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‘It’s going to take all 4 quarters’

Penn State looks to snap 7-game losing streak against Ohio State

By Lyle Alenstein
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

As the clock ticked down in the 2016 White Out, the Happy Valley faithful flooded the Beaver Stadium field.

Penn State had knocked off No. 2 Ohio State in a monumental moment in program history. The victory was its first win against a top-two opponent while being unranked since 1964.

“I’m just happy for our kids, I really am. Happy for our kids,” James Franklin said in his post-game interview with ESPN. “The kids, the former players, the letterman. This town has been through a lot. So this is the start of our healing process tonight, so couldn’t be prouder.”

Franklin was emotional post-game, hugging everyone in the nearby vicinity. He dedicated the win to his niece and nephew, who lost their dad the Tuesday leading up to the game.

The win held many firsts. It was the first victory over the Buckeyes since 2011, first ranked win under James Franklin, first win against a top-five team since 1999 against Arizona, first win against a top-two since 1990 and first win in Beaver Stadium against a team ranked that high since 1982 against No. 2 Nebraska.

“We were super confident going into that game,” former Penn State linebacker Brandon Bell said. “I think they were number two in the country. But you knew we hadn’t played our best ball just yet. And, you know, we had to get a chance to, we put everything together to knock off that number two team.”

The Nittany Lions hadn’t beaten the Buckeyes since 2011, but the squad knew not to let that diminish its hopes. Bell said the team was “teed up” in practice leading up to the game, and couldn’t wait to get going.

“It’s a good program, and we obviously respect them, but we play big-boy football too,” former Penn State safety Malik Golden said. “We look at them the same as we look at Michigan, Michigan State. We respect them, but we’re out there to beat them, just like they would want to beat us.”

When the team stepped out of



Collegian file photo

Penn State students storm the field after the Nittany Lions beat Ohio State 24-21 on Oct. 22, 2016 in Beaver Stadium. It still marks the last time Penn State has beaten Ohio State, and the only time in the last 12 matchups.

the tunnel for warmups, Golden said it was nothing but “laser focus.”

A crowd of 107,280 people decked in a sea of white washed over Beaver Stadium as the Happy Valley faithful filled in for the contest. The fans who piled in to cheer for the Nittany Lions ultimately played a huge difference in the matchup.

“Just electric. You know, it was a night game. I’ll never forget it,” Golden said. “It was packed, sold out. Guys just wanted it. Any Penn State home game is crazy, but the White Out, those night games, those big Ohio State Games — that win and that environment, was just a catalyst to what I think Penn State is.”

Penn State tries to look at all of its opponents the same, but sometimes that can be hard. Leading up to the bout against Ohio State, Bell said there wasn’t “extra motivation, but there was a layer of angst to it.”

“They think they’re hot stuff, they’re pretty confident, cocky dudes, and they’ll let you know it, hear it on the field,” Bell said. “So whenever you have guys like that, or teams like that, you always want to bring it, you know, try to shut them up.”

Adversity struck the 2016 squad early, as it trailed 12-0 late in the

second quarter, but quarterback Trace McSorley found wide receiver Chris Godwin as the seconds dwindled down to make the scoreboard read 12-7 going into the half.

“It was huge. We were going back and forth as far as defensively, we held them up for a good amount and then they wind up making some plays,” Bell said. “And it kind of felt like, ‘okay, we need points here.’ We need points because they were going to make their plays.”

From that point it became a back-and-forth game capped off by a blocked field goal return by Grant Haley for a game-winning touchdown. Golden and Haley were supposed to switch spots, but they called it off at the last second.

When Golden saw Haley bursting down the field, his immediate reaction was “what the f-k?”

“That kicker from Ohio State was super fast, but I just remember Grant just outrunning that kicker and scoring, and that place went crazy,” Golden said.

As the clock expired, so did the five-year drought of losing to the Buckeyes. The victory brought a storm to the field, and Golden said the moment was “something you come to Penn State for.”

“It was easily outside of the Big

Ten championship, probably one of the most memorable games and career games and wins of my career,” Golden said. “And it felt like one big family. You go to Penn State, you know how big Penn State football is, and it kind of just cultivated the whole community.”

It was a historic victory for the program, but it’s been eight years since Penn State has beaten Ohio State.

Whether it’s been getting completely outplayed, or having a few moments that could have flipped the script, the Nittany Lions haven’t caught a break. They know they need to play a complete game on Saturday.

“In past years, it’s been close. Obviously a play here, a play there,” offensive lineman Drew Shelton said. “It’s 10 guys doing it right, one guy doing it wrong. That’s how planes crash — small things.”

There’s certainly been noise for Penn State’s chances in this one. An argument can be made that this is Franklin’s best team in recent memory, and the hype is real — College GameDay, FOX’s Big Noon Kickoff and former Philadelphia Eagle Jason Kelce making his Happy Valley debut are a few things that will be present on Saturday.

Linebacker Kobe King said the

buzz is “a little bit more enhanced and the volume is a little bit more turned up.” While the external factors are certainly there, the team can’t focus on them. Franklin knows what is at stake, but is treating it like a normal week.

“It’s a big game, 1-0, last week was a big game,” Franklin said. “Wisconsin, USC was a big game. We recognize this is a big game. We’re focused on finding a way to get a W this week against a really good opponent that’s ranked highly like we are.”

Some players on the 2024 squad have never beaten the Buckeyes. Safety Jaylen Reed said he “can’t go four years without beating them” while defensive tackle Dvon J-Thomas said “it’d be an incredible feeling” to beat Ohio State in his last year.

The magnitude of this game is real. With Penn State ranked No. 3 and Ohio State No. 4 surrounded by national attention, both the 2016 and 2024 teams know that a victory for the Nittany Lions is within reach.

“Definitely can pull it off this year, man,” Bell said. And you know, it’s still going to take a volume effort. It’s going to take all four quarters, all three phases.”

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0	Cody Simon	LB/Sr.	18	Jaylen McClain	S/Fr.	42	Joe McGuire	P/So.	71	Josh Simmons	OL/Sr.
1	Davison Igbinosun	CB/Jr.	19	Nick McLarty	P/Fr.	43	John Ferlmann	SN/Sr.	72	Deontae Armstrong	OL/Fr.
1	Quinshon Judkins	RB/Jr.	19	Chad Ray	QB/Sr.	43	Dianté Griffin	CB/Jr.	73	Devonte Armstrong	OL/Fr.
2	Caleb Downs	S/So.	20	James Peoples	RB/Fr.	44	JT Tuimolou	DE/Sr.	74	Donovan Jackson	OL/Sr.
2	Emeka Egbuka	WR/Sr.	20	Arvell Reese	LB/So.	46	Jace Middleton	TE/Sr.	75	Carson Hinzman	OL/Jr.
2	Kourt Williams II	LB/Sr.	21	Jayden Bonsu	S/So.	46	Ryan Rudzinski	S/So.	76	Miles Walker	OL/So.
3	Lincoln Kienholz	QB/So.	22	Calvin Simpson-Hunt	CB/So.	48	Max Lomonico	SN/Sr.	77	Tegra Tshabola	OL/Jr.
3	Lorenzo Styles Jr.	CB/Sr.	23	Nolan Boudo	WR/So.	49	Patrick Gurd	TE/Sr.	80	Shawn Lodge	WR/Jr.
4	Jeremiah Smith	WR/Fr.	23	Garrett Stover	LB/Fr.	50	Alec DelSignore	LB/So.	81	Damarion Witten	WR/Fr.
5	Mylan Graham	WR/Fr.	24	Jermaine Mathews Jr.	CB/So.	51	Luke Montgomery	OL/So.	82	David Adolph	WR/Jr.
5	Aaron Scott Jr.	CB/Fr.	24	Sam Williams-Dixon	RB/Fr.	52	Joshua Mickens	DE/So.	83	Joop Mitchell	WR/Sr.
6	Sonny Styles	S/Jr.	26	Chase Brecht	RB/Jr.	53	Will Smith Jr.	DL/So.	84	Dorian Williams	WR/Fr.
7	Jordan Hancock	CB/Sr.	28	TC Caffey	RB/Jr.	54	Toby Wilson	OL/Sr.	85	Bennett Christian	TE/Jr.
8	Lathan Ransom	S/Sr.	28	Leroy Roker III	S/Fr.	55	Dominic Kirks	DE/Fr.	86	Maxence LeBlanc	TE/Fr.
9	Jayden Ballard	WR/Sr.	29	Glorien Gough	DB/So.	56	Seth McLaughlin	OL/Sr.	87	Reis Stocksdale	WR/Sr.
9	Malik Hartford	S/So.	30	Rashid SeSay	RB/Fr.	57	Jalen Pace	LB/Sr.	88	Gee Scott Jr.	TE/Sr.
10	Denzel Burke	CB/Sr.	32	TreVeyon Henderson	RB/Sr.	58	Ty Hamilton	DT/Sr.	89	Zak Herbstreit	TE/Sr.
10	Julian Sayin	QB/Fr.	32	Brenten “Inky” Jones	S/Jr.	58	Gabe VanSickle	OL/Fr.	89	Will Kacmarek	TE/Sr.
11	C.J. Hicks	LB/Jr.	33	Devin Brown	QB/Jr.	59	Ahmed Tounkara	DL/Fr.	90	Eric Mensah	DL/Fr.
11	Brandon Inniss	WR/So.	33	Jack Sawyer	DE/Sr.	60	Cade Casto	DL/Sr.	91	Tyleik Williams	DT/Sr.
12	Air Noland	QB/Fr.	34	Bukari Miles Jr.	CB/Fr.	61	Caden Davis	DE/So.	92	Caden Curry	DE/Jr.
12	Bryce West	CB/Fr.	34	Brennen Schramm	WR/So.	62	Joshua Padilla	OL/So.	93	Hero Kanu	DT/Fr.
13	Miles Lockhart	CB/Fr.	35	Payton Pierce	LB/Fr.	62	Bryce Prater	DL/Sr.	94	Jason Moore	DL/So.
13	Bryson Rodgers	WR/So.	35	Anthony Venneri	P/Jr.	63	Julian Goines-Jackson	OL/Jr.	95	Casey Magyar	K/Sr.
14	Kojo Antwi	WR/Fr.	36	Gabe Powers	LB/Jr.	64	Simon Lorentz	OL/Fr.	95	Tywone Malone Jr.	DT/Sr.
15	Jelani Thurman	TE/So.	37	Zach Hayes	LB/Fr.	65	Zen Michalski	OL/Sr.	96	Eddrick Houston	DE/Fr.
16	Mason Maggs`	QB/Jr.	38	Jayden Fielding	K/Jr.	66	Nate Riegler	LB/Fr.	96	Collin Johnson	SN/Sr.
16	Keenan Nelson Jr.	DB/Jr.	38	Eli Riggs	LB/Fr.	67	Austin Siereveld	OL/So.	97	Kenyatta Jackson Jr.	DE/Jr.
17	Mitchell Melton	LB/Sr.	39	Hadi Jawad	P/Sr.	68	George Fitzpatrick	OL/Jr.	98	Kayden McDonald	DL/So.
17	Carnell Tate	WR/So.	39	Joey Velazquez	LB/Sr.	69	Ian Moore	OL/Fr.	98	Austin Snyder	K/Sr.
18	Will Howard	QB/Sr.	41	Morrow Evans	SN/Fr.	70	Josh Fryar	OL/Sr.			

