



## Ground broken for new library

*Facility to be ready in two years*

by Eric Dinter  
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After 20 years of waiting and planning, ground was broken this summer for Behrend's new \$11 million library/academic complex, with construction expected to be finished in two years.

"This is truly a major step toward fulfilling Penn State's mission in northwestern Pennsylvania," said Provost and Dean John M. Lilley. "This new complex will hold twice as many volumes as our current library and broaden the horizons of students for years to come."

The library has faced a series of delays due to funding delays and building design problems. It has taken the university almost 20 years to secure funds from the state for the new complex, "with much of that effort being spearheaded by retired Pennsylvania State Representative Bernard Dombrowski," Lilley said. Currently, the library is \$3 million overbudget, with additional funds expected from the university to make up the difference.

The library has also undergone various design changes, including the addition of a clock tower. The new library will include class rooms, quiet study areas, offices and a television studio.

**Building a foundation:** Ground-breaking ceremonies were held on July 24th for the new Penn State-Behrend library/academic complex. Joining in the ceremony are (left to right): Penn State trustee Edward P. Junker III, retired Pennsylvania State Representative Bernard Dombrowski, Provost and Dean John Lilley, SGA President David Mahoney and Faculty Council Chairwoman Cathy Mester.

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## Behrend overbooks *Perry, Niagara overcrowded*

by Mark Owens  
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Overbooking and unexpected numbers of students staying on campus have led to overcrowding conditions in Niagara and Perry, conditions which Housing and Food Service administrators say won't

happen again next year.

"What happened was we had an unusually high number of students move in and stay in," said James Bowen, manager of Housing and Food Service. "The result is having to put students in non-traditional rooms -- television lounges, study rooms or an extra person in a dormitory room -- on a

temporary basis."

Typically, administrators plan on granting on-campus housing to more students than they have beds, knowing that some students will transfer to a different campus or university without notifying Behrend. "Usually about 3.1 percent of our residents don't tell us

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