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GAME #2 Notre Dame (0-1) at Penn State (1-0)

When: Saturday, September 8, 2007
Where: Beaver Stadium (107,282)
Kickoff: 6:00 p.m. ET
Attendance: 108,000+ (sold out)
Series Record: First meeting
Penn State Captains:
 No. 40 Dan Connor, Sr., LB
 No. 4 Terrell Golden, Sr., WR
 No. 14 Anthony Morelli, Sr., QB

TELEVISION: The contest will be televised by ESPN to a national audience with Mike Patrick, Todd Blackledge and Holly Rowe calling the action, calling the action.

The Nittany Lions are appearing on television for the 153rd time in their last 155 games.

RADIO: Penn State Sports Network (60 stations) Radio Team (8th year)

Play-by-Play: Steve Jones; **Analysis:** Jack Ham
web stream: www.GoPSUsports.com
 Westwood One (Don Criqui, play-by-play; Allen Pinkett, analysis).XM Radio 196.

COACHES:

Joe Paterno

Penn State Record .364-121-3 (74.0), 42nd Year
Overall RecordSame
vs. Notre Dame8-6
 58th year on Penn State staff...second all-time in career wins among 1-A coaches...among nine coaches in NCAA history with 300 wins (five in I-A)...reached 300 wins faster than any coach.

Charlie Weis

Notre Dame Record19-7, 3rd Year
Overall RecordSame
vs. Penn State1-0

THE SERIES: The Nittany Lions and Fighting Irish are meeting for the 19th time, with Notre Dame holding a 9-8-1 series edge.

The teams are squaring off for the first time in Happy Valley since Nov. 16, 1991, a 35-13 Penn State win. Notre Dame won, 41-17 last year.

The schools first met in 1913. In the only post-season meeting between the storied powers, Notre Dame beat Penn State, 20-9 in the 1976 Gator Bowl. The teams launched a 12-game series in 1981, with the Nittany Lions going 8-4 against ND from 1981-92 to even the series.

THIS WEEK

Penn State and Notre Dame, two of the nation's most storied programs, collide in the first meeting between the schools in Beaver Stadium since 1991.

The Nittany Lions opened the season with a 59-0 blanking of Florida International for the program's 100th win in a season opener. The Fighting Irish fell at home to Georgia Tech, 33-3.

Penn State's 1982 National Championship team will be honored at halftime.

NITTANY LIONS BLANK FIU, 59-0

The Penn State defense delivered its third shutout in the past six games and the offense rolled to 549 yards in the Nittany Lions' 59-0 win over Florida International on Saturday in Beaver Stadium.

The win was Penn State's 100th in a season opening game, improving to 100-19-2 in the first contest of the season; 35-7 under Joe Paterno.

The Nittany Lions forced five turnovers, turn-

ing them into 21 points, and blocked a field goal and a punt. The Golden Panthers were limited to minus-three yards rushing and 114 total yards, tied for the third-lowest total in the Paterno era, and seven first downs. Junior linebacker Sean Lee led the way with seven solo tackles, including two TFL, a sack and a forced fumble to earn Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week accolades.

Senior quarterback Anthony Morelli delivered the best game of his career, directing the Lions to a 45-0 lead before leaving the game in the third quarter. He established career highs, going 23 of 38 for 295 yards, tying his career-best with three TD passes. Morelli connected with eight different receivers and did not throw an interception. Junior Jordan Norwood led with five catches for 92 yards and sophomore tight end Mickey Shuler had four catches, including a 17-yard TD reception.

The Lions gained 236 yards rushing, led by freshman Evan Royster (8-70-1), senior Rodney Kinlaw (8-66-1) and senior Austin Scott (11-46-2).

