

# New counseling center in Reed Union Building offers variety of services

by Lea Gotch  
Collegian Staff Writer

A new, all-encompassing counseling center is now located on the first floor of the Reed Building. Four counselors are available to help students in the areas of personal, minority, career, and academic counseling.

Louanne Barton, personal counselor, works with students who are having personal problems.

Biddy Brooks, minority student programs counselor, works with Behrend's minority students and also doubles as a Division of Undergraduate Studies advisor.

Michael Chiteman, head of the Division of Undergraduate Studies, is the counselor for the 250 students enrolled in DUS and also doubles as a backup advisor for students with other advisors.

Marybeth Peterson, career and placement coordinator, serves as a career counselor and helps students find jobs following

graduation.

Previously, Brooks, Chiteman, and Peterson were located in a temporary green trailer behind the Reed Building. "It was very, very crowded and not conducive to counseling," said Peterson.

Barton's office was located on the second floor of the Glennhill Farmhouse. "Students like the new office," she said. Its brighter and more cheerful.

"One thing the new office has done is increased visibility. Students know where to find us," said Chiteman, who has noticed an increase in the number of students he sees. "During the first seven days of the semester we had appointments with 180 students from eight colleges not counting DUS."

"We are here, it is a good spot to get a lot of information from different services on campus and sometimes a student may need to see all four of us," said Brooks.

"In addition, it is easier to

make referrals to each other," said Barton. In the past, it was more difficult for a student to go from one counselor to another. Now, essentially all they have to do is walk down the hall.

The center includes an office to house books on careers, files on companies, and the Discover computer career guidance system.

"My job relies heavily on resources, and the extra space makes it a lot easier to work with students," said Peterson.

"The only concern is getting overwhelmed or having more students than we are able to handle," said Chiteman.

Barton expresses similar concern. She told the Collegian, "We are usually not that busy at the beginning of the semester, and we are very busy already this year."

Chiteman said that all things considered, the new center, "Certainly beats life in a green trailer."

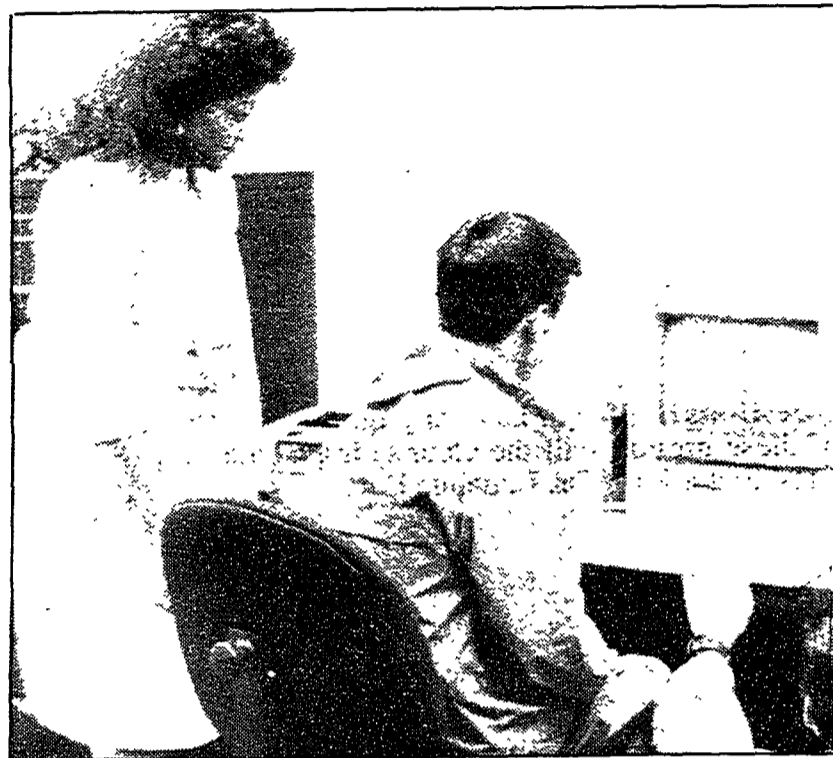


photo by Amy Smith

Minority Counselor Biddy Brooks offers assistance to a student in the Reed Building's new counseling center

## Police Report

### Police arrest five in alcohol-related offenses

by Carol Mandera  
Collegian Staff Writer

Behrend's Department of Police and Safety arrested five people for alcohol-related offenses in three separate incidents last week.

