

CLUB REPORTS

Ranger Club

by Michelle Grasmick

The Ranger Club is the elite corps of Army ROTC at Behrend College. Headed by Commander Aaron Higby, the Rangers work long hours, constantly challenge their physical and mental stamina, and make daily self-sacrifices.

This semester, the Rangers will participate in a number of activities. They will learn infantry tactics and patrolling, rappelling, knot tying, and how to construct a rope bridge and fire the M16 rifle.

The Rangers will also be devoting a large part of the fall semester to the Ranger Challenge, a competition held at Fort Indiantown Gap, where the Behrend Rangers will compete against Rangers from other universities in a number of military skills and tests of physical stamina.

The Rangers will also prepare for the coveted black beret awarding. This takes place when a Ranger is proficient in the required tasks and shows the dedication required to be a Ranger.

The ROTC Ranger Club welcomes all new members to uphold the tradition and pride of the unit. If you are interested, attend one of the meetings which are held at 5:30 p.m. every Monday in the ROTC office in the Glenhill Farmhouse.

ROTC Clubs

The Reserve Officer Training Corps offers several clubs that provide the opportunity to do something different.

The scuba club offers classes on diving and gives members an opportunity to dive in local lakes. The club will also taking a diving trip to Florida during the spring semester. If you are interested in diving, the scuba club meets at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

The Drill Club teaches marching techniques and rifle spins. This club gives members a chance to present the American colors at Behrend's home basketball games and high school football games. If you would like to represent your country with us, stop in the ROTC office on Tuesday evenings at 5:30.

The Rifle Club teaches shooting techniques and allows members to fire the .22 caliber target rifle and the Army's M16A1 rifle. The club helps experienced shooters to remain proficient while also teaching people who have never shot before how to put a bullet in a target. The club meets in the ROTC office at 5:00 p.m. on Thursdays.

If you are interested in any of these clubs, stop in at the meetings.

Scuba Club

by Keith Massing - Secretary

The Behrend Scuba Club met Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the gazebo. Plans were discussed for certification classes, fund raisers, and a Spring Break trip to Florida.

Certification classes are being held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the pool. The time may be adjusted for people who have classes those nights. The price is \$95.00. All equipment will be provided with the exception of masks, fins, and snorkels. The club is trying to find people interested in buying equipment so it can put in a large order and get a reduced price.

If the club is going to go on a Spring Break trip, it will need money. Several fundraisers are being considered and suggestions are welcome. The club will be running the concession stand at the athletic events in Erie Hall and would appreciate your support.

The club will be meeting in the ROTC office on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. It is open to all certified divers or anyone who wishes to get certified. You do not have to be in ROTC to join.

Coffee with Provost

by Janet Ocampo
Collegian Staff Writer

Future plans for Behrend College were discussed at the September 8 Coffee With The Provost.

Following initial introductions, Provost and Dean John M. Lilley opened the discussion. The recent edition of the monthly event provided an open forum for students to present observations and complaints about student life.

Students offered positive observations from matters ranging from the improved scenic view of

the campus to the new swivel chairs in Reed 116. Some student's noted they were pleased with the improved ratio of Junior to Senior students.

The discussion then turned to the topic of expansion and renovation. Lilley noted that the movement is a step towards making Behrend an elite school.

By 1990, Lilley would like to make freshman residency a requirement. Other plans call for streamlining course offerings for freshman and sophomore students. This action would enable the junior and senior classes to expand to

Health Center

The staff of the Health Center welcomes you to campus! The Health Center offers comprehensive, no-cost services to the campus community to help students, faculty and staff maintain wellness.

Located at the rear entrance of the Glenhill Farmhouse, the Center is staffed by two registered nurses, a part-time physician and a full-time certified nurse practitioner who is qualified to evaluate and manage many health problems, including infections, minor injuries, rashes, acne, headaches, women's health, and other medical problems.

