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## 'DEBT' OUT THE VOTE

### *Race for 34th District 'uniquely tied' to student debt*

By Patrick Newkumet  
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

State Sen. Jake Corman and Ezra Nanes — opponents in Pennsylvania's 34th district race — have battled over student debt as the two seek to represent a constituency deeply tied to Penn State.

Corman has held the seat since 1999, but it has been in the family much longer. His father, former Sen. Jacob Corman Jr., took control of the 34th District on June 7, 1977, where he served for over 20 years before being succeeded by his son.

Facing Corman's dynastic run, Nanes' campaign has sought to garner favor from the progressive liberal base surrounding the university. The 34th District contains Centre County, Juniata County, Mifflin County and parts of Huntingdon County.

That tact often translates into confident campaign rhetoric resembling that of young Democratic hopefuls, such as Beto O'Rourke and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez.

In the League of Women Voters Candidates' Night debate, Nanes took a question on student debt as an opportunity

to use the Senator's tenure against him.

"Unfortunately, Pennsylvania has the highest average level of student debt for higher education in the entire nation," Nanes said. "Senator Corman, that has happened on your watch."

Pennsylvania actually has the second-highest student debt in the country, as *Forbes* estimates the average student accrues \$35,759 in loans for higher education.

This can be for any number of factors. The conglomeration of private and public universities within each state — and the states' variable levels of debt — contribute to a single state average. Further, this average can be misleading when applied to a specific jurisdiction such as the 34th District, which only holds one major university.

The Nanes campaign promises the full funding of public education. Such funding would eliminate the issue of student debt for Penn State students entirely, but at a considerable cost for Pennsylvania taxpayers.

"We need politicians who prioritize ensuring dependable and increasing funding for public and higher education," Nanes' campaign manager, Carv-

er Murphy, said in a statement. "That can come in the form of direct support to public colleges and universities or in the form of grants to students that have demonstrated socio-economic need."

Murphy said Nanes "is committed to ensuring that oil and natural gas companies pay their fair share so we have money to invest in public education."

In his issue statements, it is unclear to what extent Nanes plans on expanding the funding of public education.

An overhaul of the entire system is unlikely, should he win, as the Pennsylvania State Senate is strongly controlled by the Republican Party. Nevertheless, a Nanes victory would certainly lead to an expansion of the state's annual appropriation to the university. "Fully funded is a nice political

term, but what does it mean?" Corman said. "If it is billions of dollars more, how are you paying for that?"

The 34th District contains many Penn State students, but that community is dwarfed in number by the rural Pennsylvanians throughout the district who have little to no fiscal ties to the university.

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## Two talented QBs, no controversy

Matt Lingerman  
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

The nature of college football is such that having two starting-caliber quarterbacks can be either a curse or a blessing for a program.

Players have four years to make their mark, and sometimes a lack of playing time can cause strife in a locker room — just ask Dabo Swinney.

Penn State has a pair of quarterbacks which most programs around the country would be happy to have starting. The only problem is that the Nittany Lions can only start one of them, and in two-plus years Trace McSorley has left no room for debate as to who that starter should be.

For some players, the notion of sitting behind a quarterback who will start for three years can be cause for frustration. But Tommy Stevens has taken his path in stride and in turn prevented the Penn State quarterbacks situation from becoming a soap opera.

"I know sometimes I get a lot of credit for staying here and being team-first, but honestly it's the way I was raised to be," Stevens said. "It's just what I was taught to do at an early age."

James Franklin has rewarded Stevens for choosing not to transfer by creating a new position — the "Lion" — for the Indiana native which sees him on the field for a few snaps in most games. But his chances to play his conventional position come few and far between.

During Saturday's second quarter, when McSorley was sacked and landed awkwardly on his right leg, Stevens briefly got his chance.

The sacrifices he's made weren't lost on his coach. "This day and age in college football where everyone is worried about just themselves, Tommy Stevens has put his teammates, the program and the university first," Franklin said. "He could have left to play anywhere but instead he has been sitting behind Trace McSorley for three years, and all he does is go into the game and do his job for us."

When Stevens stepped on the field, his team was down 14-7 and had played football which only the weather could rival in ugliness.

With McSorley out for an unknown amount of time, Stevens was given full control of the offense for the first time this season, and the first time during a tight game in his Penn State career.

"Obviously I would never wish ill upon Trace, he's one of my better friends at Penn State," Stevens said. "But this is something you prepare for and I feel like I've been preparing for this moment since my redshirt freshman year. Here I am as a redshirt junior, and it's something I've been trying to prepare myself for."

