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An Editorial Opinion

Expansion?

by Doug Lechliter
CUB Managing Editor

Where is Behrend going, and if it knows the final destination, what is holding up the progress of this campus?

Last year it was approved by University Park to make the Behrend Campus into a 4-year college in the true sense of the word, with the hopeful idea of it eventually becoming a Commonwealth College, and perhaps eventually a university center serving in the best educational interest of Northwestern Pennsylvania. What then appears to be the difficulty in implementing the proposed and approved plan?

If anything, college administrators take refuge in the statement that there is no organized plan for the development of Behrend Campus into a 4-year baccalaureate college, but it would appear that even they have now lost their hiding place.

A sub-committee of the Academic Planning Committee has recently released a report that gives the general guidelines for the academic development of the Behrend Campus over a fifteen year period divided into three separate five year periods, each with its own goals in mind with the end result being a Commonwealth College at Behrend, and ultimately a university center with a projected enrollment of 8,000 full-time students.

The report calls for a balance between a generalized program, and a specialized program, in the hopes that it will give the individual an opportunity to exercise as much freedom as possible in choosing his course, but yet leave an opportunity for specialized study in as many fields as possible.

In order to accomplish this there would be created three specific types of study programs. These would include a wide-based liberal studies curriculum, a structured, but yet flexible inter-disciplinary area study program, and then the traditional and structured majors.

The plan has been now set up, the only remaining question is when will it be implemented into the Behrend Campus, and who will do it?

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Letters To The Editor

To Educate Or To Train

Dear Editor,

At the April 17 SGA meeting, Mr. Daniel brought an outline for the Academic development of Behrend Campus over the next 15 years. The plan was divided into three five-year segments. The basic idea for the first five years was to develop present majors in General Arts and Science and General Science and not to offer any new majors. This would allow for overall enlargement of the entire faculty and course offerings and not be limiting as the development of new majors. Under the two majors would be a variety of area study options which would allow the student to take as many courses in these areas as a student majoring in them without having to be restricted to a structured plan of courses.

After much discussion, this proposal was voted on and did not receive the approval of the Student Government. The major objection was that the plan would not prepare students for jobs or attract enough students to be feasible. It seems that all the complaining that is heard from students about the nonsense requirements and restrictions of their majors is not to be taken seriously. Personally I feel the plan would give Behrend a chance to offer a unique educational program which would attract many good students dissatisfied with the traditional role of education - to prepare for a vocation. The ideal of education is to educate not to train. Behrend's future appears dim at present. I feel this plan if incorporated would give it a chance at survival as an educational institution.

Linda Shorey
Vice President
SGA

Charter Bus To D.C.

Dear Editor,

This letter is being written as a plea to the Behrend Campus student body to get involved with the peace movement. April 24

and May 1-7 have been selected as dates for large demonstrations in Washington D.C. April 24 has been set as the date for a large, student and worker, demonstration to protest the Vietnam War. The Student Mobilization Committee is sponsoring this with help from other peace groups. We, at Behrend are now trying to charter a bus to attend this rally. Edinboro also has two buses going for the weekend.

May 1-7, or "May Day" has received much publication also. It has been endorsed by both Black Panther and White Panther parties. Whereas April 24 is just a peace march, "May Day" is to be more militantly opposed to American oppression, abroad or here in America.

Right now we have President Nixon over a barrel. He is making minute troop withdrawals, but both the working man and the student are disenchanted with our foreign policy. Both of these demonstrations have large backing, so we have a chance to do something. If there ever was a time to organize, it is now, so let's all get out and try to stop the military machine.

If anyone is interested in going on a bus, please contact me at 833-6864, or Linda Shorey at 899-1173. If we do get a bus, it will leave Erie at 10:00 p.m. Friday and leave D.C. Sunday afternoon. We can get a bus for a little over \$11. per person if we get 39 people to go. Please get involved.

Al Quinlan

Bill's Toes Revisited

by Shylock

From the hard-to-understand department. A memo dated March 10, 1971 from Mr. Boughmon's office describes the Pinkerton force in this manner: "They are unarmed and are as benign a force as possible." Yet on April 1, 1971. Captain Skidmore appeared from noon to 1:00 p.m. in the bookstore with:

1. gun
2. nightstick
3. handcuffs
4. whistle
5. walkie-talkie

The above are confirmed, unconfirmed is the rumor that he also carried a cylinder of mace. That was about as benign as an elephant turd in the middle of the gym.

Dr. Scott's letter in last week's CUB has been received with mixed emotions.

Work is progressing on the Picnic Shelter. Is it true that the estimates are now up to \$35,000? Seems strange with all of the budget cuts.

Speaking of budget cuts, will there be enough money to make the pool clean enough to swim in?

Answers to last week's questions: 1) yes; 2) a fuhrer; 3) maybe and 4) yes, but not about the library.

Scott got the Easter Bunny!

Lots of freaks!

Bleep!

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