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## Hanging of the Greens

Walker Moore and Father Pat participate in the annual Hanging of the Greens ceremony, by placing the wreath at the chapel.

## Annual Xmas Ceremony

The annual Christmas ceremony, the Hanging of the Green, was held at the Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery to celebrate the coming holiday season with the end of the Fall term. The program also commemorated the Behrend family, who donated their estate to the Pennsylvania State University. Taking place in the Behrend Family Chapel Monday night, the service began with an introduction by Dean Benjamin Lane on the tradition which has been going on for twenty-four

years. An opening sentence was given by Greg Leo, who also led a responsive reading. Christmas hymns were sung and the Christmas Story was read by Mark Coates and Ramona Cwon. Walker Moore, the Student

Government Association President, extended holiday best wishes to the students, and remarks were made by Father Guy Patrick. The Hanging of the Greens is a campus tradition placing a wreath on the Behrend grave.

## Behrend Hosts PSU Deans

sequences along with course requirements.

An open session was held for students to discuss any issue with R.G. Quinn, Dean of Academic Instruction for Commonwealth Campuses.

Many students questioned the reason one must schedule subjects that are "so-called requirements" for their major — such as taking a language to fulfill a Liberal Arts requirement. The answer was given that Liberal Arts is basically a cultural background, and by taking a language, part of the cultural background is fulfilled.

Another question posed was that of Behrend not having a library sufficient enough to handle a four year academic program. The reason for this is because of lack of appropriate funding. It was mentioned that each book put on the shelf costs \$25 and Behrend needs approximately 40,000 more books to have a sufficient library.

Questions concerning particular courses were answered at a later session when students met with deans of their respective colleges.

The schedule for make-up of classes missed during the Thanksgiving Holiday should be as follows:

Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 22 classes will meet as scheduled on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 6;  
Thursday, Nov. 23 classes will meet as scheduled on Tuesday Dec. 5;  
Friday, Nov. 24 classes will meet as scheduled on Monday, Dec. 4;  
Saturday, Nov. 25 classes will meet as scheduled on Wednesday, morning, Dec. 6

## Task Force Approves Academic Proposals, But Funding Needed

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Development of Behrend's four-year Baccalaureate programs have been further assured in an announcement made by Irvin Kochel, Director of Behrend Campus, concerning the Task Force report.

John W. Oswald, President of Penn State University has accepted the Task Force report which was in the planning stages since early 1972. The unique opportunities and advantages of the Erie Community and the Behrend Campus, local, state, and national educational needs, money and available facilities have all been analyzed.

Phase I of the report calls for the expansion of Behrend's student enrollment to 2,000 by 1976. Recommendations for numerous new faculty and several administrative heads to aid in this expansion have been submitted to the Faculty Senate.

Kochel is very pleased with the acceptance of the long-awaited plan, however; many major points of the plan are still confidential, pending action by the Board of Trustees in January.

More students, new buildings and an expansion of the teaching staff are called for in the report, but funds of any kind for the University are being held up in the Pennsylvania legislature.

Oswald presented a bare-minimum budget last spring requesting \$86.5 million. This is the lowest the University can go without cutting back student programs.

The request was then cut to \$81.7 million by the Office of the Secretary of Education.

The amount was later raised to \$83.7 million when the bill went to the Senate. The bill is now tied up in a conference committee where

it appears it will remain for quite some time.

Sen. Benjamin R. Donolow, Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee plans to block Penn State's budget until the University publicly accounts for 24 recommendations of a special committee set up by Gov. Shapp to find ways of saving money.

Hopefully the legislators will decide their position on the Penn State budget before adjournment in January; at which time the newly elected legislators will return.

Behrend is finally moving toward its goal of a four-year

institution but it can not be expected to function, muchless expand without funds.

The members of the Task Force worked many months planning every aspect for Behrend's expansion. Faculty, student's and administration have been awaiting the approval of this program. It seems entirely possible that his report will be filed away until the University collects its requested budget of \$86.5 million. Unless the legislators can come to a speedy agreement the University will have to continue operating on loans resulting in more interest payments on these loans.

## Kochel Has Yet To OK New Positions In Faculty

The Academic Planning Committee has recommended the establishment of a substantial number of new faculty positions to the Faculty Senate.

Recommendations for these positions were based on the four major divisions of faculty as viewed by the Task Force. The divisions at this time include: Arts and Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Natural Science and the Associate Degree Programs.

The Academic Planning Committee prioritized at their Nov. 14 meeting using earlier

established guidelines to formulate their recommendations. The tentative recommendations were approved by the Committee and forwarded to the Faculty Senate.

The Faculty Senate at its Nov. 30 meeting modified these plans. They will then send their results to Irvin Kochel, Director, Behrend Campus, for further approval.

The new positions, if approved will aid in furthering the expansion of Behrend's teaching staff.

## Fall Activities End

A light schedule of SUB activities closes out the fall term this weekend. The Friday night Coffeehouse and a movie crime-thriller provided the on-campus entertainment for the final weekend.

On Sunday, Dec. 3, the award-winning "Shaft" will have two showings at 7 and 9 p.m. in the RUB Lecture Hall. This action-packed thriller starts Richard Roundtree as Shaft and is directed by Gordon Parks. "Shaft" was the recipient of an Academy Award for its title song and has also won plaudits from the New York Film Critics.

Tough, black, private eye Shaft is hired to find the daughter of a black underworld leader kidnapped in a power struggle to

control the drug, prostitution, and numbers rackets in Harlem.

Discovering that she has been kidnapped by the Mafia, Shaft tries to rescue her without first setting off a major gang war. Using an underground of "invisible" black waiters taxi-drivers, hotel employees, and other, Shaft locates the girl and effects her release with the aid of a black revolutionary and his buddies. Admission prices for this contemporary adventure film are 35 cents with an activity card and one dollar without.

Special thanks goes out to Student Union Board Director Bruce Zimmerman for his efforts to provide students with a variety of entertainment activities this term.



## Santa Claus Comes to Behrend

Mike Marsh played Santa Claus at the dorm party in Lawrence Hall, upon the return of Behrend students from their Thanksgiving break.