

New Activities Coordinator

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The Office of Student Affairs has recently created the position of Student Activities Coordinator. Josette Skobieranda, who will fill the position for the fall semester, said that her duties will entail aiding Jamie Grimm, the Assistant Dean of Student Affairs, and overseeing clubs and student organizations on Behrend campus.

Josette, an intern from the University Park campus, is meeting her degree requirements while gaining practical, firsthand experience.

Because Josette is in the process of earning a degree in Community Development, all aspects of college from a student's point of view are still fresh in her mind. For this reason, Behrend students are very fortunate to have her on the Behrend staff.

As a freshman, Josette attended Behrend College. Her remaining years of study were spent at University Park. Josette enjoyed the time she spent at Behrend; this is one of the reasons she wrote a letter to Jamie Grimm inquiring about a possible internship with the Office of Student Affairs.

When asked if she enjoys her job, Josette replied: "Immensely. I meet and interact with people who are very unique. Because of this, my job has a lot of variety and I'm always learning something new."

Josette realizes that students need to participate in cocur-

ricular activities that promote their overall development. "Activities outside of the immediate classroom affect a student's behavior and growth which help to instill leadership and planning skills," she says, "these, in turn, are very useful when searching for a job."

Much of Josette's time is spent with student leaders, organizing activities, club affairs, and the promotion of events. Her work is mainly concentrated on goals and how to achieve them properly. She feels



Josette Skobieranda
Impressive Intern

that these skills are very helpful to life in general.

One of Josette's goals is to become as educated as possible: "After my internship, I would like to attend a graduate school of some sort, and eventually earn a doctorate."

Josette's desk is filled with work to be done and her agenda is booked. She shows a lot of dedication in her work; student organizations should take advantage of this ... she'll prove to be an asset to this college.

Eastwood Meets Hitchcock on "Tightrope"

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Clint Eastwood is by far one of today's biggest box office draws. Any film that has his name on it is bound to do well. Well, let me rephrase that; any Dirty Harry film that has his name on it is bound to do well.

Unfortunately for Eastwood and his fans, his so-called non-Dirty Harry films have not done so well. Superb films such as "Play Misty for Me," "Honkytonk Man," and Eastwood's personal favorite "Bronco Billy," have fallen into box office oblivion because they did not feature Harry Callaghan.

I fear that "Tightrope" will most likely fall into this category, not because it is a bad film but because it is a psychological thriller rather than a shoot-em-up.

In "Tightrope," Eastwood plays a tough homicide cop, but he is a different kind of tough cop. He is a cop who is also a human being and not a vigilant super-hero with a large gun.

The story, set in New Orleans, is about Wes Block, a homicide cop on the trail of a sadistic killer. Block is different from Harry Callaghan in many ways. The most prevalent is Block's personality. Most striking of all is the fact that he is a divorced father who has custody of his two charming daughters and a horde of many dogs.

While he is a tough cop he is a weak man. He is very insecure and troubled about his life and job. Block deals with his insecurity by visiting the sleazy French Quarter of New Orleans nightly where he enjoys handcuffing prostitutes before having sex with them.

"Tightrope" is more of a character study of a troubled cop than anything else.

Don't get the wrong impres-

sion, "Tightrope" is a fast paced action film but instead of focusing on the violence of the Dirty Harry films, it focuses on the action of Block's mind in dealing with his personal and professional problems.

The plot is basically this: A murderer with a penchant for disguises, is mutilating women in the French Quarter district.

Most of the women are prostitutes specializing in S and M. The killer handcuffs his victims and after raping them, he kills them. Block's familiarity with the Quarter becomes quite evident in the course of his investigations. He must investigate murders that have occurred in the places that he haunts during his off duty hours.

The killer discovers that one of the women he murdered was "involved with" Block and begins to tail him.

Every time Block employs a prostitute the killer follows her and murders her. Block begins to realize that he has something frighteningly in common with the killer and is forced to reevaluate himself and his questionable life style.

"All of us have a dark side that we must keep under control" a character in the film tells Block, "we are forced to constantly walk a tightrope between the dark and the light."

Instrumental in Block's reevaluation is the head of the local rape prevention center played by veteran actress Genevieve Bujold. Bujold gives Block a steady medium through which he can straighten out his life. Block eventually becomes in-

timate with her (without the handcuffs of course).

Through "Tightrope," viewers are treated to a trip inside a troubled and jaded cop's mind. In "Tightrope," Eastwood has a chance to show off his complete emotional range, he laughs, worries, loves, and even cries.

Block's mind and feelings are projected onto the screen producing a sympathetic character that can be easily identified with. Director Richard Tuggle, with the help of Block's adorable daughter's (one of whom is actually Eastwood's daughter) and five many dogs, creates a hero that is a person not a bronze statue.

Don't let the fact that "Tightrope" is a psychological thriller scare you away. Eastwood is still Eastwood, the only difference is that Tuggle has added a touch of Hitchcock to Eastwood's style and the result is a suspenseful thriller that will not only keep you on the edge of your seat but will also give you something to think about.

If you're in the mood to be frightened without being grossed out, "Tightrope" is the movie to see. "Tightrope" is rated "R" for language and sexual content.

P.S. A note of hope for all you Dirty Harry fans. Rumor has it that filming for a new Harry film will begin shortly.

Hot Times at Pal Joey's

By: Paula Penco
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BLUES-LAUGHTER - a great night of entertainment and fun. The place, Pal Joey's, 1101 State Street.

Pal Joey's is a fine establishment that just celebrated their one year anniversary. The party started off with a big bang with rhythm and blues music from "Big Twist and the Mellow Fellows." These fine entertainers came straight from Chicago for the festivities, and they brought down the house.

But if you missed that dynamite band, fear not for there is plenty more where that came from. Pal Joey's has an excellent line up for the month of September.

On Sept. 14 and 15 Vogan and White will perform. They are an acoustic and blue grass band. The price is \$10.00, drink and down. Booze and blues, who could ask for more?

But there is plenty more indeed. On Sept. 21 and 22 Pal Joey's is proud to announce the return engagement of the incomprehensible "Legendary Blues Band." This is another awesome blues band straight from Chicago. They appeared at Pal Joey's at the beginning of Aug. and they were such a smash-hit success that a return performance was a must. Get your tickets early for this one

because they sell out fast.

Another band to look forward to is "Obo Addy and Kakundra." This group will appear on Sept. 28 and 29. They are truly dynamite contemporary African pop band. You will have to see them to believe them. Don't pass up this once in a life time opportunity to hear such a phenomenal work of art.

Or if you're in the mood for a night of laughter that you'll never forget then Pal Joey's is also the place for you. Every Thursday evening is comedy night. Professional comedians from New York will make you laugh until you cry. This is the perfect remedy for academic pressures.

So remember the place Pal Joey's - State Street. It's hot entertainment at its finest.

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