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## Day Care Center aided by ODK

by April M. Bogdanski  
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"I had a really good time," said Ben Patterson, Lambda Sigma President. "I'm glad I participated in something good for the community. I've been in support of the Day Care Center for a long time."

Members of Behrend student organizations joined forces last semester for the Omicron Delta Kappa bowl-a-thon. The event took place November 17 at Eastland Bowling and raised over \$1100 for the Behrend Day Care Center.

The Behrend Bookstore donated prizes for the event's high rollers. Society for Human Resource Managers (SHRM) won with high team game (573); Mario Rybanki of SHRM won for high men's game with 206, and Rutha Raymond of Psi Chi won high women's game with 161.

Omicron Delta Kappa members collected over five hundred sponsor dollars for their part in the bowling.

Other participating groups included: Alpha Sigma Lambda, an honor society for returning adult students; Lambda Pi Eta, the honor society for Communication; Lambda Sigma, the sophomore honor society; Psi Chi, an honor society for psychology majors; Alpha Pi Omega, Behrend Service Group; Delta Sigma Pi, Society of Human Resource Managers; Society of Automotive Engineers; and the Yearbook.

The groups collected a total amount of \$1105.62.

This is a perfect example of how the Behrend community will continue to be a good donor.

## Sophomores must decide

by Gary Johnson  
News Editor

Decision time. Do you stay here, go to State or to Harrisburg?

That's a question all sophomores from mid-February on must face, and answer. An important development, named Sophomore Application to Major (SAM), will determine where fourth semester sophomores will spend their junior and senior years.

Students have the option, within the University system, to transfer to University Park, Harrisburg, or stay at Behrend after they declare their major.

Luis Mongil, eighth semester management major, chose to remain at Behrend. "I didn't want to go to University Park--it's too big. Here (Behrend) you're not just another face in the crowd," he said of his decision.

"I have a deep respect for the faculty at Behrend, and I considered it a good educational

opportunity," said eighth semester accounting major Jill Swanson. In looking back, Swanson said, "yes, I would do it again."

"At Behrend you can get to know people pretty well--you can make a difference," said Mongil.

Statistically speaking for the 1992 fall semester, out of 227 students who had majors that required they transfer to University Park, 109 of them opted to change their major and remain at Behrend. For spring 1993, 35 students transferred. The total number of students now enrolled at Behrend is 2924, after starting the year with 3139.

Behrend offers 24 baccalaureate degree programs in the humanities, social sciences, business, science, engineering and engineering technology, including several minors and options. The college also offers

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## Saint Vincent and Behrend team up

by Gary Johnson  
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A partnership formed between Saint Vincent and Penn State-Behrend will allow students to earn a bachelor's degree in biology and become registered medical technologists in just four years of undergraduate study.

"Partnerships such as this let education and health care work together to help the communities they serve," Dr. John M. Lilley, provost and dean, said of the new program. "Saint Vincent and Penn State-Behrend want to address the needs, such as that for medical technologists, identified in the Erie area."

The affiliation between Behrend

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Dr. John M. Lilley

and the Saint Vincent School of Medical Technology permits students to enroll in the health center's twelve-month Medical



Arnel Balcita/photographer

**Pump it up:** Cheerleaders Earla Simpson and Pam Mester wait to cheer the women's basketball team to victory against the Washington & Jefferson Lady Presidents Wednesday night. Unfortunately, the Lady Lions lost, 63-67.

### Health partnership enables students to major in Biology and other fields

Technology Program after three years of general biology studies at the College.

"Northwestern Pennsylvania, like most of the country, is experiencing a shortage of qualified medical technologists," Dr. Larry Eckroat, associate professor of biology at Behrend and the person in charge of the new program. Ten years ago the field was flooded, "but right now, there are numerous job opportunities."

While at the School of Medical Technology, students complete courses in serology, immunology, immunohematology,

bacteriology, mycology, parasitology, urinalysis, clinical chemistry, hematology, coagulation, education,

management, and supervision. Clinical rotations are performed at the Clinical Pathology Institute Laboratory, Associated Clinical Laboratories, and the Community Blood Bank of Erie County.

After the year of clinical training, students graduate with a Penn State-Behrend bachelor of

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