

EDITORIAL

Penn State receives much state aid.

Behrend Campus, as a part of this system naturally receives state aid. This state aid is the reason our tuition rate is a very low \$130.

Now Behrend is going to construct some new buildings. Part of the cost of the new buildings is being paid by governmental funds; the community is being asked to give a half-million dollars.

The point is that the great majority of the funds are being paid by people who are not directly affected by the campus. However, those who are directly affected by the campus have more of a responsibility for the future of the campus. We, the students of this campus, are the ones who should really care.

The SGA Fund Drive is giving us the opportunity to show that we do care. When an SGA member contacts you, show him, and yourself, that you do care about your campus by making a pledge. It's the least you can do for your campus.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Editor,

Many of us were pleased by the recent installation of the public address system, however, that pleasure was short-lived. Why? Well, when was the last time that the system was used? Can you remember? The P.A. system can be an asset to this campus only if it is utilized correctly.

Allow me to qualify this. We all realize that the cafeteria is noisy enough at lunch time without having the additional racket of records played on the P.A. However, it could be used for vital announcements, e.g. of activities.

Perhaps an SGA or Radio Club member could be responsible for making the daily announcements. Once this person is appointed, anyone wanting announcements made could contact this individual.

Let's get some action.

Peter Kauffman

Dear Mr. Editor:

The many posters displayed recently around Behrend concerning the 1966 Bits of Behrend yearbook have no doubt been effective in the solicitation of this

annual. Through past experience, however, I can't help but be reluctant about making a payment on this book. Not that I am trying to castigate this year's staff, but due to an obviously incompetent management I have yet to receive my 1965 yearbook which was paid for a year and a half ago. There are other students in this same situation and I hope it will be remedied in the future.

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REPLY

The distribution of the 1965 yearbook is the responsibility of the SGA. I am well aware that many students who paid for yearbooks last year did not receive them; the SGA is also aware of this as evidenced by the fact that they have a list of all students who paid for yearbooks and have not received them. The problem is lack of communication -- students who paid for yearbooks don't know where to get them and the SGA has not made a significant effort to inform these students that their yearbooks can be picked up at the SGA Office in Erie Hall.

The slipshod handling of the distribution of the yearbook is just the latest lapse in a long series of lapses which are responsible for what seems to be a gradual but definite decline in the quality of the yearbook.

Mr. Patterson, who is ostensibly only the advisor for the yearbook, has in fact been both advisor and complete staff of the yearbook for the past three years. It seems that he alone realized that a yearbook must be put out, primarily as a record of what happened during the year, and secondly because of the vital role a yearbook plays in forming and perpetuating the spirit and tradition of the campus. Mr. Patterson has done a remarkable job -- a job which will be appreciated more and more as the years go by.

And yet it's obvious that this is not the type of job a faculty member should be doing. This is the task of a yearbook staff made up of students. One Behrend student with more than average

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