

NEWS

Behrend Prepares for Winter

by Kimberly Ford
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Now that winter is finally upon us, this is the opportune time to provide some vital information to those of you courageous enough

to brave the outdoors:

For an effective snow operations system, each of Behrend's major sidewalks and roadways have been prioritized. Most of the campus' roadways and sidewalks

are plowed by a truck, however there are a few sidewalks that require hand shoveling.

Key improvements were made this past summer. The sidewalk railings were moved and the

sidewalks were widened in front of Perry and Niagara Halls. In addition, the railings on the steps leading to the parking lot in front of the Behrend Building have been widened.

The walkway leading from Lawrence Hall to the Reed Building has been widened to accommodate mechanical plowing devices.

A new pickup truck was acquired this year to aid in effective snow management. Present vehicles have been thoroughly examined and tuned to minimize future breakdowns.

If your car stalls, Police and Safety is equipped with jumper cables for assistance.

The on-campus ski slope will not be in operation until after the winter break. In past years, the amount of snow before break has not been great. Because of a liability interest, if the slopes were in operation during the holiday break, conflicts could arise.

If classes are cancelled due to inclement weather conditions, students will be notified via FM K104 or AM WJET. As a last resort, students can call the campus switchboard, ext. 6000.

Dean Comments on Vandalism

by Barrett Parker
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In the Nov. 21 issue of the Behrend Collegian, an article was published about vandalism. In that article, Dohn Harshbarger, Dean of Student Affairs was incorrectly quoted as saying, "If students want to be treated as children, we can arrange that; tighter controls on activities may have to be imposed due to the damage. (We hope) that students want to be treated as adults." Jamie Grimm, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs stated this.

Harshbarger did have something to say about the plague of vandalism. "Most of the increased vandalism is in the Reed Building. The residence hall damage does not reflect an increase of damage. Last year was the lowest level of vandalism," he continued, "and this year's figures are comparable to last year's at this same time in the residence halls. It does not take much to get up to \$1,200 worth of damage."

When asked about curtailing the current vandalism, Harshbarger said, "The only way to

stop vandalism in the Reed Building is to catch someone. Keeping the Reed Building in good repair may help to halt the vandalism." Replacing the older furniture with new is an example.

In closing, Harshbarger stated: "We're always trying to do something to keep vandalism at a minimum. We have been relatively successful. We would welcome any student input, however, as to ways of reducing the vandalism in the Reed Building."

Dean Harshbarger can be reached in the Office of Student Affairs.

Care Packages Surprise Students

by Jill Bedford
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Finals are here. 'Tis the season to be jolly, but there is nothing cheerful or joyful about finals. Like death, they are inevitable and you have no choice in whether or not you take them (unless you can count passing or failing a choice). However, you make take some solace knowing that you may receive a care package to help ease the pain of finals.

Care packages are not new to Behrend campus. They have been available to Behrend students every semester for approximately ten years. Behrend's Lambda Sigma Society and the Resident

Assistant (RA) staff share in the making, distributing and profits of the care packages.

Letters are mailed home to parents prior to finals and the parents order the packages as a surprise to their hard-working, diligent students. Every year the response is very favorable and Lambda Sigma President Mark Clemans reports, "This semester the response was even larger than last semester."

Care packages are a fundraising project for Lambda Sigma and the RA staff. They charge \$7.50 for a single care package and \$15 for a double care package. The two groups get together and in an assembly line fashion put the

packages together. Every package contains three cans of juice, fresh fruit, coffee, tea, snack items and coupons to different stores and restaurants in Wesleyville. The double care package includes a Behrend T-shirt.

So you're already broke from buying Christmas presents, it's cold and dreary outside and finals are here. Take heart. Care packages may just be the faint light at the end of the long, dark tunnel.

Temporary Parking Lot Available

by Marge Tomczak
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Gene Johnson, Chief of Police and Safety at Behrend, announced that a temporary parking lot is now available for use by all students. It is located directly behind the Nick Building, across the street from the third student parking lot. The new lot will provide 50 to 60 parking spaces that

should alleviate the parking problem that has been prevalent on campus.

All motorists should use courtesy and common sense so that all accessible parking slots can be utilized. Johnson stated, "I would appreciate if students would now use the new temporary parking lot so that all illegal parking will be eliminated."

Tips from Records

Tuition Bills

*Don't get purged. As a warning to students, they are reminded that their tuition must be paid and their estimated bill filed before Jan. 10, 1985.

*Under the new AIS registration system, a 'purge program' is run that will eliminate the student's schedule if an estimated bill has not been filed and tuition money paid.

*Students should make sure they're on the instructor class list when classes begin on Jan. 14. If you're not on the list, you have a problem! Contact the Records Office if this occurs.

Registration

*Registration and orientation will be Jan. 10 and 11. Only new students will be permitted to attend registration.

*Any student who missed advanced registration from Nov. 7 - 27 should see their advisor and register now through Dec. 19 in

the TV lounge area of the Reed Building.

*Students with incomplete schedules are allowed to complete their schedules during this time or they have to wait until drop-add beginning Jan. 14.

Fall Grade Reports

*Reports will not be mailed to students.

*Reports will be ready on or about Jan. 14, 1985.

*Students are to pick them up in the Records Office.

*At the end of Spring Semester, students will receive an unofficial transcript copy listing all coursework completed to date. The Spring Grade Report will be mailed to the students' home address.

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