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2	Liam Clifford	WR/Jr.	19	Josiah Brown	WR/Fr.	44	Jaylen Harvey	DE/Fr.	76	Mason Carlan	OL/Sr.
2	Kevin Winston Jr.	S/Jr.	19	Jack Lambert	QB/Fr.	44	Tyler Warren	TE/Sr.	77	Sal Wormley	OL/Sr.
3	Julian Fleming	WR/Sr.	20	Mylachi Williams	DE/Fr.	45	Jackson Pryts	LB/So.	79	Addison Penn	OL/Sr.
3	Jalen Kimber	CB/Sr.	21	Vaboue Toure	S/Fr.	47	Will Patton	SN/Fr.	80	Mehki Flowers	WR/So.
4	Tyseer Denmark	WR/Fr.	23	Antoine Belgrave-Shorter	CB/Fr.	47	Aidan Probst	DE/Fr.	82	Ethan Black	WR/Fr.
4	A.J. Harris	CB/So.	24	Ta'Mere Robinson	LB/Fr.	48	Tyler Duzansky	SN/So.	83	Jake Spencer	WR/Sr.
5	Omari Evans	WR/Jr.	24	Corey Smith	RB/Fr.	49	Ben Chizmar	LB/Jr.	84	Peter Gonzalez	WR/Fr.
5	Cam Miller	CB/Jr.	25	Quinton Martin Jr.	RB/Fr.	50	Cooper Cousins	OL/Fr.	85	Luke Reynolds	TE/Fr.
6	Harrison Wallace III	WR/Jr.	26	Cam Wallace	RB/Fr.	50	Alonzo Ford Jr.	DT/Sr.	86	Jason Estrella	WR/Jr.
6	Zakee Wheatley	S/Jr.	27	Lamont Payne Jr.	CB/Fr.	51	Hakeem Beamon	DT/Sr.	86	Aaron Enterline	WR/Fr.
7	Kaden Saunders	WR/So.	28	Zane Durant	DT/Jr.	52	Dominic Rulli	OL/So.	87	Andrew Rappleyea	WR/Fr.
7	Zion Tracy	CB/So.	28	Karson Kiesewetter	QB/Fr.	53	Nick Dawkins	OL/Sr.	88	Jerry Cross	TE/So.
8	Tyler Johnson	WR/So.	29	Audavion Collins	CB/So.	54	Xavier Gilliam	DT/Fr.	88	Sam Siafa	DT/So.
8	DaKaari Nelson	S/Fr.	30	Amiel Davis	RB/So.	54	Ian Harvie	OL/So.	89	Finn Furmanek	TE/Fr.
9	Beau Pribula	QB/So.	30	Kari Jackson	LB/Fr.	55	Chimdy Onoh	OL/Fr.	90	Liam Andrews	DT/Fr.
10	Nick Singleton	RB/So.	31	Logan Cunningham	WR/So.	56	Joseph Mupoyi	DT/Fr.	91	Dvon J-Thomas	DT/Sr.
10	Dejuan Lane	S/Fr.	31	Kolin Dinkins	CB/So.	56	JB Nelson	OL/Sr.	91	Chase Meyer	K/Jr.
11	Abdul Carter	DE/Jr.	32	Keon Wylie	LB/So.	57	Donnie Harbour	OL/Fr.	92	Andrew Dufault	SN/Fr.
12	Anthony Ivey	WR/So.	33	Dani Dennis-Sutton	DE/Jr.	58	Kaleb Artis	DT/So.	92	Smith Vilbert	DE/Sr.
12	Jon Mitchell	CB/Fr.	34	Tyler Holzworth	RB/Jr.	60	Logan Bahn	OL/Fr.	93	Bobby Mears	DE/Fr.
13	Kaytron Allen	RB/Jr.	35	Blaise Sokach-Minnick	SN/So.	61	Liam Horan	OL/Fr.	93	Sander Sahaydak	K/Jr.
13	Tony Rojas	LB/So.	35	Tyler Armstead	CB/Fr.	63	Alex Birchmeier	OL/Fr.	94	Ryan Barker	K/Fr.
14	Tyrece Mills	S/Jr.	36	Zuriah Fisher	DE/Jr.	64	Eagan Boyer	OL/Fr.	94	De'Andre Cook	DT/Fr.
14	Jaxon Smolik	QB/Fr.	36	Feyisayo Oluleye	WR/Sr.	65	Jim Fitzgerald	OL/So.	95	Jordan Mayer	DE/Fr.
15	Drew Allar	QB/So.	37	Beckham Dee	LB/Fr.	66	Drew Shelton	OL/Jr.	95	Riley Thompson	P/Jr.
15	Amin Vanover	DE/Sr.	38	Winston Yates	LB/Fr.	67	Henry Boehme	OL/Fr.	96	Mitchell Groh	P/Jr.
16	Khalil Dinkins	TE/So.	39	Ty Blanding	DT/Fr.	68	Anthony Donkoh	OL/Fr.	97	T.A. Cunningham	DT/Fr.
16	Elliot Washington II	CB/Fr.	39	Jashaun Green	S/So.	70	Garrett Sexton	OL/Fr.	99	Coziah Izzard	DT/So.
17	Karson Kiesewetter	QB/Fr.	40	Anthony Specia	LB/Fr.	71	Vega Ioane	OL/So.	99	Gabriel Nwosu	P/So.
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‘ON THE SAME PAGE’

Penn State, Dvon J-Thomas ready to face No. 4 Ohio State on Saturday

By Lyle Alenstein
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

Dvon J-Thomas can be seen cruising around campus on a scooter on his way to class. J-Thomas said the Honda Motocompacto is a “great motive for transportation” and he’s “been using it a lot” going between classes.

While he’s enjoyed his new mode of transportation, the defensive tackle has not enjoyed the result in the last five seasons competing against Ohio State. Penn State is 0-5 during J-Thomas’ tenure in State College.

“What team wouldn’t use past experiences? But now the goal is just to stay even-keeled, not being too high, not being too low, because that could be your demise,” J-Thomas said. “Don’t get too emotional, or you get too high yourself, or too low in yourself, that could be detrimental, not only for yourself, but those around you.”

Former players like defensive tackle PJ Mustipher, safety Ji’Ayir Brown and quarterback Sean Clifford were all players who’ve previously carried the torch as a motivator.

The ex-Nittany Lions don’t have another opportunity to dethrone Ohio State, but J-Thomas does. He wants to win not only for the 2024 squad, but for his former teammates.

“Having the opportunity again, of course, to play a great team and to potentially win this game,” J-Thomas said. “It means the world, because it’s also for them, those wins, those losses they’ve had in the years past, they didn’t



Sienna Pinney/Collegian

Defensive tackle Dvon J-Thomas yells as he celebrates the win at the Penn State football game at USC on Oct. 12, 2024 in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. The Nittany Lions beat the Trojans 33-30.

deserve that. They put too much into this game and for them to fall short like that and leave here without a win. So this is truly for them.”

While every game against Ohio State has high stakes, the external noise around this year’s showdown is growing, not just because it’s a top-five matchup. ESPN’s College GameDay, FOX’s Big Nook Kickoff, former Philadelphia Eagles center Jason Kelce, CBS’s Josh Pate and the Cheez-It College Tailgate Experience will all be in attendance for the game.