All services are provided at no charge; medications prescribed at the Health Center are available at the Health Center at cost. Crutches, hot water bottles and ice packs are available for loan. Laboratory services include anemia screening, urinalysis, monospots and testing for cholesterol, blood sugar, pregnancy and sexually-transmitted diseases.

The Center provides educational programs on a wide range of health-

related topics, including nutrition, stress management, sexuality, exercise and preventive health care. In addition, several special programs are available on a regular basis.

A women's health education session, which is required for women planning a first time gynecological exam at the Health Center, meets Mondays at 8:00 p.m. and an appointment is needed. Women's health exams are scheduled on Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. by appointment.

An eating concerns support group meets each Thursday at 8:00 p.m. at the Health Center.

To obtain more information about any of these programs or to make an appointment, call the Health Center at 898-6217. The Health Center hours are: Monday thru Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m..

All services provided by the Health Center staff are completely confidential.

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Frankforter Published, Promoted

by Rich McCartney
Collegian Staff Writer

Behrend history professor Dr. A. Daniel Frankforter has recently written two unique books: "Civilization and Survival Volume I," which was published this summer, and "L'Egalite des deux sexes (The Equality of the Two Sexes)", which will be published soon.

Frankforter, who was named full professor last July, received his masters degree in Ancient and Medieval history from Penn State in 1968 and his Ph.D. in the same field from Penn State in 1970.

"Civilization and Survival Volume I," which Frankforter is using in his History 001 course, is a comprehensive history text which covers Western History from its beginnings through the 17th century. There are several characteristics which make this book unique among Western history texts.

The book spends a great deal of time discussing women and the contributions they made to civilization during the Ancient and Medieval periods. This is very unique since few Western history texts include much material on women's studies. Women's studies in the Ancient and Medieval periods is a somewhat new field, and Frankforter, being one of the first historians to dive into this vast, unexplored area, is considered an authority.



photo by M. Schneider

Dr. Frankforter

Secondly, rather than discussing a particular culture for a period of time and then jumping back and beginning a discussion on another culture as most Western history texts tend to do, Frankforter's text is written from a cross-cultural perspective. This means that he describes the aspects of the different cultures as they occur simultaneously. Frankforter hopes that this method will help alleviate some of the confusion of jumping back and forth through time, and help give the reader a "better feel" for the many different events that occurred within a given period of time.

The second book is Frankforter's

translation of a 17th century French document entitled "L'Egalite des deux sexes." This document was written by French Cartesian philosopher Francois Poulain de La Barr who tried to apply the scientific method to philosophical inquiry. In this document, La Barr used science and logic to argue for the equality of the sexes, an unusual topic for a 17th century writer.

Frankforter's is the first translation of this unique document. Frankforter received the original French manuscript from the British museum in Great Britain, and spent a year working on the translation. The translation was very difficult because the document was written in 17th century French which is quite different from modern French.

The book will be a dual language edition with the English on one page and the French on the other.

Also, unlike most Western history texts, this text has a theme. It discusses civilization as a "survival strategy." Frankforter hopes that by looking at the history of civilization from the perspective of being a collection of "survival strategies" the reader will be able to better understand and keep track of the multitude of events which make up the first half of Western history.

Finally, it is written by a single author. Most Western history texts are written by more than one author.



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Rifkin at Behrend

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entire world.

In order to prevent this, we will have to cut the use of fossil fuels by 50 percent for the next 25 years.

Rifkin concluded with a discussion of genetic engineering and gene splicing.

He said that releasing genetic organisms is dangerous since even a small amount has the potential to be harmful.

"Hopefully our kids will thank us for saving our world from destruction," said Rifkin in his closing comments.

What?

A panel studying ways of cutting government red tape (Aug.23) recommended creating an agency to control the growth of government bureaucracy.

On Campus Housing

On-campus housing in the residence halls is available immediately for women on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested students should contact the Housing Office in Dobbins Hall or at 898-6161 for information.

field is linguistics and she is a member of a scholars' group which is preparing the "Great Dictionary of the Language of the Poles" for her country.

