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The Behrend Student Theatre Ensemble performed, produced and directed the open theatre smash dramatization of "Terminal", on Tuesday, April 1, and Tuesday, April 8. (See story page 3).

Tickets transfer

By Mike Kahl

There has been some speculation about the transferability of meal tickets between State College and Behrend. A phone call to Mr. Robert Finley revealed the following information.

There is a program that allows for the transfer of meal tickets, on a limited basis, if the Housing Office is made aware of certain facts and a small fee is paid.

The Housing Office needs to know what dining hall at State College would be affected and they need this information by 4 p. m. on the Friday before leaving. Charges are \$.25 for breakfast, \$.35 for lunch and \$.60 for dinner, or a total of \$1.20 per day. This charge is needed to make up for the absentee factor used in figuring out the price of a meal ticket at the beginning of each term.

The absentee factor is a percentage of meals the Housing Office figures each student will miss per term. They subtract this figure from the total cost of a meal ticket and the result is the figure the student pays. In other words, if students were to attend every meal, the price of a meal ticket would go up \$1.25 per every day in the term.

Students around the campus have been skeptical and were complaining that people coming up here from State wouldn't have to pay. This is not true. This program works both ways in that students coming to Behrend from State can obtain the same privileges by informing their cafeteria and paying the same fee

at State College. These prices compare favorably with any commercial establishment and it is hoped that ample use of this program will ensue. Any further questions can be directed to Mr. Robert Finley, Manager of Housing and Food Services, Behrend College.

Banquet discussed

The Keystone club held their regular meeting on Wednesday, April 2. Discussion was held on the upcoming Honors Banquet which they are sponsoring. It is to be held May 12 and all clubs and

societies of Behrend will submit their candidates. The club is currently preparing the details of the banquet.

To date, there are twenty people committed to the cancer drive on Sunday, April 13. Thirty people are needed. CWENS is participating as well as other non-members. Anyone, who is able, is urged to contact Mary Raab at 899-9994 or Terry Henderson at 899-9057. It is vital that this drive be successful so if your Sunday is free, please join us.

I'm glad to report that Rick Strout's walk in the March of Dimes Walk-A-Thon was a success. Thanks to Rick and the Club, \$115 was collected for the March of Dimes.

The Keystone club is a service-oriented organization which has done much for the reputation of Behrend in the Erie Community. It meets every Wednesday at 6:00 in the R.U.B. Quiet lounge. Any Behrend student who has a 3.0 cumulative average is eligible to join. If you are interested, stop by next Wednesday, at the regular meeting.

BIO news

Next Thursday, during the regular meeting, the BIO Club plans to hold election of officers for the upcoming school year. Also, constitutional amendments will be made.

Last Wednesday, the Club and several interested students were honored to hear Dr. Kenneth Garver, the Genetics Counselor of Western Pennsylvania, speak.

His remarks on genetics and genetically related diseases were fascinating. During the regular meeting held Thursday, the film, "The Way of the Trout", was shown. The BIO Club would like to thank Trout Unlimited for supplying us with the film.

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SGA slumbers

By Elaine Grove

After last week's upheaval about SGA attendance, only six voting members, the president, and the parliamentarian attended the meeting of April 7. Those unexcused from attending were: Gina Myers, Jim Mahlon, Peg Brunton, and Zack D'Alesandro.

Calling a quorum and cancelling the meeting was brought up, but old business was settled without much discussion by those attending.

The JRC reported that they have no money to contribute to the Spring Arts Festival and are in fact \$19 in the red due to outstanding bills. No other clubs were represented.

It was decided to hold the elections for SGA officers this Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. A table will be set up from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the RUB by the mailboxes. Two applications have been submitted for president, three for vice-president, and one for treasurer. No one is running for secretary. There were some remarks about the fact that the people running had to be persuaded to volunteer.

Dave Scypinski briefly described his trip to a meeting of student government presidents of Pennsylvania held in Harrisburg

last week. He said he was informed that no more money will be given this year to education due to the tight budget, though 48.5 per cent of the state budget is allocated to education. He said the meeting was well organized, and attended by many schools throughout the state. The meeting adjourned early.

Candidates for the office of President are Alan Kirk (9th, Pre-law) and Michael Woods (10th, psych.). Candidates for the

office of First-Vice-president are John C. Farren (6th, Business), and Bill Dale (3rd, Business).

Jeff Urraro is running for the office of Second Vice-President and Grant Walker (3rd, B.A.) is a candidate for the position of Treasurer.

As Behrend Students, the choice of these officers is your responsibility and right. The SGA urges student participation in these elections.



Gay Catania demonstrating her musical talents at last Friday's Coffee House. (See story page 3).

