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BULLETIN Bored

Norman Gehrlein, chairman of the Behrend Board of Publications announced Tuesday that applications for the position of Editor-in-Chief of the Nittany CUB are now being accepted. This will be an interappointment of one term necessitated by the transfer of Vickie Caskey, current editor, to University Park. All full-term students are eligible to apply. Letters of application stating qualifications and interest must be submitted to Mr. Gehrlein by Monday, November 30. They will then be reviewed by the Board of Publication.

Isn't it a shame that some students aren't mature enough to handle the responsibility of being able to freely browse through the records at the Student Union Desk? Maybe if the prices were raised to compensate for the childish loss of records, people might begin to understand who their real friends are. - K.M.

It is planned to have the switchboard in full operation during the regular business hours - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, beginning this week, Wednesday, November 18.

To help relieve the parking problem, staff parking is now permitted (15 spaces) on the parking apron immediately behind the Nick Building. In addition, all spaces on the south edge of Nick lots D and E-but for the 12 spaces still designated as staff-are now for student parking. This opens 30 spaces for students and should therefore eliminate the need to park along roadways.

The traditional Hanging of the Greens ceremony will be held in the Behrend Chapel of Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery on the Monday following Thanksgiving break. Students are urged to participate.

Tom Noel Visited Us Or Was He Mark Twain?

By Gary Thornbloom Managing Editor

No puff of smoke from a magic lamp or mysterious seance brought Mark Twain into our midst last Saturday evening. Rather we experienced the casualness with which his reincarnated being sauntered into the room set before us. Tom Noel came on with the air one would expect from an old friend stopping by to visit for a bit.

Mark Twain's works were made manifest in their performance by talented Broadway actor Tom Noel. His performance was hailed by members of the Behrend Players as the best they had ever seen at our campus. Throughout the entire presentation the audience was involved in a constant rapport with the Mark Twain who stood before us.

Persons viewing the impersonation were quickly placed in the position of laughing at the excerpts from the artists masterpieces. Mark Twain's genius was relayed by Tom Noel to us, and so many of the viewers sat laughing at the absurd, . . . themselves.

How many realized what was being said? How many have "proved they could quit smoking a thousand times before?" How many have "eyes that have seen the greed?" How many laughed at that song and by doing so were humored by a cut on themselves? How many present fit into the roles cast by the lampoons they found so hilarious? How many . . .

Mark Twain was more than a mere novelist for children's pleasure. His critical mind picked apart society as he knew it and replaced the pieces in satirical puzzles displayed in his writings. Mark Twain enjoyed a cynical outlook from his vantage

point of looking inward at the pseudo-values of the almighty socially adept.

Yes, Samuel Clemens knew where things were at and the spirit of his being was transmitted to those who sat in on Tom Noel's performance. Only a genius can portray a genius well. Mark Twain was there in front of us. He existed for those two hours.

The secret of the excellent portrayal of the artist and the conveyance of feeling was not an easy task. After his performance Mr. Noel kindly consented to rap with me. He told me that every line, excepting a half dozen or so, was written by Mark Twain. The script was composed of carefully selected excerpts from a wide collection of material by Mark Twain. Lines which were added were so placed as to bring certain segments into a context current to our times. Mr. Noel has at the present deeply devoted himself to the study of works by and about Mark Twain. It is only by living the role and experiencing it fully and sincerely that one could hope to present oneself so well.

Mr. Noel brought Mark Twain to all those who took the time to attend. We who were there know that Samuel Clemens is alive and well. His place out of the literary context is with us in the streets. He is one of the street people, one of the earth people.

Incidentally, Jesus Christ is alive and well and in the streets also. He is remaining in the background, in His follower's hearts so as to avoid betrayal by present day Judases as well as arrest and persecution by present day governments.

All power to the people!

Recently, the Student Union Board has been the target of a great deal of criticism due to the institution of an activities' card fall term. As a service organization of the University, we feel a responsibility to try to clarify our standpoint on the activity card by explaining its necessity, purpose and value in a concrete format that will provide the students with a sound basis from which to further judge its validity.

Last year, as the new Union Board held its first meetings, there was naturally a desire among students to create a more suitable college atmosphere at Behrend, with more activities and generally - "Something to do on weekends." While still in the planning stages of this year's activity calendar, it became apparent that if we were to sponsor concerts, a movie series far more expensive than last year's, a broader cultural series, tournaments, Coffee Houses, and trips of an all-school nature, we would need additional funds. Since the university may not charge a mandatory activities fee, as most colleges do, we arrived at the idea of a reduced rate and provide them with discounts on records and pool and ping-pong at the Union Desk. The price of \$15.00 was agreed upon because we felt \$5.00 per term was not an outrageous price to pay for our activities this year. Without the monies received from the activities card events such as the Chicago concert (\$10,000), the Charles Evers Lecture (\$1,500), the Tom Noel Lecture (\$750), and various movies such as Camelot and Virginia Woolfe, (\$400) would not have been possible. If an activity card holder has attended all our programs thus far, he has already saved \$7.50, not to mention the savings on records and the like, and not including the money saved on "Chicago" tickets. Knowing this, it does not seem unrealistic to ask a student for \$15.00 a year.