With all the buzz around the contest, J-Thomas has had students in his classes ask him about the bout that lies ahead on Saturday.

“I’ll be in class, and I’ll get a couple questions. I try to not give too much away, but give them a little bit of confidence, like ‘yeah, bro, it’s gonna be a really good game,’” J-Thomas said. “So, that’s pretty much it. I’ll get a couple questions here and there every other day.”

Despite all the attention that’s come to Happy Valley, it’s still

“another week” in terms of how the team is preparing.

It’s not just the starters and veterans who are focused on the task at hand. The entire squad is locked in and ready to handle business, staying “on schedule” with its responsibilities for the week.

“Everybody’s on the same page, from the top down, everybody knows what needs to be done,” J-Thomas.

“Everybody knows the process in which, you know, we need to take to get there. And I think

that’s a big difference.”

Penn State hasn’t won since J-Thomas stepped on the field as a freshman. This weekend it’ll be his last shot, and wants the victory more than anyone.

“I mean, it’d be my first time beating O-State in six years,” J-Thomas said.

“So it’d be an incredible feeling. I hope they rush the field. It would just be a special feeling that I haven’t felt yet.”

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Safety Jaylen Reed runs with the ball after recovering it during the Penn State football game against Wisconsin at Camp Randall Stadium. The Nittany Lions beat the Badgers 28-13.

Reed ready to ‘make a statement’

By Lexie Linderman
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

After giving Penn State the lead against Wisconsin last Saturday on a pick-6, Jaylen Reed found his mother LaToyia Johnson in the stands and gave the ball to her. Unfortunately for Reed, he received an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty for the gesture, and the refs attempted to take the ball from Johnson.

Reed said postgame he would make sure his mother got that ball, and the safety confirmed Wednesday she did.

“She got it, she’s super happy,” Reed said. “They tried to go up there and take it from her, but she didn’t let them do it. I don’t know how it went down, she still got the ball though.”

The score and aftermath for Reed was just a microcosm of the electric year the senior safety has been putting together. He’s tallied two interceptions, four pass deflections, 1.5 sacks, 3.5 tackles for loss and 44 tackles through the Nittany Lions’ first seven games.

As a result of his monstrous production, James Franklin said Monday he feels Reed should be getting more national recognition

than he has been. Franklin said he’s “proud” of the senior and his development.

Reed, who was named a Senior Bowl Midseason All-American, shared his coach’s sentiment, calling himself “one of the best safeties in the country.”

“I’m starting to get (national attention),” Reed said. “I feel like it should be more, though. I feel like I’m one of the best safeties in the country. When you see what I’m putting on tape, what I’m putting on film, I feel like I am, and I’m gonna keep saying that.”

Although Reed has had an All-American start to his 2024 campaign, his toughest task lies ahead in Ohio State, which boasts one of the best receiving corps in the country. Reed said the Buckeyes’ receivers are “for sure” the best Penn State will see this season.

“They got a good group, you know, this a great group of receivers,” Reed said. “They make plays, they are flashy and they’re good, we’re gonna have to step up to the challenge. That’s what we’re here for, and that’s what we’re gonna do.”

The Buckeyes’ receiver room is led by true freshman Jeremiah Smith, who’s burst onto the

college football scene with 623 yards and eight touchdowns through Ohio State’s first seven games.

When asked what makes Smith so good, Reed kept his answer short and sweet, saying “he’s 6-foot-4, 220 (pounds) as a freshman.”

Reed said opportunities to play against guys like Smith are why he and others in the secondary decided to be Nittany Lions.

“That’s what we come to Penn State to play for,” Reed said. “Last year, we played against Marvin Harrison ... a guy like Jeremiah Smith, he’s young, but he’s talented at the same time. So just that’s what we come to Penn State for, to play against talented guys like this.”

Saturday will mark the fourth and likely final time Reed faces the Buckeyes in his career. So far, he and Penn State are winless, but Reed’s goal is to make sure that sentiment changes in 2024.

“I can’t go out four years without beating them,” Reed said. “I’m really ready to make a statement and win this game.”

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Allar practices after injury

By Avery Hill
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

Mother Nature turned the thermostat up in State College, replicating the vibe in Happy Valley leading up to Penn State’s game with Ohio State Saturday.

Three notable players went down with injury against Wisconsin — quarterback Drew Allar and tackle Anthony Donkoh were present at the media viewing session Wednesday, while defensive end Dani Dennis-Sutton was not.

Allar missed the second half against Wisconsin and has been called a “game-time decision” against Ohio State The Nittany Lion quarterback took the first rep in each drill and participated in a ball security drill where players dive as an assistant tries to strip the ball.

His effort was noted by Andy Kotelnicki, who implored others



Kate Hildebrand/Collegian

Drew Allar warms up before the Penn State football game against Wisconsin. Allar would leave the first half with a leg injury.

to step up and take reps.

“Drew’s getting ready for his second one,” Kotelnicki said. “Y’all haven’t taken one yet.”

Following his security work, Allar and the quarterbacks worked with the tight ends on red zone offense. His first throw was on point to the back of the pylon and into Tyler Warren’s hands, who tapped his feet on the grass before dragging them across the line.

Beau Pribula took his usual reps behind Allar.

Allar then led routes-on-air with the receivers, taking a quick dropback and hitting Harrison Wallace III deep as James Franklin screamed “beautiful ball.”

Allar didn’t return Saturday due to mobility concerns, and wasn’t forced to move around much at practice. He didn’t appear to limp either.

The quarterback and tight ends rotated through until Allar turned his back to the end zone for a few more reps going in.

Allar’s right tackle, Donkoh, participated in drills though he appeared limited.

The defensive ends operated like business as usual in Dennis-Sutton’s absence, going through drills with the sleds.

In one, they shedded the sled before tackling the tackle wheel. Defensive line coach Deion Barnes praised freshman defensive end Jaylen Harvey for one of his reps.

The linebackers got work with coach Dan Connor and Tom Allen overlooking. Connor wears the headset on gameday and showcased his vocality Wednesday, leading the linebackers through various drills.

Kobe King led the group off, and after an apparent misstep teammates held him accountable telling him to “wake up.”

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What to watch for: The heart-break will continue for Penn State on Saturday. Aided by a strong home-field advantage, the Nittany Lions will fight hard but ultimately come up short once more against the highly talented Buckeyes. Both teams will find success moving the ball, but Penn State is outmanned and will lose its first game of the season.

Score: OSU 31, Penn State 27

Lyle Alenstein



Alenstein

What to watch for: Penn State hasn’t beaten Ohio State since 2016, and the losing streak will continue in 2024. The Buckeyes have offensive weapons that don’t compare to what the Nittany Lions have seen yet.

Penn State should be able to hang in this one, but the play-makers on Ohio State’s offense are talented enough to make the plays needed to win a top-five showdown.

Score: OSU 27, Penn State 21

Avery Hill



Hill

What to watch for: Penn State loses its first game to the only team on its schedule favored via betting lines. Ohio State quarterback Will Howard isn’t as good as some of the Buckeyes’ previous quarterbacks, but Ohio State’s playmakers are as good as ever.

Penn State will shut down the Buckeyes’ run game, but the Buckeyes’ wide receivers are like nothing the Nittany Lions have seen this year.

Score: OSU 24, Penn State 20

Lexie Linderman



Linderman

What to watch for: Historically, Saturday’s game is one Penn State has no chance in. However, James Franklin and the Nittany Lions have shown resilience time and time again this season, and with Drew Allar’s status in question, they’ll do it again against No. 4 Ohio State. Penn State will snap its seven-game losing streak to the Buckeyes.

Score: Penn State 28, OSU 24

Guest Picker: Emily Kaplan

ESPN hockey reporter

What to watch for: If Penn



Kaplan

State continues to find creative ways to get Tyler Warren open, they’ll walk away with their first win over Ohio State in eight years. I also think Abdul Carter will be a big problem, exposing the Buckeyes offensive line with a massive day.

Score: Penn State 27, OSU 20

HIGH SCHOOL REUNION

Penn State tackle Drew Shelton and Ohio State quarterback Will Howard to reunite Saturday

By Lyle Alenstein
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

Drew Shelton played his first snaps at offensive line at Downingtown West High School in his sophomore year against perennial powerhouse Garnet Valley.

It was a few possessions into the game where Shelton noticed the leadership of his quarterback. That gunslinger leading the way was Will Howard, who brought a “calm” presence to the huddle.

“We hadn’t really got much going, just continuing to steady the

boat and continuing to, you know, not not get too high, not get too low,” Shelton said. “Just being calm and collected and knowing that it’s all gonna work out. So that’s the kind of leader he is. That’s the kind of guy he is.”

Shelton and Howard grew up spending a lot of time together during their youth sports days. Whether it was football, basketball or baseball, a lot of time was spent on a playing field sweating it out together.

Now removed from playing alongside each other, the two will go head-to-head on Saturday

as Howard leads the offense for Ohio State, having transferred to the Buckeyes after spending four years at Kansas State.

“He’s a great guy. Good leader, keeps the guys on track, everything like that,” Shelton said. “It’s been exciting to see what he’s been able to do throughout his college career — excellent football player, and it’s gonna be fun to see him on Saturday.”

In his solo season at Ohio State, Howard has been dealing, going 134-for-181 on passing attempts for 1,795 yards for 17 touchdowns and four interceptions. He has added 41 carries for 91 yards and five scores on the ground.

