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New face on campus Logo under scrutiny

A new "more aggressive" Nittany Lion logo roared onto campus this summer. Welcomed by mixed reactions and severe scrutiny, the logo has come under fire.



New Nittany: Chipmunk or rough and tumble aggressor?

According to employees at the Penn State Behrend Bookstore, the new logo is not very popular among customers.

"I've heard a lot of people say they don't like it. But a few like the aggressiveness of this one," said Holly Beary, an employee at the bookstore. "I think this one looks more like a chipmunk than the old one did."

"I've heard a lot of people say it's not much different, they thought it would be rougher looking," said Helen Tatomirovich, manager of the bookstore. "Most people don't seem too thrilled with it."

Kathy Ott, a bookstore employee, said, "I haven't sold anything with the new logos, if that says anything."

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Breaking the Surface

Public triumphs and private agonies of Olympic great

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Greg Louganis will make a splash Monday, Sept. 16, at Penn State-Behrend. His visit kicks off the 1996-97 Speaker Series.

Louganis' lecture "Breaking the Surface" will include both his public triumphs and his private agonies, domestic violence and living with AIDS. The lecture will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Reed Union Building Commons.

Louganis, the world's most decorated diver, tested positive for the HIV virus in March 1988, five months before the Olympics in Seoul and his near-disastrous head injury.

The results were not disclosed at that time and Louganis won two gold medals, in springboard and platform diving.

In June 1994, Louganis competed in the Gay Games in New York City, publicly acknowledging his sexual orientation.

Any further mystery surrounding Louganis' private life ended with the release of his autobiography, "Breaking the

Surface," co-authored by Eric Marcus.

"For me, this book means no more secrets," Louganis writes in the introduction.

"I want people to know who I am and what I went through," he wrote. "Then if parents want their kids to grow up to be like me, I won't have to wonder, 'What if they really knew?'"

Louganis discusses how diving became a way to compensate for feelings of low self-esteem and worthlessness.

Following his injury in the preliminary event at Seoul, Louganis writes, "I sometimes can't believe what I had to go through to get to that point. And it wasn't just a bump on the head, not just the HIV diagnosis, but a lifetime of fear and pain and always feeling that the next dive would make it all right."

At the age of 16, Louganis won his first Olympic medal, a silver medal in platform diving at the 1976 Olympics in Montreal.

Louganis continued to compete in the Olympics winning four gold medals. He is the only male diver to win two



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Breaking the Surface: Greg Louganis, the world's most decorated diver, will be on campus Monday kicking off 1996-97 Speaker Series.

gold medals in consecutive Olympics.

Louganis also holds numerous national titles and has won the national championship diving title five times.

Upon retiring from diving, Louganis pursued an acting career in theater and television.

Louganis' lecture is part of the Speaker Series which continues throughout the school year.

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Students on the backbone Faster Internet access possible

by Kirsten Wright
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No one can call Penn State-Behrend spineless now...The ethernet has arrived. An internet connection, all on-campus

students can now directly network to Penn State's computer network from their rooms.

Some may be confused as to what this is so here are the facts:

An ethernet card is a device that connects you directly to the backbone of the Penn State system and on a bigger scale, to the information super highway

This connection allows the convenience of constantly being connected to the system rather than using a modem and tying up phone lines

If interested, there are a few steps necessary to have an ethernet connection installed.

An ethernet card can be found at a computer store and cost between \$50-\$150.

After purchasing a card and installing it into their computers, students must go to housing and food services to apply for a connection to be activated.

Then students must take up to seven formatted disks to the computer center and get the software that is necessary to configure the card.

If problems arise while configuring the card, the computer center is available to give phone support and in severe cases, a sign up is available for a staff member to come into the rooms and assist with the problem.

After installation, housing will activate the connection and access will begin.

Although this is a lengthy process, many feel it is well worth the time and money.

One student said, "I always enjoyed the internet, but dialing into the system was frustrating, but now with the ethernet connection, I am always connected and it makes surfing much more fun."

A student that doesn't have an ethernet card said "I think it would be much simpler and it would encourage me to learn more about what is out there."

Many Behrend students may not think that this software is important to them, but next time you try to dial in and are unsuccessful, rethink the ethernet option.

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Today's Weather

Partly cloudy skies with a 50 percent chance of showers. Temperatures will be cool, in the low 70s. Friday will be cooler with highs up to 70 with lingering showers.