

Behrend Briefs

Scholars Nominations: Nominations will be taken through April 1. Faculty members may nominate any Sophomore (4th semester) with high academic ability and the desire to undertake independent study and an honors thesis. For more information contact Mari Trenkle at 898-6160.

Creative Writing Scholarships: Penn State-Behrend English majors are encouraged to apply for the Smith Creative Writing Scholarships. For more information call Diana Hume George at 898-6168.

Study Skills Workshop Series: The workshops will meet every Monday through April 6 from 5 to 6 p.m. in the Tigress Hall Conference room. For more information call Gerald Spates at 898-6111.

Bible Study: Campus Ministry is sponsoring a semester-long Bible study every Thursday from 7 to 8 p.m. in Reed 116. All students are welcome.

Cap and Gown Rentals/Purchases: Commencement for Spring 1992 graduates is scheduled for Saturday, May 16 at 12 noon. Cap and gown orders must be received at the Bookstore by March 20. For more info. call 898-6236.

CD-ROM Workshops Offered: Workshops meet at the CD-ROM stations in the Library. For schedule info. call 898-6426.

PSU Education Abroad Deadline: Applications for Spring 1993 semester will be taken until March 1. For more information, contact Mari Trenkle at 898-6160.

Free Tutoring Available: All Behrend students are welcome to utilize the Learning Assistance Center's services. Student and faculty tutors are on duty daily offering help with many subjects. For more information call 898-6014 or drop by the Center located in the South Cottage.

Commu Majors: Lambda Pi Eta Honor Society in Communications will meet every Monday at 6:30 p.m. in Reed 116. Anyone interested in working with the society is encouraged to attend.

Wanna Brief? If your organization has information you would like to see run in the Behrend Briefs, write it down and bring it to *The Collegian* office.

All Commu 001 Students: Take Note: students are reminded that *The Collegian's* weekly meetings are held on Thursdays in Turnbull 204 at 6:10 p.m. Anyone interested in working for *The Collegian* is encouraged to attend.

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Behrend travels to Carnegie Hall again



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Take notes: Eiji Oue, Erie Philharmonic's conductor, gives some pointers to Behrend Choir members before they depart for New York and Carnegie Hall.

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from Louisiana that Wednesday night.

In November of 1990 Behrend's choir also performed at Carnegie Hall. Those veteran choir members who participated the first time are getting a second chance at something that's a lifetime opportunity.

"Those of us who were there before get to have a once in a lifetime opportunity twice," said Stuntz. "Those who weren't there last time get a once in their lifetime chance."

The choir will spend Sunday night traveling to New York and spend both Monday and Tuesday in rehearsal with the Japanese and Baton Rouge choirs.

To better prepare the choir for their experience of working with Japanese choir members, Eiji Oue, the Erie Philharmonic Orchestra director, spoke to Behrend's choir last week. He gave the choir insights into cultural differences, as well as

some common phrases and social "do's and don'ts."

Stuntz asked Oue to speak to the choir members in order to

The Behrend Choir will perform at Carnegie Hall for the second time on March 4.

help them be more comfortable with their Japanese counterparts.

"I don't want us to sit on our own," he said. "We're going to have lots of time to talk to them and I want us to mingle."

Stuntz pointed out the atmosphere they will be working in cannot be anticipated because of the current tension between America and Japan over trade differences.

"We have the chance to tear down the barriers," said Stuntz. "I want to see the students having a different perspective of the

Japanese people than they had going in."

The choir has an added advantage since choir member Cathy Roletter, fourth semester elementary education major, had lived in Japan for two years and speaks fluent Japanese.

"I'm really excited to talk to them (the Japanese students), because it's been over two years since I've left," said Roletter. "It'll just be a really fun experience --- I'm looking forward to it."

The Symphony performance will be presented in three parts with the second being a combination of the Japanese choirs, the choir from Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and Behrend's concert choir. They will perform the piece *Mozart: Missa Brevis, K. 194*, which Behrend presented this past fall in concert.

"We got lucky," said Stuntz. "We already know the piece -- this is too great a chance to pass up."

Police Report

Police and Safety officers investigating apartment fight

Tuesday night Police and Safety was called to the 200 section of the Apartments to investigate a disturbance between two students.

A male and female student had been involved in a fist fight at Erie Hall approximately 10 minutes prior to the call. Officers are continuing to investigate the incident to determine the actual details of the fight and disturbance.

Vandalism
On Monday officers

investigated vandalism done in the stairway north of the suites, where a cement ashtray was destroyed and several beer bottles were broken.

Last Thursday Police and Safety investigated vandalism done with a marker to the second and third floors of Niagara Hall, men's wing. A student admitted to the damage and was referred to Student Services for disciplinary action.

Illegal drug use

Police and Safety officers responded to a call in the suites last Friday involving suspected illegal use of marijuana. One student was questioned and evidence was seized from the room. Charges are pending analysis by the crime lab.

Theft

The theft of a clock is being investigated by Police and Safety officers. The clock was removed from the Reed Building Conference Room.