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# COMERIETY

Faculty members and students displayed a wide variety of talents Friday, January 11, as the Hazleton Campus presented its seventh annual Comedy-Variety Night.

A large crowd braved the icy weather to watch the faculty and students give the lighter side of life at Highacres. The first half of the show included "Hazlenac," the world renowned Carnac of the Hazleton Campus; "The Boob Tube." featuring scenes from the Highacres Bar and Grille; "Patching the Palace Plumbing," an inside view of the toilet crisis in Washington, D.C.; "The Faculty Chorus" in a salute to Mr. William Schneider; and a revised, correct account of the American Revolution told by Dr. Harold Aurand.

The Collegian staff closed the first half of the show with a soap opera, "Monday Night Heartbreak," narrated by Howard Cosell.

The second half of Comeriety presented "The Way of the Pilgrim," the trials, tribulations, and temptations of a typical student at the Hazleton Campus; Mr. Eric Bell's comparison of George Washington's life to the life and people at Highacres; "Officer Getz," a typical day in the dangerous life of one of the security personnel; and "The Frontier Mortician," featuring the theatrical abilities of the faculty and administration.

With the entire company on stage, the finale closed a very successful 1974 Comeriety Night.



THE FACULTY CHORUS

#### NEW FACULTY MEMBER

The Highacres faculty has a new addition in the very charming and interesting person of Ms. Christie Lerch. A resident of Mount Carmel, Pa., from where she commutes daily, she received her B.A. from Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, Mass. She then went on to Bryn Mawr College in Bryn Mawr, Pa. where she received her doctorate. Ms. Lerch's academic interest is mainly in 16th century English Renaissance literature and poetry. She has taught at Bryn Mawr College and also at the State University of New York at Binghamton.

Ms. Lerch's personal likes include cats, plants, playing the harpsichord and watching television. This is her first teaching assignment at Penn State. Since one's first impressions of a school are very important, it is fortunate that Ms. Lerch thus far has gotten some good ones. She said, "I have found Highacres to be a very friendly campus where people go out of their way to help you." Of the campus itself she said, "Highacres is a very pretty campus -- but a very cold one."

We of the Collegian want to welcome Ms. Lerch to our campus and hope that her stay here will be a pleasant one.

## HIGHACRES PROF. APPOINTED

Dr. Harold W. Aurand was newly appointed to a statewide history society called the Pennsylvania Labor History Society. He was one of the formulators of the Society and was actively engaged in the meetings.

The meeting of the Society was held September 11, 1973, at the Hazleton Campus Library. There were many representatives of different labor organizations at the meeting:

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Richard Miller, representative of Steel Workers; Stan Williams, representative of Harry Boyer, the editor of the AFL-CIO newspaper; and John Brennan, representative of the RCIA. There were also representatives from University Park, Bloomsburg State College, and the University of Pittsburgh, represented by Dave Montgomery. Along with these dignitaries of the academic world there was our own Dr. Aurand.

At this meeting all those present agreed that "scholars and trade workers should work together" and promote the interest of history and labor. One way the Society hopes to promote interest in the areas of labor and history is by newsletters telling of the advances in history in connection with the advances in labor. The Society would also

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