

WEEKEND WEATHER

SATURDAY SUNDAY MONDAY



High: 65°
Low: 49°



High: 60°
Low: 44°



High: 51°
Low: 48°

BEHREND BRIEFS

From the Penn State News release
for the week of September 22

Wanted: Information on the most loyal and crazy Penn State fans

The Penn Stater alumni magazine is looking for the most die-hard Penn State fans for an upcoming story. Editors want to hear about the craziest things Penn Staters do to prove their loyalty (just owning a stand-up JoePa or flying a Nittany Lions flag won't cut it). Have you attended every football game since 1960? Is your house painted blue and white? Do you have a Penn State tattoo? Send your stories, and the editors will pick the best ones to feature. Information can be sent to by mail to The Penn Stater magazine, Hintz Family Alumni Center, University Park, PA 16802; by e-mail to pennstater@psu.edu; or by fax to (814) 863-5690.

To learn about the Penn State Alumni Association, visit <http://www.alumni.psu.edu>

Penn State football graduation rate best among nation's public schools

The outstanding graduation performance by Penn State's student-athletes -- 80 percent according to the recent NCAA graduation rate report -- is further accentuated by the efforts of the Nittany Lion football team, which has the highest graduation rate of any of the nation's public institutions that play Division I-A football. According to the NCAA data, for football players entering the University in 1996-97, Penn State's graduation rate of 86 percent was the program's third-highest figure in the 13 years the report has been issued, and well above the national average of 54 percent. Coach Joe Paterno's team had the fourth-highest graduation rate among all of the nation's 117 Division I-A programs, trailing only Boston College, Notre Dame and Vanderbilt. For African-American football players entering in 1996-97, the Nittany Lions' posted a superlative graduation figure of 85 percent to easily exceed the 42 percent national figure.

Read the full story at <http://live.psu.edu/index.php?cmd=vs&story=4112>

The medical minute: Separating fact from fiction

Lose weight while you sleep -- without dieting! Such was the claim of one medical swindler until the Federal Trade Commission put an end to its deceptive marketing. Unfortunately, as noted in the latest edition of the Medical Minute, a service of Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, such outrageous claims have been around about as long as there has been commerce. Laetrile was big in the 1960s and 1970s as a cancer cure. It was eventually proven to have no benefit. Homeopathic remedies and magnets are sold with claims of treating and preventing all sorts of medical problems, but without any substantial evidence. How can you spot a fraudulent claim? The most important rule is: if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Read the full story at <http://live.psu.edu/index.php?cmd=vs&story=4140>

POLICE AND SAFETY

- 9/18/03 1:05 Complainant reported getting hang-up calls earlier this evening.
- 9/19/03 5:58 East County police reported complainant had an unwanted male in her room. Arrived found unwanted male in the room on the floor sleeping. The male was escorted to the cruiser. The male was intoxicated.
- 9/21/03 1:10 Athletic director reported one of the "service entry only" signs are missing.

CORRECTION

The Sept. 19 article titled "Liberal Science degree added" should have referred to the degree as "Science," not "Liberal Science." Students may earn the Bachelor of Science degree.

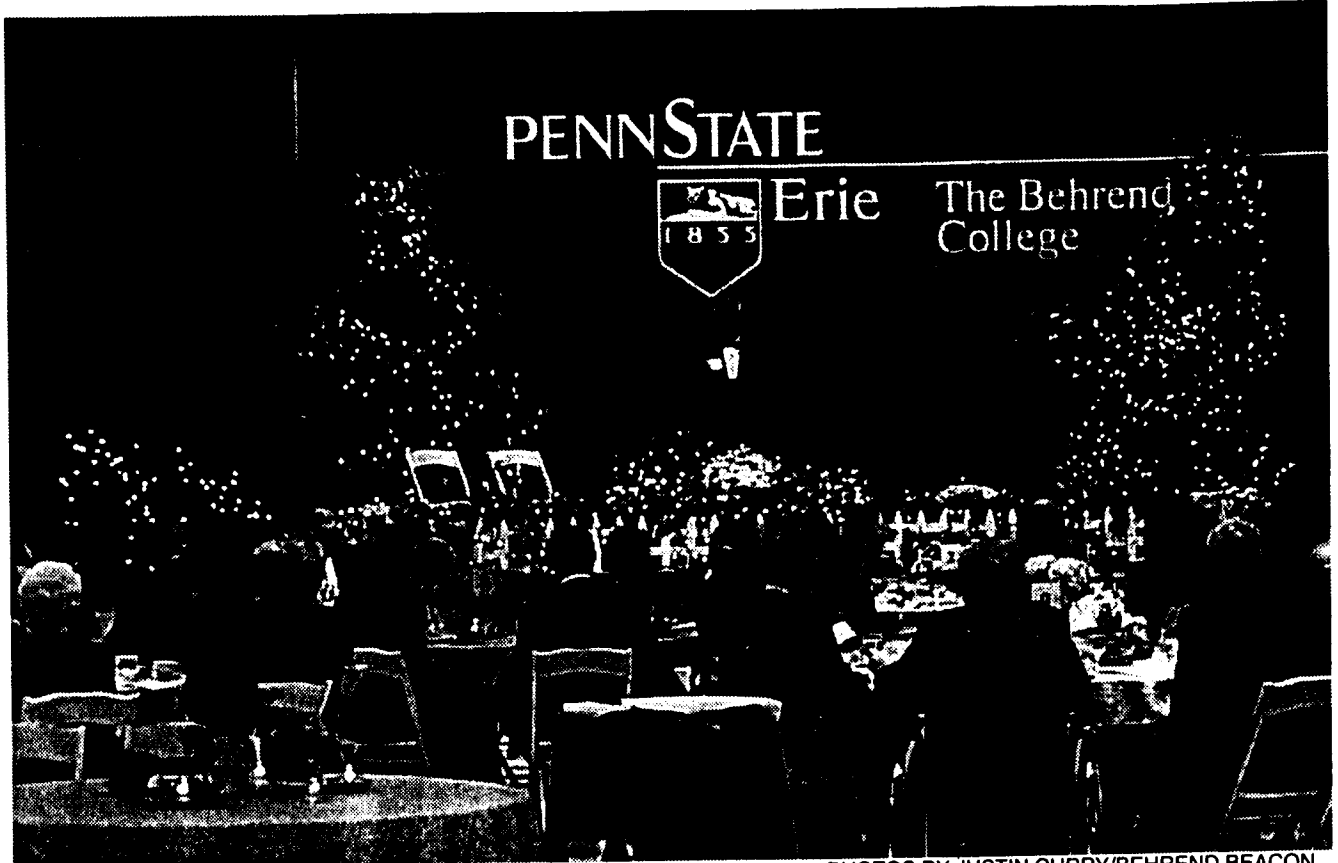
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"The worst sin towards our fellow creatures is not to hate them, but to be indifferent to them; that's the essence of inhumanity." -George Bernard Shaw