PENN STATE SCHEDULE

2007 SCHEDULE & RESULTS (ALL TIMES EASTERN)

Overall: 1-0; **Big Ten:** 0-0; **Home:** 1-0; **Away:** 0-0

Date	Opponent (rank)	Time/Score	TV	Attend.
9/1	FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL	59-0	BTN	107,678
9/8	NOTRE DAME	6:00	ESPN	
9/15	BUFFALO	12:00	BTN	
9/22	at Michigan	TBA		
9/29	at Illinois	TBA		
10/6	IOWA	TBA		
10/13	WISCONSIN (HC)	3:30	ABC	
10/20	at Indiana	TBA		
10/27	OHIO STATE	8:00	ABC/ESPN/ESPN2	
11/3	PURDUE	TBA		
11/10	at Temple	TBA		
11/17	at Michigan State	TBA		

STATISTICAL LEADERS

Rushing

Evan Royster.....8 att., 70 yds, 1 TD, 8.8 avg.
 Rodney Kinlaw....8 att., 66 yds, 1 TD, 8.2 avg.
 Austin Scott ...11 att., 46 yds, 2 TD, 4.2 avg.

Passing

A. Morelli23 of 38, 295 yds, 3 TD, 0 INT

Receiving

J. Norwood5 rec., 92 yds, 0 TD, 18.4 avg.
 M. Shuler.....4 rec., 54 yds, 1 TD, 13.5 avg.
 D. Williams.4 rec., 31 yds, 0 TD, 7.8 avg.

Scoring

Austin Scott2 TD, 12 pts

Tackles

Sean Lee ...7 (s), 0 (a), 7 tot., 2.0 TFL, 1 sack
 L. Sargeant5 (s), 0 (a), 5 tot.
 Dan Connor3 (s), 2 (a), 5 tot., 1.0 TFL

NOTRE DAME SCHEDULE

2007 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Overall: 0-1; **Home:** 0-1; **Away:** 0-0

Date	Opponent	Time/Score
9/1	GEORGIA TECH	3-33
9/8	at Penn State	6:00 p.m.
9/15	at Michigan	
9/22	MICHIGAN STATE	
9/29	at Purdue	
10/6	at UCLA	
10/13	BOSTON COLLEGE	
10/20	USC	
11/3	NAVY	
11/10	AIR FORCE	
11/17	DUKE	
11/24	at Stanford	

STATISTICAL LEADERS

Rushing

Demetrius Jones12 att., 28 yds, 0 TD
 Armando Allen3 att., 25 yds, 0 TD

Passing

Evan Sharpley10 of 13, 92 yds, 0 TD, 0 INT
 Jimmy Clausen4 of 6, 34 yds, 0 TD, 0 INT

Receiving

Robby Parris3 rec., 30 yds, 0 TD
 John Carlson3 rec., 29 yds, 0 TD

Scoring

Brandon Walker1-1 FG, 3 pts

Tackles

David Bruton6 (s), 3 (a), 9 tot., 2.0 TFL
 Maurice Crum3 (s), 6 (a), 9 tot., 1.0 TFL
 Trevor Laws3 (s), 6 (a), 9 tot.

PENN STATE UNIVERSITY

Location University Park, Pa. 16802
Enrollment 42,039
 (36,612 undergraduate) at University Park
Nickname Nittany Lions
Colors Blue & White
Stadium (Capacity) . Beaver Stadium (107,282)
Stadium Surface Natural Grass
Conference Big Ten
President Dr. Graham Spanier
Athletic Director Tim Curley
Head Football Coach Joe Paterno
Assoc. AD for Football Administration Fran Ganter
Director of Football Operations Tom Venturino
Football Office Phone (814) 865-0412

History

First Year of Football 1887
All-Time Record .. 781-343-42, 121st season;
 tied for sixth in victories.
All-Time Bowl Record 25-12-2 (66.7);
 first in bowl winning percentage;
 third in bowl wins.
Years in Post-Season Play 39;
 eighth in all-time bowl appearances

