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Opera Opens Tonight

The St. Andrews' Presbyterian College Opera Workshop will present Henry Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas* on the evenings of February 26th, 27th and 28th at 8:00 p.m. in the Liberal Arts Auditorium on the campus. Admission will be two dollars.

Considered to be the greatest English opera, the work was composed in the 17th century by Henry Purcell, a contemporary of George Frederic Handel, and is an excellent example of music and theater of the Baroque period. The opera deals with the ill-fated love between Dido, Queen of Carthage, and Aeneas, hero of Fallen Troy and the legendary founder of Rome. The opera will be performed in English.

Included in the cast will be Marjorie Byrd in the title role of Dido, Nancy Hinkle as her close friend Belinda, with Charles Ballance and Danny Norris sharing the role of Aeneas. The supporting cast and chorus is drawn primarily from the St. Andrews College Choir with Kathleen Devane as accompanist. The production is under the musical direction and supervision of David Evans and is produced with the assistance of the St. Andrews Theatre Department.

For tickets contact the Theatre Department at St. Andrews or come by the box office in the Liberal Arts Building between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12 noon or 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Marjorie Byrd as Dido and Nancy Hinkle as Dido's best friend, Belinda, in *Dido and Aeneas*, a great English Opera, which begins tonight.

Classes To Adjourn For March 4 Meeting

St. Andrews' continuing investigation of how to slow down the college's attrition rate takes a new turn March 4 as the entire faculty takes part in a Retention and Orientation Workshop.

Classes for the day will be dismissed, says Retention Task Force Chairman Dr. James Stephens, to enable the professional staff to attend the workshop, which will be chaired by Retention Committee Member Dr. Ron Crossley and led by Dr. L. Richard Neeth, Associate Professor of Higher Education at the State University of New York at Buffalo.

According to Stephens, the Faculty Executive Committee approved on February 16 the meeting - a proposal contained in a January 26

memorandum from the Retention Task Force. The Committee also requested that Student Association President Keith Gribble, in consultation with his cabinet, name members of the Orientation Steering Committee so they too can be present at the meeting. These committee members who will set up orientation proceedings for the Class of 1980 entering this fall, will be joined at the meeting by the entire Interdormitory Senate, the Student Association Cabinet, Student members of the Student Life and Education Policies Committees and the Executive Sub-Committee on Student Affairs. Freshmen will be represented by one student from each SAS and STMS section.

Deering-Milliken Program Wednesday

A program about the free enterprise system of economics will be presented as a Common Experience at 11:30 on Wednesday, March 3, in Avinger Auditorium.

Presenting the program will be Josh W. Greene of Deering Milliken, Inc. in Spartanburg, South Carolina Textile Corporation.

The company developed the program in response to surveys that showed there was a widespread misunderstanding among the general public about how the free enterprise system of economics actually works. The program zeroes in on the role played by the free enterprise system in our society, and the current status of the system.

To further explore the points raised in the program and to get additional perspective there will be a panel discussion in the afternoon from 2:00 to

3:00 in the gallery of the Vardell Building. Included on the panel with Mr. Greene will be Assistant Professor Larry Schulz (Politics), Associate Professor Skip Holmes (Business Administration), Professor Alvin Smith (Psychology), Assistant Professor John Clausz (science) and Associate Professor Don Paxton (Economics).

Assistant Professor Mark Smith, Coordinator of the spring Common Experience schedule comments:

"This morning program, plus the afternoon panelist discussion, provides an excellent opportunity for students and faculty to gain additional insights into the free enterprise system of economics. The program has been presented to a number of business and educational groups across the country. The afternoon panelist discussion will be an opportunity for a free ranging discussion with people with different perspectives."

This Week

TONIGHT:
WSAP will air uninterrupted Bob Dylan's new album "Desire". Be listening on 6.40 am or 91.1 FM cable 11 p.m.

Thursday Feb. 26 - Feb. 28 - The St. Andrews Music Program is performing the opera "Dido and Aeneas" by Henry Purcell. The opera, directed by David Evans, Instructor in Music, with a cast of forty students will be held at 8:00 p.m. in the Liberal Arts Auditorium. Tickets are \$2.00 and can be reserved at 276-3652, extension 204.

Saturday Feb. 28 - The St. Andrews bowling team meets UNC - Charlotte at 1:00 p.m. in the Knight Room. No admission.

Sunday Feb. 29 - The St. Andrews bowling team meets North Carolina A&T at 1:00 p.m. in the Knight Room. No, Admission

Sunday Feb. 29 - The College Union Board sponsors "The Point" at 7:00 p.m. in Avinger Auditorium. "The Point" is a thoroughly enchanting animated fantasy about the adventures of a round-headed boy named Oblio, living in a kingdom where everyone is pointed. When Oblio is declared an outlaw by an evil count, he is banished to the Pointless Forest, with his dog Arrow. There, he has a series of fantastic adventures, including encounters with a three-headed man, giant bees, a tree in the leaf-selling business, and a good humored old rock. With a captivating story and lively songs by Harry Nilsson, "The Point" makes a timely and universal statement about ignorance and prejudice while providing delightful entertainment. No admission.



THIS WEEK'S CUB movie is "The Point," a widely-acclaimed animated film. See "This Week" (left) for details. (Photo courtesy College Union Film Board).