

Learn the facts about sex

by Cheryl Nietupski
Collegian Staff Writer

Did you ever wonder what it would be like to be pregnant, and not married? How much do you really think you know about sex anyway? What about sexually transmitted diseases?

On Thursday, around 5 p.m., I got into my car and turned on the radio to a local news station. The announcer was discussing reports of AIDS in the Erie area. Three people, including a female, have been infected with the disease: one is now dead. There are probably a lot more AIDS cases locally than we know about today, but they have not yet been reported.

The main causes of all sexually-related diseases are from carelessness, lack of knowledge, and a lack of fear. These problems often involve younger people, since they are more vulnerable to contracting sexually transmitted diseases, and also unwanted pregnancies.

The whole commotion over the spread of AIDS has brought about two reasonable conclusions: "safe sex is no sex", is the best answer, and you'd better "protect yourself with condoms" if you are, or plan to be, sexually involved with someone.

A great impact on the future of our world comes from decisions made by the younger generation. People who learn how to take proper care of their health needs will become more alert of their ac-

tions regarding sex.

Rumors about sexual diseases have left everyone wondering which bear truth and which ones are purely nonsense. If you are someone who is looking for the correct answers, search no further.

Nurse Practitioner, Patty Paske, specialist in family planning and counseling at Behrend's health center, is on campus daily to answer questions and provide help.

Beginning Monday, February 1, educational sessions will be held in Behrend's Health Center at 8:30 p.m. These weekly sessions will include methods of birth control, reasons for gynecological tests (and how they are done), and information on contracting sexually transmitted diseases. These educational sessions can be private, if you desire, or with a group of students in search of the facts.

Tuesday evenings, the Health Center will provide gynecological examinations. Also included in this exam is a breast exam, a physical, and a pap smear. For women who desire a recommended type of birth control, the educational sessions offered every Monday evening will provide the answers. The examination is free. Any necessary lab fees will be included in the students tuition bill to ensure confidentiality.

Anyone interested in this informative program, or any other health concern, should go to the Health Center, located in the rear of Glennhill Farmhouse, or call 898-6217. The Health Center is opened Monday thru Thursday from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Friday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

25 cents can save your life

by Bill Warner
Collegian Staff Writer

One of the top-ten All-American pass-times is now on the endangered species list.

Campus dating activities are threatened due to the increasingly serious side effects of intimate encounters. Birth control has always been a major consideration, but if the fear of unwanted pregnancy isn't nerve-racking enough, add the threat of AIDS, venereal warts, herpes and a host of other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs).

Penn State has joined the ranks of the many institutions across the nation who have begun to combat these problems by promoting the use of condoms.

Beginning this semester, Penn State-Behrend will make condoms available through the University Health Center. They are being offered for 25 cents each and are accompanied by a pamphlet on contraception and STD prevention.

The decision to use the Health Center as a dispensary was based on several concerns. According to Nurse Practitioner Patty Paske, the administration at University Park felt this method to be more acceptable to the general public than

condom vending machines.

U.P. policy on the use of such machines is still being established. The decision to dispense condoms through the Health Center, here and at U.P., was reached last semester.

Paske pointed out the importance of privacy for participants, stressing that "we are taking the utmost care to protect confidentiality." Students wishing to purchase condoms should go to the Health Center located in the rear of the Glennhill Farmhouse.

Treated as any other patient, they will be ushered into the examination room where they can make their request in private.

Students may buy any quantity, and the cost is charged under "Health Services" on their Student Account without further description. No entry is made on the student's health record.

Condoms and STD informational pamphlets are available during regular Health Center hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Fri. until 9 p.m.

Paske is available for group presentations on contraception, women's health care and STDs. She can be reached at 898-6217 in the Health Center.

ATTENTION all clubs and organizations:

Welcome to the new semester. This is the first and last time that the Collegian will remind you that Club Reports are:

- to be typed, double space, in paragraph style. The News Editor will not create Club Reports from Minutes or random notes. It is an organization's responsibility to complete its own reports about its activity.
- due by 12 noon on deadline days:
 - Feb. 3 for the Feb. 11 issue
 - Feb. 17 for the Feb. 25 issue
 - March 9 for the March 17 issue
 - March 23 for the March 31 issue
 - April 6 for the April 14 issue
 - April 20 for the April 28 issue.

Refer any questions to the News Editor.

Club Reports

Joint Residence Council

The Joint Residence Council (JRC) welcomes everyone back and wishes them success in the new year.