Assistant Coaches

Dick Anderson (Penn State '63) – 30th season
 Offensive Line (Guards & Centers)
Tom Bradley (Penn State '79) – 29th season
 In charge of Defense/Cornerbacks
Galen Hall (Penn State '63) – 4th season
 In charge of Offense/Running Backs
Larry Johnson (Elizabeth City St. '73) –12th season
 Defensive Line
Bill Kenney (Norwich '82) – 20th season
 Offensive Tackles/Tight Ends
Mike McQueary (Penn State '97) – 4th season
 Wide Receivers Asst./Recruiting Coordinator
Brian Norwood (Hawaii '88) – 7th season
 Safeties
Jay Paterno (Penn State '90) – 13th season
 Quarterbacks
Ron Vanderlinden (Albion '79) – 7th season
 Linebackers
J.B. Gerald & Sam Perryman – Grad. Assts.

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NOTRE DAME GAME NOTES

121ST SEASON OF GRIDIRON EXCELLENCE

Penn State is in its 121st season of intercollegiate football with a 780-343-42 record, tied for sixth nationally in all-time victories with Alabama.

LIONS OWN FOUR-GAME WIN STREAK

The Nittany Lions have won four consecutive games and 23 of their last 28 games overall, dating to the final two games of the 2004 season. Penn State is 20-5 the past two seasons and one of 13 teams with at least 20 wins in 2005 and '06.

FIVE BOWL TEAMS VISITING BEAVER STADIUM

The Nittany Lions have a blockbuster home schedule that includes five bowl teams from 2006: Notre Dame (Sugar), Iowa (Alamo), Wisconsin (Capital One), Ohio State (BCS Championship game) and Purdue (Champs Sports).

Penn State will play a sixth bowl team when it visits Michigan (Rose) in the Sept. 22 Big Ten Conference opener. Three of the opponents played in Bowl Championship Series games last season. Penn State has played at least seven bowl teams from the previous season in four of the past six years (six in 2005 and '07).

NON-CONFERENCE SUCCESS

Penn State has won 48 of 59 (81.3) non-conference games overall since starting Big Ten play in 1993, including victories against Southern California (3), Tennessee (2), Texas, Miami, Fla., Florida State, Nebraska, Auburn, Texas A&M, Pittsburgh (3), Louisville (2), Maryland, Virginia, Oregon, Arizona, Texas Tech, Southern Miss (2), UCF (2) and South Florida.

LIONS FACE SERIES OF CHALLENGING NON-CONFERENCE OPPONENTS

The Nittany Lions are facing an impressive line-up of intersectional opponents throughout this decade. Among the Nittany Lions' non-conference opponents this decade: Miami, Fla. (2001), Southern Miss (2001), Virginia (2001-02), Nebraska (2002-03), Boston College (2003-04), Notre Dame (2006-07) and Syracuse (2008-09).

The 2004-05 series with Alabama was postponed at the Crimson Tide's request to 2010 and '11 seasons. Penn State and Virginia are scheduled to play again in 2012 and '13.

ALL STADIUM WHITEOUT SET FOR CLASH WITH NOTRE DAME

The large and loud Penn State student section has delivered on several Beaver Stadium white outs over the past three years, earning notice across the nation for their enthusiasm and solidarity.

For the first time, all Nittany Lion fans are being asked to wear white for the highly-anticipated clash with Notre Dame.

The more than 107,000 tickets for the game were printed in white. More than 50,000 white shakers, courtesy of PHEAA, will be distributed for the all stadium white out.

Notre Dame will be making its first visit to Happy Valley since 1991.

PEP RALLY SET FOR FRIDAY NIGHT IN REC HALL

The Blue & White Society and Penn State Intercollegiate Athletics are teaming up to host the traditional "Rally in the Valley" football pep rally, Friday at 8 p.m. in Rec Hall.

Head coach Joe Paterno, the Nittany Lion football team, the Penn State cheerleaders, Lionettes dance team, the Blue Band, and the Nittany Lion mascot will all participate in the pep rally and help ready students, alumni and friends for the next day's football game, one of the biggest contests of the season.

