

Studio Theatre to hold auditions for Fall comedy production

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Attention Behrend students: the Studio Theatre is putting on a brand new production this Fall. This Pulitzer Prize winning production, *Crimes of the Heart*, is a dark comedy written by Beth Henley. *Crimes of the Heart* also won the New York Drama Critics award establishing Beth Henley as a major contributor to the world of women theatre writers. The play looks into the lives of three McGrath sisters who grow up in the small town of Hazelhurst, Mississippi. This imaginative production takes a lighthearted look at the criminal aspects of heartache (hence, the title). Abuse, affairs, suicide, and birthday celebrations all greet the McGrath sisters during this one day reunion in the town in which they grew up. Beth Henley provides a production quite worthy of its awards. It is sure to be shocking, disturbing, innovative, and hilarious for both the

audience and performers.

If any student is interested in performing, open auditions are being held in the Studio Theatre (next to Turnbull for those that don't know) on Wednesday, September 16, 6:00-8:00, and on Thursday, September 17, 5:30-7:00. There are spots open for four female parts (the three sisters and a cousin), and two male parts. Any one is welcome (and strongly urged) to come and audition if they are interested. One tip: come with your deepest Southern accent.

For others who have ever done any theatre in high school or are just interested in being involved in an imaginative group here at school, the theatre group (otherwise known as the Matchbox Players) is meeting for a second meeting on Thursday, September 10, at 6:00 in the Studio Theatre. The group is in the process of organizing projects and functions for this year and is always open to new ideas and especially new faces.

Review: *Dead Man on Campus*

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The joint venture between Paramount and MTV pictures, *Dead Man on Campus*, is an overall enjoyable experience. It stars Tom Everett Scott, who previously starred in the Tom Hanks project, *That Thing You Do*, which was based on an Erie, PA, band that made it big.

Scott stars as Josh, a nerdy, straight-laced bookworm on an academic scholarship in a six-year medical program. Co-starring along with Scott as his roommate is Mark-Paul Gosselaar. Gosselaar plays Cooper, a privileged son of a toilet-cleaning businessman who is just at school to party and escape the realities of life.

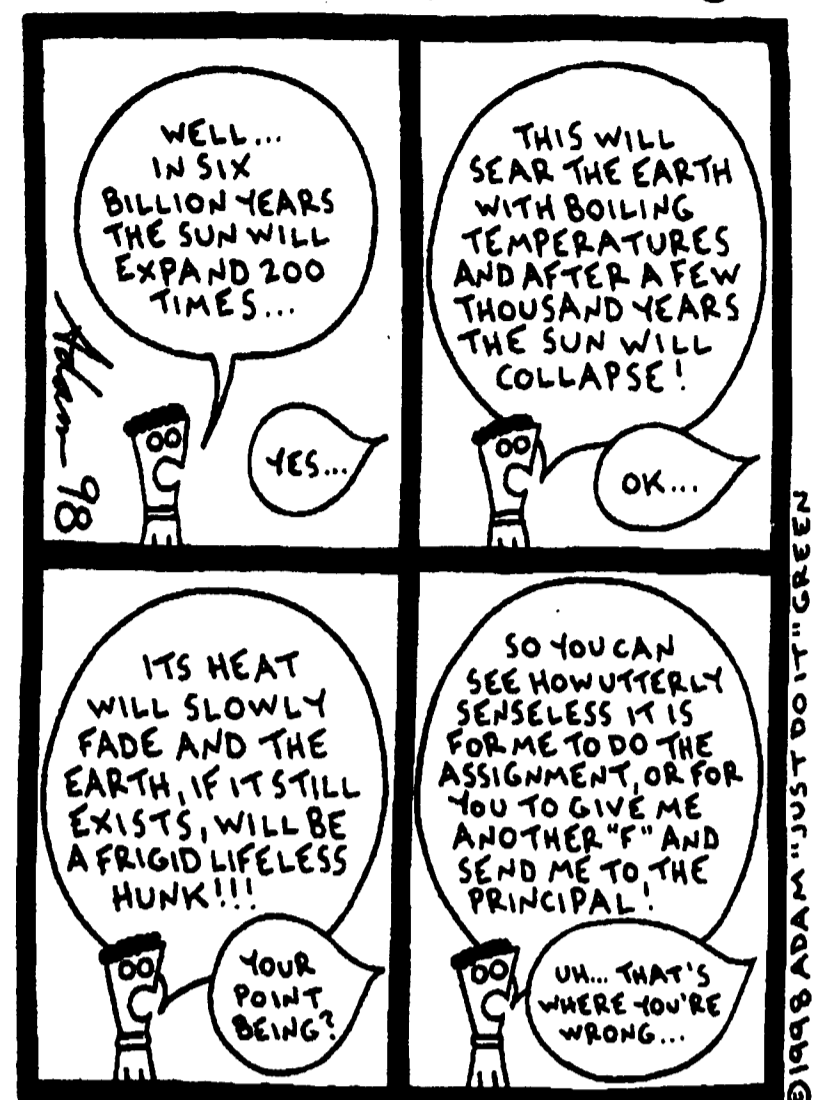
The film opens with Josh trying to rest and get ready for the first day of classes, while Cooper brings in twenty or so people to party in their room. Cooper seems to be so fixated with his five foot tall purple bong that he continues to fire up throughout the movie. Meanwhile Josh meets Rachel, an attractive auburn-haired coed, who is an enjoyable distraction from his studies.

