

Sensuous Experience

Synesthesia is Media Success

Synesthesia, as defined by some relaxed, some slept, its creators, Chick and Anne Hebert, as a combining of two sensations of sense to meet a common goal, was definitely an experience in awareness.

The program, held in the Quiet Lounge of the R.U.B., Monday October 23 at 8 p.m., was sponsored by the cultural committee of the Student Union Board. Originating in California, Synesthesia is making its third national tour, and is being well received by those who view it.

The Heberts have been working on Synesthesia for the past four years and continually modify it with new slides, techniques, music, and poetry. Divided into two hour long sections, Synesthesia I and Synesthesia II, the total sensation produced varied reactions from the audience. Some cried, some laughed,

some relaxed, some slept, some shook - but everyone experienced.

Synesthesia I used a two slide projector setup, and added various musical works to complete the effect, such as Country Joe and the Fish, and Bartok. One selection of the first half vitalized the myth *Persephone*. After a brief intermission, in which the audience was invited to play around with the light effects, Synesthesia II began. This part of the program utilized four slide projectors which enabled the audience to see the similar structures of nature. Synesthesia is also enhanced by dance forms illustrated by Anne Hebert and two other dancers. A thirty-minute selection, entitled *Oceanus*, portrayed the ocean and the coastal area

with a delicacy of form possible only by intense perception. The music for this piece was a work of Debussy's, *La Mer*. Other music performed in the second half included that by Pink Floyd.

The Heberts plan to continue working with new techniques and effects of multi-media, and stated that many of the sensations produced are developed by accident. In the future, the Heberts hope to get into a new type of program, similar to Synesthesia, however using people and figures instead of nature forms. The world of multi-media is open to much experimentation and expression, and Synesthesia is an opportunity to experience what two people have perceived and put into form. Perhaps it is also a means of developing an awareness of what's going on here at Behrend.

Expressing what perhaps could be considered a general audience reaction, Wendy Ball (3rd term-Education) commented, "Synesthesia is truly a sensuous experience."



The Student Union Board as part of the Autumn Weekend activities will feature the New Shakespearian Company presenting the well-known play *Romeo and Juliet*.

"Hope" Units Arrive

Thanks to Mr. Baughman, the Campus now has two oxygen tanks with "Hope Recusitators". They are portable units, lightweight and easily carried about the campus. We placed one in the Physical Education Department and the other in the Dispensary.

Dr. Joseph Mary, a nurse and former anesthetist, came from Mercyhurst College to demonstrate the unit to the Physical Education Department, Security and the Dispensary Staff.

The National Institute of Health has stated that "this is going to be a year with wide outbreaks of influenza." Influenza epidemics tend to follow a cyclical pattern. At least twice during this century, pandemics have swept the globe. The first was 1918 - 1919 following World War I. The second was 1957 - 1958, a pandemic of Asian influenza, caused by a new variant

strain of virus.

There are two major types of influenza viruses - A and B. New strains come along frequently. Strain A appears at two to three year intervals, and strain B at three to six year cycles.

Fertile eggs at a certain stage of development are required in cultivating the viruses. Because the vaccine is produced in eggs, people who are allergic to them may have adverse reactions to the vaccine. The virus itself has been killed and cannot cause influenza, but the body's response to the proteins in the vaccine may stimulate flu-like symptoms.

Students are highly susceptible to influenza, schools facilitate the exchange of respiratory viruses - so be protected - Flu vaccine (Bivalent) is available in the Dispensary each year from October 15 to be beginning of winter term.

The Outdoor Information Center

By Vic Kopnitsky

This is the first article for what is hoped to be an outdoor column. It is hoped that this column will provide information concerning a wide variety of outdoor activities. This will include seasonal information concerning camping, fishing, hiking, bird watching, ecology projects, hunting, and items of special interest.

For those people with a limited amount of time who wish to witness the coho and chinook salmon runs out of Lake Erie, the closest place to Behrend is Orchard Beach Run. The access road to Orchard Beach is one-quarter mile east of the junction of Rts. 5 and 89. There are many salmon trying to jump the falls one hundred feet above the lake. Any of the streams running into the lake have spawning salmon in them; however, fishing for them is limited to Lake Erie.