She has published many scholarly articles on topics ranging from "Liberty of Language or Liberty in Language?" to "What is Language?" Wierzbicka-Piotrowska has also written two books on the Polish language. Both will be published in Warsaw later this year.

For more information about "The Polish Experience" course or about the visiting professors, call (814) 898-6159.

Polish Professors Visit

A first hand account of Poland's social and political struggles will be presented to Behrend students when two Polish professors visit

throughout the month of September. Dr. Ryszard Piotrowski and Dr. Elzbieta Wierzbicka-Piotrowska will discuss everything from the problems of Soviet legislation to changes in the Polish language when they lecture in "The Polish Experience," a political science course taught by Dr. James Seroka, Division Head of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Both professors, who are conducting research and offering lectures at universities in the United States throughout 1988, are members of the faculty at Warsaw University.

"A Polish View of the U.S. Constitution," "Rethinking Gorbachev Reform and the Soviet Experience," "Dilemmas of Power: State and Society in Poland," and

include approximately 1200 students. As a result, more rigid criteria will be established for freshman acceptance. These higher standards will coincide with Penn State's elevated standards, designed to encourage lower freshman enrollment.

Renovation and expansion were discussed as ways to gain new recognition for Behrend. New funding from the recent tuition increase has supported the development of the Reed Building and has propelled the new library proposal into the planning stages. While the library will be constructed on existing University-owned land, plans are in the works to purchase more land.

Lilley fielded complaints and comments on both inconsistent parking and for further developing of Greek life on campus. Concern was also raised for the potential of auxiliary services such as Food and Housing to become a monopoly. For these complaints, Dean Lilley took notes and offered ideas to resolve these complaints. It is highly likely that extra parking lots and a garage will be available within the next few years. Also, commuters and residents may unite more often through the interrelation of clubs and organizations. In addition, services such as Food and Housing will remain positive monopolies as long as the students work together to see that there will always be satisfaction in its function for the benefit of the students.

Some other students raised concern over the temporary unavailability of courses related to their major. These complications prolong the students' registration process and may endanger their credits for graduation at the pre-planned time. An idea that everyone thought would alleviate the possibility of missing credits during the semester was the contingency of offering classes on a cycle, so that students may fulfill the requirements of their major.

"Government and Opposition in Contemporary Constitutions" are among the issues Piotrowski will address during his stay at Behrend.

Piotrowski, who received his doctorate from Warsaw University in 1984, is an assistant professor in the university's Institute on Law and Administration.

A specialist in the areas of constitutional law, political science, the history of political thought, legislation and jurisprudence, Piotrowski most recently served as a visiting scholar during the University of North Carolina at Greensboro's summer session. At UNGC, Piotrowski taught the course, "Patterns of Change in Eastern Europe."

Piotrowski, who received a 1988

grant from the International Research and Exchanges Board for research he completed at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., has published numerous scholarly articles on topics such as "The Soviet Legislative Program," "Dilemmas of the Polish Political System," and "A Comparative Study of Contemporary Elections."

Wierzbicka-Piotrowska's topics will include "The Language of Polish Political Propaganda" and "New Tendencies in the Development of Contemporary Polish."

Wierzbicka-Piotrowska, an assistant professor in Warsaw University's Institute of Polish Language, received her doctorate from the university in 1981. Her

Buchwald Comes to Behrend

by Jennifer Rose
Collegian Staff Writer

Stephen Buckwald has joined Behrend's faculty a drama coach and teacher.

Buckwald will also be responsible for directing student productions.

Buckwald decided to come to Behrend after being approached by several colleges. His decision was based on the fact that Behrend afforded the opportunity to have a lot of independent control of the theater program. He was also impressed by the people he talked to, they seemed very interested in having the theater become more involved in campus life.

