

## WEEKEND WEATHER

SATURDAY      SUNDAY      MONDAY



Showers  
High: 56°  
Low: 43°



Showers  
High: 54°  
Low: 41°



Light Showers  
High: 53°  
Low: 44°

## BEHREND BRIEFS

### Acquaintance assaults more common

A lot of attention has been focused on the attempted sexual assaults on the Penn State University Park campus and in downtown State College during the first month of classes this semester, but they are only the tip of the iceberg, according to Peg Lorah, director of the Penn State Center for Women Students.

"The stranger assaults are anomalies. They're happening, and they're horrible, but that's not where the main danger lies for most Penn State students," Lorah said.

Lorah is talking about acquaintance assault, which is a much more common form of this crime.

"That doesn't minimize the stranger assaults," Lorah emphasized. "We need to do something about them as well, but we need to be aware of the assaults that happen on a daily basis that nobody talks about because they're not public and they're not high profile."

Stranger assaults are easier to speak out against, Lorah said.

"It's like the attack on the World Trade Center. We can marshal our anger around that because it was completely unwarranted. Those people were minding their own business, doing their jobs or sitting on an airplane, and along came somebody and put an end to their lives."

### ABC to regionally televise Penn State-Purdue clash Oct. 11

ABC Sports will televise Penn State's Big Ten Conference road opener at Purdue on Saturday, Oct. 11 to a regional audience. Kickoff has been set for 2:30 p.m. EST at Ross-Ade Stadium in West Lafayette, Ind. Penn State and Purdue meet for the first time since the Nittany Lions captured an emotional 22-20 victory over the Boilermakers in Beaver Stadium during the 2000 season. The Lions play at Purdue for the first time since posting a dramatic 31-25 victory in 1999. The Nittany Lions lead the series, 6-1-1, winning all six meetings since starting Big Ten play in 1993. The telecast is the fifth announced TV appearance of the season for the Nittany Lions, who have appeared on television in 108 of their last 110 games.

### Focus on graduate research: looking for West Nile virus in songbirds

Nearly alone among the many researchers focusing on the West Nile virus nationally, Adam Rohnke, a graduate student in wildlife and fisheries science in Penn State's College of Agricultural Sciences, is looking for the virus in songbirds. "We just don't know if West Nile is prevalent in birds across our region, or even if songbirds are carrying it," he says. To find out, Rohnke is conducting songbird counts at two Centre County sites, and checking some birds' blood for the virus in the process. "Big birds are easy to find when they die, but the songbirds migrate, so they could be spreading the virus," he notes.

### President's Open House welcomes community

Faculty, staff, students and the public are invited to attend Penn State University President Graham B. Spanier's Open House from 3 to 4:30 p.m. today in Old Main on the University Park campus. President Spanier and Rodney Erickson, executive vice president and provost, will be on hand in 201 Old Main. Light refreshments will be served. Visitors can also view the frescoes and may visit the Old Main Tower, where Lion Ambassadors will give tours.

### Late Night Penn State

This weekend is all blue and white, and LateNight Penn State kicked off with the Homecoming Pride Showcase Thursday, at the HUB. Show your school spirit when you play Penn State Bingo, win some fabulous prizes and then stuff your own teddy bear complete with its own Penn State T-shirt.

Get crafty this weekend with wooden picture frames from IKEA, or let Chip Mock draw your portrait, caricature style. Mellow out on today with the House Blend Acoustic Showcase, or get swinging on tomorrow with the Solomon Douglas Trio at the Swing Dance.

This weekend's movie is Legally Blonde 2, starring Reese Witherspoon and Luke Wilson.

## POLICE AND SAFETY

9/24 3:30 Computer center reported a missing tower from Benson 185.