The first drive of Stevens' day wasn't all that impressive, going for just 14 yards on six plays and ending in a punt. But after John Reid intercepted a pass on Iowa's ensuing series and returned it down to the Hawkeye three-yard line, Stevens trotted back onto the field and used one play to punch the ball in and tie the game.

No one was happier for him than McSorley.

"Everyone loves to see a guy like Tommy have those moments where his number is called and he's able to go in and have success," McSor-

ley said. "Everyone on the team loves him. I love that kid."

McSorley came out on the next Penn State drive, but didn't seem himself and was replaced again by Stevens on the next possession. It looked as though Stevens was going to be at the helm for the remainder of the game.

But during halftime, as McSorley moved around so as to avoid tightening up, the coaching staff had a decision to make. Franklin said ultimately he felt McSorley has earned the right to choose whether or not he's fit to return to play.

The fifth-year senior quarterback told his coach he felt able to return, and Franklin agreed.

That meant telling Stevens, who was under the assumption he would be leading the Nittany Lions out of halftime, he would have to return to the bench.

"We told Tommy that he was going back in, because we told him that he was in, but we then decide to go with Trace," Franklin said. "And not one moment or one example of frustration or doubt from Tommy Stevens. He is the ultimate team guy."

Stevens was admittedly surprised McSorley was fit to take over, but there were no feelings of animosity or irritation. In fact, he was impressed.

"There's very few people I've met on this planet tougher than Trace McSorley," Stevens said. "I couldn't be prouder of what he did today. It meant a lot to our team, showed a lot to our players, and just re-emphasize how great of a team-first guy, a tough guy and really our leader. Obviously I want to play in roles and help out however I can. That was the best opportunity for our team, that's what we were gonna' roll with."

The decision to stick with McSorley evidently worked out, as he went on to run for a team-high 63 yards and had a touchdown both in the air and on the ground.

But after the game, teammates heaped praise on the quarterback who took less than a dozen snaps and completed only a pair of passes.

"How he handles his business day in and day out when honestly everyone at the end of last year thought he was going to be gone," McSorley said. "No one on our team would've faulted him if he left because he has that ability and there were opportunities for him to go somewhere else."

"For him to stay and then be able to come in and take advantage of the opportunities that he has and be successful, it just shows what having that kind of mentality is."

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# Fashion Society students share passion

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When Michelle Szczech and Genny Rojewski began their four years at North Penn High School in Lansdale, Pennsylvania, they learned to stand out from the crowd by using their clothes. From thigh-highs and dresses to genie pants and leather skirts, they turned to fashion to separate themselves from the thousands of students that walked the hallways beside them. Now, years later, that tradition has followed them to Penn State. “I wasn’t the kid to talk up or speak out. Fashion became my form of expression. It was a way of showing my personality to everyone else without having to actually tell them,” Rojewski (senior-public relations) said. “I was aware that Penn State didn’t have a fashion program. So, I came to school knowing that Penn State didn’t have a large fashion scene but I told myself I’d join a fashion club.” Rojewski stumbled upon the Fashion Society of Penn State in her sophomore year. A student organization started by alumna Megan Mo in 2014, the Fashion Society was created as a way for students interested in fashion to come together and share their passions.



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**Jewelry** is sold at the meeting to raise funds for THON on Tuesday, Oct. 23.

The club attempts to cover all aspects of fashion — from designing to business — while making sure they are tailoring to the members who are involved each semester. Rojewski and Szczech are currently the president and vice president, respectively, of the club with over 100 members. Although it usually has 20 active members every semester, the club has been successful in bringing together people who are passionate about fashion but don’t see “enough opportunities at Penn State.” “I had professors who did not understand enough about the world of fashion PR and marketing to teach us about it. That’s the biggest problem at Penn State. We have clubs to supplement people’s passions but there is nothing to academically teach you about that world,” Rojewski said. “I love Penn State for what it is but the fact that we don’t have a fashion program just seems behind the times.” The club provides interested students with the resources they need to launch themselves into the world of ready-to-wear or couture fashion. In the past, the club organized tours of the Urban Outfitters headquarters in Philadelphia, co-



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**Genny Rojewski (senior-public relations)** leads the Fashion Society meeting in Willard on Tuesday, Oct. 23.