T-shirts and prizes will be given away at the pep rally courtesy of the Penn State Bookstore and Penn State Intercollegiate Athletics. The Bus (93.7 FM) radio station is the media sponsor for Rally in the Valley.

The Penn State faithful will be pumped up and primed at the "Rally in the Valley" in anticipation of the widely anticipated and sold out Sept. 8 Penn State-Notre Dame clash in Beaver Stadium.

A trio of Penn State teams will be competing at home Friday prior to the pep rally. At 6:00 p.m., the women's volleyball team will host St. John's in Rec Hall, with the pep rally to follow. The men's soccer team has its home opener, facing William & Mary at 5:30 p.m. and the field hockey team will host James Madison at 6:00 p.m.

The Blue & White Society is the student membership of the Penn State Alumni Association. For more information about the pep rally, contact the Blue

INJURY REPORT

WR Kevin Cousins (ankle) - possible
 DT Abe Koroma (foot) - out
 DE Devon Still (knee) - out

STATISTICAL COMPARISON

OFFENSE

Penn StateND
236.0	Rushing/Game
4.9	Rushing/Att.
41-25-0	Passing
313.0	Passing/Game
549.0	Total/Game
6.2	Total/Att.
59.0	Scoring/Game
+ 3.0	Turnover Margin

DEFENSE

Penn StateND
-3.0	Rushing/Game
-0.1	Rushing/Att.
26-12-0	Passing
117.0	Passing/Game
114.0	Total/Game
2.0	Total/Att.
0.0	Scoring/Game

& White Society at 814-863-GOBW (4629), the Penn State Alumni Association at 814-865-6516 or Penn State Athletic Communications at 814-865-1757.

'82 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM REUNION SET FOR NOTRE DAME GAME

The 1982 Nittany Lions, one of the outstanding teams in Penn State's glorious football history, will be honored at halftime of the Notre Dame game.

The '82 Nittany Lions won Penn State's first national championship by defeating No. 1 Georgia, 27-23, in the Sugar Bowl. Penn State earned a last second 27-24 win over No.2 Nebraska in late September and rebounded from a 42-21 loss at Alabama in early October to win its last six games and earn a shot at the unbeaten Bulldogs for the title.

More than 50 members of the 1982 squad will be on hand for the Notre Dame game, including two of the team captains, Walker Lee Ashley and Ken Kelley. Among the other team members confirmed are: All-Americans Kenny Jackson, Scott Radecki and Curt Warner and quarterback Todd Blackledge, winner of the 1982 Davey O'Brien Award.

Among some of the other players scheduled to be in attendance are: Rogers Alexander, Mark Battaglia, Dan Biondi, Kirk Bowman, Bill Contz, Dean DiMidio, Dan Delligatti, Gregg Garrity, Al Harris, Massimo Manca, Carmen Masciantonio, Mike McCloskey, Brian Siverling, Doug Strang, Bob White and Mike Zordich.

Blackledge is the analyst for ESPN's telecast of the game.

PENN STATE IN PRIMETIME

Penn State is playing at least one regular season night game for the eighth consecutive season. The Nittany Lions also will play at night on Oct. 27, hosting Ohio State at 8 p.m. on ABC, ESPN or

ESPN2.

The Lions' night games from this decade are: Michigan (2006), Illinois, Ohio State and Florida State (2005), Minnesota and Boston College (2004), Nebraska (2002 and '03), Miami, Fla. (2001) and Indiana (2000).

The Nittany Lions' last home game in prime-time was a 17-10 setback to Michigan on Oct. 14, 2006. Penn State's last home win at night was the thrilling 17-10 victory over No. 6 Ohio State on Oct. 8, 2005. Penn State also won in prime time at Illinois and against Florida State in the FedEx Orange Bowl in 2005.

