

# "Enchanted Evening" Sets Theme For Prom

## First Associate Degree Students Will Graduate

On Saturday, June 11, the first group of students earning the associate degrees in engineering will graduate. The services will be held in conjunction with the regular graduating services at the Pennsylvania State University.

If the weather is fair, the graduation ceremony will be held outside in Beaver Field, the football stadium; otherwise, the event will take place indoors. Dwight D. Eisenhower, president of the United States, will deliver an address at the ceremony.

Since this is the first class to graduate under the two-year program from Penn State, the boys from Behrend Center attended a conference at the main campus on May 7 to obtain the details of what they are to do. Leaving the center in private cars, the day tech students left early Saturday morning and were accompanied by Mr. Richards and Mr. Kochanowicz, both of whom are day tech instructors. They all met at State College at the Hetzel Union Building for lunch and then reassembled at the Extension conference on the campus. They received details about the graduation procedure there.

There are two curriculum under the associate degree system, the drafting and technology course and the electrical engineering course, both of which require two years for completion of the course and for receipt of the degree.

The boys will not only take part in the services at State on June 11, but will also receive formal recognition at the convocation and awards day held here at the Center.

The students graduating from the drafting and technology course are Harold Adams, Domenico Cipriani, James Culbertson, Charles Fleischmann, Robert Karney, Albert Kaufman, William Simmons, Jack Tupitza and Sam Wallwork.

Those obtaining their degrees in electrical engineering include William Haenel, Elton Himes, Robert Lemmler, Clem McCluskey, Melvin O'Neil, David Rochin, Lloyd Brooks and Russell Waechter.

## Award Day

On Friday, June 3, at 2:00 p. m. in Erie Hall, the annual convocation and award day will be held. Various awards will be given to outstanding students for such achievements as scholarship, journalism, and others. Certificates will also be awarded to those students who have completed sixty credits or more of scholastic study.

At this same time, seventeen students will be recognized as the first students to receive associate degree from Penn State.

## Three Girls Enter Contest

Three of the freshmen girls of Behrend Center are among thirty entrants in the "Miss Erie" contest. Marge Elliott of 138 Highland Road, Pittsburgh; Nancy Johnston of 1154 Whitney Street, Pittsburgh; and Sally Stauffer of Feasler Avenue, meet the requirements of being 18 or over and unmarried.

The three girls were among five who were chosen to christen a Capitol Airlines airplane, "Miss Erie". Nancy bestowed the proper honors by breaking a bottle of champagne across the nose of the plane.

The girls are to attend a tea later in the month, where they will meet the judges of the contest, among whom are Mr. Sample, the conductor of the Erie Philharmonic, and Pat English, the society editor of the Erie Daily Times.

Preliminary judging will take place on June 2 in the Rainbow Gardens auditorium. This Jaycee sponsored affair will then send five finalists to the "Miss Pennsylvania" contest on June 4. The girls will model swimming suits and evening gowns in addition to displaying their various talents.

In the talent line, Marge Elliott plans to play the piano. She took lessons for nine years. Nan is planning to either dance or sing, while dancing instructor Sally Stauffer intends to perform an acrobatic dance.

In the past, Marge reigned as queen of the Lincoln DeMolay in Pittsburgh, and Sally was crowned football queen at McDowell high school.

## Prom Plans In Preparation



The student council, who has sole charge of the spring prom, said that everything has been arranged for the dance. Decorations are already completed for the big event. Sally Stauffer and Charlotte Flack, two council members, are talking over the refreshments that will be served.

## Furniture For Lounge Arrives

The new look, which has adorned the campus since the first blossoming of the trees, is but a small taste of beauty. One look at the student lounge would explain why. Nearly all of the students have had a chance by this time to try out the new green lounge furniture which has already proved to be one of the Center's most useful additions.

The students will be able to appreciate the furniture even more when they consider that they have helped to finance half of its purchase price through the funds of the student council treasury. The balance of the eight hundred dollars, the entire cost of the lounge furniture, was provided through contributions from the Pennsylvania State University.

## Model 'Niagara' Presented To Behrend Center

In a ceremony at Erie Hall on Apr. 27, Mrs. Mary B. Behrend and her brother, Alfred S. Brownell, presented a model of the U. S. Brig Niagara to Behrend Center. The ceremony, which lasted about an hour, was witnessed by Behrend students and faculty, friends and guests of the Behrend family, and representatives of the Erie Historical Society.

Along with the gift of the model was the presentation of the original bell, mortar, and pestle from the ship, Niagara. Mrs. Behrend, introduced by Mr. E. W. Nick, president of the advisory board of Behrend Center, gave a short speech on the founding of the Center.

Mr. Brownell, also introduced by Mr. Nick, told about the history of the ship, the patience, effort and research needed for the building of the ship model. After Mr. Brownell gave his comments, the entire ceremony was shifted to the vestibule of Erie Hall where the unveiling of the model took place.

Mr. Nick then accepted the

## Final Exams!

The schedule for final examinations has been posted on the bulletin board in the classroom building. Exams will start on Saturday, May 28, and end on June 2, Thursday. Everyone must take final examinations in all courses, unless told otherwise by their instructors.

## Council Members Tell Details of Decor Scheme

The hustle and bustle of school social life at Behrend Center will come to a climax for another year with one of the biggest events of the spring season, the annual spring prom. This year the prom will be held in Erie Hall, rather than off-campus, on Friday, May 20, and will start at nine o'clock p. m. with the last dance ending at midnight.

The student council members, who have sole charge of the event, have chosen "Enchanted Evening" as the theme for the prom, with decorations of blue and white to help set the scene for the gala occasion. Twenty thousand feet of white and ten thousand feet of blue crepe paper will be used to carry out the planned color scheme.

Included in the decorations will be the mirrored crystal ball, which will shower the dancers with star-like bits of light. Planned also is a replica of a garden, which will be placed in the middle of the dance floor. Through the ingenuity of the decorating committee, this centerpiece will be given a realistic effect by a mist rising from a fountain surrounded by a pool. Blue spotlights will be trained on this section of the dance floor. A slight mist will also arise to form a cloudy haze in front of the band.

Neil Charles and his orchestra will insure an enjoyable evening of dreamy dance music for an admission price of only \$2.50 per couple. Every student of Behrend Center is invited to attend.

Refreshments will be provided, and possibly each girl will be presented with a favor. In addition, programs will be given to each couple.

The semi-formal, sponsored by the student council, promises to be one of the outstanding social functions of the year. Mr. Norman Patterson, math instructor and advisor of the student council, will act as faculty advisor of the event.

Members of the council who are handling the various jobs connected with the dance are: Norma Michael, financial chairman; Dennis Polotas, program chairman; Sally Stauffer, piano tuning committee; Bob Gornall, ticket chairman; Jack Mallory and Sally Stauffer, co-chairmen of decorations; Donna Cramer, chairman of refreshments; Charlotte Flack, advertising chairman; Art Carroll, service chairman; and Don Godfrey and Bill Loell, clean-up chairmen.

model Niagara in the name of Behrend Center, and Mr. Brownell concluded the occasion with the answering of questions about the building of his ship model.

## Presentation Ceremony



Behrend students look on admiringly as the presentation of the model ship, "Niagara," is completed. Left to right in the picture above are Mr. E. W. Nick, head of Behrend's advisory board; Mrs. Mary Behrend, benefactress of the school; and Mr. A. Brownell, who presented the model to Behrend.