Buckwald brings with him a broad educational background, receiving a Masters of Fine Arts from the University of Connecticut and a Bachelor of Arts degree from the Temple University of Philadelphia. Buckwald also spent a year in special study at Villa Nova University. After college, he taught a course at Otterbine college, consisting of theatrical criticism, theory and directing. He also taught at the Philadelphia University of Textiles and Science, Montgomery University, and Beaver College.

Buckwald has numerous past acting experiences including being a member of Company One in Hartford, Connecticut and participating in the Actors Repertory Theatre. He has done many plays such as ones by Pinter, Samuel Becket, and Shakespeare.

"It's very congenial, the students really apply themselves. I look forward to building an accomplished theater program."

Though some may think that the Behrend studio may be a bit too small to work in, Buckwald finds it completely adequate and remarks that it holds lots of possibilities for the putting together of a production.

Many students who work with Buckwald comment that he is a

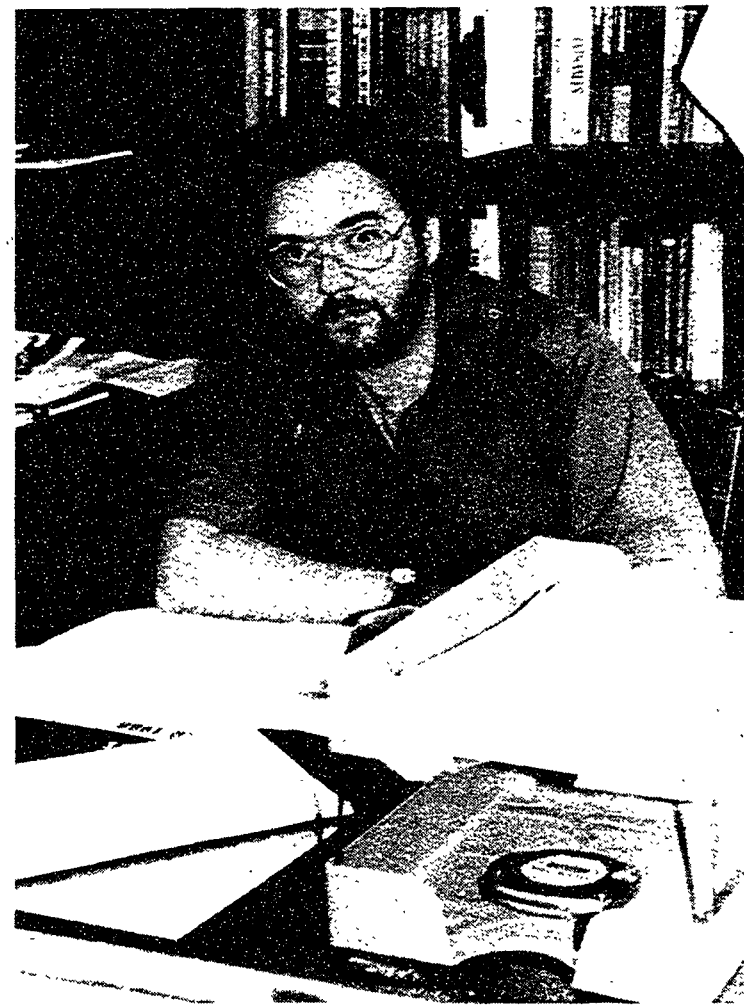


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Buckwald, new theater director

good teacher who knows what he's doing.

"So far, I think I'll really like having him for a teacher. He's up on things and knows a good play when he sees one," said one student.

There are many projects in the future for the Players, "Diviners" opens November 10, a play which illustrates how people with a good intentions often end with tragic results. Other productions are still

in the works.

Buckwald plans to have the Players participate in the American College Theater Festival, an organization that allows different theaters to compete and compare each other.

Buckwald hopes to find many students involved in the theater and is optimistic toward providing quality theater that is both entertaining and thought-provoking for the campus this year.