

BEHREND BRIEFS

Dance Team coach succumbs to cancer

Dance Team Coach Rebecca Hubler Decker passed away on Thursday, January 25. Decker succumbed to an extended battle with cancer at the age of 28.

Decker had served as the coach of the team for the past two years. Before that she was the cheerleading coach at Edinboro University for four years. Decker received her degree from Gannon University.

There will be moment of silence prior to the start of the basketball games this Saturday in her honor. Also, the teams are working with the Cancer Society to raise funds in her name.

Behrend to host joint Winter Concert

On Tuesday, February 13, the Behrend Concert Band and College Choir will join forces to present the Winter Concert in the Reed Union Building. Tickets to the concert, which begins at 8:00 p.m., are free for Behrend students who present their ID card in advance. Children can obtain tickets for \$3 while adults can purchase them for a cost of \$5.

Dr. Daniel Barnard, coordinator of the Music at Noon series as well as a lecturer in music, is the director of Behrend's 40-member College Choir. The choir's program on February 13 will have a literary slant, including songs with lyrics by such poets as Edna St. Vincent Millay and e. e. cummings.

Dr. Gary Viebranz, lecturer in music, heads up Behrend's 46-member Concert Band. Their focus during the Winter Concert will be on British works. Songs featured include "Llwyn Onn," arranged by Brian Hogg, "Coat of Arms," by George Kenny, and "Prelude, Siciliano, and Rondo," by Malcolm Arnold.

Anyone wishing for more information about the concert can call the Reed Union Building Information Desk at x6242.

Behrend shares MLK's dream

Two Behrend representatives spent Martin Luther King, Jr. Day at local schools to share the message of King's impact with the young students. Sharise Finley, a sophomore, spoke with sixth-graders at Diehl about King and urged them to write essays about his importance. Carrie Payne, who works in the Career Development Center, went to GECAC to share the same message. The younger students responded by making celebratory cards and pictures which were posted in the Reed Union Building on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Economic Research Institute Conference

The Economic Research Institute of Erie (ERIE) will be conducting an economic conference designed for financial, business, industrial, and government leaders on Friday, March 9, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Reed Union Building. ERIE is an outreach center of the School of Business.

Behrend alumnus Geoffrey Gradler will be the keynote speaker for the event. Gradler is a financial economist and key aide for Texas Senator Phil Gramm, chair of the U.S. Senate Banking Committee. Gradler will play an important role in the review of President Bush's proposals on tax cuts, Social Security, free trade, education, and monetary and fiscal policy.

For more information or to make reservations, call x7419.

POLICE AND SAFETY REPORT

01/31/01	0342	A student reported that a friend had an argument with another student and had possibly gone looking for that student. The subject returned to the room and the matter was handled by the Office of Student Affairs.
01/31/01	1035	P&S received a call that the fire alarms were going off in the Reed Union Building. Upon arrival it was discovered that the elevator was being worked on; the resulting dust from drilling caused the alarm to sound.
01/31/01	1325	A female student called P&S wanting to know if she could get an escort to Logan House every morning at 9:00 a.m. She was told that P&S could not do this every morning because at 9:00 a.m. it is light out. REQUEST DENIED.
02/02/01	0050	A complainant informed an officer that he received information that a resident frequently violated University regulations. An officer went to the reported location, but could not find anyone.
02/02/01	0900	A staff member reported that a JVC VCR was missing from Reed 3.
02/02/01	1410	P&S tracked down the owner of the vehicle that has been parked illegally in the fifteen-minute space for a week. The person has received several tickets and has been told that she has until 4:00 p.m. to move it or it will be towed.
02/03/01	0330	A student called to report that the people in the apartment next to hers were making too much noise. Officers went to that location and told the occupant to keep the noise down or be cited. The occupant complained.
02/04/01	1450	A complainant reported that an unknown person entered their room while they were sleeping and left a condom containing an undetermined fluid.
02/04/01	2033	P&S found a Dodge with New York registration parked in the ARC lot with no one around the vehicle. They obtained owner information and determined that the vehicle was not stolen.
02/06/01	2235	A student reported that he had lost his wallet between 1400 and 1600 hours. He received a call from his credit card company stating it was being used; he was not sure what to do and the cards were canceled.

