

# THEATRE CALL BOARD



Carolyn Brust: with her watching would you miss your cue!

by: J.M. Fiorilli

Looking for excitement? Behrend College Theatre Department promises to break the monotony with an exceptional array of performances. On tap this season is a special Homecoming performance of "Say Goodnight Gracie," followed by the musical "Godspell". Igor Stalsky's new musical drama adaptation of "Anigone" will open this Winter Term. The comedy, "Gemini", and a one-woman monologue, "Miss Margarita's Way" will close the 1982-1983 season.

According to Director Paul Iddings, "This is going to be the most exciting and productive year ever. We are offering the most plays due to the tremendous interest and the increasing enrollment within the department. For the first time this year, we are entering 'Say Goodnight Gracie' and 'Godspell' in the Region II American College Theatre Festival. The competitions include entries of colleges from five states including Pennsylvania. I am confident that Behrend will hold strong." Good luck to the entire cast of both shows.

Returning to the stage this season are Carolyn Brust, Paula Penco and Debi Bobango. New faces in the theatre include six new theatre majors, some of which are, Brady Caverly, Fred Becker, Stephiane Marra and Jim Wilson. Behrend veterans

John Skiff and Dan Rocher will also 'grace' the Behrend stage.

### MINI REVIEW

Although "Say Goodnight Gracie" is only in its second week of rehearsal, it promises to kick off the new season with a "Bang." I am confident it will go down as one of Behrend's best. "Say Goodnight Gracie" will make you laugh and make you cry. It is a wise and tender look at three very funny young men and two women. They are members of, as one of them says, "a generation going nowhere!" The group on their way to a high school reunion recap their zany relationships and never end up at the reunion due to some very serious "pot smoking".

"Say Goodnight Gracie" will prove intense and should be seen by the matrist of audiences. Again, under Paul Iddings direction and the assistant directing of Carolyn Brust, "Say Goodnight Gracie" conveys to you some of the Behrend excellence in theater. "Say Goodnight Gracie" definitely does not mean Goodnight.

It will open on October 1-3 and 6-10 at 8:00 p.m. with additional matinees on October 3 and 10. Behrend community, be sure not to miss the free previews one week before opening.

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## ASC . Free Tutoring

One of the services Behrend College offers its students is free tutoring. This year, the services fall under the auspices of the

Academic Services Center, located on the second floor of the Administration Building. The center, which opens Spring of 1981, provides students with individualized attention, specializing in English and Math.

Mr. Michael Tkach, lecturer in English coordinates the center. Other faculty involved in the Academic Service Center include Mr. Michael Chiteman.

Other areas covered by the center include improved comprehension in reading, studies habits, note taking, and time management.

Located on the Administration Building the center is open Monday through Friday from 9:30 to 3:30. Students needing help are encouraged to sign the appointment sheet outside the office.

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## Behrend Adds To Faculty

by James Genet

Bill McCartney, Behrend's new dean of Student Affairs, comes to Behrend with five years experience behind Behrend with five years experience behind him. He spent two years as Resident Instructor at the University of South Florida and three years as coordinator of resident hall and academic advisor with Memphis State University.

Mr. McCartney relates that coming from very large schools to Behrend's small campus has been an adjustment, but an enjoyable one. He feels there is a much more relaxed atmosphere here than previous schools. Also, Mr. McCartney grew up in

Wisconsin so Erie winters will be no problem.

At the moment, he is still getting to know the school, but would like to see a development of strong resident life to insure a good college experience for those students on campus.

Behrend has also added to the faculty directory, Celine Bucholz in the math department, Edward Morgan in legal management, Leonard Stefik in the field of engineering, Raymond Steinbacher for computer science, and Dennis Stroble for management courses. Behrend has also added two one year appointments, David Stuntz, heading our music department and Martha Pallant in the area of History.

## Options To Dorm Housing Available

by Sarah O'Brien

Due to the huge increase in accepted college applications every year, off-campus housing has become a major concern. Behrend is no exception. The Office of Student Affairs has helped a large number of students locate temporary or, in many cases, permanent housing for the academic year.

For those students who did not receive on-campus housing, there are several options. Many homeowners have rented out rooms to those students who prefer a more family-type atmosphere. The other alternatives are apartment complexes or dorm-type facilities. One example of these facilities is the downtown Y.M.C.A., offering rooms to male Behrend students. The rent for a fully furnished room for the academic school year is \$800. The Y is located along a bus route, therefore transportation is not a problem. Spaces are still available in the Y for those males still interested.

Heritage Park, on East 38th Street, is another dorm-type facility available for Behrend students. Presently, there are 27 male and 12 female students living on the third and second floor respectively. The cost per academic year for the men is \$1,200. This includes utilities and a furnished room complete with roommate. The women are charged \$1,500 a year. The additional \$300 provides them with a larger room and a sink. Meals are not included in the contract, although Heritage Park offers a continental breakfast for a small fee.

The lack of transportation is a



major inconvenience to those living at Heritage Park. Walking or hitching is the only means of transportation to Behrend, unless you own a car. At present, only four tenants have vehicles. If you walk, as most are forced to do, it takes the average person twenty minutes to reach campus. The half mile walk provides the student with a scenic route and an undeniable amount of exercise. A few students have been fortunate enough to hitch a ride, however, hitching is not the most dependable or safe way to get to school.

Even though Heritage Park is considered "co-ed", a long flight of stairs and endless rules separate the male and female tenants. Interaction between the co-eds on the halls is limited to three hours on Sundays. The rules regarding visitation policies are currently pending modification. Because of the Student Relations Committee at

Heritage Park, the Administration has been made fully aware of the tenants' grievances. They are presently working on a more agreeable policy. When asked about conditions at Heritage Park, the S.R.C. reported, "The transportation problem is being solved, and we are working towards a reasonable compromise on the "visitation policy."

It is likely that the number of students attending Penn State-Behrend will increase over the years. Because of this increase, off-campus housing is an unavoidable reoccurring problem that should be carefully approached. With successful planning, housing can be a satisfying and rewarding experience for students. The Collegian hopes to follow this issue, so that further information will be available in future articles.