ordinated guest lectures by public relations experts and fashion designers, and informed members of internship and job opportunities from companies like American Eagle and Burlington. “Companies like this don’t really get an opportunity at Penn State,” Szczech (senior-biobehavioral health) said. “It’s usually engineering or business kids who get to explore their careers. We don’t get externships or info-sessions to learn about the industry.” Mia Dougherty, a member of the club, understands why Penn State isn’t as invested in fashion programs as some think it should be. “We are surrounded by agriculture and stuff. But I do think it would be nice to have a fashion program because this is a big major. I would have love to see Penn State incorporate the business side of the fashion industry,” Dougherty (freshman - division of undergraduate studies) said. Some current members of the club already have their own clothing lines, while others prefer to follow social ambassadors and look fashionable. “Growing up, it was my dream to be at Fashion Week and sit front row. I started a sketch book

and used to doodle designs in class. I still do it and I really wish I could bring them to life, but that’s just not who I am anymore. [...] We make sure that Fashion Society isn’t just for designers,” Szczech said. Before even arriving at Penn State, Dougherty made sure to research the fashion scene at Penn State. “At the end of my first meeting, I realized that this was the place for me. It was fun and casual. I was always interested in fashion. So, I decided that joining this club was the perfect way to follow fashion since Penn State doesn’t have that major,” Dougherty said. On a regular basis, the club also discusses the basic aspects of fashion — dressing for various body types, DIY workshops for upcycling clothes and the concept of branding oneself.

The club often teams up with the PSU Photography Club for photo shoots and with Sisters on the Runway, a Penn State division of the organization which raises money for the prevention of domestic violence.

Currently, the Fashion Society is planning a fashion show to be held in the spring semester. Previous fashion shows have showcased designs by Penn State alumna M e a g h a n Paige Daley—who has displayed her work at New York Fashion Week—and designs by current Penn State students themselves. “Fashion is huge and important. It’s an outlet for creativity [...] a way to express yourself,” Rojewski said. “We always need clothes.”

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**Genny Rojewski**  
Fashion Society President

## Debt

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Corman acknowledged the nature of his voter base, and is not running an online campaign due to his confidence the votes will speak for themselves come Nov. 6. In his capacity as majority leader, Corman has been a key cog in the formation of the annual state budget. Since Penn State is a land-grant institution, the federal government provides appropriations to foster research and offset the cost of tuition. It is a symbiotic relationship, as increased funding for the university can allow the Board of Trustees to form a budget that keeps tuition flat. Corman was an integral player in the passing of a three-percent raise in Penn State’s annual state appropriation last June, bringing the total annual grant to \$237.3 million. In turn, President Eric Barron presented an annual bud-

get that froze tuition. Even though Corman has overseen numerous expansions of the state budget, some feel he isn’t doing enough to combat the precipitous rise of tuition costs and loan rates during his tenure. “The high levels of debt Pennsylvanian’s are in due to the cost of college education is slowing down the state’s economy,” Katie Rose Epstein (senior-political science and women’s, gender and sexuality studies), College Democrats president, said. Epstein said Nanes believes elected officials must be committed to ensuring everyone has access to higher education without piling debt. However, Corman does have supporters at Penn State who appreciate his work in the state Senate. “The last two tuition freezes in the last 50 plus years have come under [Corman], which I think is just fantastic and it’s a great way to be an advocate for Penn State and its students,” Riley Compton (junior-political science), College

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College Republicans Vice President

Republicans vice president, said. Another facet of the debt issue, as it pertains to the 34th and Penn State, is the relationship between the Board of Trustees and those in government. The state can choose to further increase appropriations for the university, but the Board of Trustees may craft a budget that allocates more funds toward renovations and infrastructure. Should the board prioritize expansion over reducing tuition costs, then students may end up paying more for school that year. Further, Barron and other board members may prioritize the long-term goals of the university over the short-term economic needs of students. “There is a process for us to provide some oversight, but it’s not like a state department where you have complete oversight,” Corman said. “So our check on [President Barron] and other school presidents is tuition. If the tuition rises to a really high level, then they are going to get a lot of push back from us on how they’re spending that money and why they are raising tuition so high.” He described how this process often relies on supporting the need to “educate the masses over the elite.” Corman continued, noting board members constantly push for improvement in quality of education at Penn State, but often fail to ensure that all Pennsylvanians can reasonably pay for such expansion.



Collegian file photo

**Senator Jake Corman** addresses the media during a press conference at the Centre County Courthouse on Friday, March 23.

