

Ultimate Praise serenades Behrend

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Ultimate Praise is a gospel choir that has been serenading Behrend with soulful sounds since 1997. It was in this year that ultimate praise was founded by Brandy Whiting, a Penn State Behrend graduate as of last year. The choir, now headed by Sheika Brown as president, consists of 20 members while still growing with promise. This gospel choir is dedicated to getting students to worship and praise with song.

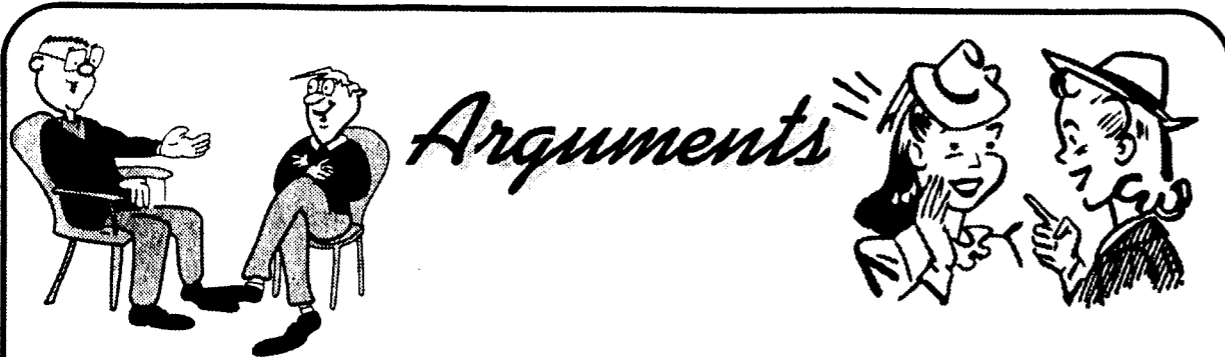
"It is a way for young people who

love the Lord to get together and lift up the name of Christ even while they are away from home" says president Sheika Brown.

The choir is built on a family-like bond, which provides a second home like atmosphere for their members and inspiration in their music. "We are like family", says Brown.

As the group specializes in gospel music, their main goal though their music is to "lift the name of Jesus," Brown adds. The choir's soulful selection of music includes a variety of traditional and contemporary

pieces as well. As they have done in the past years, they will also be producing and performing original pieces as well. The first performance for Ultimate Praise will be at the Multi-Cultural Council's "Harambee Dinner 2000" on September 27 in the Reed Commons. Their next performance will be at their annual fall concert, which is scheduled for November 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Reed Commons. It will be a free concert, which invites everyone to enjoy an evening of soulful music and spiritual enlightenment.



I Know What Boys Like....

What the hell did I do now? Don't you hate having an argument with your significant other and not knowing you had one, or what you did wrong. Just once I'd like to have an argument with my girlfriend where I wasn't wrong, but being a guy automatically means you're wrong. But why should I have to guess what I did wrong? Why should I admit to something that she doesn't know about anyway? Just once I would like to do something wrong and have her tell me what I did so I can just apologize and get on with watching my football game. So for all of you women out there that want to understand men better just remember to tell us what you think we did wrong, so we can just apologize and get it over with.

What A Girl Wants....

Ok, now he's in trouble! And don't you hate when he just won't come clean and apologize for what he did? And why don't they ever want to deal with the issue at hand? It's just so much easier to pretend that nothing is wrong and forget that we're upset. I guess their 'philosophy' is to leave us alone, and we'll have to forget about it eventually. Yeah, right! Oh, and guys, *fyi*—just saying you're sorry and actually being sorry for what you did is NOT the same thing! So ladies, the next time that you are upset at him for some jerk thing or another that he did, don't get yourself all worked up about it, and don't let him off the hook. Tell him about it, and make him talk it out, because contrary to popular (guy) belief, communication is the key. And fellas, the next time you can tell that your gal is upset about something and you suspect that you caused it, for Pete's sake, ask her what it wrong. Deal with it like the man that you (allegedly) are!

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STUDIO THEATRE OVERHALL

Michael Kupniewski and John Hodges practice a fight scene for *Ten Little Indians*, a murder mystery by Agatha Christie. The show will open in the Studio Theatre on October 20th and run through October 29th. Tickets will go on sale October 6th at the RUB Desk, \$3 for students and \$5 for General Admission.

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Goldman speaks from the heart

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On Tuesday, September 19, at 7:00 p.m., speaker Joe Goldman captivated an audience that filled the Reed Commons area with a lecture about the dangers of sex under the influence. Goldman displayed the negative consequences of alcohol by showing a video that presented college students speaking about mistakes that they made while under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, and Goldman spoke about the mistakes that he, himself, made with alcohol.

Joel has spoken at colleges around the country for eight years, helping students understand the dangers of mixing sex and alcohol, from a personal perspective. He is infected with the HIV virus. Although unsure of when he contracted HIV, he believes that alcohol played a part in the impairment of his judgment, resulting in unsafe sex.

Goldman's lecture moved many of the students in attendance. Traci Hamm, the Panhellenic Vice President of Recruit-

ment, stated, "the issue of alcohol and sex affects us all, whether we think it does or not. Just because it isn't much of a media focus anymore, doesn't mean the

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- 80% of all campus sexual assaults involve alcohol
 - One in four people under the age of twenty-four have an STD
 - You are three times more likely to contract HIV if you already have an STD
 - Only one in eleven people infected with the HIV virus know their status
 - The college population is ten times more likely contract HIV

problem has disappeared. Joel did us all a service by putting it all back into our minds. He did it eloquently and in a way we could all relate to."

Goldman hopes that he can help people avoid the same mistake that he made. "The most important advice that I have for college students is 1) Don't think this can't happen to you, and, 2) Just be aware of the chances you take with alcohol and drugs."

Joel's most gratifying moment as a speaker circles around a young man named Jared. While Joel was speaking at the University of South Florida, he met Jared. Jared was HIV positive and was afraid to tell his fraternity brothers. Jared was one of only 50 students in the audience that night. A year later, when Joel returned to the college, he was saddened to learn that Jared had passed away the previous night. When Joel spoke, over 3000 people showed up.

Joel Goldman speaks to approximately 40 colleges per year. He currently resides in Venice, California, and plans to continue lecturing for as long as he can.

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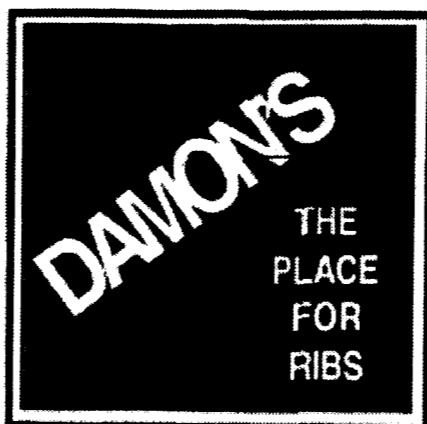
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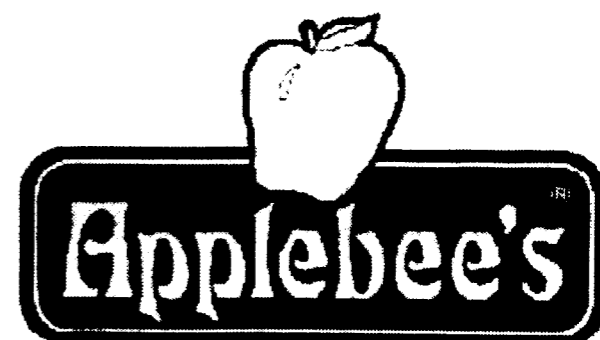
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