The Buckeyes are off to a hot start in 2024, boasting a 6-1 record with the lone loss to No. 1 Oregon. James Franklin knows the challenges that will be presented with Howard manning the offense, highlighting him in his Monday press conference.

“(Will Howard is) playing really good football for them,” Franklin said. “Touchdown-interception ratio, QBR, all those things, doing some really good things.”

The Downingtown, Pennsylvania, native will have a “bunch of support” from his friends and family when he touches turf inside Beaver Stadium.

The game for Howard is personal. As a young kid he had dreams of suiting up in the blue



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Left tackle Drew Shelton stands with teammates at the Military Appreciation Game against Kent State.

and white and competing in front of a crowd of 110,000 at the helm of the offense.

But that didn’t happen. He never received an offer from the Nittany Lions and started his career playing for Kansas State. Now he’s going to clash against the team he cheered for as a youngster with an agenda set.

“I’m stoked. I cannot wait. It’s going to be a Homecoming for me,” Howard said. “Grew up a Penn State fan. I wanted to go there my whole life. They didn’t think I was good enough. I guess we’ll see next week if I was.”

Shelton and Howard haven’t

been in contact, though Shelton’s teammate’s have been asking the offensive lineman about what he brings to the table.

Shelton is looking forward to seeing the gunslinger, but knows that Penn State has to handle business on Saturday with Howard playing with a fire lit under him.

“He’s a good player,” Shelton said. “He’s calm, he’s composed, at least that’s what I remember of him. He’s gonna keep them on track.”

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Ohio State quarterback Will Howard throws pass against Nebraska during the second half of an NCAA college football game.

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Franklin focuses on consistency, ‘big game’

By Lexie Linderman
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

With the biggest game of Penn State’s season at stake, members of the media packed into Wednesday’s post-practice availability.

The noon game has drawn a lot of buzz and has prompted tons of criticism, especially given the circumstances of the contest. James Franklin weighed in on this debate and looked forward to a clash with No. 4 Ohio State.

Players have recognized the buzz going around campus ahead of Saturday. Wide receiver Har-

rison Wallace III said he “can’t wait,” though he and the team are staying focused.

Franklin often preaches blocking out the noise, but he too recognized it’s a “big game.”

“1-0, last week was a big game, Wisconsin, USC was a big game,” Franklin said. “We’re focused on finding a way to get a W this week against a really good opponent.”

Franklin was asked if the team’s doing more work this week to keep players focused compared to the other games — he didn’t point to anything different being done, but said Penn

State is staying consistent.

“Bowling Green was a big game,” Franklin said. “If you don’t think it was, lose to Bowling Green and see how people react. They’re all big games.”

Ohio State’s playmakers will be Penn State’s toughest task all year: Quinshon Judkins and TreVeyon Henderson are the Buckeyes’ star running backs. Henderson missed last year’s contest with injury but has played Penn State twice. Judkins transferred from Ole Miss this season and Franklin said he has the team’s “utmost respect and attention.”

“Big, strong, fast, explosive player who can run in between the tackles, but also can run the ball on the perimeter,” Franklin said. “(Judkins) has been productive in the two best conferences in all of college football.

There’s also Emeka Egbuka and star freshman Jeremiah Smith at wide receiver. The Nittany Lions are well familiar with Egbuka but not Smith. The two also have Penn State’s attention.

“You got one who’s a veteran, who’s been playing for a long time,” Franklin said. “(Smith was the) number one wide receiver in

the country (out of high school), number one player in the country, and since he’s arrived on campus, he’s backed it up.”

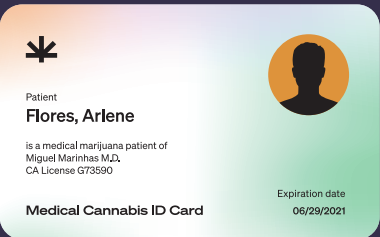
Through seven games, Smith’s up to 35 catches for 623 yards and eight touchdowns. The 6-foot-3 receiver has made tons of high-light-reel catches already, and had multiple Penn State players sing his praises. It’s apparent the Nittany Lions won’t be taking him, or any of Ohio State’s playmakers, lightly.

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GLOBAL IMPACT

International students discuss importance of election

By Annelise Hanson
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As the United States approaches a presidential election, international students at Penn State are reflecting on how political decisions impact not only Americans, but also the global community.

Parth Gosar, an international student from India, emphasized the influence American politics has on global issues.

"India is the largest democracy and America is the oldest, so there are parallels between the two systems," Gosar, a fourth-year studying computer science, said.

However, he noted differences in both countries' population size and political scale. Gosar said he was particularly struck by the formality in American political debates.

"When debates happen here, microphones are cut off to maintain order, and there's an effort to keep things more structured," Gosar said.

"In India, the political process feels more chaotic at times due

to the sheer number of people involved."

Parth also said he sees American political discourse through the lens of economic policy, highlighting issues like inflation and economic relief.

"Inflation is a problem in both countries, but the strategies differ. In the U.S., both Democrats and Republicans have plans that seem to target economic relief, with tax cuts from Republicans and startup support from Democrats, which I think would benefit both Americans and immigrants," Gosar said. "This is something that also resonates with me because small business support is crucial for the future."

For Roman Bahadursingh, an international student from Anguilla, civic engagement for international students in American politics is crucial, even for those who might not have direct voting rights.

"Anguilla has a population of just 8,000 people, and politics there is very personal. Politicians are accessible, and you often see them in your town center," Bahadursingh, a fourth-

year studying finance and economics, said. "Here in the U.S., everything happens through media and campaigns. It was an adjustment to see how distant the process can feel, but that's part of why I think international students should still get involved."

Bahadursingh said he believes even if international students are only temporary residents, their participation in university politics, discussions and leadership roles can have a lasting impact.

"I hear a lot of international students say that because they're going to return home after completing their degrees, they don't see the point in engaging with American politics," Bahadursingh said. "But I think that's a missed opportunity. Understanding how politics works here gives you leadership experience that can be valuable anywhere. Plus, if you're thinking about staying in the U.S. long-term, it's important to make your voice heard now."

Bahadursingh said he understands how international students might view the U.S. election process as a bit theatrical, especially compared to smaller nations like his own.

"In the U.S., the political landscape can seem performative at times, with debates turning into media spectacles," Bahadursingh said. "But it's still important to get involved, even if it's just to gain an understanding of how things work."

For many international students, U.S. politics is not just a matter of observation — it has a direct impact on their daily lives.

Oyindamola Sanni, an international student from Nigeria, said the political environment in the U.S. and Nigeria is simple, but there's differences in governance and corruption.

"Back home in Nigeria, the political system is very corrupt. There's a lot of embezzlement, and politicians often misuse public funds," Sanni, a first-year, majoring in computer science, said.

"The divide between rich and poor is huge, and it's frustrating to see how inflation makes life harder for the average citizen."

Sanni said that American politics, while not without its challenges, feels more structured and less chaotic than what she's used to.

"In Nigeria, elections can often be rigged, and protests break out frequently because of the way politics is tied to ethnic divisions," Sanni said. "Here in the U.S., it's divided between Republicans and Democrats, but it feels more organized, even if there are still a lot of tensions."

Sanni said she's concerned about immigration policies and their impacts on international students, particularly under certain administrations.

"For international students, immigration policies matter a lot, especially when leaders are anti-immigration," Sanni said. "The visa process can become more difficult when the rhetoric against immigrants becomes harsh, and that directly affects us."

Sanni said that while international students don't have the power to vote, they still have interest in U.S. policies.

"Most international students probably won't support certain candidates because of their stances on immigration," Sanni said. "We're here on visas, and the political atmosphere can make us feel insecure about our futures."

Gosar said that even without voting rights, the ability to observe and learn from the U.S. political system is valuable.

"Politics in America impacts the world," Gosar said. "As an international student, I see this as an opportunity to learn and understand a system that affects not only America but my home country as well."

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PA voter ID guide

By Annelise Hanson
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Whether presenting a driver's license, student ID or even a bill, here's what to know about valid voter IDs in Pennsylvania.

If you're a first-time voter or voting at a new polling place for the first time, you must show proof of identification — either photo or non-photo. Returning voters don't need to show identification unless otherwise noted in the poll book.

Acceptable photo IDs:

Pennsylvania driver's license or PennDOT ID card; ID issued by a commonwealth agency; ID issued by the U.S. government; U.S. passport; U.S. Armed Forces ID; Student ID; Employee ID

A non-photo identification that includes the voter's name and address is also acceptable.

Non-photo IDs (Must include name and address):

Voter registration card from County Voter Registration Office; Non-photo ID issued by the U.S. government or commonwealth agency; Firearm permit; Current utility bill; Current bank statement; Paycheck; Government check

Absentee and mail-in ballots (if no driver's license, ID card or Social Security number)

Must have a name, photo and current expiration date. Acceptable types include:

U.S. passport; U.S. military ID (indefinite expiration date allowed for active duty and retired military ID. Military dependents' IDs must be current); Employee photo ID from federal or Pennsylvania government; Student photo ID from accredited Pennsylvania institutions; Photo ID from Pennsylvania care facilities (e.g., long-term care, assisted living).



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Flags sit on the stage in Heritage Hall in the HUB-Robeson Center on Sept. 29, 2023 in University Park, Pa.