Barron recently proposed the One Penn State 2025 plan, which will promote the further progress of the university through various goals. Barron’s mission and its fiscal implementation will mark an expensive and game-changing milestone in the on-going debate between Penn State’s administration’s ideal of excellence and

the students trying to afford it. As important as it may be for those throughout the 34th District, the results of next week’s election will certainly have an impact on the future of Penn State and its students.

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# PSU shares resources following Pittsburgh shooting

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Penn State Hillel recently released a joint statement with Chabad of Penn State in light of the Tree of Life synagogue shooting. The organizations reminded all that “Jews have responded to hardship and tragedy by filling the darkness with the light of goodness, kindness and love.” The two organizations will host a candlelight vigil together at 7 p.m. on Oct. 30 on the steps of Old Main. “We grieve with the families who have lost loved ones and pray for the speedy recovery of those

who are injured,” according to the statement. “They were murdered by hatred. They will be remembered with love.” The groups also shared a charity website for those interested in doing a good deed to honor those affected by the shooting. “In the strength of our collective mitzvot, may we each find and share comfort and peace at this extraordinarily challenging time,” the statement said. After the shooting at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, Penn State has outlined several resources for those affected by the event. At University Park, resources

include Counseling and Psychological Services and crisis lines open to all Penn State students. CAPS is located on the fifth floor of the Student Health Center and is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. They can also be reached by calling (814) 863-0395. Students, faculty and community members may contact the Crisis Text Line by texting “LI-ONS” to 741741. The Penn State Crisis Line is available to students and faculty at all times by calling 1-877-229-6400. Both of these services will connect those in need with professional staff members.

Faculty members have an additional short-term counseling service through the Penn State Employee Assistance Program. Penn State Hillel, one of University Park’s Jewish organizations, made a post on Facebook saying “our hearts are heavy,” and welcoming all in need of support. Recently, Penn State Hillel hosted a ground-breaking ceremony for a future facility that will serve over 4,000 Jewish students and community members. “Today we mourn for the terror that has had occurred in our community,” the organization stated via Facebook. “We are shaken and we

are upset. But we are better together. And we are here for you.” On Saturday morning, a gunman entered the synagogue located in the Squirrel Hill area, killing 11 and wounding four police officers. “The Penn State community is terribly saddened by this senseless tragedy,” President Eric J. Barron told Penn State News. “Our deepest sympathies go out to the victims, police officers, family and friends of the members of the congregation and the entire Jewish community.”

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# Support your neighbor, end hate

Early in the morning on Oct. 27, tragedy struck the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

In the Squirrel Hill neighborhood of Pittsburgh, Robert Bowers opened fire in the Tree of Life Congregation Jewish synagogue. The attack, which lasted several minutes, left 11 dead and six wounded.

Bowers eventually surrendered, and federal officials charged him with 29 criminal counts, including a hate crime. It was the deadliest attack against the Jewish community in United States’ history.

It’s a tough pill to swallow, seeing something so hateful and deadly occur in our country. It’s something you never think is going to strike close to home. However, this happened two hours and 24 minutes away from main campus.

Pittsburgh is a city many students call home; students who are proud to do so. Residents preach and practice acceptance, particularly in Squirrel Hill.

Twitter users shared photographs of signs that can be found in the neighborhood that read, “No matter where you are from, we’re glad you’re our neighbor.” The sentence is printed in English, as well as in Spanish and Arabic.

Prominent Pittsburgh athletes showed their support through tweets and clothing choice. Pittsburgh Steelers’ stars, JuJu Smith-Schuster and Antonio Brown, both expressed their support.

Fellow Steeler, wide receiver, Ryan Switzer wore a shirt saying, “Love thy neighbor; thy homeless neighbor; thy Muslim neighbor; thy black neighbor; thy gay neighbor; thy immigrant neighbor; thy Christian neighbor;

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## In this tragic time, Penn State students should make an effort to support one another

bor, thy Jewish neighbor; thy atheist neighbor; thy addicted neighbor.”

A revamped version of the Steelers logo also circulated online, which incorporated the Star of David and the phrase, “stronger than hate.”

But, instead of outsiders knowing Squirrel Hill and Pittsburgh as a whole as a city of acceptance, they will now be permanently associated to the rest of the country and the world as the site of one of the darkest days in modern United States’ history.

It’s disgusting minority groups still have to worry about being targeted in this country simply because of their race or religion. So, this is a time this country, and we at Penn State, need to take a step back, support Pittsburgh and the Jewish community and make every effort to move toward a more understanding and observant society.

Penn State was quick to make students aware of resources on campus they may need in the days following the attack. These resources include Counseling and Psychological Services, or CAPS, the Crisis Text Line and the Penn State Crisis Line.

