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Theatre Company To Visit Behrend



From left to right—Kathy (Barbara Bisbing), Mary (Carolyn Bowes), Joanne (Becky Zellefrow).

Penn State University Resident Theatre Company is touring Jack Heifner's bitter-sweet comedy "Vanities" throughout the state during spring term. The company will perform at Behrend on Saturday, March 22, at 8 p.m. in Erie Hall.

"Vanities" will feature Becky Zellefrow who was a six term theatre major here at Behrend. Becky has the distinction of having played two of the three roles in "Vanities." Last spring she created the role of Kathy here at Behrend and now she is portraying Joanne. While at Behrend she held several acting honors,

among them are: she is the only Behrend student to receive "two" Bravo cups, awarded by the Erie Theatre Arts Institute, for best performance by an actress - one for Cheri in "Bus Stop" and one for Kathy in "Vanities." ETAI also awarded her an \$800.00 scholarship and she is the first Behrend student to make the finals for the National Irene Ryan Scholarship.

When transferring "down state" Becky was the first transfer student to be accepted in the University Resident Theatre Company therefore competing against graduate students for

roles on the "main stage." She first created the female lead in "You Can't Take It With You" and now a lead in "Vanities." Becky was also the only student in the Theatre 220 to receive an "A" for her acting, voice and movement work.

We are looking forward to welcoming Becky back to Behrend and seeing her in "Vanities" once again. Tickets can be purchased from Dr. Loss' secretaries in Turnbull, 9-3, until March 21. Behrend student \$3.00 all others \$4.00. Reservations for four or less may be made by phoning 898-1511 Ext. 331.

ICC To Present "Gong Show"

The I.C.C. is planning to host a "Gong Show" here at Behrend. The date of the show is Tuesday, April 1, in B101. This event will be a first for the I.C.C. if it is suc-

cessful. Paul Bailey head of the I.C.C., is hoping for 15 acts. There are presently about half that number. He plans on having the show put on live over the S.I.S. screens that evening. But if there aren't enough acts he feels that it would not be worthwhile.

To get an act together, fill out an entry form (which can be found at the R.U.B. desk or in B126), practice a little, come to the audition on March 26, and

then take a chance at \$123.45 for just four minutes of fun. The type of act is unlimited: play "Moon River" on a juke harp, do stand up comedy, juggle 17 guitar picks in one hand, do sit down comedy, and even a William Tell repeat with a little help from a judge. Come on, they've even extended the deadline to 5 p.m. Monday, March 24. So, get together with some friends and show it at the Gong Show.

Penn State Club To Honor Director Kochel

Irvin H. Kochel, director of Behrend College Penn State for more than a quarter of a century, will be honored by the Penn State Club of Erie County at a testimonial dinner on March 29.

The club annually honors Penn Staters who have provided distinguished service to the com-

munity and months ago selected Kochel for the 1980 award.

The selection has become even more appropriate since in late January Kochel was named assistant vice president for administration and will be assuming his new post at Penn State on September 1.

It is also fitting that the guest speaker at the testimonial, also selected months ago, will be Dr. Richard E. Grubb, senior vice president for administration at Penn State, who will be Kochel's new boss.

Dr. John W. Oswald, Penn State president, in announcing Kochel's appointment, recognized the Behrend director

"for providing Behrend College with more than 25 years of administrative leadership which brought Behrend from a narrowly focused two-year campus to its present stature as a quality college of the university."

When Kochel came to Behrend in June, 1954, the 425-acre campus, once the Glenhill Farm estate of the Ernst Behrend (founder of Hammermill Paper Co.) family, consisted primarily of the original buildings on the estate.

Today the college, still using those handsome and rustic-looking structures, proudly displays seven administrative and academic buildings, three dormitories housing 600 students, and a picnic pavilion. The serene, hilly grounds include an outdoor spring-fed heated swimming pool, tennis courts, archery ranges, baseball and soccer fields, ski tow, hiking and cross-country skiing trails.

In the Fall of 1973, the same year that Behrend marked its first quarter century, Kochel was honored by the Behrend Advisory

Board for his quarter century of service to the university, having held administrative posts at Penn State's Schuylkill and Capitol campuses prior to becoming Behrend's director.

