

Mark Porterfield Spies Good Entertainment

Mark Porterfield, Cultural Chairperson of the Student Union Board (SUB), is primarily responsible for much of the entertainment on Behrend campus this year. As with the Recreational, Social, and Special Events Chairpersons, Mark works with a committee to arrange cultural entertainment events. He also works closely with Jay DiFrank, who oversees



Mark Porterfield (R) with George Fischhoff

the entire activities program at school.

Mark is a sophomore who plans to graduate from Behrend as a Political Science major. Last year as a freshman he was actively involved as a committee member—enough so to be Chairperson this year.

Asked if he liked his job, Mark replied "I like responsibility. When you're on the Board, you have to help everybody. I need to have extra activities."

He makes no allusions to the infringements on free time his job carries with it. "I learned to adapt to my study time. Setting your priorities is the main thing."

Mark's job will take him to Kansas City from February 13 to the 19th, to attend the national NECAA convention. There he will represent Behrend as one among 2,500 colleges bidding for top

entertainment acts. All colleges attending must pay annual dues to earn the privilege of securing any act. There are thousands of different acts, with showcases, booths, and exhibits open around the clock. "You have to keep your audience in mind when you consider an act," Mark said when remembering last year's convention at Bowling Green.

His experience and aptitude for choosing good entertainment was demonstrated well by the George Fischhoff concert held two weeks ago here at Behrend. There are special problems associated with publishing such an act.

"Pianist?" Mark chided. "What's a pianist? George was more than 'just a pianist.' Yet people had to know that there are other things than classical pianists. That's why I had him do some of his things around campus, so people could see that he had more than one side."

It was suggested that, in a general sense, people tend to narrow their view of entertainment; it can be hard to arouse curiosity for anything different or new. Mark addressed the problem with the following words: "The students need to know that there are other forms of entertainment besides hard rock—which I really like myself—but that's not the only form. I'd like to show them the other side... If I only get one person at a program, I'm happy, because I made that person happy—that's the whole idea."

There are other factors besides the usual apathy to consider when the problem of bringing good entertainment to campus comes up. Inadequate facilities hamper good programming. "Think of the acts we could bring in if we had an auditorium of some sort," Mark said.

Funds must always be considered. The budget must be constantly assessed and spending anticipated when scheduling entertainment. Mark is bombarded by advertising mail all the time with only one purpose in mind—to get him to contract for entertainment.

"We're not so much into money-making as we are into providing," Mark says of the SUB's intentions. Their priorities seem to be in order.

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There has been a cry of apathy at Behrend College concerning the commuter students. Since the first dormitory was constructed and functioning, there has been a visible division of the dormitory residents and the commuting students. It's not that the two divisions want to be two separate functioning bodies; it has just worked out that way. It is true that most activities are geared to benefit the dorm students rather than the commuters.

A commuter meeting was attempted recently in which we had an astounding turnout of two commuters. We would like to believe that the commuting

students are a faction here at Behrend which would like to be organized.

The commuter faction, naturally, is the largest group represented on Behrend Campus. This representation comes in the form of the Commuter Council which operates as part of the S.G.A. However, without input from the commuters we cannot know their problems, concerns, and needs. Therefore we will hold another commuter meeting Monday, Feb. 19 in the Reed Lecture Hall during the lunch period. Please make every effort to attend.

Paterno's Team Recognized With Awards

Penn State's football team won unprecedented acclaim in 1978. In addition to earning the number one ranking during the regular season for the first time in the school's 92-year football history, the Nittany Lions won numerous individual honors.

Coach Joe Paterno was selected as Coach of the Year by the American Football Coaches Association and the Football Writers Association of America. Paterno, who has a 13-year record of 123 wins, 25 losses and a tie, also won the Joseph M. Sheehan Award as the outstanding major college coach in the East for the fourth time in the 11 years the award has been presented by the New York Football Writers Association. Paterno is the only coach to win the Sheehan Award more than once.

Paterno was also named Coach of the Year by the prestigious Washington Touchdown Club, which selected Penn State as its Team of the year and quarterback Chuck Fusina as its Player of the Year.

The Washington Touchdown Club Award was one of many for Fusina, who also became Penn State's fifth recipient of the Maxwell Award as the nation's Outstanding Collegiate Player. Fusina, who holds 18 Penn State passing and total offense records, also won the Wiseman Trophy.

Fusina was one of six Penn State players to win first-team All-America honors. The Lion offensive captain was named to six All-America teams.

Offensive tackle Keith Dorney was a first team selection on seven squads and also earned \$1,500 for the scholarship fund by being named first team Academic All-America by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Defensive tackle Bruce Clark and kicker Matt Bahr both were named to five All-America teams, defensive tackle Matt Millen was selected for two teams and safety Pete Harris was picked on one All-America squad. Clark, a 6-11, 268-pound junior, won the Lombardi Award, given annually to the nation's outstanding lineman or linebacker.

The Lions had seven players compete in All-Star games after the Sugar Bowl. Fusina, Bahr and split end Scott Fitzkee competed in the Hula Bowl in Honolulu and the Japan Bowl in Tokyo.