According to the department's files, on September 12, campus police were called to an on-campus apartment to arrange ambulance transportation for a resident student. It was determined that the individual was drunk and that she had fallen and hit her head. However, she was uninjured and transportation to a hospital was not required.

Police arrested her for underage drinking and another Behrend student with furnishing alcoholic beverages to a minor.

At 1:18 am on September 16, police arrested a male student for driving under the influence, reckless driving, and driving on the sidewalk. Records indicate that the suspect was driving on the sidewalk between apartment buildings one and eight.

At 5:00 am on September 16, two New York residents were charged with the transportation of alcoholic beverages by a minor. Records show that the individuals were not Behrend students, but

that they had been drinking in the Gorge.

At 12:30 am on September 15, two vehicles belonging to Behrend resident students were damaged in a hit-and-run accident. Police report that a Cadillac and a Mercedes were both hit by an unidentified third vehicle as it left Parking Lot F behind Lawrence Hall. The Cadillac was only slightly damaged, but damage to the Mercedes was extensive. The accident was witnessed and the investigation is continuing.

Two incidents of theft were reported. At approximately 2:00 am on September 15, a post used to prevent vehicles from driving into the quad near the apartments was removed. On September 17, a magnetic sign was removed from the door of a pizza-delivery van parked on campus. Police have no suspects in either incident and the investigations are continuing.

Police also investigated two cases of criminal mischief and vandalism. On September 15, a window in Dobbins Hall was broken, and on September 16, a window in Perry Hall was broken. No charges have been filed in either case, but reports indicate that there was a witness to the Perry Hall incident.

## Fraternities

### Zeta Beta Tau fraternity looks at forming new chapter at Behrend

by Monica Michel  
Collegian Staff Writer

The newest fraternity hopeful on campus is Zeta Beta Tau, an international fraternity with chapters in both the United States and Canada.

Zeta Beta Tau's format of recruiting members is different from other fraternities here on campus. After a bid is offered,

one is automatically considered a brother. Then he goes through an education process -- pledging -- to learn the ways and rites of the fraternity.

Ray Van Dusen, president of ZBT, says the quality of a brother is always a matter of great importance. Brothers are expected to be an active part of the fraternity in the areas of education and the community, as well as

the social scene.

On September 20, ZBT will hear from the Inter-Greek Council whether or not they have gained acceptance.

Mike Harvey, vice president of ZBT, says there has much interest shown by students on campus.

Interested students should contact Ray Van Dusen or Mike Harvey for more information.

### Tau Kappa Epsilon moves to end hazing at local and national levels

Local president: Pledging not what it was 10 years ago

by Greg Farrell  
Collegian Staff Writer

The Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) fraternity has taken steps to phase out the age-old process of pledging. After TKE chapters from around the world met in Indiana this past August, they agreed that the traditional pledging period carried with it an "Animal House" stereotype, while the associated hazing created liability questions.

James Taylor, president of the Behrend TKEs, was at the Indiana meeting and fully supports the change. "To survive, the current Greek system simply won't...because pledging is not what it was 10 years ago."

Taylor continued, "We (the TKEs) would like to avoid the negative stigma associated with Greek pledging in the past."

The typical fraternity or sorority starts each semester with a Rush Week where students interested in joining Greek organizations are encouraged to sign up. Members of the organization then call and meet with prospective members. Those applicants that are looked upon favorably receive bids, and then pledge their acceptance by meeting with their new brothers or sisters to be.

The current Greek system allows established members to take advantage of the pledges. This may entail tasks such as laundry or dishes.

The TKEs' new program will take only three weeks initially, and as little as 14 days when refined. The new and old systems are identical through rush week, meetings, and bids, but there the similarities end.

Taylor commented, "Instead of pledging, TKE members will be instructed on Greek life in a classroom atmosphere."

"Pledging initially started as a way for brothers to meet and learn about one another, and that is what the new system is really about," he continued.

Freshman Steve North, a current TKE pledge, doesn't "see any hazing or abuse by the TKEs." He feels the current system allows one to "get closer to the brothers" than other systems. He feels the new system will draw more people to the TKEs, but partly because people will see "14 days and just sign up to save time."

However, North fears that 14 days may not be exhaustive enough. "Four weeks would be good...but I think 14 days might not be enough to know the brothers well."

### Coffee with the Provost

All students invited to attend and discuss issues and concerns with Dr. John M. Lilley, Provost and Dean.

Friday, September 22 - 10 am  
Wednesday, October 11 - 3 pm  
Tuesday, November 14 - 3:30 pm  
Thursday, December 7 - 3 pm

All programs held in Reed Seminar Room