

Alpha Sigma Tau wins DUI video contest

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The Alpha Sigma Tau sorority won in the college category of the DUI Advisory Board Video Contest held on March 10 at the Millcreek Mall.

AST entered the video in the hope that it would teach people that Drinking and Driving is not safe.

The video features members of the sorority at a party drinking and later at a funeral home showing the results of the party - a friend killed from drinking and driving.

"AST did a really nice job with their video," a member of the Advisory Board said.

"We were really surprised that we won because last time we

checked we were in third place. We are extremely happy with the results," said Wendy Bussard, a member of AST.

Eric County high schools, colleges and other institutions were asked to create a thirty second video dealing with drinking and driving.

Five videos were submitted. These came from McDowell high school, Abraxas, Alpha Sigma Tau - Penn State, SADD - Penn State, and the Brookside Fire Department.

"It's a shame more schools didn't enter," said a member of the Advisory Board.

The videos were then voted on at the Millcreek Mall. A vote cost twenty-five cents.

The money raised will go to support the work of the DUI

Model Project. The DUI Model Project provides equipment for police DUI road blocks, Last Lesson programs during prom season, speakers and brochures for schools, and awareness programs for Boating Under the Influence.

"The contest was a tremendous success and will be repeated again next year," stated Bob Grossman of the DUI Advisory Board.

McDowell High School won the high school category of the contest.

The winners' videos will be aired on channel 35 as service announcements.

The contest raised \$164.32.

Thirty prizes will be distributed among the participants.

Behrend Cheerleaders rebuild squad for upcoming season

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The Behrend Cheerleaders are in the process of rebuilding their club.

Two years ago, the Behrend Cheerleading Squad consisted of six girls. After the season all six girls either transferred or graduated and the club just about died out.

Maria Gerena, the present squad's manager, restarted the squad last year. To do so, Gerena had to get approval from SGA, find an advisor, and raise money. The advisor of the cheerleaders is Laurie O'Sullivan, who is a Residence Life Coordinator in Perry Hall.

Each year a new squad is picked. The girls bring many different types and styles of

cheerleading to tryouts from their high schools. For tryouts, the girls have to make up a new cheer.

The cheerleaders can be heard at the men's basketball games and selected women's games. Soccer games are not attended by the cheerleaders because they are usually still going through tryouts in the fall. A squad of eight girls are in the midst of preparing themselves to cheer for the men's baseball team.

The cheerleaders are classified as a club. They were given ten uniforms from the school and half of the money they will need for their season. They are responsible for raising the rest of the money themselves.

The squad this year is up to sixteen members. They practice

three to four times a week for two hours in the basement of Niagara Hall.

Gerena says, "The girls basically work very hard. They are working on getting standard cheers that everyone at Behrend will recognize. Running their own practices is one of their jobs and they are doing very well."

The girls have set many goals for themselves. They would like to obtain enough money to be able to travel with the teams.

The cheerleaders are also looking into doing community service. They would like to visit children's wards in local hospitals to entertain the children with their cheers. They have already spoken to both Hamot Medical Center and St. Vincent's Health Center.

Study predicts 1990's expected tuition increases smaller than last decade's

(CPS) - Even as schools around the country announce hefty new tuition hikes for next year, tuition won't rise as fast during the rest of the 1990's as did the past decade, a new study predicts.

"There are many favorable things happening all at once" to keep tuition increases from rising sharply, said economist Carol Frances.

Frances cited slight increases in state appropriations for public campuses and in public support for the financial aid. In addition most institutions have almost finished raising their faculty members' salaries that are competitive with private industry.

"The rate in the year-to-year change (in tuition) peaked in the 1980's," Frances said. "If you look back, the slowdown in state funding in the early 80's is when tuition increased so rapidly."

Frances, who conducted the study for the American

Association of State Colleges and Universities, the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges, the American Association of University Professors and the Association of Urban Universities, predicts yearly tuition increases of about 7 percent during the next few years.

Tuition hikes averaged 12 percent annually in the early 80's and have dropped to about 8 percent in the last three years, she reports.

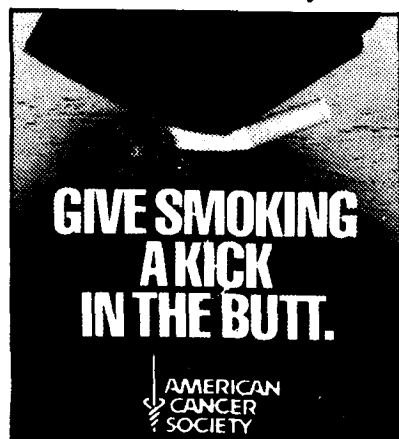
"Neither student aid nor family incomes kept pace with rising college costs in the 1980's," added the College Board's annual report, "Trends in student aid."

"I think the education people who are running the institutions are extremely concerned about the costs of education and are trying to keep students from having to borrow," Frances said.

Even so, while many campuses boast their tuition

hikes for the 1990-91 year are the lowest in 15 years, students at most schools can still say they pay a lot more for college than their predecessors.

For example, students at Loyola University in New Orleans will pay 216 percent more in 1990-91 than did students who attended in 1983-84. Similarly, students who attended Duke University paid \$4,230 annually, compared to \$12,800 for the 1989-90 year.



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Alpha Phi Omega mans telephones for WQLN auction

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The local chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, a national service fraternity, is helping WQLN with their annual fundraising auction.

WQLN is a public television station and must seek funds from the public to support its operations.

During the auction viewers can bid on donated items. All of the funds will go towards the operation of the station. Manning the telephones will be members of Alpha Phi Omega, along with other chapters from Gannon and Edinboro.

Viewers will be given the opportunity to bid on this merchandise and the highest bidder for each item will be permitted to claim their merchandise on April 28 and 29 upon payment.

Chapter members are currently helping WQLN every Tuesday and Thursday to pick up merchandise that will be offered for bids. This will continue until April 2nd.

Beginning on April 3rd, they will start moving in the sets for WQLN and help the station get ready for the auction.

James Fogle, Service Vice-President for the Behrend chapter said by taking part in the fundraiser, the group hopes to benefit children.

"This is important because this is one of the few things that is really educational for children," Fogle stated. "We feel like we're helping the children more than anything else."

Fogle said he hopes to combine one of the fraternities service projects, their adopted class at Diehl Elementary School, with their WQLN venture by arranging for some of the Diehl students to visit the station.

He feels that "showing them the actual workings of a broadcast station would be educational".

Anyone wishing to help with WQLN's fundraising efforts can contact James Fogle at 899-4090. Both volunteers and donations are always welcome.

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