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Ralph Ford Chancellor, PSU Behrend



Dr. Ralph Ford, chancellor of Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, has more than 25 years of leadership experience in higher education and industry.

As Penn State Behrend's chief academic and administrative officer, Dr. Ford has responsibility for all teaching, research, and outreach programs and activities of the college as well as overall campus operations, including strategic planning, human resources, enrollment management, fundraising, marketing, alumni and community relations, and intercollegiate athletics.

Dr. Ford joined Penn State Behrend in 1994 as a faculty member in electrical and computer engineering, subsequently serving as department chair. In 2005, he was named director of the School of Engineering. During his ten years as director, he led growth in school enrollment and the creation of a number of new academic programs and research centers. Under his leadership, the School of Engineering increased its national visibility as reflected in its rankings as one of the top 50 undergraduate engineering schools by U.S. News & World Report.

In 2013, while still director of the School of Engineering, Dr. Ford assumed additional duties as associate dean for industry and external relations for the college. In this role, he coordinated the college's open-laboratory model of industry-academic collaboration, which matches students and faculty members with private-sector partners for experiential student learning, applied research, and advanced product development. He also oversaw the college's strategic partnership with Knowledge Park, now home to 20 companies employing more than 500 people, including numerous graduates and student interns of the college.

Dr. Ford was named chancellor of Penn State Behrend on January 7, 2016. He had served as interim chancellor since July 1, 2015. Ford and his wife, Melanie, a lecturer in computer science and software engineering and director of the college's Youth Education Outreach Office, are the parents of two sons, Alexander and Ryan.

Supporting Cast:

President: Lisa Graff

Greeter: Laurie Root

Invocation: Claudine Thiem

Pianist: Mike Malthaner

Song Leader: Mark Louis

Sgt at Arms: Zac Wild

Speaker Intro: Mark Louis

Program Schedule 12:00 pm Lunch Meeting

at the Sheraton Bayfront Hotel
11:30 am - Buffet Opens
Noon - Meeting

AUG 8:

Donald W. Moore, Founder

Decision Associates Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton

> AUG 15: Erie SeaWolves Rotary Game!

Gates open 6pm Game 7:05pm

AUG 22:

Gerald C. Clark

Retired FBI & Published Author Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton







Sea Wolves Game Wednesday, August 15th

Gates Open @ 6:00 pm Picnic Buffet available after gates open Game Time @ 7:05 pm

Erie Rotarians no charge, \$20 for guests and others attending Tickets should be picked up at the table in front of the Uht. Pay for guests at the meeting or when you pick up your tickets.

Contact Brian Sivilo for reservations: brian.sivillo@usi.com
-or- sign up at the club meetings with Bob Saunders



LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!



Volunteers are needed for **Greeters, Song Leaders and the Invocation.**If interested, please help us out and contact the following person(s) to sign up -

Marci Honard - INVOCATION: <u>marciwhonard@gmail.com</u>
Allison Keenan - SONG LEADER: <u>erieaudiology@verizon.net</u>
<u>Jim Hynes - GREETER LIST: jhynes@swanson-erie.com</u>

Any help is greatly appreciated! Thank you!

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ROTARY DISTRICT NEWSLETTER FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR M. SCOTT BAYLINE · 2018

Please take a few minutes to look through the most recent District newsletter - it has a lot of information. Thank You!

To access the most recent issue of the District's newsletter, please go to:

www.RotaryDistrict7280.org

Rotary Club of Erie Service Opportunity!



It's not too late to sign up for the ServErie School Initiative! The Rotary Club of Erie is looking for volunteers to serve on:

Saturday, August 4th with two different shifts: 8 am-12 pm -and/or- 1 pm-5 pm

at Pfeiffer-Burleigh Elementary School. Volunteers will converge on the school to complete work ranging from cleaning, painting, and landscaping to drywall, bathroom renovation, and roof repairs.

We need YOU to make these projects a success! Come out and volunteer with Erie Rotary and serve our city!

To get more information, or to volunteer with the Erie Rotary group, please contact:

Nathan Burtt at nate.burtt@hubinternational.com



Rotarians ... IN THE NEWS!



"Where you may of heard it here first".



If you've been watching WJET lately, then you've seen **Brady and Renie Louis** in the Children's Museum's 4th Annual Street Soiree TV commercial!

Congratulations to **Julie Cella** and **Lisa Graff** for being named to the Erie Philharmonic Board of Governors.





Penny Mechley-Porter presents a lecture on "Learn Why Mindfulness Matters To You!" at the Jefferson Educational Society on Wednesday evening, July 25th.

*shown in picture from left to right: Lisa Graff, Penny Mechley-Porter and Julie Cella. Lisa and Julie were some of the supporting Rotarians in the audience during Penny's talk.

At every meeting we would like to highlight Rotarians making News! Please do not be shy, let us know when you are going to be in the paper, on TV, giving a presentation, winning awards, etc... you deserve to be recognized.

If you don't tell us, we hope another Rotarian will!

Please email **ZAC Wild** at **zac.wild@edwardjones.com** with name of *Rotarian*, the news to be shared, and where to find the media or more information. **Keep doing big things!!!**

- Rotary in Review -

July 25, 2018 Meeting Scott Bayline, Rotary District 7280 Governor



District Governor and Speaker: Scott Bayline





Lisa Graff presenting DG Scott Bayline with a check for his projects



L-R: Norm Stark, DG Scott Bayline, Ron Crist from Edinboro Rotary Club



From left to right: Gary Flick, Lisa Graff, DG Scott Bayline and Clarke Keubler