‘MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN’

Former President, Republican nominee Donald Trump hosts State College rally

By Annelise Hanson & Louise Bennett
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

Former president and 2024 presidential candidate Donald Trump spoke in front of a packed crowd at the Bryce Jordan Center in State College on Saturday. The rally united supporters with promises of economic recovery, energy independence and strict immigration policies as central pillars of his 2024 campaign.

The evening’s program was a blend of speeches, prayers and throwback songs, sought to evoke support in Pennsylvania, a state Trump deemed crucial to winning the upcoming election.

The event opened with a prayer led by a local pastor, calling for unity and patriotism — ideals echoed throughout the evening.

After a prayer was delivered by a local pastor, there was a call-and-response of the “We Are,” chant to which the crowd replied, “MAGA!”



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Former President and Republican nominee Donald Trump speaks to the crowd at the campaign rally at the Bryce Jordan Center on Oct. 26, 2024 in University Park, Pa.

lockdowns as a defining moment for students across the country, saying they “experienced the incredibly tyrannical lockdowns during COVID that came under Democrat control.”

According to Greene, these lockdowns curtailed freedoms and opportunities for many young people, including access to social activities, sports and

outdoor spaces like playgrounds and beaches.

She also highlighted concerns about national debt, crime and border security as central to Trump’s appeal to college-aged voters.

“We’re over \$35 trillion in debt (and have) the worst border security invasion in our nation’s history,” Greene said, citing the case of a Georgia college student who was killed by “a criminal, illegal alien.”

Approximately an hour and forty minutes after the scheduled start time of 4 p.m., Trump took the stage and criticized the current administration under President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris.

“We have the worst president in the history of our country, the worst vice president, a grossly incompetent person in the history of our country,” Trump said. “The fate of our nation is in your hands. We are going to win Pennsylvania, we are going to defeat Kamala Harris, and we are going to make America great again.”

Trump then tackled topics such as energy policy, vowing immediate reforms.

“The communist energy disaster stops the day I take office,” Trump said, promising energy independence and reduced prices within his first year if elected.

Speaking to manufacturing concerns, Trump pledged a corporate tax rate of 15% exclusively for companies that produce

domestically and hire American workers.

“The centerpiece of this plan will be a 15% Made in America corporate tax rate... only for those who make their product here in the USA and hire American workers for the job,” Trump said.

Public safety, a consistent theme in Trump’s address, was emphasized by criticisms of what he labeled lenient policies.

He then discussed his future plans for immigration policy if he wins the election.

“The United States has now become essentially an occupied country... there are tens of thousands of people, but it will soon be an occupied country no longer,” Trump said. “When I take office... we will put these vicious and bloodthirsty [gang members] in jail... These are some of the most violent gangs in the world.”

Ryan Klein, president of the Penn State College Republicans, said he attended the rally to “hear from our future president.”

“As a college student, I’m appalled at the direction of our country — with the border being wide open and the economy being in a poor condition that isn’t working for young people like us,” Klein, a fourth-year studying political science and history, said. “I’m voting for Trump to create a safer, more prosperous America.”

This year will be the first presidential general election Klein is old enough to vote in.

Mia Humphreys, chief of staff

for the Penn State College Republicans, said she came to the rally because she’s always been conservative and values the Republican party.

“I really wanted a chance to see former President Trump in person to hear what he had to say regarding policies and how he thinks our country is going,” Humphreys, a first-year studying political science, said.

Humphreys also regarded the economy as one of her biggest policy issues.

“I am voting for Trump this November because I want to be able to live in an economy where I can have a family and raise kids affordably,” Humphreys said.

Maddox Shutt, an 18-year-old recent graduate from Snow Shoe, never attended a Trump rally before Saturday but agreed with Trump on “all his policies.”

“We need change in this country,” Shutt said. “Look around. You see the health, the economy, the way we are living, the people struggling.”

Although Shutt just graduated, he said making ends meet isn’t always easy.

“I work three jobs,” Shutt said. “I am just trying to make a living here, and it’s hard. So, I try to come out and show my support.”

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A man holds flags and posters while waiting in line for the doors to open at Donald Trump’s rally at the Bryce Jordan Center.

Party to the polls

By Evan Smith
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

Have you ever been to a rap concert at noon? Neither had Cordae until he performed “Party to the Polls Purple Tour” at Champs Downtown on Monday.

“A noon show on a Monday is weird – I’ve never done this before,” Cordae said. “Y’all should be home studying or something.”

Champs’ usual array of refreshments was swapped out for tables of coffee and HOP WTR.

Event organizers stood outside with a crew of saxophone players to recruit voters while the performances began inside. A crowd of students and older community members attempted to wake up together after the doors to the bar opened.

audience to get the energy in the bar up. He danced around to “Have Mercy” before sitting on the edge of the stage, amid the crowd, singing into selfie cameras and interacting with fans.

Cordae took it a step further, asking the crowd if any of them were day one fans as he prepared to sing “Kung Fu” off of “YBN: The Mixtape.” He hopped off the stage and sang among the crowd throughout the first verse and chorus.

He then sang an unreleased title off his upcoming album “The Crossroads.” He asked the crowd to put their phones away and not leak the track.

A few words into the song, Cordae noticed a fan filming and stopped the song.

“Put it away – I asked y’all nicely,” Cordae said to the fan. “Let’s restart it. Yes, I’m petty.”

The second time around, the intimate crowd enjoyed the exclusive live debut.

The set ended with a series of hits in “Sinister,” “Broke As F—” and “RNP,” leaving the crowd wanting more at the end of the 30-minute performance.

After the show, Cordae left the stage before visitors could chant for an encore and the organizer rounded up everyone in the building.

Led by dancers, speakers and live musicians, the event lived up to its name as the group took the “Party to the Polls” and walked to the Kunkle Activities Center where a few people cast their early vote.

Back outside of Champs, Cordae stood for half an hour to greet fans and take pictures with those in attendance.

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Protesters gather outside the Bryce Jordan Center to protest Milo Yiannopoulos on Oct. 28, 2024, in University Park, Pa.

Protesters oppose Yiannopoulos

By Tyler Nolt & Jonathan Chiu
THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

In response to Uncensored America’s event hosting Milo Yiannopoulos and Martin Shkreli, about 30 individuals organized outside of the Bryce Jordan Center to protest Monday evening.

The protest was co-organized by the Student Committee for Defense and Solidarity (SCDS) and the People’s Defense Front - Northern Appalachia.

While the doors to the event didn’t open until 7 p.m., protesters gathered at 6 p.m. and stayed for around three and a half hours.

Banners read “Fight for our community” and “Shame on you” amongst many other signs.

Chants from the protesters included “No Milo, no KKK, no fascists in PA,” “Dare to struggle, dare to win, make racists afraid again” and “Fight back, shut it down, run Milo out of town.”

Protesters stood in a line outside the BJC entrance so event attendees would have to walk past them. When this occurred, the volume of their chants increased, and the word “shame” was used frequently.

At one point, there were eight police officers positioned outside of the BJC, standing in front of the protesters to ensure that those who wanted to enter the building could get inside.

“We find that the types of things that Milo Yiannopoulos says at these events across college campuses are incredibly hateful,” Andrew, a media spokesperson for the SCDS who wishes to remain anonymous for safety concerns, said. “Our goal is to make it clear that it’s not okay to support the types of racist, homophobic, sexist, anti-queer rhetoric that Milo (and) Mr. Shkreli participate in.”

Andrew also commented on other frustrations Penn State students experienced as a result of Yiannopoulos and Shkreli coming to campus.

“It’s really frustrating that our tuition dollars are going to fund this,” Andrew said. “It’s even more frustrating that he’s coming to the BJC – a place where we host THON for cancer patients... and we host someone who’s doing such hateful rhetoric.”

Ace Embers, a protester, said they weren’t only protesting Yiannopoulos and Shkreli, but Penn State for bringing people to campus who spread hate.

“We just want to discourage

people from going to the event. The more people who go to the event, the more people who hear Milo and his ideas, and the more people are going to be influenced by that hatred,” Embers, a fourth-year studying nuclear engineering, said. “It’s not just a matter of ‘oh, I don’t think being gay is right.’ It’s a matter of life and death for a lot of people. My friend got murdered by transphobic people, and a lot more of that is gonna happen the more people get influenced by hate.”

Austin Cummings, a bystander at the protest, said he would’ve rather attended the event as a “heckler,” but didn’t want to get yelled at by the crowd of protesters.

“I don’t know how effective it is, but that’s kind of how I feel about a lot of protests in general,” Cummings, a postdoctoral scholar in astrophysics, said. “Everyone here who lives in Pennsylvania, their vote is worth so much more than just about anyone else in the country right now. So if they’re not voting, they are completely throwing away the actual power they do have.”

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Protesters march to the Bryce Jordan Center to protest former President Donald Trump’s appearance on campus.



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United States Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez campaigns for Kamala Harris and Tim Walz in the State Theatre. Ocasio-Cortez represents New York’s 14th congressional district.

STATE COLLEGE BECOMES POLITICAL BATTLEGROUND



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Kash Patel, former chief of staff to the Secretary of Defense, campaigns for Donald Trump at the Team Trump Bus Tour.



Alexandra Antoniono/Collegian

State Rep. Paul Takac speaks at the Driving Forward Blue Wall Bus Tour outside Medlar Field at Lubrano Park.