Penn State Hillel and Chabad of Penn State are set to hold a vigil in honor of the victims in

the attack on Oct. 29 to show their support as well.

One element of our school that makes it so great is our population, which consists of students from all different backgrounds. We should take time to step out of our usual routine, and embrace other cultural or religious traditions than our own.

Anyone can say they accept and support others, but look to take that next step, making an effort to physically or emotionally support your neighbor. That will lead to a more understanding country — something our nation clearly needs to work toward.

We should want to do this on our own accord, as it’s such an important component being a decent human being. We can’t help but wonder if Penn State should incorporate cultural education into their required freshman seminar courses.

Many students have felt their time is wasted in these courses as they currently stand. So, their

time would be much better spent learning about different cultural and faith-based communities.

By taking the time to learn, we can offer more personal support to our friends and coworkers when tragedy, like the one in Squirrel Hill, strikes.

People can also show support



**People** hold candles as they gather for a vigil in the aftermath of a deadly shooting at the Tree of Life Congregation, in Pittsburgh, Saturday, Oct. 27.

MY VIEW | Tyler Olson

# Make a legal example out of Michael Avenatti

Last week, Senate Judiciary Committee Chuck Grassley took a good step to protect the legitimacy of all the three branches of our government.

Thursday, he referred Michael Avenatti and his client, Julie Swetnick, to the Department of Justice for possible prosecution regarding the claims they made about Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh during his confirmation process.

Then, Grassley referred Avenatti to the DOJ again Friday based off new information that came to light in an NBC News story.

Avenatti and Swetnick provided sworn statements to the Judiciary Committee accusing Kavanaugh of regularly drugging and gang-raping women while he was in high school. These referrals mean Grassley believes they were intentionally lying in those statements, therefore committing, “three separate crimes,” regarding, “conspiracy, false statements and obstruction of Congress.”

“The obvious, subsequent contradictions [to Swetnick’s story] along with the suspicious timing of the allegations necessitate a criminal investigation by the Justice Department,” Grassley said.



Olson

The second referral based on the NBC News story only targets Avenatti. He sent the Judiciary Committee a separate sworn statement from an anonymous woman, claiming it corroborated Swetnick’s story. But when NBC got in touch with the woman in question on Sept. 30, she denied ever seeing Kavanaugh spike punch or act inappropriately toward girls – acts her sworn statement from Avenatti directly accused Kavanaugh of doing.

She told NBC News on Oct. 5, “I do not like that he [Avenatti] twisted my words.”

This of course raises questions about bias at NBC as it failed to report information that would have helped bolster Kavanaugh’s case for confirmation on Oct. 6, but NBC is not the real story here.

It’s about Avenatti’s disrespect for our institutions and his brazen falsehoods in order to serve his political ambitions, even to the point contradicting his own client’s wishes.

Perjury and similar crimes, like those Avenatti and Swetnick are accused of, are seldom prosecuted because they’re difficult to prove and require the individual to be deliberately lying. But in Avenatti’s instance it’s so egregious, premeditated and damaging to our system that to let it slide would set a dangerous precedent.

I wrote on Oct. 8 that in con-

firming Kavanaugh, the Senate showed other potential Avenattis it would not cave to bad-faith pressure.

“McConnell didn’t just prove that he was right and he did more than just effectively fill another SCOTUS seat. Most importantly, he preserved at least some semblance of due process and political norms in the Supreme Court confirmation process. Had Kavanaugh been voted down or withdrawn from the process, it would have been an invitation for similarly baseless stories to come out about every nominee, for any position, for either party, forever.”

But what did Avenatti get for misleading the Judiciary Committee and the American people? Some attention, free media time and a bump in name recognition for his 2020 run.

We need to prevent others from even trying the same shady tactics that were deployed against Kavanaugh. What better deterrent than jail time?

Grassley was right to refer this pair to the Justice Department and Attorney General Jeff Sessions should opt to take the case and prosecute it vigorously.

The three statutes Grassley accuses Swetnick and Avenatti of violating all have a maximum sentence of five years. That means if each is brought

on just one charge per statute, they could spend 15 years in prison. Avenatti might face even more for the second sworn statement.

That may seem harsh for just making some stuff up, but the punishment fits the crime in this case. Avenatti not only did irreparable harm to Kavanaugh’s reputation, but he made a mockery of one of the most important processes in our republic that touches all three branches of government.