Janet Neff Sample Center
for Manners & Civility

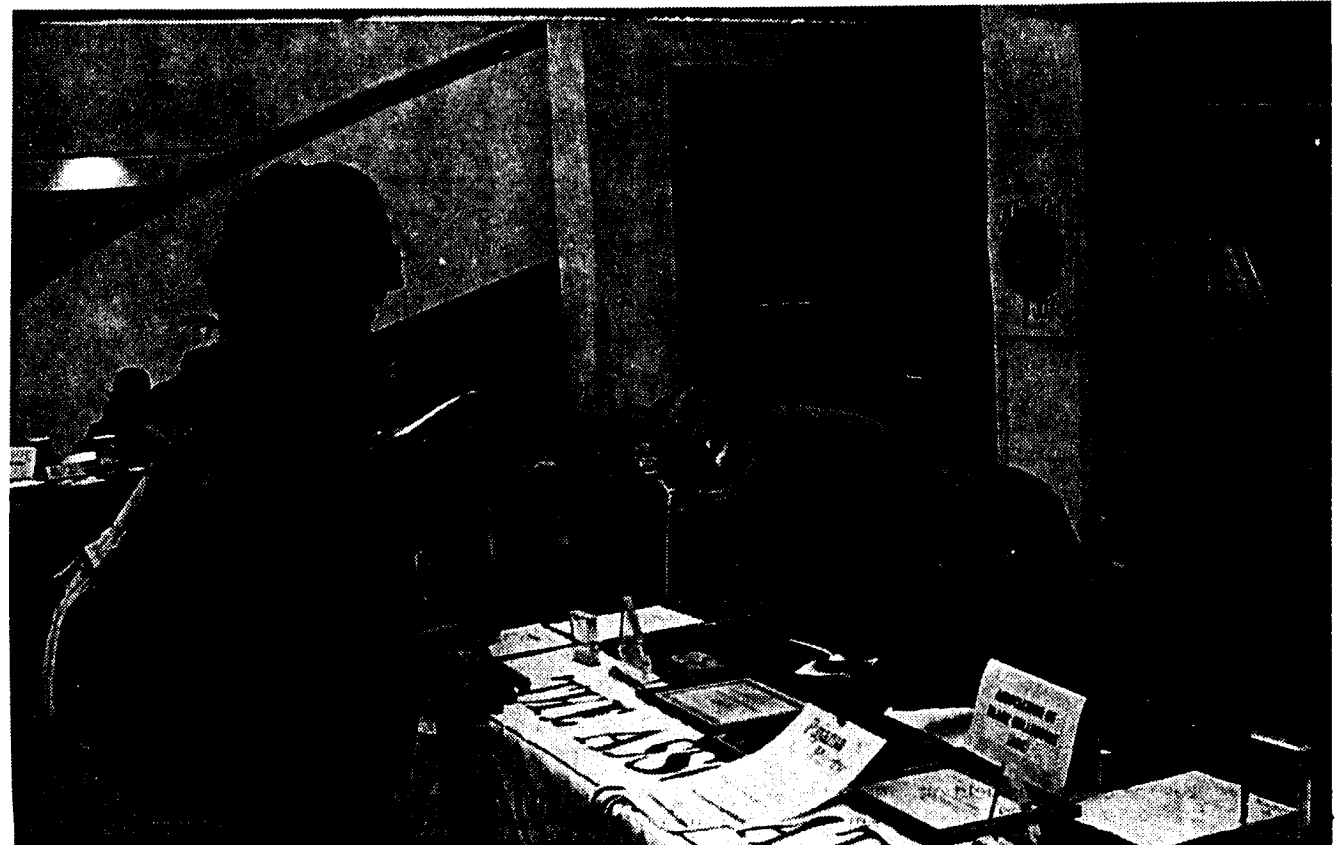


FOCAL POINT



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Jack Burke announced the final total of the Grand Destiny Campaign which was approximately \$51 million.



The Association of Black Collegians encouraged students to learn more about their organization.



Student Government Vice-President, Jenn Sutter, encouraged more students to "not lei around".



Students work on their jump shots late night at the Junker Center.