The purpose of the activity card is to provide us with enough money to give the students the activities they desire. The members of the Union Board recently had the privilege to attend a regional conference of the Association of College Unions-International of which Behrend is a member. At the conference, at every workshop and discussion group attended, Behrend's programming ideas and operations were equal to, if not superior to the other colleges attending the meeting. Universities such as Pitt, West Virginia, and Bucknell, as well as all the state, junior, and community colleges, could not understand how we could program so many activities on only \$15.00 a year. Believe us - this was the way it happened. Edinboro State College charges \$50.00 per semester activities fee and during the fall term we sponsored more activities than they had even scheduled. It is a joke to assume that we are making fantastic sums of money on our activities. When we break even on a SUB sponsored event, it is a real occasion. Our budget is open to all interested students who inquire. Don't criticize us without knowing the facts.

The value of our activity card is up to you. If you attend our events and don't let your friends borrow it whenever they need it, it can be very worthwhile and money-saving. If you aren't getting a saving on your activity card, it is because you don't use it, not because we don't have any activities. Help us to make the Student Union at Behrend Campus a successful organization. It is designed to make life at Behrend easier. We can't do it without your help. Bring your ideas, comments, and bitches to our meetings on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room. We cannot be successful without cooperation from the student body. The constant demeaning of our efforts serves no purpose. If you have a

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complaint, voice it at our meetings, not to a disgruntled minority that broods in the cafeteria or damns us from the dorms. The activity card is a rip-off if you make it one. Help us to help you.

Student Union Board,

Robert Luther, President
Roy Fronzaglia, Vice-president

Dear Editor -

I think you should be aware that a portion of your readership was offended by the running of the advertisement of the Abortion Information Clinic in your November 12 edition. Since abortion is a definite hazard to the baby's health - might I suggest that, instead, you run information from the "Family Planning Association" or perhaps reprints from the "Ovulen 21" pamphlet as a public service.

I do not insist that everyone feel as I do about abortion; I am merely suggesting that, at least, the ad was in poor taste, or at most, it was a travesty on our moral integrity.

Sincerely,
Lane Peer

MESSAGE TO ALL BROTHERS AND SISTERS interested in getting together an ERIE LIBERATION FRONT. Its primary function will be to Serve The People. This will be carried out on various levels: 1) to establish an information center on activities in the Bay City and around the country; 2) to construct FREE legal services (provided by several certified lawyers); 3) to create a bail fund for any brothers or sisters who get busted or ripped-off; 4) to terminate the repressive actions of the Amerikkkan lackies; on THE PEOPLE: 5) to maintain a FREE referral service to all people who need aid in various matters (i.e. medical, draft, legal, personal, political, etc. . .); and 6) to hold classes in political ed., self defense, urban guerilla warfare, etc. . .

We are in the process of selecting a location, and seeking financial assistance. All brothers and sisters are welcome to join in. This is your organization; help keep the struggle for liberation in Erie. BRING THE REVOLUTION HOME! SEIZE THE TIME! . . .

GET IT ON!
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

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Brother Daniel

Kochel Invited To Speak About Development Plans

The November 11 meeting of the S.G.A. was highlighted by an address by Behrend director, Mr. Kochel. Mr. Kochel was invited to speak on campus development plans, and prefaced his talks with a short history of the campus. Illustrating his explanation with a tentative map, he pointed out the proposed buildings such as the library, academic modules, and residence halls. Mr. Kochel emphasized his concern for preservation of the natural beauty of the campus, and stated that much of the buildings would be in areas already cleared. (And did you know that only four trees were cut in order to build the R.U.B.?) Mr. Kochel then answered questions on the development proposal as well as on other topics.

Before the meeting proper began, the Pinkerton officer, "Deacon," introduced himself and mentioned his purpose and duties on campus. Faculty Senate appointments were first on the agenda, and although all applications had not yet been turned in, several students were assigned to Standing committees. Including: Doug Brower, Academic Planning; John

Musala and Richard Barraclough, Student Services; and Pat LaRosa, Improvement of Teaching.

The "new business" involved a discussion of Senate Rule J-3, which states that a course may usually only be dropped during the first three weeks of the term. It was pointed out that at several other universities it is possible to drop a course right up to the day before the final exam, which is certainly to the student's benefit. Action may be taken on this later.

Various other business appeared on the agenda, such as the need or desire for students on all Faculty Senate Standing Committees. Also, a proposal was made concerning having meal tickets issued on a "per meal" basis; that is, tickets for breakfast only, lunch only, and dinner only instead of for all three daily meals.

The meeting adjourned shortly before 9:00 p.m., and first as Mr. Kochel began his address by thanking the S.G.A. representatives by devoting their time to the organization, the student body too should be aware of the job its representatives are doing for it.

For What It's Worth



KNOWLEDGE IS A DEADLY FRIEND WHEN NO ONE SETS THE RULES. THE FATE OF ALL MANKIND I SEE IS IN THE HANDS OF FOOLS. CONFUSION WILL BE MY EPITAPH. AS I WALK A CRACKED AND BROKEN PATH IF WE MAKE IT WE CAN ALL SIT BACK AND LAUGH. KINE CRIMSON