

There she is...



Waiting for the decision: Kris Rajacki, 1st runner-up
Barbara Turner, 2nd runner-up Darla Finch, Leigh Stanesic, and
the new Miss Penn State-Erie Liane Roberts anticipate the
announcement of the contest winner on Monday evening.

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Public opinion against war

*Survey shows an overwhelming
majority of Erie residents are against
military action in Middle East*

A recent survey compiled by Behrend students shows that over half of Erie Countians believe that American policy in the Gulf is wrong and that the deaths of U.S. soldiers in the effort to free Kuwait would be met with disapproval.

Students in the Public Opinion 404 class, headed by Dr. John Gamble, professor of political science at Behrend, spent much of November conducting random-sample telephone interviews of Erie Countians, measuring opinion on Saudi Arabia as well as the federal deficit.

Of the 300 respondents interviewed in late November about their opinions on the Middle East crisis, 61 percent said that the loss of even one American life to liberate Kuwait is not acceptable. The survey's margin of error was 6 percent.

Gamble said he assumed that the percentage of people favoring negotiation with Hussein would have been lower.

"This is a pretty conservative part of the country and I would have suspected that people around here would have wanted to hang tougher," Gamble said.

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Lion Ambassadors dedicate Peace Tree

Yellow ribbons honor service men and women in Middle East

by Lea Gotch
The Collegian

The holiday season traditionally brings out calls for peace from world leaders and organizations, more noticed this year with the constantly-changing situation in Saudi Arabia.

Behrend's Lion Ambassadors have joined the call with yesterday's dedication of the Peace Tree outside the west end of the

Reed Union Building.

Yellow and red ribbons were hung on the tree to symbolize hopes for world peace and an end to hostilities in the Gulf, according to Lynn Weber, associate director of University Relations and an

advisor to the Lion Ambassadors. "It gives a chance for students and staff to show their caring about world peace by placing a ribbon on the tree."

In a speech in front of the tree yesterday, Melissa Pavlok,

president of the Lion Ambassadors, said the yellow ribbons are a new addition this year to the annual event.

"In past years we have asked for people to place red bows in honor of the holidays. This year

we have yellow bows in honor of those who are trying to keep peace in the middle east," said Pavlok.

She added that if world peace is to become reality, nations of

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Midnight recess



Residents of Lawrence, Perry, and Niagara
rooms before final week with a snowball