FOCAL POINT

THE CIRCLE OF LIFE

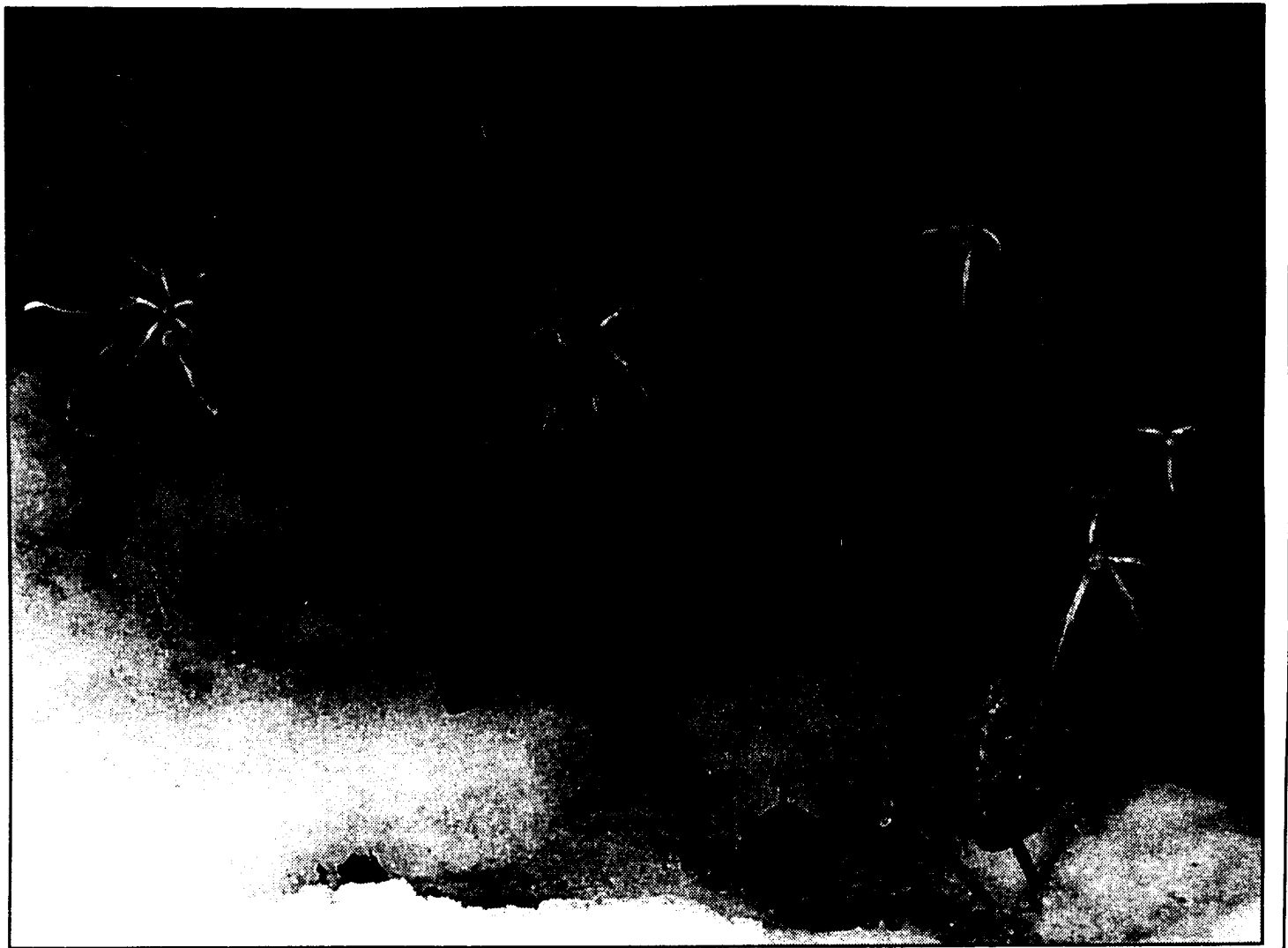


PHOTO BY BECKY WEINDORF

It's too cold here for buds to be growing on the plants. Don't you know it is still winter here? Punxsatawney Phil called for six more weeks of winter. Of course, he may have underestimated the return of sunny weather by a few weeks . . . or months.

WEEKEND WEATHER OUTLOOK

SATURDAY



Snow
Hi 35°
Lo 32°

SUNDAY



Mostly Cloudy
Hi 30°
Lo 18°

MONDAY



Mostly Cloudy
Hi 37°
Lo 21°

FROM FRONT PAGE

SAFE SEX

considered a safe method for arousal in substitution for intercourse. "You can't catch a disease through the phone," said Atkinson.

A "forbidden fashion" show was presented as students modeled what they thought was sexy. Among the array of ensembles, different women modeled Victoria's Secret slip dresses, flannel pajamas, satin pants, and water bras. Keenan Hansen represented the male fashions by appearing on stage at first in a t-shirt and blanket, and then later removed the flannel blanket to reveal a speedo with the British flag on the front and back.

