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Tomorrow's Behrend

Pictured here is a layout of Behrend College in the future. Plans of development are still being revised but state financial aid is not guaranteed.

Switch thrown this month

By Dan McKay
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The Behrend College Radio Station will begin broadcasting with a special premier show Halloween night, October 31. The station will broadcast live to the dormitories at 92.5 FM from the studio located next to the commuter cafeteria in the Reed Union Building. Broadcasting hours will be every Wednesday and Friday 4:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m., Saturday Noon - 2:00 a.m., and Sunday 11:00 a.m. - midnight.

The music programming will reflect the interest shown in last month's radio survey. According to Ed Fratus, Station Manager and Chief Engineer of the station, the order of preference in the survey was: rock, hard rock, jazz, classical, soul, then bluegrass. Ed is also the President of the Radio Club, which is the parent organization of the station. He says a typical night's broadcast would be in three basic areas. These are: early evening - popular songs, light rock; mid-evening - special show (jazz, feature, etc.); late

night - hard rock, party music.

The radio station will provide services such as a concert schedule, campus and community activities, news and sports, ski reports and a ride board. Special features are also being planned. These could include new album releases, special interviews, and the "National Lampon Radio Hour Half Hour."

Disc jockeys for the station will be selected from the membership of the Radio Club. A permanent console for the D.J.'s will be designed and constructed in the studio during the fall term break. The studio opened last Monday, October 20, with office hours of 4th, 5th, and 6th periods every Monday through Friday.

About the office hours, Ed Fratus says "the main purpose of our office's opening is to be available to receive any contributions for air time. This includes albums, tapes, campus and community news and any related information. Also we will be around to answer your questions and satisfy your

Notes from SGA

By Mary Schoen
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Monday night a SGA meeting proved to be a very informative and interesting one. Although it was rather long, a lot of ground was covered.

Scott Little, a representative from the Student Affairs Committee, reported on the possible expansion of the health service. There is also a possibility of a reference point, for information about studying and traveling abroad, being set up within the office of Student Affairs.

Arrangements for transportation for all U weekend is all taken care of. The entertainment on all U day will be Jesse Colin Young. A Commonwealth Campus Day is being seriously considered. The day would include meetings of different organizations to give the commonwealth campus student an

idea of the variety of organizations and activities at University Park. There would also be bus tours of fraternities, sororities, apartments and dorms.

A new system is being set up for those applying for dorms down at state. The dorm lottery would entail certain percentages of students from the commonwealth campuses being picked for a dorm. Students would be notified by March 31 instead of April 31 if they got a dorm.

The Student Services Committee is setting up a referral service in off campus housing, limits of security, legal services or anything else; stop in at the SGA office.

Some dissatisfaction was expressed with SGA members who haven't been showing up at the meetings.

Funds rejected . . .

Try, try again

By Ron Wayne
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A recent talk with Director Irvin Kochel provided some insights pertaining to the future development of Behrend College. Director Kochel spoke of a formalized plan, the reasons being Behrend's lack of development, and the priority needs of the combined student-faculty-administration group.

In 1957, an architectural firm was commissioned to draw up a plan which included the future developments of the Behrend campus according to predictions of future enrollment expansion. This was the first such plan initiated within the commonwealth campuses system of Penn State University. The plan entailed various phases. As all plans, Behrend's was subject to adjustment.

With the university's consultation, the first plan was revised and a more intricate and calculated plan was drawn up in the early 60's. The new plan is changeable but will probably be the college's guideline for development unless some unexpected force should make parts of it unfeasible.

The present plan would serve 2500 students when it is completed fully. According to student body increase and demand, the campus would evolve into a

pleasant and functional institution. Parts of the plan include an academic complex, which would house a new library, various classroom buildings and offices; a new men's gym facility; an auditorium; more parking lots; and two residence complexes which would have approximately three dormitories and a dining facility each.

Concerning the present overcrowding of the dormitories, Director Kochel refrains from quickly building new facilities for two reasons. He sees in the foreseeable future the development of off-campus housing, such as apartments, and students have usually preferred the former rather than dormitories. The college builds residence halls with money they received from bank loans so there would need to be an assurance that it would be occupied for a number of years in order to recoup its cost. Director Kochel added that he knew of several plans on the drawing boards for the development of apartments and stores near the campus. The second reason Director Kochel feels dormitories should not be built, unless there is an overwhelming demand, would be the preference to use the available land space for classrooms or academic uses.

The main obstruction with almost all plans is the lack of money to carry them through. Behrend College as an educational state institution has suffered many problems seeking to fund its expansion.

