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On choppy water?



Little house by the pool: The infamous swimming pool by the Glenhill Farmhouse has been the subject of much controversy. The pool has been stagnant for many years. Will it see swimmers next summer?

Class of '96 to start tradition of giving Outdoor clock chosen as senior class gift

by Sean Siekkinen
Collegian Staff

Behrend's class of 1996 plans to start a tradition of giving this Spring when they will donate a new campus landmark as the Class of '96 Gift.

At a ceremony held on November 2, Senior Class Gift Committee Chairman Brian Rasmussen announced that students had voted to place an outdoor clock on a place that has not yet been chosen. Other gifts on the ballot had included a flagpole monument, a patio and outdoor setting, and a historical marker honoring the Behrend family. The Gift Committee felt

wonderful moment," Dr. Lilley said. "It seems to me that you have chosen a very exciting project. We want to have a project that is a permanent addition to this campus."

"It provides the opportunity for graduates to give something back to the Behrend community," said Dean of Student Affairs Dr. Chris Reber. Dr. Reber hopes the project will grow into an annual tradition, providing a lasting symbol of each class.

Rasmussen also sees the class gift program taking off.

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Senior Class Gift
Committee Chairman*

that the gift should be tangible and represent the feelings of the entire class, according to Rasmussen.

Dean and Provost Dr. John Lilley spoke at the ceremony, thanking the members of the Gift Committee for their efforts.

"I think this is a very

But establishing a legacy will not come cheap for the class of 1996. Rasmussen estimates that \$4000 will need to be raised to pay for the clock.

"Absolutely all money is going to come from senior class donations," Rasmussen said.

Thanksgiving celebration at Behrend

"Dinner With Six Strangers" fosters holiday spirits, offers Thanksgiving Feast

by Danielle M. Murphy
News Editor

As the semester winds down into a cyclone of exams and deadlines, and temperatures plummet, it is time to prepare for the upcoming holiday season.

To help ignite the holiday spirit, the Office of Student Activities is sponsoring its eighth annual "Thanksgiving Dinner for Six Strangers" on Thursday, November 16 in the Reed Union Commons. This year's dinner will begin with a reception at 5:00 p.m. in the Reed Wintergarden, with dinner following at 5:30. The dinner, offering traditional Thanksgiving fare, is free and open to all

students, faculty and staff. Reservations can be made in the Office of Student Activities by Monday, November 13.

According to Chris Rizzo, director of Student Activities, the dinner is "one of Behrend's unique holiday traditions." Seating arrangements are made randomly, to encourage "Six Strangers" to share a meal and become acquainted with one another.

"It provides the opportunity for faculty, staff and students to sit down in a very casual setting," said Rizzo, "To get to know new friends and talk to old friends, and to share in the Behrend community's Thanksgiving celebration."

This year's special guest will be the Rev. John Steinbruck, a human rights activist who has been instrumental in providing services for the homeless in Washington, D.C. The Rev. Steinbruck will give a lecture, "Homelessness in America," following dinner at 7:00 p.m. in the Reed Lecture Hall. "It ties in very well with what we talk about the spirit of Thanksgiving and community," explained Rizzo.

Rev. Steinbruck's lecture is sponsored by the Religious Affairs Council. Reservations are not required for the lecture.

Celebrating Hispanic Heritage

by Danielle M. Murphy
News Editor

The Behrend community will have the opportunity to experience a Hispanic night club complete with music and dancing this weekend.

The Organization of Latin American Students will sponsor its biannual "Friday Fiesta" on November 10 in the Reed Commons from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

"Friday Fiesta" has been synonymous with a good time for so long now," said Chastity Irizarry, president of O.L.A.S. "It just gets bigger and better every year."

This semester's "Friday Fiesta" is held in conjunction with Hispanic Heritage Month, which continues through November. "Friday Fiesta" will feature DJ Despierta Latina as well as

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authentic Hispanic food. O.L.A.S. members with the help of Al Vogan, assistant manager of Housing and Food Services, prepared the Hispanic edibles. Hispanic artifacts will also be on display for "Friday Fiesta."

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