

Campus Life

“The Little Shop of Horrors” comes to PSH

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Something horrible is growing in the second floor auditorium of the Olmsted building. It's shocking, it's terrifying, it's mean and green; it's “The Little Shop of Horrors!”

This November, theater professor Jim Johnson and the Capital Players will present the classic drive-in monster movie turned musical, “Little Shop of Horrors,” Penn State Harrisburg's first of two musicals for the 2009-2010 semester.

Steven Howell, a Capital Players veteran, will play the lead role of Seymour. A junior civil engineering major at Penn State Harrisburg, Howell's past credits include Slightly Soiled in “Peter Pan”, Billy Crocker in “Anything Goes,” Motel in “Fiddler on the Roof,” Jesus in “Godspell,” Lamar in another “Godspell” and Roger “Rump” in “Grease.” He currently directs the PSH Gospel Choir, Sounds of Praise, and has been singing since before he was able to talk.

Sophomore Jordyn McCrady takes the leading female role of Audrey—the girl, not the plant. McCrady, a self-acclaimed actress, singer, dancer and snowboarder, has performed with the Capital Players once before as Rizzo in “Grease.”

Freshman Gregg Travitz is new to the Capital Players and

to Penn State, but he is no stranger to the performing arts. Travitz plays bass guitar in a band with his friends, and is also an aspiring filmmaker. Travitz will be playing Orin, better known as the sadistic, rock ‘n’ roll dentist.

Brian Harkless's deep, booming voice will be heard as the voice of Audrey II—the plant, not the girl. Also a new addition to the Capital Players, Harkless's previous experience includes being in the chorus for “CATS,” the chorus for “Brujon” and as the Convict and the Sailor in “Les Miserables” at Hershey High.

Nefeteri Zulu, Yasmine Roc and Sierra Morris will make up the singing trio of Skid Row ragamuffins known as Chiffon, Crystal and Ronnette. Zulu and Roc appeared in last year's Capital Players performance of “Grease,” and Morris has appeared in a number of plays including “Once on this Island” as Andrea, “The Prophet” as Reason & Passion, “Fiddler on the Roof” in the chorus, Roger's and Hammerstein's “Cinderella” in the chorus, “As You Like It” as Rosalind and even a play adaptation of Maurice Sendak's “Where the Wild Things Are” as Max.

The curmudgeonly old Mr. Mushnik will be played by Tim Svirbly. Jordan Thomson will play Mr. Bernstein, Sara Powers will play Mrs. Luce and Cody Page will play Skip Snip. Last but not least, the chorus will be made up of Danielle Harrow, Nicki Black, Rachel Farneth, Dustin McQuaid, and Dusty Hoepfer.

WHERE: Olmsted auditorium, room C213
 WHEN: Nov. 12 to 14 at 8:00 p.m.
 Nov. 15 at 2:00 p.m.
 COST: \$10 adult admission
 \$5 student admission (with student ID)



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 From left: Melia Tucker, Yasmine Roc, Sierra Morris, Steve Howell and Cody Page (inside the plant) rehearse for PSH's presentation of “The Little Shop of Horrors.”



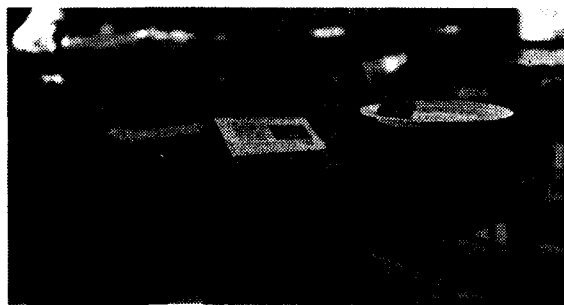
WHAT THE FOTO



This week's “What The Foto” is dedicated to littering on campus. Don't be a litterbug. Pick up after yourself, it's your campus too.



Pictured is one of the cigarette butt bins which smokers seem disregard. A number of butts can be found on the ground.



Pictured are empty cups, used napkins, dirty used plates, and empty bags of chips left by litterbugs.



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