The president nominates potential Supreme Court justices, the Senate confirms them and those justices then go to sit on the highest court in the land. Intentionally using falsehoods to manipulate that process for your favored outcome, and creating a precedent for that to happen in the future, is on par with Russia’s disinformation campaign in the lead-up to the 2016 election.

Avenatti needs to go to jail not only because he should be held accountable for his actions — a concept that seems as foreign to him as it does to President Donald Trump — but to show others what happens when someone tries to undermine America’s system of government

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# 60 minutes mimic an entire season

By Thomas Schlarp  
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In rain, wind, shine or even whiteout conditions, Penn State football doesn't like to give its fans a week off from nerves and excessive heart palpitations.

## FOOTBALL

Since the season's opening kick against Appalachian State, the Nittany Lions have had a knack for keeping things far too close for comfort regardless of circumstance.

And on a wretched, soggy, rain-soaked field against Iowa, Penn State refused to change. Its 30-24 victory was its fourth consecutive game decided by six points or fewer, a feat that hadn't been accomplished since 1894.

From Blake Gillikin's first messy punt to an Iowa offensive lineman busting through would-be tacklers as the final seconds ticked off the clock, Saturday's game felt like a microcosm of the Nittany Lions' entire season — a whole lot of ugly, a little bit of great and a final four minutes of action to keep a frigid crowd glued to their seats.

"It was a beautiful day in Happy Valley," James Franklin joked after the game. "I am just overall really proud of our guys, tonight was a gutsy win for us."

Penn State's eighth game of the season literally had it all.

Special teams have plagued this team since allowing a 100-yard kickoff return Week 1, and the snake-bitten unit flexed its flaws yet again versus Iowa with a pair of botched snaps on punts that led to four points and by allowing a successful fake field goal to go for a receiving touchdown to a 275-pound defensive end via a beautiful over-the-shoulder grab.

Then there was the continued saga that is Tommy Stevens. Fans have pined for an increased presence from the backup quar-



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**Wide receiver DeAndre Thompkins (3)** gets pumped to receive a punt during the football game against Iowa at Beaver Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 27. No. 17 Penn State defeated No. 18 Iowa 30-24.

terback dating back to the 2017 season and his first career touchdown against Georgia State.

And much like his debut this season versus Ohio State that yielded a total of negative 12 yards, Stevens debuted as a wide receiver versus the Hawkeyes in his "Lion" position on a third-and-18 that yielded a Trace McSorley sack for a loss of seven.

But Stevens rebounded off the Buckeye performance with a touchdown in his home state of Indiana, and the trusty backup in McSorley's absence rebounded off his first snap of Saturday's game with a three-yard rushing touchdown to tie the game at 14.

"Obviously, I would never ever wish ill will upon Trace," Stevens said. "He's one of my better friends at Penn State. But it is something you prepare for, and I feel like I have been preparing for this moment since my redshirt freshman year."

Following a McSorley pick-

six that brought the Hawkeyes within three points of the Nittany Lions with 10 minutes to play, it was a kickoff that breathed life back into Penn State. In Week 1, it was a KJ Hamler 52-yard return with under two minutes. Last week it was a 94-yard Johnathan Thomas return which secured the victory. On Saturday it was a 67-yard Hamler return that resuscitated Penn State.

"When I see the time on the clock and I see we're down or we need a spark, I'm going to take my shot," he said. "I'm not really scared to do that."

There was even a crucial fourth-and-5 in the fourth quarter. After McSorley failed to find DeAndre Thompkins on third down at the Iowa 26 with 8:29 remaining and Penn State ahead by three, freshman Jake Pinegar had to trot on to attempt a 44-yard kick. The Iowa native connected to push the lead to six, a crucial element as Iowa was now in need

of a touchdown to win the game rather than a field goal.

But just as fans had seen before, the Nittany Lion defense needed a huge stand in the fourth quarter, and there was the opposing offense easily marching down the field when it mattered most. A struggling Nate Stanley and Noah Fant suddenly had found the answer to solving Penn State's secondary. Twelve plays and 72 yards later, the Hawkeyes found themselves at the Nittany Lions' three-yard line with 3:24 to play and a fresh set of downs.

Would this be Brian Lewerke to Felton Davis III deja vu, or an Amani Oruwariye game-sealing interception against Appalachian State?

Safety Nick Scott opted for the latter with his second interception of the season, and Penn State was finally able to close out an opponent.

"You never want to be in a really tight game, but at the same

time, I love it," Scott said. "I love the atmosphere. I love going out there and feeling like you have something to prove."