To further inform the audience of the various sexually transmitted diseases that can be spread, Sex, Truth, and Deception (STD), a mock game show, was presented. Three members of the audience were invited to the stage to multiple-choice questions about diseases such as AIDS, herpes, and chlamydia. If the contestant answered the question correctly, he or she received a condom. If the answer was incorrect, the "condom fairies" spun the disease wheel to assign a punishment—a STD—to the contestant. To remove their punishment, or reduce the disease, the wheel had to land on one of two spaces—one designated as "condom use," the other as "health department."

Lisa Chimenti and Jaimi Bonczar of Women today described ways to heighten their own and their partner's sexual pleasure. On a table on stage, the pair showed different foods that can be used as aphrodisiacs. Aphrodisiacs are foods that create sexual needs. The women showed such foods as a cucumber, described as the "most phallic looking" vegetable. Also to the list of aphrodisiacs, they added cantaloupes, tomatoes, asparagus, honey, chocolate syrup, and champagne. However, though alcohol is considered an aphrodisiac, they warned that consumption along with sex can be harmful. Chimenti commented that "although the FDA has not backed up (the effectiveness) of aphrodisiacs, we are willing to bet they haven't tried."

Once again, audience members were called to the stage to demonstrate different lubricants. The

trio rubbed the lubricants in their hands while commenting on the feel and texture. Corn Husker, a lotion used under gardening gloves, was said to be one of the best types of lubricants, despite its strong odor. Information was also given about the different types of lubricants, including water-based and nonoxonyl-9. Three couples later joined the stage to test the different flavors of lubricants. One member of each couple was blindfolded as their partner placed flavored lubricant on their hand to lick off. The blindfolded participants were then asked to guess the different flavors.

Next, a brief discussion and lecture was opened to talk about the misconceptions of female masturbation. The speaker spoke about statistics involving female masturbation, such that 82% of women do in fact pleasure themselves, and some even enjoy it more than intercourse.

Last, proper condom methods were taught as members of the audience put latex condoms onto

a wooden penis. Methods such as opening the condom wrapper and being able to tell if the condom is inside-out were taught. The audience was reminded to look for the "Mexican hat" when putting on a condom. Also, the benefits of the female condom, a sheath of plastic designed to be placed into the vagina, were talked about. The female condom is said to provide a more pleasurable sexual experience for both the male and female. The speaker also briefly spoke about dental dams, designed for oral sex on a female.

The audience left the Commons with a variety of gifts such as lip gloss, mouth wash, candles, condoms, flavored lubricants, and chocolate. On the table, there was also information on how to put on a condom and local phone numbers for healthy crisis centers. The Safer Sex Cabaret conveniently precedes Valentine's Day, which is also National Condom Day.

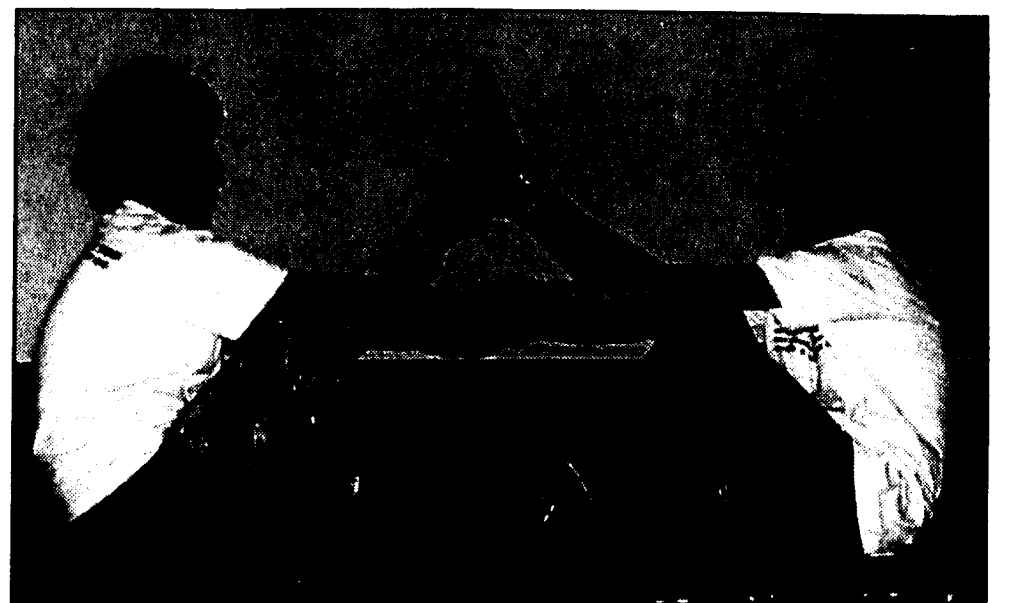


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Counselors from the Counseling and Advising Center demonstrate yoga during the Safer Sex Cabaret.