Some of the upcoming activities for the semester are: 1) a phone book with tentative distribution in late Jan. or early Feb., 2) a Valentine's Day flower sale set for Feb. 8-10 with delivery Feb. 12, 3) the Winterfest Weekend (co-sponsored by JRC) Feb 13-14, and 4) a Penn State-Behrend boxer short sale sometime before Spring Break.

These are just some of the many activities planned for this semester. We welcome any information that you may have concerning problems with or suggestions for activities. Consult your JRC representative or JRC president Andi Elias.

Stay tuned for upcoming information concerning these and more JRC sponsored activities.

The next JRC meeting will be Thursday Jan. 29 at 5:30 in the Library Conference Room.

ROTC

by Calvin Fryling
ROTC member

On Friday Jan. 15 the Senior Class of the Reserve Officer Training Corps came one step closer to becoming Commissioned Officers in the United States Army. The MS VIs, as they are known, learned the results of the Accessions Board, which determines which branch each cadet will be commissioned and which type of duty they will receive, Active or Reserve. This process takes place each year for those cadets who are graduating in May.

The following branches and types of duty were awarded:

INFANTRY, ACTIVE DUTY-

Brian Anderson
Greg Durkac
Larry Witte

INFANTRY, RESERVE DUTY-

Ed Zack

COMMUNICATIONS, ACTIVE DUTY-

Heidi Gebhart

AVIATION, ACTIVE DUTY-

Craig Paske

FIELD ARTILLERY, ACTIVE DUTY-

Calvin Fryling

This is one of the best years for Behrend's Cadets in that 6 out of 7 cadets received Active Duty assignments.

The best of luck to all the Seniors in their future endeavors.

Drill Team

by Lori Beals
Drill Team member

Looking good in Class A Dress uniforms and silver helmets, a select Color Guard team presented the Colors for the playing of the National Anthem at Behrend's Fall graduation ceremony Jan. 9. Then the four-member team of Lori Beals, Mike Emanuele, Dean Meinert and Robert Hanes proudly posted the National and State flags.

If you would like to become part of this elite club and are interested in marching techniques or rifle twirling, stop in at a Drill Team meeting in the ROTC office, located in the basement of the Glennhill Farmhouse, Tuesdays at 5:30. Drill Team membership is open to all full-time students.

.... Club Reports Club Reports

Tempus

by Brian Balog
Publicity Committee Chairperson

Behrend's literary magazine is holding its first meeting TODAY at 12:15 to 1 p.m. in the Library Conference Room. (Regular meeting time subject to staff schedules and availability.)

Submissions of poetry and short stories are being accepted. Send submissions to *Tempus* through campus mail.

Several positions are available if you are interested in holding office on *Tempus'* staff. Contact English instructor Chris Dubbs at ext. 6237 for further information.

Yearbook

by Holly Lew
Lion's Pride Editor

The Yearbook staff (including me, myself and I) needs your help. Photography, writing and layout. If your forte lies in any of these areas, the Yearbook is the place for you!!! Call 898-6221 for information.

Rangers

by Michelle Grasmick
Ranger

If you ask any dedicated Ranger what he missed most about Behrend over Winter Break he will most likely tell you that it was the training with the elite Ranger Platoon. The Ranger Club consists of a group of enthusiastic and motivated ROTC cadets who are willing to go the extra mile with tactical and survival infantry training.

This semester, the Rangers are going stronger than ever and have already begun preparation for upcoming events. In February, the Rangers will conduct Winter Survival Weekend, where the rangers will sacrifice the comforts of home for a weekend in the snow in makeshift shelters. In March, the Rangers will undergo a Paint Pellet exercise, where new tactics can be learned and improved. Towards the end of the semester in April, the

Rangers will take on some hand to hand combat training to prepare themselves for close contact with enemy soldiers. For those Rangers that participate in these rigorous activities, as well as demonstrate proficiency in infantry tasks and tactics, a black Ranger Beret will be awarded at the April ROTC awards ceremony.

Ranger commanders are enthusiastic about the progress and outlook of the club. As stated by Ranger Platoon Operations Officer Larry Witte, "We're planning on an exciting semester with challenging training... put yourself to the test." If you're currently enrolled in ROTC and you think you have the stamina and dedication being a Ranger requires, meetings are Monday evenings at 5:30 p.m. outside the ROTC Office in the Glennhill Farmhouse.

Rifle Club

by Chris Martincic

The Behrend Rifle Club is still open to all shooters either first time or experienced. The club shoots Thursday nights at 5 p.m., leaving from the ROTC Office.

