

Choir performs Sunday

BEHREND-The Behrend College will present a concert by the school's 40-voice choir this Sunday, April 28 at 3 p.m. in the Reed Union Building Commons.

Under the direction of David Stuntz, instructor in music, students will offer an assortment of spirituals and lighter music including a melody from Les Misérables.

Tickets for the performance will be available at the door for \$4.00; reservations can be made by calling 898-6289.

Gene bomb enters anti-cancer arsenal

WASHINGTON-Scientists have created a new weapon in the arms race against cancer--the gene bomb.

However, if it is the cure they hope for, remains unclear. This bit of biotech wizardry is aimed at the heart of cancer cell. And if it works as planned, the bomb will explode when the tumor reveals its true identity.

It is described as a kind of genetic time bomb by developers, designed to kill cancer cells with pinpoint accuracy while sparing the normal healthy tissue around them.

Ordinary chemotherapy uses a dangerous approach: Toxic medicine kills not only cancer cells but plenty of innocent bystanders, too. Many scientists have been trying to identify landmarks that make tumors unique, then tailor medicines that zero in on them.

The gene bomb works by scanning the innermost workings of the renegade cancer cells looking for proteins that only they make.

If the gene bomb is successful, it may work for viral diseases such as AIDS.

Goetz victim unlikely to see \$43 million jury award

NEW YORK-Racist remarks and smirking testimony that shooting four black youths in 1984 could be viewed as a public service, have done in Bernard Goetz.

On Tuesday, a jury awarded \$43 million to Darrell Cabey, who was paralyzed by Goetz's final bullet on a subway train and now has what Cabey's family says is the mental capacity of an 8-year-old.

"Our breaks came when Bernie Goetz took the witness stand and told people who he was, what he did and why he did it," said Cabey's lawyer, Ronald Kuby, with tears in his eyes as the verdict was read.

The jury of four blacks and two Hispanics deliberated for 4 1/2 hours before deciding unanimously that the white gunmen had acted recklessly and without justification in shooting Cabey, now 30.

Goetz claimed that he opened fire because the youths were attempting to mug him. Kuby argued that Goetz is a racist who panicked while the youths were panhandling for \$5.

The chances that Cabey will ever collect are highly unlikely. Goetz's notoriety and legal bills have left the self-employed electronics expert with little money.

Nude photos of students leads to teacher's suspension

BETHLEHEM-A high school teacher was suspended after asking students to photograph parts of the human body when photocopies of nude pupils began circulating around the school.

An investigation is underway at Liberty High School, but the teacher's identity is not being released, superintendent Thomas Dolousio said Monday. Dolousio did not discuss specifics of the case but did confirm the teacher's suspension, with pay.

After school, several students told the Morning Call of Allentown that the suspended art teacher was Samuel Creyer. The students also said that Creyer had not been in school for several days.

When reached by telephone, Creyer said he had no comment and hung up the phone.

Several students in his advanced photography class said the photos included frontal nudity of girls and a photo of a boy and girl together.

Finals blowout

Finals Blowout is scheduled to take place this Friday from 6-11 p.m. in the Reed Commons. The attractions range from a dunking booth to a pie throw, a possible pig and corn roast, and a Chunky's t-shirt sale.

There are many prizes to be won which range from dinner at the Roadhouse, Italian Oven, Eat 'N Park, Rax, Burger King, Boston Market, Long John Silvers, and Kenny Roger's Roasters to CD's, haircuts, sittings at Glamour Shots, movie tickets, and merchandise from Media Play.

The event is open to the community. The proceeds from Finals Blowout will benefit the Cancer Society and the Brookside Fire Department.

Question of the week: How do you feel about grade reports no longer being mailed home?

"I think that grade reports should still be sent home. That is not asking too much from the university. I feel that they cut enough costs already. Getting rid of grade reports is a cheap shot."

-Justin Grimm, 06 M.E.T.

"I also think that grades should be sent to students' homes. The university can afford to send out many student bills and find the money to do this, why can't they spend \$0.32 to mail me my grades? If it's that much of an extra cost, raise my tuition \$0.32."

-Melissa Barger, 08 Biology

"I personally feel that grades should be sent home. By doing this run around on grades, the university is treating us like little children. Who cares if our parents receive them before we do."

-Demetrius Reeves, 02 Psychology/Education

"Send my grades to my house! Some people need the hard copies for purposes of insurance, military, or otherwise. I wish this university would stop cutting student services."

-Sharain Naylor, 08 English/Women's Studies

"The university continually raises our tuition while at the same time giving us less. Besides other concerns like scholarships, etc. the grade report in my mailbox is a sign that I accomplished something in the semester. I don't want to buy a magazine subscription to get my grades. Don't hold my grades hostage."

-Brian Kitchen, 06 English

"I believe that grades should be sent home. I pay about \$15,000 for tuition and the least Penn-State can do is send my grades home."

-Lourdes Tirado, 08 Political Science

"I feel that the university is trying to save money by not mailing our grades home to us. The university should mail our grades because it is their duty to let us, as students, know how we did at the end of the semester. If the university wants to save money, then stop mailing the Behrend Quarterly or some other pamphlet that they send us."

-Carrie Phillips, 04 Communications

"Grades should be mailed home. By eliminating the cost of postage, the costs of establishing and maintaining an 800 line, operation of OASIS, and extra work to be done by registrars across the commonwealth to fulfill student requests for grades. In addition, the lack of consultation around the commonwealth by the registrar at University Park demonstrates insensitivity and lack of team work."

-Mark E. Sulc, 08 Business Management

"There is no excuse not to mail home our grades when we are spending upwards of \$10,000 per year, the cost of a stamp is practically nothing. This form of disclosing our grades is a matter of common courtesy, something which this university has apparently forgotten."

-Joe Ryan, 02 Business

"The university really blindsided the student body by this action. The students are going to have to reach real far to pull the knives out of their backs. Find somewhere else to save money."

-Mike Woycheck, 06 M.I.S.

"My mother gets two satisfactions for spending money to send me to college: Graduation day and my report card. The one thing I work for in college is my grades and I'd much rather see a printed copy - I don't want to hear them over the phone."

-Jennifer V. Colvin, 06 Biology

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