Earlier that same year, a milestone was reached when the Penn State Board of Trustees approved the establishment of the Behrend College, the first and only Commonwealth Campus to receive four year college status.

Under Kochel Behrend has grown from a branch campus of about 200 students to a four-year college of nearly 200 students, where graduates receive four-year baccalaureate degrees in a variety of majors as well as two-year associate degrees. Through Continuing Education, the college also serves more than 4500 adults in Erie, Crawford and Warren Counties.

Kochel has long played an active role in community affairs, having served on various boards and committees both in civic and educational organizations.

In his new post he will assist Dr. Grubb in maintaining external university relations, in planning and conducting programs and for liaison relationships with other university offices.

The testimonial, Saturday, March 29, will be held at the Ramada Inn with festivities beginning at 6 p.m. The affair is open to all Penn State and Behrend alumni as well as others wanting to honor Kochel.

Reservations (\$9 per person, \$17 per couple) can be made with Douglas Dressler, 3620 Scarborough Road, Erie 16506; other details are available from Dick Jordan: 774-3598.

Puppet Theatre To Do "The Hobbit"

The J.R.R. Tolkien fantasy "The Hobbit" will come to life at Behrend College on Tuesday, March 25, in a performance by the Hutsah Puppet Theatre. The show begins at 8 p.m. in Erie Hall, featuring almost life size dwarfs, gnomes, elves and trolls. Tickets, \$2 for adults, \$1 for students with ID, will be available at the door. The public is invited. (Taken from "Tri-Community News" published by Brown-Thompson Newspapers).

Seminar On Iran

Col. Warren T. Lilli, attache to the Teheran, Iran Embassy prior to the Crisis, will conduct a seminar on Iran on March 26 and 27 at 3:55 p.m. in room B124. All students, faculty and staff are invited.

Outing Club Plans Diverse Treks

Behrend's Outing Club has scheduled four major trips for the spring term. The activities include skydiving, white water rafting, backpacking, and climbing and rappelling.

A movie and seminar on skydiving are planned for Wednesday, April 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the Reed Union Building lecture hall. At this meeting members will be able to sign up for skydiving lessons at a total cost of \$65.00.

The white water rafting trip is planned for the weekend of May 2-4. Friday night will be spent in Okiopyle PA and the actual raf-

ting will start Saturday on the Youghiogony River.

Another R.U.B. lecture hall meeting to discuss the Backpacking trip to Allegheny National Forest is scheduled for Tuesday March 18, at 7:30 p.m. The trip will take place the weekend of April 18-20 and the Climbing and Rappelling excursion to McConnell's Mills will be May 10-11.

Students can still join the Outing Club with a membership fee of \$5.00. For questions, contact Bill Hegman, 899-8063 or Eva Smith 260 Perry.

Energy Dept. Hunts Ideas

HARRISBURG—If you have an energy saving idea you may be eligible for federal financing to develop that idea.

Rep. Harry Bowser said the Department of Energy's Appropriate Technology Program is offering grants of up to \$50,000 for project development or demonstration projects of new energy saving or producing ideas and \$10,000 for concept development.

"While scientists and engineers may apply for this federal money the program is geared to the average citizen who has some new ideas for saving energy or providing a new energy source," Bowser said.

"Anyone having a good idea on how to save energy, increase the efficiency of conventional energy or utilize an energy source not currently being used should apply for this grant."

Bowser said those who would like more information on the program should write to Regional Program Manager, Appropriate Technology, U. S. Department of

Energy, Region. III, P. O. Box 7913, Philadelphia, PA 19104 or call toll free (800) 462-0438.

Application deadline is April 30, 1980.

Fraternity Seeks Members

Alpha Phi Delta, a national fraternity, is currently looking for students who are interested in pledging to the Behrend colony of Gamma Epsilon. Once the pledge period is over and the new member has completed the major requirements, he is then inducted into Alpha Phi Delta and receives the privileges of brotherhood.

For those interested in joining the fraternity contact any brother and/or meet with fraternity members for lunch Friday in the Commuter Cafeteria.

This is the last opportunity to become a brother until next fall.