Each year, the University formulates an over-all financial plan concerning all the campuses and the funding of their requested projects. Unfortunately, the state has not been funding projects like they used to because capital funds have been reduced severely in recent years, which is due to the present administration's program.

Director Kochel revealed the various projects in the past few years, that Behrend has submitted for funds which were not granted. In 1970-71, funding from the state was not received for a service and mechanical building, and in 1973-74 two plans were submitted for a new library and a physical education building for which money was not granted. These requests are still valid, however, and considered in each yearly budget, although, in 1972, the secretary of education

stopped all construction and all plans had to be justified again. Many plans were radically altered as a result.

Last year, state legislators from Erie and the surrounding area gathered at Behrend to discuss the administration's recent budget, in which Behrend was not included. A bill was introduced and was passed by both houses of the State Congress but was vetoed by Governor Shapp. The bill would have provided funding for a new academic building. Director Kochel added that he has remained in touch with the local congressmen and they stated that they will try again if they have to.

Capitol campus recruits

By Dan McKay
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A group of recruiters for the Capitol Campus of Penn State will be visiting Behrend College next Thursday, October 30. The recruiters, headed by Ms. Pat Young, Capitol's Admissions Counselor, will discuss their campus with any interested student in Behrend 117 and 118 during Common Hour.

Capitol Campus, located in Middletown, Pa. outside of Harrisburg, is a unique part of the Pennsylvania State University. It only accepts upper division (Junior and Senior) students. Besides Behrend and University Park, Capitol is the only place within Penn State where one can graduate with a Baccalaureate Degree. It is also the only part of Penn State that accepts Associate Degrees the same as the first two years for Baccalaureate programs.

Upper division programs are offered at Capitol in the following areas: Business Administration, Elementary Education, Humanities, Science, Technology and Social Science. Many of the courses are the same as those offered at University Park. Because of this, the level of quality is the same as main campus, but in a smaller environment.

More information and admissions applications for Capitol Campus can be picked up at Dean Salvia's office in the Administration Building.

Science fiction at Behrend

The world of Science Fiction releases man's imagination to play upon the questions and problems, as well as their possible answers and solutions, relevant to the human condition and man's ultimate destiny. For the first time, Behrend College is offering English 187 (Science Fiction: Themes and Development). If you are interested in exploring the alternative worlds and futures of SF, as well as your own imagination, plan to sign up for a time-hopping, galaxy-probing jaunt through the multiple worlds of SF. Probe leader for this flight into speculative fiction will be Dr. Wayne Scott, Behrend 134. Launch Time: Winter Term-Second Period - MTTh.

English 187 will be a lecture-discussion course. The major concentration of the course will be on the evolution of SF from H.G. Wells and the pre-Wellsians to such contemporary masters of the genre as Robert Silverberg, Philip Jose Farmer, Brian Aldiss, and Harlan Ellison. Beginning with H.G. Wells The

Time Machine and The War of The Worlds, we will examine selected short stories, novellas, and novels published between 1895 and 1975, with special focus on some of the major patterns and themes of the Gernsback era (1920's and 30's), and the Campbell era (1940's and 50's). Of course, we will also deal with newer trends and directions as well. See Dr. Wayne Scott, 134 Behrend, for additional information on the course (including course requirements, grading policy, syllabus, etc.). The texts for the course are listed below. Those books which are marked with an asterisk may not be in print. If a book is out of print, a text from the alternate list may be substituted.

*Blish, James. A Case of Conscience. Ballantine.
Bretnor, Reginald (ed). Science Fiction, Today and Tomorrow. Penguin.

Clarke, Arthur C. Rendezvous With Rama. Ballantine
Farmer, Philip Jose. Flesh. NAL, Signet
Knight, Damon (ed). Nebula

Award Stories. Pocket Books.
Silverberg, Robert. The World Inside. NAL, Signet

The Time Hoppers. Belmont-Tower
(ed). The Science Fiction Hall of Fame. Avon.

Van Bogt, A.E. More Than Superhuman. Dell.

Wells, H.G. The Time Machine - The War of The Worlds Crest Fawcett-World

*Williamson, Jack. The Humanoids. Lancer.

Alternate List (To be used only if one or more of the above books are out of print).

Bester, Alfred. The Demolished Man. NAL, Signet

Kornbluth, C.M. The Syndic. Avon (Equinox)

Pohl, Frederick and Kornbluth, C.M. The Space Merchants. Ballantine.

Simak, Clifford The Goblin Reservation. Berkley Medallion
Van Vogt, A.E. Slan Berkley Medallion.

For a copy of a complete annotated description of each of the required and alternate texts, see Dr. Scott, 134 Behrend.