Penn State has a 30-19 overall record in night games, going 5-5 at home, 15-7 on the road, 1-1 at regular season neutral sites and 9-6 in bowl games.

NORWOOD-FERRINE FAMILY TIES

Penn State junior wideout Jordan Norwood (State College) and Notre Dame senior cornerback Leo (L.B.) Ferrine are cousins. Ferrine is from Springfield, N.J. and played at St. Peter's Prep.

Norwood and Ferrine are fifth generation descendants of Tim and Easter Benton, who were slaves. After gaining their freedom, they settled in Corapeake, N.C., approximately 40 miles southwest of Portsmouth, Va., and raised 19 children.

Among the 19 children were sisters Nettie and Cherry. Nettie was the great grandmother of Brian Norwood, Jordan's father, while Cherry was the great grandmother of Brian Ferrine, L.B.'s father.

Brian Norwood is in his seventh season coaching the Penn State safeties and was a four-year letterman as a defensive back at the University of Hawaii. Brian Ferrine played football at Morgan State University.

Jordan Norwood is named for Jordan Benton, who was the youngest of the Tim and Easter's 19 children.

The Benton Family began holding a family

SERIES NOTES

Series History: 19th meeting
ND leads, 9-8-1

Last Game: Sept. 9, 2006; ND 41, PSU 17

First Game: Nov. 7, 1913; ND 14, PSU 7

Series Streak: ND-2

Last PSU win: Nov. 16, 1991; PSU 35, ND 13

BEST RUSHING PERFORMANCES:

Blair Thomas, PSU, 35 for 214, 1987

Allen Pinkett, ND, 36 for 217, 1983

BEST PASSING PERFORMANCES:

Tony Sacca, PSU, 20 for 34, 277 yds, 1990

Anthony Morelli, PSU, 21 of 33, 189 yds, 2006

Steve Beuerlein, ND, 24 for 39, 311 yds, 1986

Brady Quinn, ND, 25 of 36, 287 yds, 2006

BEST RECEIVING PERFORMANCES:

Kenny Jackson, PSU, 6 for 114, 1982

Kenny Jackson, PSU, 7 for 101, 1983

Milt Jackson, ND, 4 for 118, 1983

Penn State vs. Non-Conference Teams

(since 1993): 48-11, a winning percentage of 81.3.

Paterno Teams vs. National Independents:

30-11-1 (72.6)

Paterno Teams In September: 104-34 since

1966, a winning percentage of 75.3.

Rankings: Penn State was No. 17 in the

Associated Press preseason poll and No. 18 in the USA Today Coaches poll.

PENN STATE VS. NOTRE DAME SERIES

ND leads, 9-8-1

H: 5-2-1; A: 3-5; N: 1-0

1913 Notre Dame 14, at Penn State 7

1925 at Penn State 0, Notre Dame 0

1926 at Notre Dame 28, Penn State 0

1928 Notre Dame 9, Penn State 0
(at Philadelphia)

1976 Notre Dame 20, Penn State 9
(Gator Bowl)

1981 at Penn State 24, Notre Dame 21

1982 Penn State 24, at Notre Dame 14

1983 at Penn State 34, Notre Dame 30

1984 at Notre Dame 44, Penn State 7

1985 at Penn State 36, Notre Dame 6

1986 Penn State 24, at Notre Dame 19

1987 at Penn State 21, Notre Dame 20

1988 at Notre Dame 21, Penn State 3

1989 Notre Dame 34, at Penn State 23

1990 Penn State 24, at Notre Dame 21

1991 at Penn State 35, Notre Dame 13

1992 at Notre Dame 17, Penn State 16

2006 at Notre Dame 41, Penn State 17

M E D I A S E R V I C E S

SUNDAY

Updated cumulative stats:

Available by 12:00 p.m.
Posted to official Athletics website:
www.GoPSUsports.com

MONDAY

Penn State Weekly Release:

Available by 7:00 p.m.
Posted to: www.GoPSUsports.com

TUESDAY

Big Ten Teleconference:

Head coach Joe Paterno will be available as part of the Big Ten weekly teleconference at: 1:20 p.m. (ET)

Penn State weekly press conference:

Joe Paterno and two Penn State players will be available for questions in person and via telephone on **Tuesday, Sept. 4.** To participate please contact the Athletic Communications Office at 814-865-1757.