Alexandra Antoniono/Collegian

Former President Donald Trump speaks at a rally in the Bryce Jordan Center. Trump also invited members of the Penn State wrestling team to join him on stage.



Alexandra Antoniono/Collegian

New Mexico Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham speaks to a crowd outside Medlar Field at Lubrano Park during the Driving Forward Blue Wall Bus Tour. Grisham was joined by fellow Govs. Josh Shapiro, Tony Evers, Gretchen Witmer and Janet Mills to campaign for Kamala Harris.



Kate Hildebrand/Collegian

Monica Crowley, former assistant secretary of the Treasury for Public Affairs, speaks to a crowd during the Team Trump Bus Tour outside Medlar Field at Lubrano Park. Crowley was accompanied by Abel Maldonado, Jondavid Longo and Kash Patel to campaign for former President Donald Trump.



Sienna Pinney/Collegian

United States Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez speaks to an audience outside the State Theatre before campaigning for Kamala Harris and Tim Walz in State College, Pa.



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Abel Maldonado, former lieutenant governor of California, stands in front of the bus at the Team Trump Bus Tour outside Medlar Field at Lubrano Park.

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ABORTION Ban or legal?	Legal. “Every woman should have the right to make decisions about her own body.” “This fight is about freedom.” With Biden, strengthened abortion pill access and abortion patient protections, overturned Trump Planned Parenthood federal funding ban. Would sign national abortion rights bill if Congress passed.	Ban. “After 50 years of failure, I was able to kill Roe v. Wade.” Did so by appointing three anti-abortion Supreme Court Justices. It was “a miracle.” States should decide for themselves, potentially monitoring women’s pregnancies and prosecuting women for getting abortions. Abortion is “really not that big of an issue.”
CLIMATE CHANGE Should climate change be a top priority?	Yes. We’re seeing the climate crisis “every day...in real time.” “We must do more.” Cast the deciding vote to commit \$369 billion to climate and clean energy, the biggest investment in US history. Supported \$1.2 trillion in infrastructure; includes reducing greenhouse gas emissions. No longer would ban hydraulic fracking.	No. Climate change is a “hoax.” The world will “start getting cooler.” Withdrew from the Paris climate pact. Will expand coal and oil production. “I want to drill, baby, drill.” Asked oil and gas executives to donate \$1 billion so he could reverse Biden’s climate initiatives.
CRIMINAL JUSTICE How to ensure effectiveness and fairness in law enforcement?	Police are dedicated public servants. As a prosecutor increased felony convictions by one third. But “public safety requires community trust.” Has supported better training, banning choke holds, and prosecuting police misconduct.	Police are “under siege.” Cut back active federal oversight of excess force, though supported a database to track it. Admires Chinese approach of quick trials and a death penalty for drug dealers so there will be a “zero drug problem.”
ECONOMY How to improve the economy and make daily life more affordable.	Expand child tax credit. Give tax credits for affordable housing builders and subsidize first-time home buyers. Restrict price gouging on groceries and lower drug costs by negotiating prices. Supported bipartisan infrastructure bill.	Increase taxes (tariffs) on imported goods. Cut housing demand with mass deportations. To lower prices, would deregulate businesses, rein in “wasteful federal spending” and unleash American energy. Opposed infrastructure bill.
EDUCATION Limit teaching about racism and gender identity?	No. In Florida “extremists... passed a law, ‘Don’t Say Gay,’ trying to instill fear in our teachers.” Now, “they want to replace history with lies,” teaching “that enslaved people benefited from slavery.” Children should be “taught the truth.”	Yes. Certify teachers who “embrace patriotic values.” Would “cut federal funding” for any school “pushing critical race theory, gender ideology.” Restricted diversity training for federal employees and contractors.
ELECTIONS Did Joe Biden win the 2020 Presidential election?	Yes. “The [election] results were certified by state after state and reaffirmed by court after court.” “On January 6, we all saw what our nation would look like if the forces who seek to dismantle our democracy are successful.”	No. Called the election a “Big Lie” and a “Massive Fraud” that would justify “termination” of parts of Constitution. Called those who stormed U.S. Capitol “unbelievable patriots.” Would pardon them fully.
GUN LAWS Loosen or tighten gun regulations?	Tighten. “Every person deserves the freedom to live safe from gun violence.” Supported the bipartisan gun safety bill and required background checks for gun show & online sales.	Loosen. To NRA, “no one will lay a finger on your firearms.” Plans to roll back Biden gun restrictions. Reversed Obama-era background checks for those with mental illnesses.
HEALTHCARE Repeal or expand the Affordable Care Act (ACA), also known as Obamacare?	Expand. “Health care is a right, not a privilege.” Cast a tie-breaking Senate vote to expand ACA & lower Medicare drug prices, including a \$35 monthly insulin cost. Would link drug costs to costs that comparable wealthy nations pay.	Repeal. “Terminate.” “Obamacare is a catastrophe.” As President, promised to replace it with “something terrific,” but repeal failed in the Senate by one vote. Supported an unsuccessful lawsuit to overturn it.

ISSUES	HARRIS (D)	TRUMP (R)
IMMIGRATION How to handle immigration? Support a path to citizenship for “DACA” participants brought to the US as children?	Supports “comprehensive immigration reform.” Backed the bipartisan Senate border security bill. Rejects mass deportation of undocumented immigrants. “We are a nation of immigrants.... let us all address [the issue] with the urgency and seriousness it requires.” Supports pathways to citizenship for DACA participants and undocumented spouses of citizens.	Illegal immigrants are “poisoning the blood of our country.” Will use the National Guard and local police, with possible detention camps, to deport 15 to 20 million illegal immigrants. Opposed the bipartisan Senate immigration bill. Tried to end DACA; Supreme Court overruled. Would renew his Muslim ban and end automatic citizenship for everyone born in US
ISRAEL/GAZA Response to Israel’s invasion of Gaza following October Hamas attack?	“We need” a cease-fire & a two-state solution. “Israel has a right to defend itself.” But “too many innocent Palestinians have been killed... Civilian suffering... [is] devastating.” Palestinians and Israelis both “are entitled to security.”	Has supported Israeli action, “get the job done.” Says Israel releasing images of bombed Gaza buildings loses “the PR war.” Gaza protesters are “raging lunatics and Hamas sympathizers.” Would deport student protesters.
LABOR Make it easier or harder for unions to organize?	Easier. “Unions built” the American middle class. “We are fighting to protect the sacred right to organize.” Backs pro-union laws. Walked UAW picket line. Build “an economy where every person, not just the wealthy,” can thrive.	Harder. Made it harder for unions to organize. Restricted federal employee collective bargaining. Praised employers who fire striking workers: “They go on strike...and you say... ‘You’re all gone.’” Striking Auto Workers were “sold down the river by their leadership.”
LGBTQ RIGHTS Limit or expand LGBTQ rights?	Expand. In 2004, officiated some of the nation’s first same-sex marriages. Helped repeal California’s anti-gay marriage initiative. Biden administration protected LGBTQ medical patients from discrimination.	Limit. Weakened an Obama order protecting LGBTQ federal contractors from discrimination. Banned transgender military servicemembers and ended anti-discrimination protections for transgender patients.
MARIJUANA Ban or legal?	Legal. “Nobody should have to go to jail for smoking weed.” Legalize and regulate. Supports Biden’s easing federal prohibition.	Unclear. It does “significant damage.” Reversed Obama rule to not prosecute in states where legal, but ultimately didn’t prosecute.
MINIMUM WAGE Raise federal minimum from \$7.25 an hour?	Yes. Supports Congress raising the national minimum wage to \$15. Biden administration raised to \$15 for federal contractors.	No. A \$15 minimum wage would “eliminate jobs.” Threatened to veto. Questioned need for a federal minimum wage: let the states decide.
SOCIAL SECURITY Cut Social Security or raise retirement age to stabilize program?	No. Would protect and stabilize Social Security by making wealthier Americans pay into Social Security at the same rate as everyone else; they’d keep paying in above their current \$168,600/year income cap.	Mostly yes. There’s “a lot you can do in... cutting.” Also flags bad management. Proposed \$35 billion cuts in Social Security disability programs. But “will never do anything” to “hurt Social Security.”
STUDENT FINANCIAL AID Support lowering interest on student loans and/or forgiving them?	Yes. Supported Biden forgiving \$144 billion for over 4 million borrowers, after the Supreme Court blocked the Biden-Harris \$430 billion forgiveness plan.	No. Called student loan forgiveness “unfair” to those not attending college. Vetoed forgiving loans of defrauded students. Proposed cutting support programs for student borrowers.
TAXES Raise or lower taxes on the wealthy and corporations?	Raise. Voted against Trump tax cuts, which included the largest corporate cut in US history. Supported increasing corporate tax rates. To boost teacher salaries, proposed raising estate taxes on the very wealthy.	Lower. His 2017 tax cut included the largest corporate cuts in US history and major tax cuts for the wealthy. Would extend and expand when they expire in 2025. Raising business taxes “will lead to the destruction of your jobs.”
UKRAINE/RUSSIA Support defending Ukraine against Russian invasion?	Yes. “Regarding Putin’s unprovoked, unjustified war against Ukraine... we are committed to... defend democratic values and stand up to dictators.”	Mostly no. To end the war, will push Ukraine to give up territory to Russia. Russia should “do whatever the hell they want” to NATO countries that don’t pay enough.
VOTING RULES Make voting harder or easier?	Easier. Pass bills to protect voting rights and make voting and registration easier. Biden administration directed federal agencies to help people register.	Harder. Has long supported stronger voter ID requirements. Sued to bar ballot drop boxes. Encouraged Republicans to vote early but said early ballots “get lost” or are “phony.”

