

# The Behrend College Tradition

The Behrend College of The Pennsylvania State University is located on a picturesque four-hundred-acre estate on the outskirts of Erie. Behrend College is more than a name; it is a history, a tradition, a future, and a

heritage of concerned and far-sighted people. A committee of Erie citizens was formed shortly after World War II to investigate the possibility of establishing a public community college. The committee decided that Erie's

needs would best be met by a branch campus of The Pennsylvania State University. Mrs. Mary Brownell Behrend, wife of the deceased Ernst Behrend, generously offered the Glenn Hill Farm estate as a gift in memory

of her husband.

In 1898 Ernst Richard Behrend founded the Hammermill Paper Company with his father and brother. Three years later, he was

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## Dean Fox Addresses Student Body

In addition to welcoming you to Behrend College, we eagerly look forward to the new academic year and to assisting you in obtaining an outstanding college educational experience. Some of you are just beginning your college education; others are at more advanced stages in your degree programs. Behrend is large enough to offer all of you a rich array of University-level academic programming, supplemented by access to other resources of The Pennsylvania State University, while providing you with the individual attention you should expect from a fine, comprehensive college environment.

We encourage you to take full advantage of the educational and personal development opportunities available to you here—to view your college education as one of the most significant personal investments you will make during the next several years. You are preparing for a future characterized by continuous social, economic, cultural, and technological change with many problems and excellent opportunities. As an enlightened member of society, your college education may become one of your most valued personal assets.

We are organized to assist you. The faculty is devoted to the

educational process and to providing you with an excellent environment for a college education. Outside of the classroom, you will find other extremely valuable educational experiences that are significant components of any really enriched college education.

This college exists, in part, to provide you with access to a high-quality college education within the context of Penn State—one of the nation's great land-grant universities. Together, we pursue the goals of higher education, of contributing to a better world, a better society, and a better college.

Thomas G. Fox  
Dean of Faculty

## Director Kochel Welcomes Students

Welcome to The Behrend College of The Pennsylvania State University. We are delighted that you have chosen The Behrend College to continue your quest for knowledge, information, and learning. It is our hope that the faculty and staff of the college will make your stay here a pleasant and challenging experience.

Some of the truths you hold to be self-evident will be challenged, other will be reinforced. You will have an op-

portunity to interact and interchange ideas with the faculty, administration, and your fellow students.

Dear Student at Penn State: This student handbook is a reference bulletin for you in many of the aspects of your life at Penn State. But undergirding this publication is an important attitude or philosophy which is a part of official policy. At Penn State we care about your individual experience, activity, and development during your college years. We endeavor to balance the extensive individual freedoms of university life with your understanding and acceptance of responsible citizenship in a university community. Therefore, this handbook will provide information about many policies, services, and opportunities affecting your life at Penn State.

I urge you to take advantage of the many co-curricular, cultural, and other events which will take place at the college this year to enrich your life in this collegiate setting.

Our best wishes for a successful academic year.

Irvin H. Kochel  
Director

## President Oswald's Message

But each one of you has the ultimate freedom to make as much, or as little, of your life here as you wish. These are probably the most crucial years of your life in determining your lifework, your habits of inquiry, your adult choice of values and ethics. For each of you I wish a fulfilling, satisfying, and enriching experience at Penn State.

Sincerely,  
John Oswald  
President

This handbook has been prepared to provide students with a reference to the information and regulations regarding student life at The Behrend College of The Pennsylvania State University. The Policies and Rules for Students (Commonwealth and Other Branch Campuses) is also published by the University as a reference concerning systemwide information, regulations, policies, and rules which pertain to all students and faculty. These two publications have been designed to be used by students to become acquainted with University-wide information as well as local campus traditions, rules, and activities.

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