When midterms come around, Josh and Cooper realize that they might be failing some of their classes, which would put Josh's scholarship in jeopardy and cause Cooper to lose his father's support. Josh and Cooper pool their thoughts as to what to do to survive the semester, and they discover a school code that guarantees students straight A's for the semester if their roommate dies.

The two debate the issue, then decide to find a suicidal student as a roommate. They go through three roommates who they think would be prime candidates to commit suicide. The first was a hyper-paranoid, Bill Gates-fearing student, the next is a pseudo-British punk singer, and finally there is Cliff, the ultimate party animal. Cliff takes the roommates on many adventures, from frat house hijinks to high speed chases with the police.

Although it is integral to the plot, the lighthearted way in which suicide is dealt with in this picture is somewhat disconcerting. However, the script seemed somewhat original, the tempo was upbeat, and the movie as a whole was quite entertaining.

EXCUSES FOR NOT DOING YOUR HOMEWORK THAT JUST WON'T FLY #189:



Goo Goo Dolls to play at Behrend

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Students are constantly complaining of boredom at Penn State-Behrend. However, they should realize that there are more things to do than any one person can handle here on campus.

One of the more popular things to do on campus is to join a fraternity or sorority. There are many Greek organizations on campus to rush.

For those of us who are not athletically inclined enough to be on one of Behrend's varsity teams, intramurals are a great way to have fun and meet people. There are new intramurals every season. If you enjoy sports there is something for you. Anything from sand volleyball

to soccer is available to students.

If you're not into all the running and physical activity required by most sports, but you still want to stay in shape, the weight room is the perfect place for you. The weight room offers a variety of free weights and fitness machines. Treadmills, stationary bikes, and step climbers are there to use. The weight room is also a great place to meet people.

However, if you couldn't care less about anything that has to do with physical activity, don't worry. You can always find some form of entertainment at Behrend. There are at least two decent movies shown on campus every month.

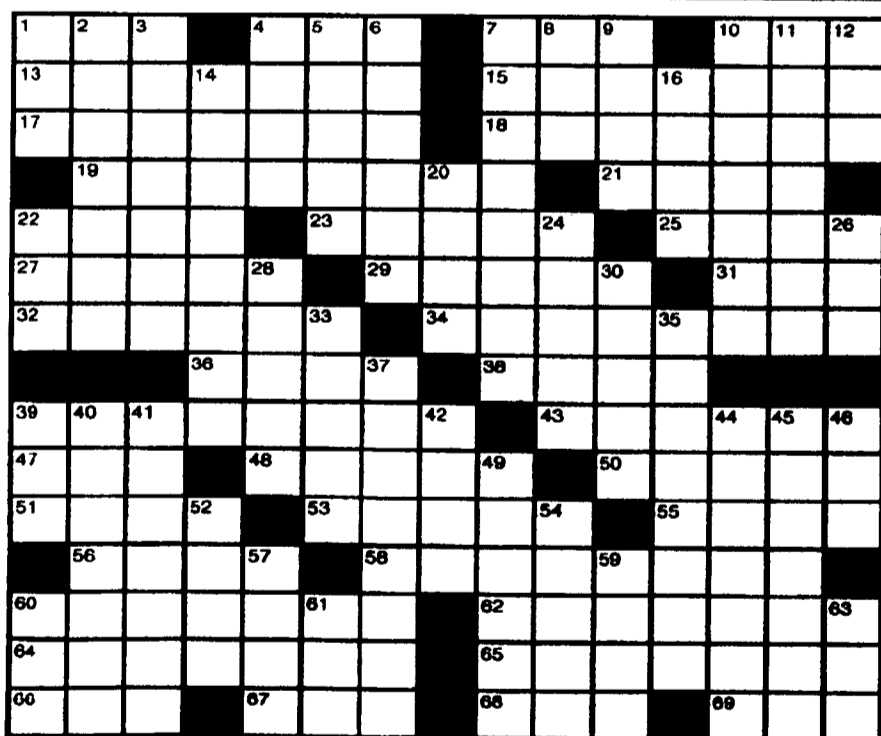
Bruno's Cafe in the Reed Student Union Building is a good place to hang out. Bruno's hosts comedians and musical acts throughout the se-

mester.

Maybe the biggest attractions Behrend offers this semester are three upcoming concerts. Push will play Behrend on September 25. The Gathering Field will be here October 23. On November 9, Behrend will host a concert many students are excited about: the Goo Goo Dolls. Students are already talking about the concert. "I can't believe Behrend got a major band like the Goo Goo Dolls to play here. I can't wait," says Dave

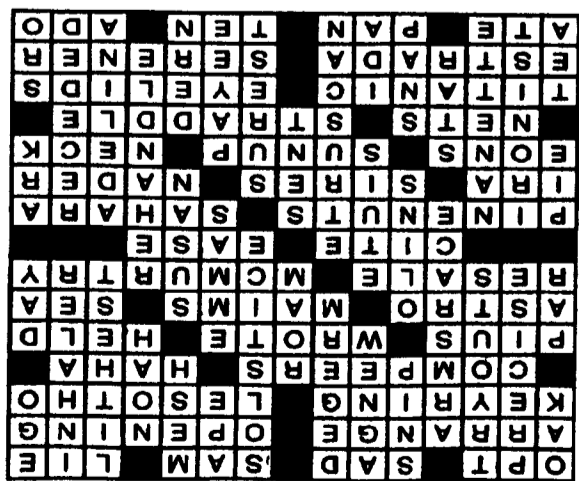
Hohenbrink, 01 engineering. If you still can't find anything here that sparks your interest, you can always find a party somewhere at Behrend.

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