

# Tragedy at UP

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University President Graham B. Spanier expressed grief for the families of the victims. "This is a great tragedy in the history of Penn State. It is quite unprecedented for us," he said. "We have a long history of safety and we intend to do everything we can to continue in

this mode," Spanier said. "Parents can be confident that this is still a safe environment."

The only other campus slaying in Penn State's history was in 1969 when graduate student Betsy Ruth Aardsma of Holland was stabbed in Pattee library. The assailant has never been identified.

Spanier promised that the investigation will continue and the University will provide necessary counseling, psychological and other services as needed.

Behrend Provost and Dean Dr. John Lilley said that his first reaction to the incident was that of a parent.

"I reacted to it first as a parent. Just the thought that one of my children may have had to go through that," he said.

He said that he worried that people may get the wrong idea about University Park and think that it is a dangerous place. However, Lilley said that people need to consider that the campus is safe and this is only the second incident in 150 years.

"It is a human tragedy from beginning to end. It is a tragedy for her life as well as the student who died and the one she [allegedly] injured," he added.

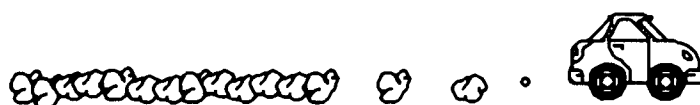
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The N.W. Regional Highway Safety Network needs some help - and students at Behrend may just be the people they're looking for.

The Highway Network is looking for Public Service Announcements about drinking and driving to air on local stations.

The PSA's will be reviewed by both the Highway Network and members of the Erie County DUI Advisory Council. One PSA will be selected for immediate release in December and January; it will be given First Place Recognition.

A plaque will be given to the university's communications department and the producer(s) of the PSA will receive recognition award(s).



They are seeking creative students to produce and submit a 30 second PSA for consideration. All PSA's will be reviewed for originality, content, technical ability and creativity.

For information, contact Mary Loncharic at the N.W. Regional Highway Safety Network at 451-6717.

## Emotional sniper attempted suicide

UNIVERSITY PARK - Friends and acquaintances paint a bleak picture of Jillian Robbins, arrested in Tuesday's shooting at Penn State's University Park.

On the condition of anonymity, acquaintances said Robbins had a history of mental problems and had once spent time in a hospital.

A friend said that during the past year, she was married and divorced and had tried to commit suicide last month. According to another friend, she seemed particularly depressed in the last week and had tried to commit suicide last month.

Daughter of a Harrisburg Campus professor and US Army Reserve coordinator, Robbins' marriage license said she went no further than the 11th grade in school. She had hoped to become an artist.

Former co-workers of the woman with a purple mohawk called her "Crazy Jill," an acquaintance said.

Robbins who shot two students, killing one, knew none of her victims, said David Stormer, assistant vice president for University safety.

She was well acquainted with guns -- according to Stormer, Robbins had Army Reserve training and a friend said she liked to hunt.

Equipped with a 7mm high-powered rifle with a telescopic sight at University Park, Robbins will face charges for opening fire on students leaving their 8:00 a.m. classes Tuesday morning.

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## Behrend Briefs & Events Calendar

Volunteer tutors are still needed for the Diehl Elementary School After-School Tutoring Program. Just one hour per week can make a difference in a child's life. All majors welcome - no experience necessary. Help children with homework in grades 3-6. Tutors especially needed Mondays and Wednesdays, 2:30 - 3:40. Pick up your application from the Student Activities Office right away!

ATTENTION JUNIORS! Do you intend to pursue a career in public service? The Truman Scholarship provides \$30,000 for the senior year and for graduate study. If interested, please contact Mari Trenkle at 898-6140 as soon as possible.

Auditions for ANTIGONE, the first play of the '96-97 season are scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on September 24 and 25 in the Studio Theatre. All roles are open, and community actors are welcome.

Alpha Sigma Lambda, the National Honor Society for Returning Adults, is currently planning the Fall '96 induction ceremony. Any member interested in helping in the planning, please call Theresa at 866-1065.

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**Cleveland Museum of Art Day Trip:** The Penn State-Behrend Honors Program is sponsoring a bus trip to the Cleveland Museum of Art on Saturday, November 2, 1996. Cost of the trip is \$10 for students and \$15 for faculty and staff. Participants must pay for their own lunch. Departure is 9:00 a.m. from the Reed lot; return is at 5:30 p.m. The trip is open to all students, faculty and staff. Reservations and payment must be made in full by October 10 to the receptionist in the Glenhill Farmhouse. For more information, call x6000.

All students are invited to participate in the Penn State-Behrend Mentoring Day Program on October. Freshmen through Seniors may apply in the Career Development Center to schedule a 30 minute appointment with one of five Behrend alumni who currently work in the field of human resources. The alumni will act as mentors to students allowing them to choose to either mock interview or discuss career options and job search techniques. Applications and further details are available in the CDC. Application deadline is Sept. 27.

19 - Thursday		20 - Friday	21 - Saturday
<p>This calendar is for student organizations to advertise their event or organizational meeting to the Behrend community.</p> <p>Sign up for this calendar at the Student Activities Office.</p> <p>The Collegian 5:20 p.m. Academic 41 ALL STUDENTS WELCOME!</p>		<p>THE BLUE BUS...</p> <p>Leaves campus Tuesday through Sunday to help you add a little sunshine to your life!</p>	
22 - Sunday	23 - Monday	24 - Tuesday	25 - Wednesday
	<p>Penn State Education Abroad Brown Bag Lunch 12:15 - 1:00 p.m. Reed 3</p>	<p>Auditions for ANTIGONE 6:00 p.m. Studio Theatre</p> <p>TRIGON 5:30 p.m. Multi-Cultural Center</p> <p>College Democrats 6:00 p.m. Reed 3</p>	<p>Biology Club 6:00 p.m. Reed 3</p> <p>Auditions for ANTIGONE 6:00 p.m. Studio Theatre</p>