FEATURE

Professor Lane Honored At Spring Dinner-Dance

by Julie Reynolds Collegian Staff Writer

As Benjamin A. Lane received the "outstanding service" award at the second annual Spring Dinner Dance held at Peak 'n' Peek Lodge April 13, he seemed to be momentarily at a loss for words.

Quickly regaining his composure and sense of humor, he spoke of his relationship with his students and gave credit to the student body for the joy and fulfillment he experienced from

32 years of service to Behrend College. He stated that it was the life and vitality of the students that provided him with the most enjoyment, using his classes and humorous remarks about living so near the campus as examples.

"As Carolyn (Mrs. Lane) and I sit in our living room listening to the stillness of the night, we invariably hear a loud yell from the direction of the campus," Lane said. "This usually occurs any time between 5 and 11 at night. It is this life from the students that has made my years at Behrend so enjoyable," he added.

The award presentation and special remarks followed a cocktail hour and a buffet style dinner. Special remarks were given by Provost Dr. John M. Lilley and Doug Saltzman, president of the Student Programming Council. Saltzman also presented Lane with the "outstanding service" award. Doug Gerow, president of the Student Government

The buffet style dinner included baked chicken, Swedish meatballs, roast loin of pork or ham, tossed salad, lyonnaise potatoes, buttered corn O'Brien, and several desserts.

Following the dinner and ceremony, couples moved to the spacious dance floor to dance from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. to the music of Bill Elliot. Students con-

cluded the evening by rocking to the sounds of Billy Ocean, Madonna, and Van Halen, and romancing to the more mellow tunes of Lionel Richie, REO Speedwagon, and Phil Collins.

This tribute to Benjamin Lane marks the end of his commendable career with the Behrend College. The atmosphere was appropriate for this special occasion.

Eddie Murphy Appears At State College

by Kevin Moore Collegian Staff Writer

Though in show business for a relatively short period of time, Eddie Murphy is no longer a rising star. He has already been in three blockbuster movies (four if you count Best Defense), had a starring role on Saturday Night Live, and last year had a highly successful comedy special on Home Box Office titled "Delirious".

It's impossible to name all the characters and all of the performances that Murphy has accomplished in the past three years. Murphy has even "cut" an album, but more recently he came to State College's Recreation Hall as part of his "Lawd Have Murphy" 1985 Concert Tour. This was a surprise to Penn State students in two respects; first that

Penn State could get Murphy, and second that all branch campuses were given 100 tickets.

As an audience member at the Murphy concert, I had the chance of a lifetime, to see Eddie Murphy. It was great. The opening act for Murphy was Lilo Thomas, an established "funk" band. The band performed for an hour and at 9:30 p.m., the stage was cleared for Eddie.

As the lights went out, the Pointer Sisters' "Neutron Dance" began and a movie screen appeared on stage. The two and one half minute film showed Murphy as his various characters in television and film. The short film ended and the screen became cheery red as the unmistakeable silhouette of Eddie Murphy came into focus. The electricity began. The audience chanted "Eddie".

The show ran as expected with Murphy's unmistakeably profane language and style of humor. The general consensus of the audience was that the "Delirious" concert was better than the State College show, but everyone enjoyed themselves.

John Anderson, fourth semester mathematics, said, "It was funny, and I'm glad I went, but with hindsight I wouldn't pay \$16 given the chance again."

According to an article that appeared in the Collegian Magazine, a University Concert Committee member said, "I hope Murphy gives us a profit, because we slapped down \$55,000 for him." Minus the overhead, Eddie Murphy was well rewarded for a 75 minute workout.



Jeff SooHoo, Mel Galloway and Stu Tutler performed "Stupid Human Tricks" during Late Night at the Reed, April 14, sponsored by SGA. They showed off their physical dexterity by wiggling their ears, flaring their nostrils and catching coins from their elbows.

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