The icing on the cake of this symbolic game was a mini post-game press conference tirade from Franklin when asked about how important this win was to saving his team's season.

"It's not that dramatic," Franklin said. "We're 1-0. When you guys [the media] do that, it's unbelievable to me. How much does this breathe life into [us]? We're 1-0. We're excited about it. We were 1-0 last week, we're 1-0 again. That's it. We're happy to be 1-0. I don't want to get myself in trouble."

But if Franklin is being honest with himself, the gut-wrenching win may just have saved his season from going completely off the rails.

Six points over Iowa may in fact be the difference between a disappointing 7-5 season or a satisfactory 10-2 performance with a New Year's bowl game.

If only Franklin truly knew just what he was getting into this season when he said after the Appalachian State game, "I started the game at 46 years old. I ended it at 51."

Regardless, it's back to the drawing board for the only game on Penn State's schedule — Michigan.

After all, Franklin has a lot of "little things" that need cleaned up before the Nittany Lions become elite.

"I am going to focus on the positives," Franklin said. "We got a great win against a great opponent. There's plenty of stuff to clean up, we're going to need to get it cleaned up, but we are going to enjoy this game for a few hours and then we will get back to work tomorrow."

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**Daniel Gonzalez (22)** dribbles through traffic at Jeffrey Field against Rutgers on Sunday, Oct. 28. Penn State defeated Rutgers 2-0.

## Gonzalez, a catalyst off the bench

By Evan Patrick  
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

In his short time at Penn State, Daniel Gonzalez has already started to make a name for himself despite not having many chances to do so.

## MEN'S SOCCER

Gonzalez, a red-shirt sophomore from Costa Rica, walked last year as a freshman.

Since then, Gonzalez has only furthered his soccer career and value to Penn State, working his way up in practice and getting more and more playing time as a result.

Gonzalez played only a total of 87 minutes during his first year on the team. During those 87 minutes, he took a single shot in which found the back of the net for his first career goal.

This moment proved to be a glimpse into the future of his career as it demonstrated his ability to deliver even when only entering the game as a bench player.

Coming into his sophomore season, Gonzalez was seeing similar playing time to last year's campaign and was part of a midfield group which included captain Aaron Molloy and regular starters Austin Maloney and Callum Pritchatt.

He appeared in an early game against Bowling Green, but then didn't see the pitch for over a month, until he got the call for a mid-season nonconference matchup.

It was Gonzalez's work ethic

and commitment to the team that gave coach Jeff Cook an easy decision to start him in a game which Cook wanted to rest the regular starters.

Gonzalez's first start came against Stony Brook and he took the opportunity and ran with it.

Tallying two goals and an assist, Gonzalez, in just one game, tied for the then-team lead in goals scored and total points as well. But for Cook, Gonzalez's soccer prowess and hard work were nothing new.

"One of the things we talk about when you're not getting the chances to play that you think you deserve is to work hard and to perform well in training," Cook said. "Daniel has been a fantastic example of that and that's why he's earned his way into the team."

By Gonzalez's own admission, he was itching for a chance to prove what he had in game scenarios and not just practice.

"I was so hungry," Gonzalez said. "I hadn't played all season and I trained so hard, I wanted a chance and I got it and just took advantage of it."

Gonzalez's talent and impact off the bench is obvious at this point, but with an already established starting midfield, Gonzalez has only made one other start since his impressive performance against the Seawolves.

The San Jose, Costa Rica, native is keenly aware of the work he's put in and how despite that, not everyone can start.

"That's coach's decision," Gon-

zalez said. "I just try to show him what I've got and if he wants to put me as a starter then, I love it. We'll see."

Despite not starting regularly for the team, Gonzalez makes his presence felt with valuable minutes and by being a solid teammate.

"Daniel's been great. He's obviously been patient," Molloy said. "[He's been] working hard in practice, working hard in spring, coming back over the summer he got really fit and he wanted to see some minutes and he got his chance a couple of weeks ago scoring two goals."

Since then Gonzalez has seen increased appearances and minutes for the side, and has made the case to be one of Penn State's more skilled midfielders going forward this year and into the future.

"He's obviously made the coach's life a bit hard on who to pick for the team," Molloy said. "He's a great player, a great guy, so he's been good for the team."

In the two most recent games for the Nittany Lions against Detroit Mercy and Maryland, Gonzalez has come on as a substitute and made an impact despite not returning to the scoresheet.

Against Detroit Mercy, Gonzalez came on in the second half and created an immediate creative spark on the left wing, dribbling through the defense and creating chances for himself and the rest of the side.