Correal, Dorney and guard Eric Cunningham participated in the East-West Shrine Game in San Francisco and were joined by fullback Bob Torrey for the Senior Bowl in Mobile, Alabama. Torrey scored all three touchdowns for the North team in the Senior Bowl.

Clark, Harris and Millen are among the six defensive starters the Lions will have returning for the 1979 season. The others are end Larry Kubin, who led the team in quarterback sacks (12); linebacker Lance Mehl, who led the team in tackles (96); and halfback Karl McCoy, whose five interceptions ranked second to

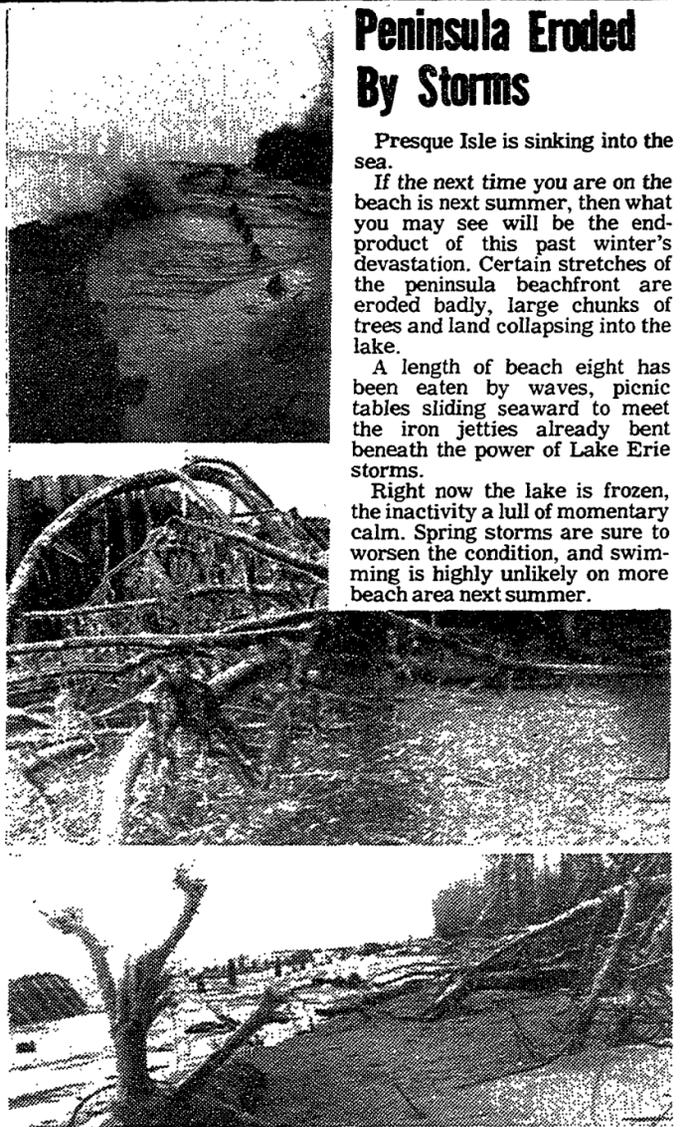
Peninsula Eroded By Storms

Presque Isle is sinking into the sea.

If the next time you are on the beach is next summer, then what you may see will be the end-product of this past winter's devastation. Certain stretches of the peninsula beachfront are eroded badly, large chunks of trees and land collapsing into the lake.

A length of beach eight has been eaten by waves, picnic tables sliding seaward to meet the iron jetties already bent beneath the power of Lake Erie storms.

Right now the lake is frozen, the inactivity a lull of momentary calm. Spring storms are sure to worsen the condition, and swimming is highly unlikely on more beach area next summer.



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quality. We shouldn't sacrifice the right of our posterity to the liberties we enjoy today. We cannot delegate the responsibility to defend our way of life to others, for if we do, they can do the same with the result that nobody ever assumes the responsibility.

Americans have allowed the mistakes we made in Vietnam to cloud our vision of a time just two decades before. It was at this time that Adolf Hitler and his war machine devised a new concept in mechanized warfare, the Blitzkrieg. A few years later, another Axis power, Japan, unleashed a ruthless attack on our naval base at Pearl Harbor. The horror stories of Bataan.

Corrigdor, and the Philippines were grim testimony to our lack of readiness. American vowed never again to be a vulnerable as it was in 1941. We achieved this goal until the Vietnam incident made us lose our perspective of potential attack.

We cannot forget Vietnam, for it teaches us many things. It taught us how government can usurp power at the greatest levels. It taught us that fighting a containment or defensive war is futile. Most of all, it taught us that the old adage "My country, right or wrong, my country," no longer holds water. We must have a purpose, a valid purpose to fight. And if this purpose presents itself, America will fight to protect what is hers. But what we must forget about the Vietnam era is that patriotism and military service are not pejorative concepts, but necessary and honorable responsibilities that must be borne by all of us if we are to continue our present lifestyles. Maybe this is jingoistic thought, but it is also reality with immediate applications.

Harris' 10 steals. The Lions, who finished the season with an 11-1 record, will have five offensive starters returning — tight end Irv Pankey, tackle Jim Brown, guard Jim Romano, fullback Matt Suhey and tailbacks Mike Guman and Booker Moore.

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