated "I don't actually do the ministry. My job is to try to coordinate the ministries of the six clergy, and tie the programs together. I'm not faculty or staff of Penn State-Behrend. The clergy pay my salary, and our programs are funded by Inter-

Church Ministries of Northwestern Pennsylvania and the Erie Roman Catholic Diocese."

"We're here to serve," said Ms. Griesbach. "We're trying to show God in the midst of people's lives, here on campus."

Ms. Griesbach pointed to the recent "Night of the Arts," which Campus Ministry sponsored, as an example. "God gives each of us gifts in life," she said. "Some of us are musicians. Some are artists. Just as some are teachers

and some are students."

"We hope students will take advantage of the counseling services and programs we provide," said Ms. Griesbach. "Our goal is to be God's silent witness in an academic community."

Behrend's Campus Ministry is located in the Office of Student Affairs in the Reed Building. "Anyone should feel free to contact us," offered Ms. Griesbach. "All are welcome. We're here to serve."

SFFS Announces Writing Contest

By: P. Robertson

The Science Fiction and Fantasy Society of Penn State - Behrend is sponsoring a "science fiction and fantasy writing" contest, according to SFFS President Bill Hilliker. "Most people who enjoy reading science fiction tend to try to write it," said Bill. "We're offering this contest to give people that chance."

First prize will be a \$25 gift certificate from B. Dalton Bookstore, in the Millcreek Mall. The winning story will also be published in TEMPUS, the student literary magazine of

Behrend. Depending upon the number of entries, a \$10 second prize may also be awarded.

"The contest is open to all students of Behrend. Stories will be judged on quality of writing, originality, and content and should be either fantasy or science fiction," said Bill.

All entries should be typed and double spaced, and contain the author's name, address, phone number, and student number. The entries must be submitted before January 31, 1984, and should be turned in at the RUB desk.

Judging will be done by a panel consisting of 2 faculty members and 1 student, and their decision is final. The winners will be notified by phone before February 15th.

"This is not only an opportunity to promote the SFFS," said Bill, "This is also an opportunity for our members to see who else on campus is interested in science fiction and fantasy."

A copy of the official entry rules can be picked up at the RUB desk.

"Merry Christmas To All..."

By: Lisa Pavadore

Here comes Christmas

With this season come many thoughts. Thoughts such as: ideas for presents, decorating the tree, and who had the scotch tape last - and where did they put it?

Even though Christmas has become very commercialized, I still believe that people value something much more than those gifts, and that is each other.

I mean, it is noticeable how people are kinder toward each other, and how they make a sincere effort to cease the arguing. It is at this time of year when even the hardest of people seem to soften.

The only problem with Christmas is that many times families spend beyond their means to please one another. It's our way of showing our parents, sisters and brothers how much we care.

Well, all of that is fine, but how much you spend on each other is not really important. The most valuable gift we can give to each other cannot be bought, and it has a lifetime guarantee. . .

*When the trials and tribulations
of everyday life
find you cursing one another;
When you feel you're living
amidst chaos, confusion, and madness-
Stop.
Stop
and see
that you have each other.
A family is what
so many
so many
take for granted.*

*Think of those without your most valuable possession - a family.
and sometime,
sometime,
When you least expect it,
You will see through
the aggravation and frustration
that you have each other.
And it is enough.*

Merry Christmas everyone!



Dear Dorm Students:
Is this really what a dorm room looks like?
Signed, A Commuter

Colloquium Held Wednesday

By: Sally Tamlin

Senior Communication majors who have completed their Senior projects, internships, and independent studies were to present their findings at the first communication colloquium Wednesday evening in the Memorial Room of the Administration Building.

Among those students who participated were Kevin Still who discussed the results of a Senior project in which he analyzed the correlation between leadership traits of outstanding Behrend students and group members perceptions of these leaders. Jeff Jenkins reported on his mini-

internship at WRIE as news writer and field reporter. He focused his studies on the relationship between station listenership and news format.

Guest speaker Ann Karmazon Scott, a 1983 Behrend Communication graduate, and presently a personnel specialist at Erie Insurance Group, discussed her Senior internship, and offered suggestions for those students entering into one.

Communication majors, minors, faculty, and Arts and Humanities Division Head, Archie Loss attended the colloquium.

Student Opinion: "What Are Your Feelings On The Equal Rights Amendment?"

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Becky Fuller (1st semester, Psychology) — "ERA is a good thing, but some people take it to an extreme. Everyone should have equal rights under the law. Women should have the same job opportunities and same pay rates, because there are a lot of single mothers who need the money as much as a man."

Sharon Ross (1st semester, Forest Science) — "I'm not for passage. Basically, the only aspect of the

ERA I do agree with is equal pay for equal jobs. My belief is that the man should be the head of the household. We were created differently, but I don't believe one is better than the other."

Ray Harris (7th semester, Political Science) — "I'm in favor of it. It should have passed. Without it, there is discrimination in the job market. Pay scales aren't even; women do the same jobs as men, but aren't compensated equally."

Debbie Itin (8th semester, Ac-

counting) — "I'm for the amendment, but that doesn't imply that I'm for hardcore feminism. Basically, I'm for equal pay and equal opportunities for employment. I don't like being a token female."

Kecia Conley (4th semester, MIS) — "I'm against it. There is a difference between men and women. I'm proud to be a woman. ERA would bring about, in the minds of people, a unisex society. There are places for women, and there are places for men. Still, women

should not be considered inferior."

Steve Boehmer (1st semester, Aerospace Engineer) — "There is a need for a group of women to push for job non-discrimination. But I feel that the ERA is not fulfilling God's plan, because it reaffirms abortion rights, and establishes homosexual rights."

Pam Wood (1st semester, Mathematics) — "I'm for passage. Men and women should be considered equal. Women are discriminated against at work and

in sports. ERA would help promote a feeling of equality between the sexes, which in the long run, will benefit everyone."

Sue Rupp (3rd semester, Finance) — "ERA is a good idea, but at the same time, it's going to prove to be difficult to adjust to. I think women will find, that with ERA, the workforce will be tougher to function in: If passed, I think you're going to have some very surprised feminists."

Interviews conducted by Phyland Robertson