

Behrend's Zem Zem Party Well Received

Last Tuesday evening our representatives to the Inter-Collegiate Red Cross Council and other volunteer students from Behrend put on a Christmas Program for the thirty-eight children at the Zem Zem Crippled Children's Hospital. The well-received presentation consisted of an alternating, half-hour show for each of the two wards and entrance-and-exit Christmas caroling.

In the first ward, Barbara Shapokas talked and sang to a hand puppet operated by Gene Nutter. She introduced the puppet as Little Candy Cane and taught him how to sing "Up on the Roof Top" and then they both taught the song to the children. The program was concluded with word games and visiting.

In the second ward, Mike Mulligan, Nancy Heyl, Bob Johnson and Joyce Suray performed skits based on well-known fairy tales, beginning with Goldilocks and the Three Bears, and asked the children to name the story and, perhaps, suggest another that they could reenact. The show continued with Mike pantomiming the record, Tubby the Tuba, and ended with games and visiting.

Upon finishing, each half-hour show moved to the other ward and presented their program to the new audience. The whole event was happily climaxed with the presentation of Christmas gifts to each of the twenty-six boys and twelve girls at the hospital and with singing of Christmas carols.

Campus Calendar

December	17	Chapel Choir Candlelight Service
	20	Basketball — McKeesport — Away
	21	Christmas Holiday Begins at Noon
January	4	Christmas Holiday Ends at Noon
	6	Basketball — Johnstown — Home
	8	Artist Series — Robert Shaw Chorale — 8 P.M., Rec. Hall
	10	Basketball — Edinboro Freshmen — Home
	11	Basketball — Ashtabula — Home
	17	Free Day to Prepare for Finals
	18	Fall Semester Exams begin at 8 A.M.
	27	Fall Semester Exams end at 9:50 P.M.
February	2	Spring Semester Registration
	6	Spring Semester Classes begin at 8 A.M.



This was the scene in Erie Hall on Friday evening, December 9, as couples danced to the music of Neil Charles' orchestra at Behrend's annual Sno-Ball. In the background can be seen the giant snowman who dominated the festive affair.

If You Ask My Opinion

With the Yuletide season upon us, Behrend Campus expressed a wide variety of opinions regarding what it really thinks about Christmas.

Bob Pierce—It's a commercialized holiday.

Connie Gibson—I think it's here to stay.

The Behrend Pine—Christmas is the time of year when I light up.

Phil Erpino—I like it. My mother is going to buy me a house on Lake Pleasant Road so I can study better.

Don Tammaro—It's too commercialized.

Gene Nutter—Christmas is something you feel.

Bob Hagle—People don't think enough about the religious aspect.

John Reeder—It's better than Easter.

Turnbull Hall—It's when I have to listen to that maudlin loud-speaker on top of Miss Library Building.

Kathy Dayton—It's a spiritual renewal.

Don Kooken—We should have it more often.

Santa Claus—The time of year all my letters get lost in the Post Office.

Nick Lane—I'm in favor of it.

Art Coombes—People forget about the real meaning of Christmas.

Dick Dewey—It's nice. My father makes a lot of money in his store.

The Behrend Chapel—Time, again, for all those students to come here and perform their pagan-like ritual.

Career Road

Career Road is also the struggle to achieve mental and emotional stability. We do this by realizing the balance of life through the people we meet and the changeable attitudes we possess. When we are young, we fight the prudes, the gossips and the dictatorial conventionals while trying to live and express ourselves. But we fail to realize two things. First, that, while we are young, these three types of people, misguided or well-meaning as they may be, indirectly provide us with a balance that checks our prolific accumulation of ideas and progressive intercourse, dreams and progressive applications. Second, that, nine times out of ten, we will become one of these types, thus imperceptibly achieving what is considered normality.

Normal, too, is our leaving this recognition to the thinkers; thinkers being a group of people who are intellectually independent of other people's opinions. They will not change the world for us, but they will let us know that we are everyone and everyone relates to us, that we are everything and everything relates to us. They will let us know that in this world there are really only two types of men: those who do and those who do not, and that for either man there is a lesson in materialistic life which states, "For even when you win you lose." Taking these maxims for granted, we can go ahead to form a way of life that will accelerate the dilatory dawn of our understanding. Eventually, we will perceive these simple realities and will be able to sit back and accept, smile a little to ourselves, and enjoy life.

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