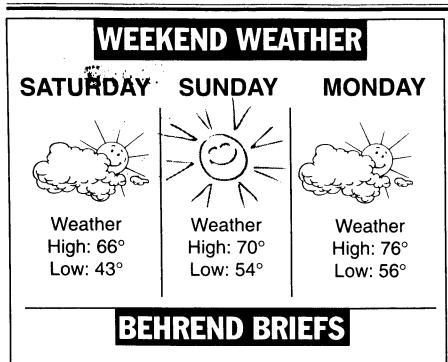


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#### **PENN STATE PIONEERS ONLINE PLACEMENT TESTS**

Penn State's Office of Undergraduate Education pioneered new territory this summer as nearly 15,000 students completed their placement testing for chemistry, English and math online without ever setting foot on campus. "Penn State's online approach to placement is more extensive than any other large university's," said Janis Jacobs, vice provost for Undergraduate Education and International Programs. The entire Penn State 2003 incoming class, including international students, out-of-state students and students entering each of the campus college locations, logged on from home computers or other off-site locations. Students without access to a home computer were offered computer lab options at the Penn State campus closest to their home.

#### got sisterhood? by Claudia Caracci

#### Green and gold are back in style!

With the addition of 10 new members from last year's recruitment, Alpha Sigma Tau is back and ready to invite the women of Penn State Behrend to join the growing organization.

Rush (recruitment) is an important part of all Greek organizations. These events (rush parties) are designed to let women meet sisters and learn about Alpha Sigma Tau. During this time period, you learn about Greek mainstay - philanthropy - and other aspects of Greek life. The sisters of Alpha Sigma Tau help the community through various projects including Adopt-a-Highway.

Events will be held on the following dates: Sept. 24 and Oct. 8 both at 9 p.m. in Bruno's.

### **Student Government Association to** hold elections

Penn State Behrend SGA will hold inter-semester elections for three Freshman Senator positions, one regular Senator position, and a University Faculty Senate Representative. Petitions can be picked up at the RUB desk and must be completed and returned by Oct 2. The elections will take place on October 8 and 9. In order to run all candidates need to obtain 50 signatures on a petition included within the packet. For any questions about SGA or the elections e-mail President Scott Soltis at sms520@psu.edu, or stop by the SGA office.

# **FOCAL POINTS**



PHOTO BY LAUREN PACKER

Members of Delta Chai held their annual pig roast this past Friday.



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One student browses through the selection at the poster fair.



# POLICE AND SAFET

9/11/03 19:30 2 vehicles were damaged in the S-Lot.

- 9/12/03 13:30 Residents parked in apartment lot south reported his kayak was stolen from the top of the car.
- 9/13/0315:00 Complaint was injured playing soccer at the Behrend fields. Brookside VFD transported her to Hamot Hospital.
- 9/14/03 06:45 Group of loud students outisde Niagara were drinking and fighting. Two males were found and one was climbing a sidewalk light. A PBT was ran and showed a BAC of .201 percent. The subject was cited for underage drinking.
- 9/15/03 06:45 Complainant reported the bottom pane of glass in the nw door of the stair tower had been broken sometime between Friday morning at 05:30 and Saturday at the same time.
- Complainant called East County to see if they could track 9/16/03 02:55 down her son who called her from a pay phone in Erie. Police and Safety had no luck with the number but talked to roommates and they had no information. Police told mother they did all they could and he may call her again.

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"Honest differences of views and honest debate are not disunity. They are the vital process of policymaking among free men." - Herbert Hoover

Janet Neff Sample Center for Manners & Civility





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Students take advantage of the freebies given away at the HealthFair.



A tired student rests on the comfy couches of lower Reed.