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"You must be the change you wish to see in the world"-Mahatma Gandhi

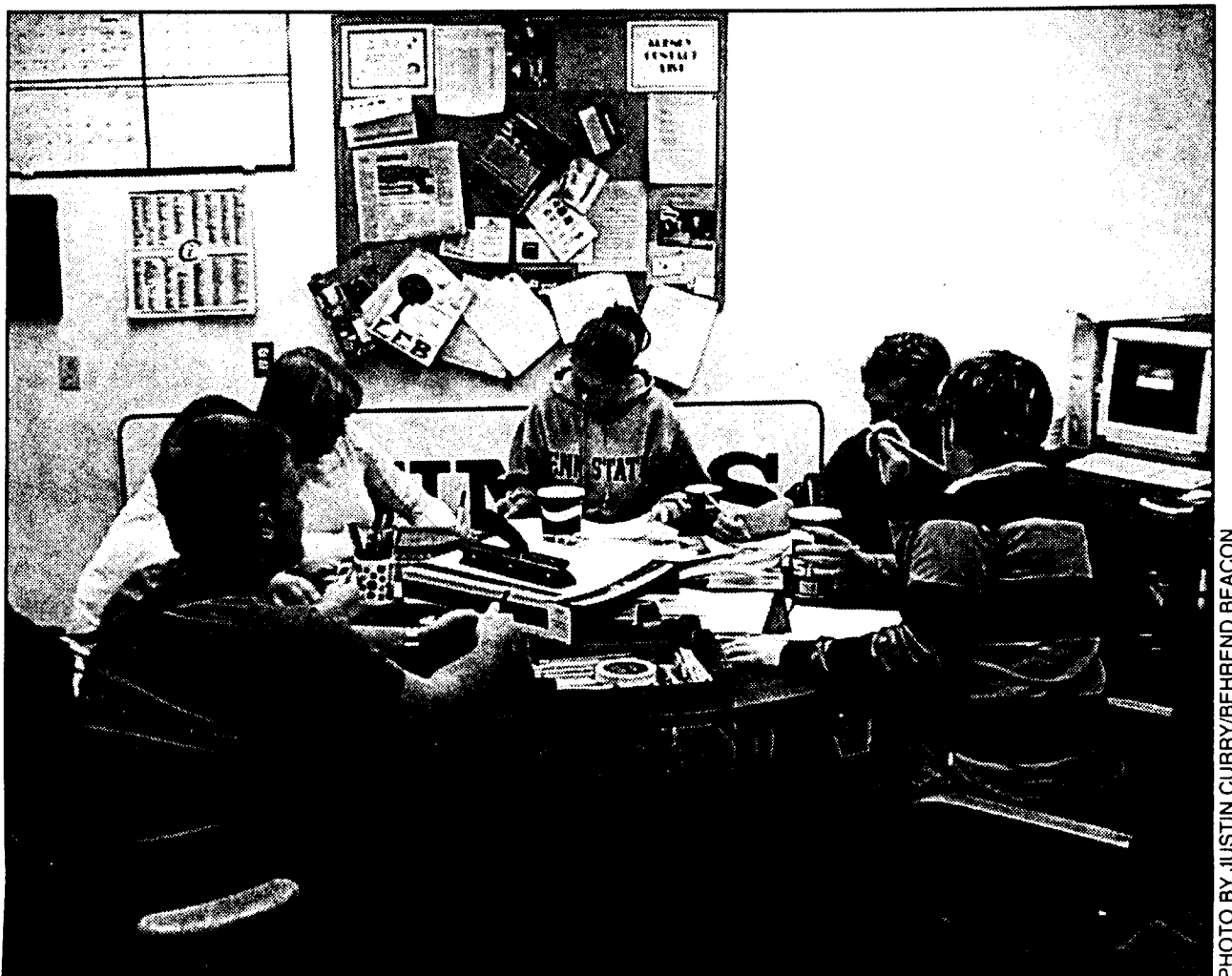
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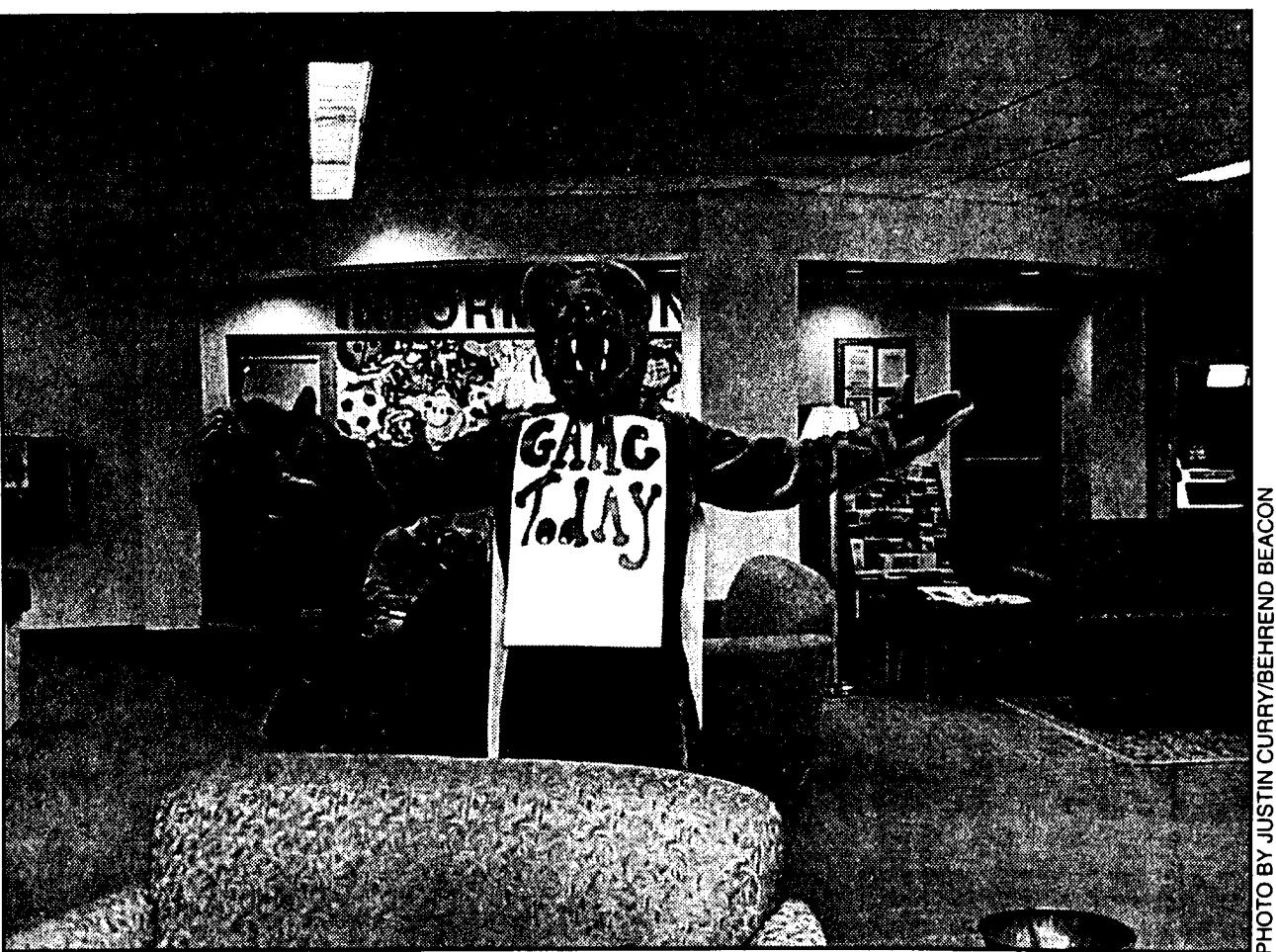
## FOCAL POINTS



Bookstore employee Joel Quiggle (InArt, 07) works on a Halloween mural outside the bookstore.



LEB members plan events for Parents and Families weekend.



The Behrend Lion advertises an upcoming game in the Reed Union Building.



Soccer fans brave the cold weather and support the Lions on the first day of October against the Grove City Eagles.

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