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Penn State’s challenge with controversial speakers

OUR VIEW

Penn State has an opportunity to demonstrate a balanced approach that upholds free expression while actively addressing its impact on the student body.

Penn State’s approach to hosting controversial and divisive speakers has sparked complex debates — those that weigh the university’s commitment to free speech against concerns for student safety, inclusivity and the responsible use of student fees.

While the First Amendment protects a wide range of perspectives, there’s a critical difference between exercising that right to promote dialogue and leveraging it to elevate voices that often cause harm.

Ideally, exposure to differing viewpoints would enrich students’ academic experience, challenging them to engage with new ideas. In reality, however, bringing in figures known for inflammatory rhetoric can shift the environment from one of constructive debate to one of heightened tension, particularly for marginalized communities who may feel directly targeted by these speakers’ messages.

The use of student funds to

support these events also requires closer examination and a more transparent approach. In the case of the University Park Allocation Committee’s decision to allocate \$15,990.26 to fund Milo Yiannopoulos and Martin Shkreli’s event Monday evening, students are questioning why their mandatory fees are supporting speakers that spread hateful rhetoric.

Penn State should provide a solution by establishing detailed, publicly accessible criteria for allocating funds to student organizations that wish to host events. This might include stipulations that funding decisions should be accompanied by

explanations addressing the educational value and potential campus impact of the event.

Additionally, there should be clearer communication from UPAC and Penn State administration regarding the rationale behind these funding choices, particularly when using mandatory student fees. Without transparency, it’s understandable why students feel frustrated and, at times, alienated, seeing their student fee money being used to fund events that they may find deeply offensive or misaligned with campus values.

The implications of such events also reach beyond the

speakers themselves, impacting day-to-day campus life.

Protests, counter-events and increased security measures can disrupt the routines of students who may have no interest in the event or may feel uneasy about the heightened presence of law enforcement.

Social media only compounds this tension, with harassment, doxxing and threats becoming commonplace reactions to campus controversies. To mitigate these disruptions, Penn State could explore alternative venues for high-profile events — locations away from academic spaces where protests and police presence are less likely

to disrupt regular campus activities.

Penn State has an opportunity to demonstrate a balanced approach that upholds free expression while actively addressing its impact on the student body.

The university should be a place where diverse ideas are engaged constructively, not through hostile confrontations.

While the commitment to open dialogue is fundamental to any university, fostering a campus environment where all students feel safe and valued should be equally prioritized.

Balancing these elements requires a detailed approach that goes beyond simply providing a platform to controversial voices. The university can set a standard for responsible speech that promotes learning without compromising the well-being of its community, making clear that Penn State stands for both free expression and the inclusivity its students expect.



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MY VIEW | ETHAN CAPITANO

I went to the Trump Rally as a liberal

When I learned Donald Trump planned to visit State College for a rally in the Bryce Jordan Center last Saturday, I thought, “Lord, have mercy.”

In a swing state and county, I feared the crowd he’d draw, his lies cleverly hidden behind rhetorical pandering and the almost inevitable bigotry he’d spread to students and members of Centre County.

My past columns centered on my complaints about letting such speakers come to campus and the threats they pose to certain communities at the university.

I could use this article as an opportunity to again voice this concern about the school’s decision to let Trump campaign on campus, but I won’t, because I attended this rally — not to show support, but to experience Trump’s rhetoric for myself and understand how so many look past and justify his hate.

As more individuals, Kamala Harris included, begin to accurately conceptualize Trump as a fascist, it finally feels like

Americans are recognizing Trump as un-American and a threat to democracy.

I believe Trump doesn’t have the United States’ best interest in mind with his agenda, nor does his idea of America truly consider marginalized communities or the left’s values.

Rather, Trump is using his cult of personality to propel himself into office to absolve his past crimes and establish a lasting influence in this country — one primarily sculpted by the Heritage Foundation.

With this thought in mind, I’m afraid of how another Trump presidency could impact this country. While many claim nothing substantial would change, I truly have a hard time believing that’s so.

At his rally, I witnessed an emphasis on religion that exceeds the separation of church and state, the denial of science, blatant xenophobia, nationalism that seemingly protects Trump, and the scariest of all — a crowd with unwavering support.

Trump seemingly looks out for those who feel forgotten or villainized by the Democrats and reject the supposed status quo. While one may dismiss his following as foolish or cult-like, they have the power to swing

the election in his favor — especially in Pennsylvania.

Much feels at stake in this election, but the United States’ democracy, legitimacy and ethos feel especially at risk. If I asked some of the Trump supporters at the rally last Saturday, I’m sure they’d say the same.

Trump’s rhetoric largely relies on conspiracy and fear-mongering aimed at dividing the American people.

In his speeches, he claims the media is fake, the Democrats are corrupt cheaters and that he’s under attack for speaking the “truth.”

One can easily interchange “Trump” with “United States” in these contexts because that’s ultimately what Trump aims to protect — a United States run by himself.

Up until this rally, never in my life has it felt wrong to say the Pledge of Allegiance; but, in the BJC that day, I couldn’t bring myself to do it.

The discomfort I felt at that moment, which I’m sure pales in comparison to those with differing identities from myself, made me better realize the Trump campaign’s reality.

The vision of America that many expressed their allegiance to that day hid intoler-

ance, hate and white Christian nationalism behind blind patriotism, state’s rights, an “us vs. them” mentality and hollow promises for economic improvement.

Although I left the State College rally skeptical of Trump’s ability to win, I became aware that the odds may favor him more than I’d like to admit.

With only a few days left in the race, I remind myself that Trump, as unserious as he may seem, is dangerous and can change the United States for the foreseeable future.

However, I also remind myself that the Republican Party has drastically changed since Trump entered it and pushed it to ideological extremes.

This election is important; a Kamala Harris victory will hopefully restore the Republican Party and Trump supporters to a more moderate state, as Trump said he doesn’t see himself running for president again if he loses.

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From player to coach

Penn State Director of Player Development Tay Valladay's path from point guard to coach

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After two seasons each at Marquette and Virginia, Chicago native Tay Valladay came to Penn State for a fresh start in her graduate year.

Starting 15 games for the Lady Lions, Valladay showed her leadership early and gave coach Carolyn Kieger a glimpse of what she could do as a leader, and possibly as a coach, in the future.

"(Tay) did a good job of channeling her competitiveness, and obviously she always led by example," Kieger said at Penn State's local media day. "She played all out every possession, but she was such a confident presence on the floor."

Valladay had a career-best season at Penn State, averaging 11.5 points per game while shooting 56.5% from the field and 52.6% from behind the arc.

"Tay was such a great leader for us last year," graduate guard Alli Campbell said. "She just set the tone on and off the court, and she was great at holding herself and others accountable."

After a successful start to the season and Penn State's 15-5 record, Valladay suffered a knee injury in the second quarter against Minnesota.

"It was catastrophic for her as a human being, so just trying to be there to support her and help her through it (was important)," Kieger said.

Less than two weeks later, Valladay announced the end of her collegiate career via Insta-



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Tay Valladay gets ready to inbound the ball during the Penn State women's basketball game against Michigan State inside the Bryce Jordan Center on Dec. 30, 2023.

gram after tearing her ACL and meniscus against the Golden Gophers.

"I was just in a different head space, in terms of not really thinking what's next," Valladay said. "I was just kind of stuck in limbo."

From there, the Lady Lions lost their next six games, getting outscored by 11.83 points per game without one of their leaders.

"It's pretty hard to put into words what Tay has meant to this program and to our identity as a team," Kieger said after the team's first loss following Valladay's injury.

Despite spending the rest of the season on the bench, Valladay continued to be a vocal leader, helping the team come back and

fight its way to the semifinals of the WBIT.

"I think she did a really good job continuing to be a voice at practice, in the huddles, in the midst of her doing her rehab, in the midst of surgery, in the midst of recovery," Kieger said. "She's just really grown as a human, and she's grown as a leader."

Just two months after the end of the season, Valladay was announced as the newest director of player development, meaning her stay in Happy Valley wasn't over.

"Coach Kieger definitely had my back, and she was willing to do whatever it took for me to be able to still stay around basketball while rehabbing and get myself back rolling," Valladay said.

"She's always told me that she thinks I'll be a really good coach."

Bringing in nine new faces, the Lady Lions knew there would be obstacles during the offseason, but Valladay's experiences helped alleviate some of the struggles.

"She was a transfer herself. She transferred to two different schools, so she knows what it's like to go through that transitional phase," Kieger said.

With only one of the new members having any experience in Power Five play, an adjustment in mentality and playing style was needed.

"(Tay) knows what it takes to play for me to be successful," Kieger said. "She knows what my expectations are."

The four returners from last season are excited for Valladay's renewed role in Happy Valley.

"She's back and better, and we still hear her voice everyday on the sidelines, and I'm excited for her to start jumping in some drills," Campbell said. "It was just so fun playing with her last year, and we're happy to have her back again as a leader off the court as well."

In addition to the returners, the freshmen and transfers have seen Valladay as a huge asset to the team's growth and development.