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## Big Ten position preview: Guards

By Dylan Jacobs  
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

In today's day and age, college basketball teams live and die by the success of their guard play.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

Just take the last two champions as an example.

Villanova relied heavily on Jalen Brunson and Donte DiVincenzo down the stretch last season, while two years ago it was Joel Berry leading North Carolina to the title.

With scoring at an all-time high, the guards are the most often the ones supply the play-making for the offense.

There are some dangerous guards in the Big Ten that will cause problems for many teams.

### No 5. Jordan Poole, Michigan

Most people know Poole from one play — his game winning three-pointer in the NCAA Tournament to beat Houston and advance to the Sweet Sixteen.

But he's much more than a one-shot player.

He had 10 games with double-digit points even though he only averaged around 12 minutes per game.

Now that Muhammad-Ali Abdur-Rahkman is gone, Poole will take on an expanded role, looking to carry the Wolverines back to a long-NCAA Tournament run.

### No 4. Cassius Winston, Michigan State

One of the biggest areas of strength for Michigan State is its ability to spread the ball around.

Winston is the main catalyst of that.

The Detroit native led the Big Ten in assists with 241, which was also the eighth-best mark in the nation.

He also averaged 12.6 points per game while leading the conference in three-point percentage with 49.7 percent.

The Spartans lost talented players like Miles Bridges and Jaren Jackson Jr., so Winston will have to be the focal point of a dangers Michigan State team.

### No 3. Anthony Cowan, Maryland

Cowan is solid at basically everything.

In the Big Ten, he ranked in the top-10 in points with 15.8 per game, and top-5 in assists with 5.1. The junior was also selected for Big Ten All-Defensive Team.

If last year was evidence enough, he is a crucial part of Mark Turgeon's game plan as he led the conference in minutes with 37 per game. Maryland has NCAA Tournament aspirations once again this season and if they can reach that point, Cowan will be the one leading the way.

### No 2. Romeo Langford, Indiana

He hasn't even played a game yet, but the Indiana native has already put the Hoosiers back on the map.

The highly-touted recruit chose Indiana over Kansas and others, and will look to carry the offense.

He consistently averaged 30 points a game in last three years at New Albany High School in the Hoosier state.

Langford received numerous accolades throughout high school, including being a McDonald's All-American and Indiana Mr. Basketball. The hype surrounding him is warranted and Hoosier fans are counting on him to lead the program back to the top of college basketball.

### No 1. Carsen Edwards, Purdue

There was no other option for the top spot on this list.

The leading Big Ten Player of the Year and Naismith Award candidate, Edwards is a dangerous scorer, averaging 18.5 points per game last season.

He is deadly from beyond the arc, setting a school record last year with 97 three-pointers.

The Atascocita, Texas, native was dominant in the postseason, averaging over 20 points a game throughout the Big Ten and NCAA tournaments.

Edwards is one of the best players in the country and will be a tough challenge for anyone.

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**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
**★★★★** Your ability to move past obstacles will ease gives you a better grasp of a situation than you have had in a while. Follow your instincts, and you can't go wrong. Understand what needs to happen between you and someone close to you. Tonight: Make the first move, if need be.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
**★★★★** You barely have an opportunity to express your feelings with so much commotion going on around you. What you thought was a well-thought-through idea might prove to be otherwise. Take a hard look at what lies ahead. Take a leap of faith, and you'll land well. Tonight: Out late.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
**★★★★** You seem OK with focusing all of your attention on an important work-related matter. You might want some time to evaluate a situation that revolves around your daily life. Your instincts might not work as well as they usually do. Tonight: Could go till the wee hours.

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**★★★★** You might need to take a break and handle a personal matter differently. You are often more controlling than you realize when dealing with a child or a loved one. Make a point of loosening up, relaxing and getting into the moment. Tonight: Fun surrounds you.





Iowa wide receiver Nick Easley (84) sits on the field after missing a pass late in the game during the football game between No. 17 Penn State and No. 18 Iowa at Beaver Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 27. The Nittany Lions defeated the Hawkeyes, 30-24.

# HAWKEYE DOWN



Safety Nick Scott (4) prepares to recover the ball after Iowa tight end TJ Hockenson fumbles during the game against Iowa at Beaver Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 27.



Running back Miles Sanders (24) celebrates after the game against Iowa at Beaver Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 27.



Offensive lineman Connor McGovern (66) lifts quarterback Trace McSorley (9) after he scores a touchdown during the game against Iowa at Beaver Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 27.



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