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Christine Elias, a graduate of Illinois State University, uses her skills to help others in the Peace Corps. Working in the Gambia, Christine helps cooperative farms fight for survival.

CARD Battles At Behrend

by Tricia Wood

CARD, The Erie Committee Against Registration And The Draft, set up an information table with members available for questioning and discussion in the Reed building last Thursday, January 7. Mark Chaffee, a long-time activist against the draft and a substitute teacher at Iroquois high school, spoke in the lecture hall at noon.

Mr. Chaffee emphasized the strong relationship of the present situation in El Salvador to our pre-involvement in the Vietnam war. The U.S. currently has over 800 military advisors in El Salvador and the current administration is far from opposed to military intervention: "The current U.S. policy is for political and diplomatic initiatives to be taken in the event that military engagement of U.S. forces is required to preserve the current regime."

The members of CARD feel that the youth of the United States are unaware of the present situation and that the press does not give adequate coverage to the Salvadorian situation. "We feel that the public is getting part of a story and we want to show the rest of it," said Mr. Chaffee. "There are forty political deaths a day currently in El Salvador...it is proposed that during the next

three years, El Salvador will receive upwards of \$5,000,000 dollars in military aid. One of Reagan's campaign promises was: 'NO DRAFT.' We want to ensure that he keeps that promise."

He stated that the U.S. supports the current regime and may very well control it. In the struggle for control between the U.S. and U.S.S.R., many countries have become political puppets, taking away any chance for their democracy.

Why this interest in South America? Mr. Chaffee claims it to be backed by big business, currently holding many investments in these countries. He argues that to fight in these countries, under the guise of communist threat, is to protect the interests of business, not the lives of our fellow countrymen.

Mr. Chaffee explained his group's purpose as informing young men and women of their rights under the draft registration program. "We try to inform them, for instance, of their option to be a conscientious objector.

According to Mark Chaffee, there are several different levels of conscientious objection. The main level is that a conscientious

objector is a status where you do not believe in participating in the death of a war machine. In Vietnam they allowed two different statuses: One who cannot participate whatsoever in the machine, be it as a desk clerk, medic, whatever. Fine, they let you clean bedpans in the veteran's hospital in San Francisco. One who can't physically go out and kill someone but will participate in the machine as a desk clerk or support personnel."

He added, the other concepts that occur that the government will not allow are those who feel that there is a concept called a just war and by conscience cannot fight an unjust war. Therefore they cannot do anything at all connected with the war machine, including registering for the draft."

CARD spoke to individuals at Behrend and answered their questions as well as listened to their arguments for two days. Compared to Gannon and Mercyhurst, there was an overwhelming response at the table with people wanting to discuss their views. Mr. Chaffee's address was attended by Dean Lilley, one member of the Collegian staff and two Behrend students.

Apply Now For Financial Aid!

Once again the time has come to apply for financial aid for the upcoming academic year. With the existing as well as predicted federal budget cuts, many students are uncertain as to what aid to apply for.

Although a decrease in aid available to students is expected, exact figures are not yet known. For this reason, it is suggested that students apply for all ex-

isting types of aid as soon as possible.

Listed below are the types of financial aid and the applications needed available to Penn State students. Some changes for 1982-83 should be noted. The Basic Grant (BEOG) program is now referred to as the Pell Grant with the Pennsylvania combined application titled, PENNSYLVANIA STATE GRANT/FEDERAL STUDENT AID.

Students using the Guaranteed Student Loan Program should be aware that as of October 1, 1981, students with family incomes of \$30,000 or higher must now prove financial need.

Students wishing to learn more concerning financial aid changes and the application process for 1982-83 should plan to attend the Financial Aid Workshop on Tuesday, January 19, at noon in the

Reed Seminar Room.

A. Pennsylvania State Residents
1. STATE GRANT/FEDERAL GRANT APPLICATION

For the 1982-83 academic year, PA undergraduate students should complete the STATE GRANT/FEDERAL GRANT APPLICATION to be considered not only for STATE and FEDERAL AID, but also for UNIVERSITY ADMINISTERED AID in conjunction with the University FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION. To be assured consideration for the University administered aid, the STATE GRANT/FEDERAL GRANT application should be submitted by FEBRUARY 15, 1982.

2. UNIVERSITY FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

This form must be filed in conjunction with the STATE GRANT/FEDERAL GRANT application in order to be considered for all types of University aid (SEOG, NDSL, CWSP). The filing deadline is APRIL 1, 1982.

3. UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (3.0 GPA and above)

This application, available in Student Affairs, must be submitted for academic scholarship consideration by APRIL 1, 1982. Students must also submit financial information (through STATE/FEDERAL application) by FEBRUARY 15, 1982.

B. Out-of-State Students
1. FINANCIAL AID FORM (FAF)

For the 1982-83 academic year, out-of-state students must file the FAF in order to be considered for FEDERAL AID, as well as UNIVERSITY ADMINISTERED AID in conjunction with the UNIVERSITY AID APPLICATION. To assure consideration for the UNIVERSITY ADMINISTERED AID, the FAF should be submitted by FEBRUARY 15, 1982.

2. STATE AID

The following states allow their aid to be used in Pennsylvania: Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Ohio, Rhode Island, and Vermont. Students from these states should file for aid by the various deadline designated.

3. UNIVERSITY FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION and UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applications and deadlines are the same as for Pennsylvania residents. Students must submit financial information by using the FAF by February 15, 1982.

IMPORTANT

The above applications should be submitted as soon as possible. Applications submitted after the deadlines will be considered as funds are available.

COMING THIS MONTH!

"Animal House"
January 23rd

Collegian Dance
January 30th

Summertree Plays In February

By Josette Skobieranda

Under the direction of Mr. Fred Knoll, the Behrend College Studio Theatre is currently producing the winter term play, "Summertree," by Ron Cowen. The play concerns a dying young man, portrayed by Brian Chaffee, during an unspecified period of war.

"Summertree" is constructed of a series of the young man's life flashbacks. These flashbacks include two extremely positive aspects, those of life intertwined with love.

The young man's alter ego (his childhood self) is characterized by Sal Clemente. The mother figure is depicted by Cathy Devine, while Mark Moorhead plays the young man's father. Karolyn Brust illustrates the young man's girlfriend, and the sixth character, a soldier, is played by Mike DiFrancisco.

"Summertree" opens to Behrend students for full length free previews on February 3 and 4, with all evening shows beginning at 8:00 p.m. The first show open to the public is Friday, February 5.

During the same weekend, there are Saturday and Sunday performances with an additional matinee at 2:30 Sunday afternoon. "Summertree" reopens Wednesday, February 10, and will run throughout Sunday, February 14, with the final showing held at 8:00 that day.

Don't forget to list "Summertree" on your schedule of activities!