"I would say I really took pride in being there for the new girls and being there for our freshmen, our transfers and even our returners," Valladay said. "I just take on the role of being that big sister and the one who's been here and has had the experience to play under (Kieger). I think operating in that helps them a lot."

Now in a new role, Valladay hopes to lead the team from a different perspective and help contribute to something bigger.

"I was the leader on the different teams that I was on, and I think that helped me step into my leadership team with the role last year," Valladay said. "So it's actually been pretty rewarding when you are a leader in your own way. You're trying to drive the culture, and the team, to a successful season and the program to a better place as a whole."

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Just being vicious

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Inside of Rec Hall this Halloween season, not much is scarier for opposing defenses than Caroline Jurevicius' powerful swing.

Tallying a combined 16 kills and nine blocks, Jurevicius' play in No. 3 Penn State's matches against UCLA and then-No. 16 USC last week led commentators on Big Ten Network to describe her as "just being vicious."

"(Caroline) is a strong, aggressive player," coach Katie Schumacher-Cawley said. "I think she's finding her way. She's had a couple ups and downs and is getting better as the season goes on."

The Cleveland native accumulated 1,184 kills throughout her high school career, earning the No. 5 overall rank in the 2023 recruiting class, per Prep Dig. Jurevicius led Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin School to a 2022 Ohio Division II state championship after totaling 27 kills on .371 hitting in the title match.

A key part of Jurevicius' development into a collegiate athlete came from her parents.

"My dad, he worked me growing up," Jurevicius said. "He built a sand court during COVID so we could get those reps at 6 a.m. I attribute a lot of who I am as an athlete to him and a lot of my mindset to my mom."

Jurevicius originally played for Nebraska, where she redshirted for her 2023 freshman season. After the year, the pin hitter transferred to Happy Valley.

The Jurevicius name was

familiar to the Nittany Lion faithful, as wide receiver Joe Jurevicius enjoyed a four-year career with Penn State football from 1994-97 before being drafted No. 55 overall by the New York Giants in 1998.

"It's a lot of people coming up to me and saying, 'Hey, I know your dad,'" Jurevicius said. "I'm like, 'Shocker, he knows everybody.' It's been absolutely amazing. It's opened up a lot of doors for me, and I'm super grateful for that."

Jurevicius made a difference for the blue and white right off the bat, totaling seven kills on .200 hitting in the season-opening match against then-No. 15 Tennessee. In her first match with Penn State inside of Rec Hall, the powerful attacker registered 11 kills on .261 hitting along with two blocks against No. 4 Louisville, proving a smooth transition to her new school.

"(The transition's) been absolutely seamless," Jurevicius said. "I've had a great environment around me that's cultivated that seamlessness, and I'm super grateful for that."

Continuing her high-end play at the start of the season, Jurevicius used a productive .909 hitting percentage to rack up 10 kills in Penn State's sweep of St. John's. The following Tuesday, Schumacher-Cawley noted a few tips she believed could help Jurevicius elevate her game.

"For (Caroline), it's getting experience and being in different situations during the game," Schumacher-Cawley said. "She hits the crap out of the ball. She's learning some different shots and

moving the ball around. I think that will help her. You can't just hit one way all the time."

However, Jurevicius' production decreased in early October, leading Schumacher-Cawley to turn the position over to Alexa Markley, who filled in well with five kills on .309 hitting in the Minnesota match.

"There are a couple matches (Caroline) wasn't scoring for us defensively or offensively," Schumacher-Cawley said. "It's a position that it's going to be rotating because we need to score points. Until someone can step up and consistently earn that spot, then that's what it will be."

Despite some struggles, Jurevicius always makes an effort in practice, which Schumacher-Cawley enjoys as a coach.

"(Caroline) goes hard everyday," Schumacher-Cawley said. "She always wants to learn, too. She's always wanting to do a little bit extra, and has really good questions as to why we're doing certain things. She's been a real joy to coach."

Rotating in off the bench in Set 3 against UCLA, Jurevicius immediately made her presence known, swinging down a kill to put Penn State ahead 6-2. Set 5 saw Jurevicius leave a dent in the court with a powerful kill that kicked off a 4-1 run, which the Nittany Lions used to win the set 15-9.

Carrying over the success to the blue and white's next match, Jurevicius earned the starting nod, totaling eight kills and seven blocks in a four-set victory over USC last Saturday.

"(Caroline) did great last weekend," Gillian Grimes said. "I think her blocking, especially in the USC game, really helped us."

As her redshirt freshman season continues, Jurevicius has multiple years left to potentially develop into the next great hitter for Penn State. While she acknowledges the opportunity to maintain the Jurevicius family legacy in Happy Valley, she's focused on building one for herself.

"I'd say it's probably about five percent trying to carry on the family legacy and then 95 (percent) trying to do it for myself," Jurevicius said. "I think those numbers have shifted over the years, but as I've gotten older, I've started to do it for me more."



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Penn State field hockey celebrates the winning goal against Michigan State on Oct. 20, 2024.

It's do or die

By Caroline Riley
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After a season marked by highs and lows, Penn State's regular season comes to a head on Friday in a must-win showdown against No. 7 Maryland, a familiar Big Ten Rival.

The Nittany Lions currently sit at 8-8 overall, with one final game to decide a winning or losing record for the 2024 season. However, the blue and white have struggled in Big Ten play, making its road to the playoffs plagued by speed bumps.

If Penn State defeats Maryland and Iowa loses to Michigan, the Nittany Lions will secure a spot in the Big Ten Tournament. If both teams, currently tied at 2-5 in conference play, win, a series of tiebreaker scenarios will determine their postseason fate. A Penn State loss, however, would eliminate the Nittany Lions entirely.

"We're still in the running if we win against Maryland on Friday," coach Lisa Bervinchak Love said. "The main focus is that we need to win on Friday for Penn State field hockey and the pride of the program."

Penn State didn't expect to find itself in this position — fighting to keep its season alive against a highly ranked Maryland team.

"There's some disappointment and frustration that we're in this situation," Bervinchak Love said. "I said to the team the other day, 'We're a lot better than an 8-8 team.'"

Penn State has suffered four one-goal losses this season. While those close games didn't go the Nittany Lions' way, had they won, they would be sitting at 12-4 and comfortably on track for the playoffs. Nonetheless, the blue and white have to look past those losses and towards a big upset win.

Beating Maryland won't be easy. The Terrapins boast strong overall play, evident in their 11-5 overall record and strong Big Ten success.

"Maryland is a super talented team. They have a lot of good veterans back this year," Bervinchak Love said. "Their midfield play is always really good. They overlap, they have speed. It is important for us to manage those situations."

However, Penn State has talent of its own that it needs to leverage to stand a chance against the Terrapins.

"I think our press can be effective against them. In our counter-attack, it's just really important for us to push the pace and get our forwards up, which against Rutgers, (we) were kind of hanging back," Bervinchak Love said. "In the transition game, we have to get back with urgency and organize quickly because Maryland also has a quick transition game."

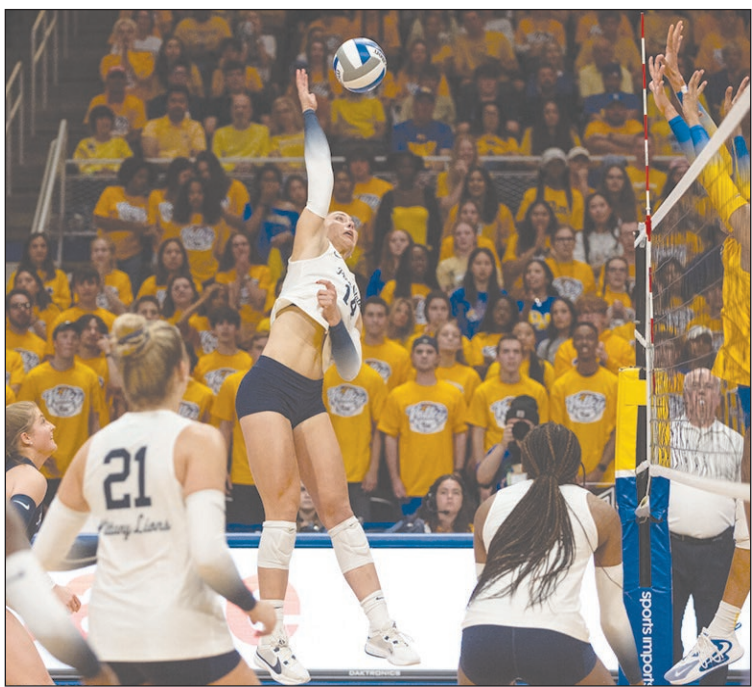
With the season on the line, the pressure has never been higher for the Nittany Lions. Featuring a mix of young talent and seasoned veterans like Sophia Gladieux, the team will need to rise to the occasion in front of a home crowd.

"Hopefully they'll have a little bit more determination on the field knowing that they have that little extra pressure, little more motivation," Bervinchak Love said.

Nothing can be ruled out for Penn State yet, as the playoff picture can change in the blink of an eye. Any team can make a "miracle run," and perhaps the Nittany Lions will do just that.

"The Big Ten is so competitive, but there were a couple of upsets this past weekend," Bervinchak Love said. "It's really important to believe in ourselves as a unit, leave it all out on the field."

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Penn State outside hitter Caroline Jurevicius (14) spikes the ball over the net against Pittsburgh on Sept. 18, 2024.

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