During the final weeks of last semester, the club entered the Greenville, Alabama postal match. A postal match is fired here and the targets are mailed to the units putting on the event to be scored. The matches are opened to all university and college teams nationwide. The Behrend rifles placed fifth in this event with the high scorers being Al Bolkovac, Chris Martincic, John Mann, Tod Caldwell and Brian Taylor.

Bolkovac lead the scoring, firing an 83 out of 100 in the prone, 56 in the kneeling and 62 in the standing positions. This was his first semester at competitive shooting, and we expect him to improve even more.

The team fires both military and civilian competition weapons using .22 caliber ammunition. The first several times do not require joining any clubs, and the only cost is the \$1 range fees. The ROTC supplies the ammo and weapons.

Campus Ministry on the hot seat

by Grace Yapple and Pastor Ray Sines

HEY GOD???

Do you have a question you would like to ask God, your minister, your church, etc.? Now is your opportunity! On February 9, 1988 at 8:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m., several Campus Ministry Ministers will be on the "hot seat" in Lawrence Hall. Campus Ministers will be:

Dr. Maria O'Connor
Rev. Ron Garrett
Rev. Greg Prince
Rev. Ray Sines

Refreshments will be served during Q & A. Bring your questions, friends and appetites.

S.G.A Minutes

by Holly Lew
Collegian News Editor

- As of Dec. 10, '87 the Student Government Association treasury balance was \$5,636.63.

- This year's Spring Break trip is to Daytona, FL. Look for advertising around campus.

- Seats are opening up for a Resident and a Commuter Senator. Anyone interested is encouraged to inquire at the SGA office for further information.

There will be a 48-hour dance marathon Feb. 18-21 benefiting children who have cancer at the Hershey Medical Center.

Standing Council Reports

- Elections will take place Feb. 22 for the University Faculty Senator for the 1988-89 academic year. This prestigious seat requires a lot of work and dedication of time. The election committee includes Inter Club Council (ICC) president Carl Dabler as Chairperson, Senator Alccia Gebhart and International Relations (Sister College) Representative Paul Funari.

ICC-the "Emerging Leaders Series" workshops will start at the end of the month. The annual Winterfest is being planned around the Olympics schedule.

- Representatives of Behrend will pay a visit Thurs. Jan. 28 - Sat. Jan. 30 to Erindale College of the University of Toronto, our sister college.

JRC-The Joint Residence Council will sell roses Feb. 9-11 to be delivered Feb. 12. Also, sometime before Spring Break, it will sell Penn State-Behrend boxer shorts.

SPC-The Student Programming Council presidency was assumed by Karin Shrum. Jay Banick replaced Shrum as vice president. Two SPC representatives will attend a National Entertainment Convention Feb. 16-21.

- Apathy Buster pins are in.

the Penn State-Behrend Collegian

Member of The Press Association

Editors Lisa Hahn, James Martin

Feature Editors ... Nan Quatchak, Vail Weller
Entertainment Editor Matthew Filippi
News Editor Holly Lew
Sports Editor Dave Bruce
Asst. Sports Editor Rick Cain
Distribution Managers Nancy Kredell, Jennifer Wood

Business Manager Jeff Gonos
Photo Coordinator Rick Brooks
Asst. Photo Coordinator Mary Beth Zawistoski
Copy Editor Darren Boyce
Advisor Nancy McGartland

Staff

Steve Aller
Terry Anthony
David Bacon
Brian Balog
Denise Cutruzzola
Carol Eck
Robbert Eggleston
Darrell Freund
Tammy Furesz
Jaqueline Gardiner

Jack Grow
Robyn Hovey
Sandy Inman
Robert Kelly
Thomas Mamaux
Michelle McClellan
Cheryl Nietupski
Jennifer Pell
Debra Malone
Heather Osmond

Ken Oswaldel
Maria Plaza
Robert Prindle
Lorraine Reib
Michelle Schneider
Thang Tran
Kevin Trenney
William Warner
Brent Vernon

Mailing Address - Behrend Collegian, Station Road, Erie, PA 16563
Office located in Reed Union Building
Office Hours - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Monday through Friday
Phone: 898-6221

REPRESENTED FOR NATIONAL ADVERTISING BY
CASS Student Advertising Incorporated
1633 West Central St.
Evanston, Illinois 60201

Opinions expressed by the editors and staff of the Penn State-Behrend Collegian are not necessarily those of the University Administration, faculty, or the student body.