

Mark forecasts dreary economic future for Behrend's students

by Mark Owens

I know this week I promised Ebert the Stupendous Zebra Mussel and myself would write a guide on Beach Etiquette, but a matter of grave concern has come up which requires immediate attention.

A confidential source has leaked sensitive reports to me in the interest of justice, fairness and 25 bucks. These reports contain the shocking master plan for "revenue acquisition," as well as numerous coffee stains and creme-filled donut splotches which, in my opinion, don't say much for administrative officials.

The report (which is printed on a nice beige-colored paper and bound in an attractive smoke-grey binder) starts off innocently enough with details of the impending parking fee.

Apparently, all students, faculty and staff (even those working third shift when no one parks here) will be charged \$8.00 a month for the privilege to park in order to attend class.

The last time I had to pay \$8.00 to park my car I was in

Pittsburgh. Of course I spent the weekend roaming around the town, dining in fine restaurants, visiting great cultural attractions and being arrested for bathing in a public fountain, but that's a different story.

Getting back to this parking report. The proposed fee would total around \$72.00 for the school year, more if you really feel you must be enlightened during the Summer Sessions. The increase over the current \$15.00 semester/\$25.00 a year rate comes out to around 200 percent. A 200 percent increase for everyone. But that's not the worse part.

The administration knows this policy will go into effect without much of a fight, since they figure if everyone is faced with the higher rates, they'll moan to each other and not to the administration. The report continues with the extended plans for "revenue enhancement."

Eventually, commuters will be charged a fee for "access routes to vehicle storage area." Not only will fees be charged to use roads leading to campus parking lots,

but a "line tax" will be charged as well. Money collected will be used to repaint parking lines and provide coffee for the painters.

Residents will also be assessed with fees and charges for services. Not only will residents pay for their rooms, telephones and electricity, but be billed for water, furniture, air and paint. But there's more.



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The Missing Pieces

After students have paid as many fees, charges and taxes as possible, officials are planning to install coin boxes throughout campus. Students will be forced to use rest room facilities, study areas, door ways and all telephones at the cost of a quarter, "which may change according to the rate of inflation, the Consumer Price Index, Saturn's alignment with the moon or an arbitrary number to be picked out of a hat," says the report.

Study booths in the library will also be coin-operated. Students must deposit quarters in order to shut off a very loud and bad recording of Conway Twitty's Greatest Hits. Also, only pens and pencils provided by the library will be permitted in study areas. Naturally, these will be available for a nominal fee from conveniently located vending machines.

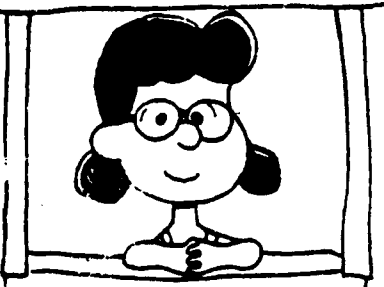
The university's coin-operated education system won't stop at the physical level either. Silverware and food will be supplied in the dining halls from vending machines.

In addition to washing machines and video games, academic advising, counseling and financial aid will be handled by, you guessed it, coin-operated video terminals. The TV lounge can only be entered by quarter, and even then sitting in a couch will cost you an extra 25 cents.

The report also calls for the elimination of the book store, filling the space with Vend-A-Book machines, which would dispense pages of a textbook one at a time, for a quarter each. Students will also be able to convert paper money to quarters through change machines, but there will be a small fee for this convenience.

Of course, with all of this information and the number of changes happening, the administration has thoughtfully set up a telephone line you can call (1-900-SCREWED) to answer your questions. Of course, you'll be billed for the charge: \$1.50 for the first minute and \$1.00 for each additional 30 seconds. Naturally, they'll put you on hold.

FREE HELP



Ask Louanne

The Collegian advice column
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Finals stress

Dear Louanne,

Finals are less than a week away, and I'm a basket case. It's not that I haven't been studying. I usually know the material pretty well when I walk in to a test, but I block. I get in there and I can't remember a thing. Do you have any suggestions?

Signed,
Blockhead

Dear Blockhead,

The first thing you have to do is quit badmouthing yourself. Your negative thoughts can turn out to be a self-fulfilling prophesy. Negative self-talk creates anxiety and anxiety impairs concentration and short-term memory. Start telling yourself, "I'm intelligent." "I'm well prepared." "I can stay calm, cool, and collected." Practice taking long, slow, deep breaths and letting go of tense muscles as you exhale. Use this technique during the exam whenever you begin to feel the anxiety rise.

Here are some often tips that can help:
Be prepared - know the material.
The night before - normal routine, no excesses (food, drink, romance, T.V., music, exercise, reading, partying, socializing)
The morning before - eat lightly, no more than two cups of coffee.

Don't over-stimulate or depress senses. NoDoz, Vivarin, tranquilizers, alcohol, and pot cause fatigue, nervousness, decreased alertness and motivation.

Get a normal night's sleep.
Keep you min open and clear - no last minute clutter cramming for details.

Wear comfortable, removable clothing.
Arrive early enough to find a good seat away from distractions, but not too early.

Take life savers to combat drowsiness from low blood sugar during the exam but avoid sugar before the exam.

Timing:
Read through the test, calculate time for each question.

Pace yourself - use a watch.
Guesstimate - eliminate what choices you can.
Approximating is better than nothing if time is short.

Study with friends.
Take a walk before the exam.
VISUALIZE SUCCESS!!

Louanne

Teachers honored at awards ceremony

by Monica Michel
Collegian Staff Writer

Carl Kallgren made a clean sweep at the Teacher Appreciation Awards Ceremony, which was part of Faculty Appreciation Day, and took home three awards.

These included "Professor Who Shares Most Time With Students", "Favorite Teacher", and surprisingly to him "Most Easy Going."

"I am speechless and very honored. Coming from the students this really means a lot," stated Kallgren.

"It feels really nice to know what you are doing is appreciated."

-Dr. John Gamble
Political Science
Professor

Kallgren has been a teacher of social psychology and research methods of psychology at Behrend for three years.

Faculty Appreciation Day, which included the awards ceremony, reception, and the

faculty jeopardy program, was all sponsored by The Lion Ambassadors.

"We thought it would be nice to show the faculty that they really are appreciated," said Julie Rust, one of the coordinators of the function from Lion Ambassadors.

"It feels really nice to know that what you are doing is appreciated," commented John Gamble, political science teacher and also a winner of the "Professor Who Shares Most Time With Students" award.

Jeff Wicken, professor of biochemistry, ran to the podium after winning the Carl Lewis Award (otherwise known as the professor who is always running to class, to his car, to the bathroom, etc. award).

David Nordquest, Political Science teacher, shared this award with Mr. Wicken.

Doc Leavers, Chemistry teacher, had mixed applause and laughter when he was awarded "Teacher Most Fun Out Of Class."

Leavers was more seriously awarded "Class With The Most Practical Applications."

Others that won in this category were Ann Krause (math) and Jim Kurre (economics).