Career information

By Chuck Stanish

In spite of the weather, Career Day was a fair turnout of students. Twenty professionals from Erie were on hand to answer questions about their respective professions. The most popular job areas seemed to be Agriculture, Accounting, Social Welfare, and Journalism.

I talked to a number of professionals and sensed a consensus of opinion in a key issue. First, the job market in Erie County, for most areas, is poor. It was generally conceded that the willingness to move is the prime factor in obtaining a job. Erie, at the present time, does not have the capacity to fill the needs of even Erie graduates.

Teaching positions in Erie, like everywhere, are scarce. An interesting fact was pointed out though. Three professionals felt that teachers may find themselves in the same position as engineers a few years back. That is, that currently very few people are into teaching now and this way actually results in a shortage. This, of course, is uncertain and at present, teaching positions are very scarce.

As for speech pathology and allied health fields, the opportunities are there, if you are willing to move. Engineering continues to be fairly strong, especially for women. Journalism is predicted to be highly competitive in the near future.

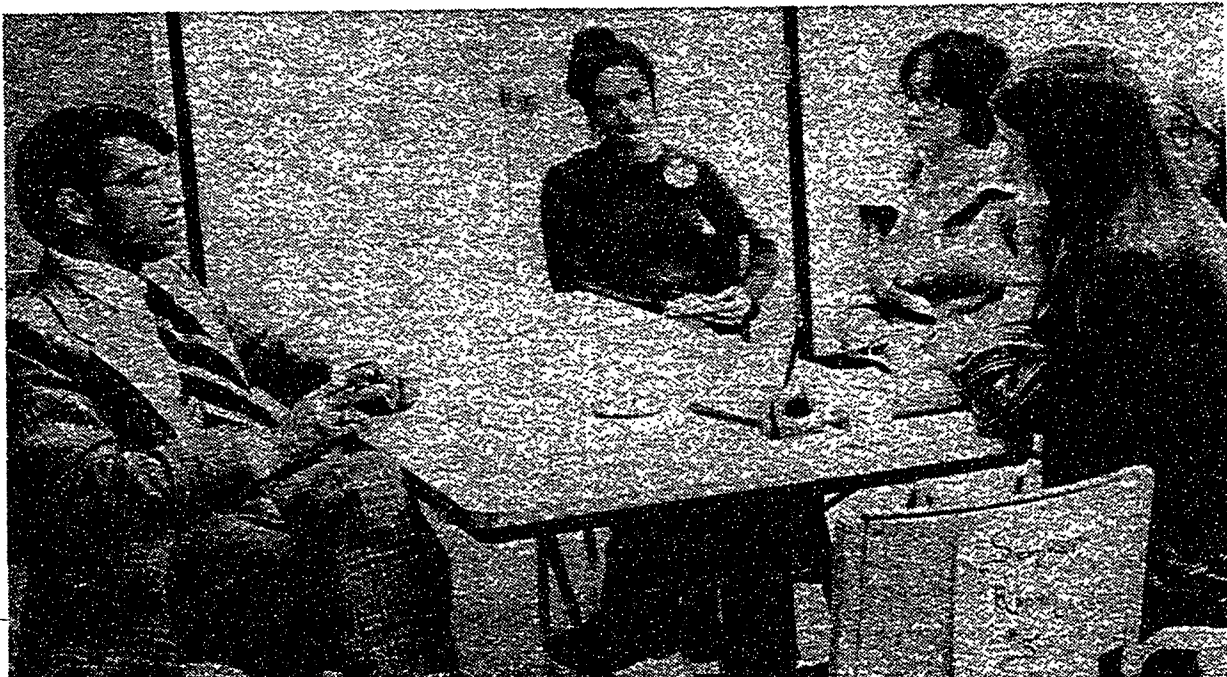
General liberal arts degree graduates should be willing to accept the fact they will need more specialized training after finding a job. Two professionals suggested graduate work for Liberal Arts Graduates. Any major coupled with a thorough grounding in a language increases the person's chances considerably.

Openings for Bachelor's degrees dropped approximately five per cent last year. Master's Degrees did the best, only falling about three per cent. A lot of PhDs must be driving taxis right now, for their opportunities dropped a whopping 16 per cent.

As was pointed out by all, everything is related to economics. A better job outlook can only come after an upturn in the general economy.

A large amount of professionals all expressed optimism and they suggest that the student be very careful with his plans and learn as much as he can about his expected career.

If you have any questions about preparing for your career, summer employment, scholarship opportunities... contact Ms. Koschir at the Career Development and Placement Center in the Student Affairs office upstairs in the administration building, or dial extension 246.



Twenty professional representatives of the Erie area were present to discuss various aspects on employment in individual career positions during Career Day, last Thursday. The program proved very beneficial for all who participated.