The woods are beautiful this time of the year. Two good areas for a drive or a hike are the areas south of Spartansburg on Rt. 89 and east of Corry on Rts. 6 or 27. There is a state game land to the north of Rt. 27 east of Springcreek; this is a very good area for hiking.

Saturday is the first day of small game season. The legal

shooting time is 9 a.m. for all hunting. Violations of the shooting time last year caused the closing of several tracts of private property in the state. If you go hunting this Saturday please be mindful of the opening hour; wear a safe color of external clothing, especially bright orange; be sure to recognize your target before shooting; and, above all, be extremely careful. Please seek permission from the landowner before entering a private tract of land and please do not litter. Remember to pick up your plastic shotgun shells after firing; these shot shells are becoming a litter problem in the woods. The Pennsylvania Game Commission or the State Police will be happy to take any information you can give in order to apprehend anyone violating either the game laws or the littering law. The easiest way to supply information is to record the time, license numbers of either the hunter or the automobile, and the object littered or the violation witnessed.

SUB Schedules Autumn Weekend

Upcoming on the SUB's calendar of activities is the Autumn Weekend, to be held October 27-29. A varied agenda of events is planned for these dates.

Starting off the weekend will be the regular Friday night coffeehouse beginning at 9 p.m. in the RUB dining hall. Local talent will be featured and the price of admission is 10 cents with an activity card and 25 cents without.

Saturday night at 7 p.m. a special showing of the war comedy film *MASH* will take place in the RUB lecture hall. The movie concerns itself with the story of three skilled but lunatic army surgeons serving in the Korean War who manage to keep their sanity through their wild antics and equally wild lifestyles.

The film is directed by Robert Altman and stars Elliot Gould, Sally Kellerman, Robert Duvall, Jo Ann Pflug, and Rene Auberjonois. Also appearing in the film are nine professional football stars assembled by former Kansas City Chief Fred Williamson. A new wide screen and lenses will be utilized for the first time with this showing. The prices are set at 35 cents with and a dollar without an activity card.

The same evening at 9 p.m., a square dance will take place at Erie Hall. The music will be provided by Alan Cox, who will teach and play square dancing, rounds, and polkas throughout the evening. Prices for this affair are 50 cents with and 75 cents without an activity card.

An unusual feature of the Autumn Weekend will be the road rally to be run on Sunday. A

meeting will take place in the RUB at 12:30 that afternoon, with the first car to take off at 1 p.m.

The winners of the rally will receive trophies. Sign-up for the event will be at the RUB desk anytime before Sunday, or on the day of the rally near the entrance of the library with the entry fee set at \$1.25 with an activity card and \$2.00 without.

On Sunday-night, *MASH* will have two showings in the RUB lecture hall. The times are 7 and 9 p.m.

Coming to Behrend on Monday will be the New Shakespeare Company of San Francisco with the classic drama "Romeo and Juliet". A touring company of twenty-five actors bring a freer, lighter version of Shakespeare to the stage.

"Our method is a return to the humanistic values. We appeal to them as people," says company actress Susan Santino. Another member comments, "We want to improve. We learn from each other. Everyone has something to offer." This new theater group will appear in Erie Hall at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are 75 cents with an activity card, \$1.50 without a card, \$3.00 for adult admission, and can be obtained at the RUB desk or at the door.

The following day, an apple-bobbing contest will take place in front of the Nittany Lion in the RUB at 11 a.m. The contest is being held in conjunction with Halloween and the other ac-

tivities slated for this day. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of the event.

Wednesday, Nov. 1, is the final day to register for the pool and ping pong tournaments. Entrance fees for the pool tournament are set at 75 cents with an activity card, \$1.50 without. The competition will be a double elimination event with the winner to represent Behrend at the Region 4 College Union Recreation Tournament at West Virginia University. All expenses will be paid for our representative who will compete February 2, 3, and 4.

The ping pong tournament champs will also journey to West Virginia University on the same dates. The double elimination tournament has fees of 35 cents with and 75 cents without an activity card. The doubles fee is 70 cents with and \$1.50 without a card per term.

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