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Greetings from SGA President Savannah Smith

Welcome New Students,

Hi! My name is Savannah, and I am your Student Government Association (SGA) President for this academic year. College is a time for trying new things and stepping outside your comfort zone. It is also a time to find yourself. I urge you to become actively involved on our campus. We have a vast number of opportunities here, and becoming involved opens so many doors outside of the academic realm. Academics are very important, but extracurricular activities are as well. While academics take priority, our activities unite us and bring us closer together...bringing the total Penn State experience into play.

We all have so much we can offer each other. We invite your ideas. I challenge you to strive for excellence in keeping with the Penn State tradition and daring to get involved to make our campus even greater. Push yourself to get involved. (I will warn you... it's contagious. The more you do, the more you will want to be involved.) Want to start a club? Let us know. Dances, movie nights, sports, coin collecting, balloon animal making, whatever... let us know what you're into! We want to make this the best experience possible for you.

Academics may be the most important of the tasks to complete during your time here at PSNK, but extra-curriculars add something that academics alone cannot. In short, you need both to enrich and complete your experience here. Our college experience should leave us well-rounded as well as well-educated.

Campus life activities are crucial to the vitality of our student body. If you ever have any questions, concerns, new ideas, extra chocolate chip cookies, or if you just want to chat, stop by the SGA office (which is located in the Cafe). If you feel uncomfortable coming in and voicing your concerns, please leave a note in our anonymous suggestion box. I will make sure that your voices are heard and that they produce change on our campus. I look forward to meeting you all this coming year, and I can't wait to see all of your new faces on campus this fall! I need your help.

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Let's represent who WE ARE!

All the best,
Savannah



Savannah Smith
SGA President

What's your favorite PSNK Tradition?

"Moonlight breakfasts, which we have every semester for finals week!" - Carly, Orientation Leader

"The movie nights that we hold over the summer!" - Nick, Orientation Leader

"How each campus raises money for THON, it connects us and is for a good cause!" - Lauren, Orientation Leader

"Alternative Spring Break, Penn State in Pittsburgh, the boat cruise, I could go on and on!" - Paulina, Orientation Leader



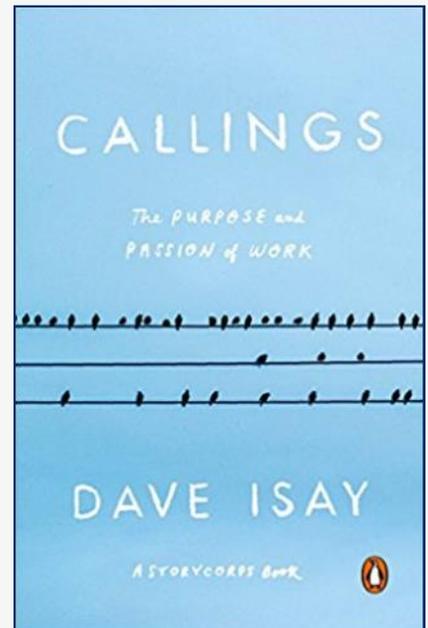
Set Sail For Adventure at PSNK!

Before you begin your collegiate maiden voyage, join us for a night of sightseeing, dancing, and friends on the *First Year Boat Cruise*.

The bus leaves campus for the cruise at 6:30 p.m., with the festivities starting at 7:30 and running until 10:00 p.m. Tickets are limited, so be sure to reserve your spot with your \$5 deposit, which you can do at NSO Day 1 or by mailing a check to Penn State New Kensington (Attention: Michele Marcks), 3550 7th Street Road, New Kensington, PA, 15068. Make all checks out to Penn State University, and please include your PSU ID on the check.



Pictured Above: Rivers of Steel Boat



DON'T FORGET!

Be sure to complete your summer reading of *Callings* prior to New Student Days!

Keynote Speaker: John Siciliano

Penn State New Kensington is excited to welcome John Siciliano as our keynote speaker for New Student Day 2018! John is a graduate of Point Park University and a successful actor, most recently known for his role on the TV show "Bull." John's life changed abruptly in 1993 during his freshman year after a car accident resulted in the amputation of his right leg. Since then, he has gone on to have a successful acting career and to participate in the 1996 international Paralympic Games. His story is one of perseverance and passion, and we are excited to have him come to PSNK to share his story with you!



John Siciliano, Keynote Speaker

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We can't wait to meet you! - *The Orientation Leader Team*



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