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The annual career fair was held in Junker Center this year from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Career fair at Junker

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ever drawn and that she believes this is a wonderful opportunity for college students.

Dustin Berry, a senior at Slippery Rock University, has been coming to the career fair for four and a half years. Berry studies management and wants to find something on the operations end of it. Since he has come here for so long, Berry said "You can tell it is getting a little more crowded."

As far as career fairs go, Behrend's is the only one he's attended. So far, Berry has yet to receive any offers for jobs or internships.

One student representing Behrend was senior engineering major Erin Kiesel. She said that she wants to find a full-time job with mechanical engineering.

"Last year was my first time," Kiesel said about attending a career fair. She attended one at the University of Pittsburgh about a year and a half ago.

Kiesel said that she was offered some internships.

Kiesel also said that she isn't looking for one particular group to get a job with, just anybody that's willing to offer her something.

So, for another year, Penn State Behrend can mark their career fair another success. Students, keep your eyes and ears peeled for information on the next career fair here at Penn State Behrend, and join in what some say to be a wonderful opportunity.

Food, funds welcome students



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Students, staff, and parents crowd the Junker Center on Saturday for the Scholarship Luncheon.

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Students, family and philanthropists sat down over lunch to celebrate Behrend scholarships this past Saturday.

Penn State Behrend held its Eighth Annual Scholarship Luncheon to celebrate the academic achievements of its students. The event also serves to thank the philanthropists who funded the scholarships.

"I thought it was very nice," said Michael Long, a sixth semester political science and international studies major. Long received the Joseph A. and Berit L. Benacci Family Scholarship at the event.

Retiring Behrend Chancellor Jack Burke presided over the lunch. Burke began with a speech making note of the significance of the ceremony's date, Sept. 27, which marked the 60th anniversary of the first day of classes at Behrend.

Burke went on to mention elements of the campus's history, such as how it took only three months for the school to transform from farmland to academia.

"It is a great program...a real celebration," said Jane Brady, Assistant Director of Admissions and Financial Aid and one

of the presenters at the luncheon. "It is a nice opportunity for the students to say 'thank you' in person."

Thirteen years ago, only \$138,000 was given in financial aid to Behrend students, according to Brady. Now, 2008 is expected to be the third year in a row where that number is over \$1 million.

The guest speaker for the event was J. Scott McCain, the president and owner of Eric Concrete Steel and Supply Co. McCain played a role in creating the McCain Family Foundation Trustee Scholarship and honored the two recipients of the aid, Krista Banks and Todd Cline.

Almost 60 different scholarships were awarded to over 200 students during the course of the luncheon. Over 600 people, made up of students, family and friends, attended the event.

Over 100 endowed scholarship funds have been given out to Behrend students this year. Only the scholarships whose recipients could attend the luncheon were distributed.

The students each received a copy of the book "Behrend Remembered" by former Behrend staff member Ben Lane. The book details the history of the campus and the family who founded it.

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Martin presents book

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States with eating disorders. She also said that there are about seventy million people worldwide with eating disorders.

Some of the other statistics Martin gave were "90 percent of high school girls in the past four years thought they were over weight," "18-25 year old women said they would prefer be run over by a truck than be over weight," and thirty-one million dollars goes into the diet industry, and they fail 95 percent of the time."

Martin gave her speech which lasted almost an hour, but within that time frame she seemed to reach out to many people. At one point Martin asked, "I would like you to stand up if you know someone who has had an eating disorder, or if you have had an eating disorder." About half the room stood up and Martin continued,

"Eating disorders have become a serious problem and there are ways to stop it before it gets too bad."

Then Martin finished up her speech with ways one person can prevent having an eating disorder and ways everyone can prevent eating disorders from happening. Then she opened the floor to questions. A few of the questions asked were things like "what made you decide to write this book?" and "did you yourself have an eating disorder?" Martin's response to these specific questions was no, she didn't have an eating disorder and she wrote the book because she felt at one point she could have had an eating disorder and she just became so interested in how women acted towards their body image.

Martin believes eating disorders are a serious problem, and backs herself up with a lot of information and statistics. It's all a question of your beliefs on the issue.

Quote of the week:

"I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not, when I came to die, discover that I had not lived."

-Henry David Thoreau