Joe Paterno at 12:30 p.m. (ET)

Penn State players at 1:00 p.m. (ET)

Satellite feed: 12:30-1:15 p.m.

Satellite Coordinates: Galaxy 17, Transponder K12 (Ku), Downlink 11940 V

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY

Player Interviews:

Selected players will be available via teleconference for interviews. For information or to request a specific player please contact Valerie Cingle at PSU Athletic Communications (814-865-1757).

THURSDAY

"AIG AUTO INSURANCE NITTANY LION HOTLINE SHOW"

Weekly radio show

The radio call-in show, featuring Joe Paterno, will air on the Penn State Sports Network on Thursday, Sept. 6 from 6:05 to 7:00 p.m. (ET). The number to call to ask a question of the coach is 1-800-52LIONS.

The Tuesday teleconference, AIG Nittany Lion Hotline and game radio broadcasts are available at: www.GoPSUsports.com

SATURDAY

Post Game Video Feed

Coach Paterno's and player **postgame interviews as well as highlights** will be available immediately following the Notre Dame game. The satellite coordinates are: Galaxy 17, Transponder K10 (Ku), Downlink 11900 V.

RECORD WHEN

Overall Record	1-0
Day Games	1-0
Night Games (6 p.m. or later)	0-0
TV Games	1-0
ABC	0-0
ESPN	0-0
ESPN2	0-0
BTN	1-0
Scoring First	1-0
Opponent Scoring First	0-0
Leading at the Half	1-0
Trailing at the Half	0-0
Tied at the Half	0-0
Leading after Third Qt.	1-0
Trailing after Third Qt.	0-0
Tied after Third Qt.	0-0
Overtime Games	0-0
Scoring less than 20 pts	0-0
Scoring 20+ points	0-0
Scoring 30+ Points	0-0
Scoring 40+ Points	1-0
Allowing 10 points or less	1-0
Allowing 20 points or less	0-0
Allowing 21+ points	0-0
Allowing 30+ points	0-0
Rushing for less than 100 yds	0-0
Rushing for over 100 yds	0-0
Rushing for 200+ yds	1-0
Rushing for 300+ yds	0-0
Passing for less than 200 yds	0-0
Passing for 200 + yds	0-0
Passing for 300+ yds	1-0
Totalling less than 300 yds total offense	0-0
300+ yds of total offense	0-0
400+ yds of total offense	0-0
500+ yds of total offense	1-0
Allowing less than 100 yds rushing	1-0
Allowing more than 100 yds rushing	0-0
Allowing less than 300 yds total offense	1-0
Allowing 300+ yds total offense	0-0
Having a 100-yd rusher	0-0
Having two 100-yd rushers	0-0
Not having a 100-yd rusher	1-0
Opp. has a 100-yd rusher	0-0
No turnovers	0-0
Less than 3 turnovers	1-0
3+ turnovers	0-0
No takeaways	0-0
1 or more takeaways	0-0
3 or more takeaways	1-0
More than 30:00 of possession	1-0
Less than 30:00 of possession	0-0

WINS VS. LOSSES

PSU	Wins	Losses
Points Scored	59	
Total Offense	549	
First Downs	27	
Rushing Yards	236	
Passing Yards	313	
Time of Possession	32:45	
3rd Down Conv. Pct.	9 of 17	
Points Allowed	0	
Yards Allowed	114	
Rushing Yds Allowed	(-3)	
Passing Yds Allowed	117	
Turnover Ratio	+ 3	

reunion in 1981 in Portsmouth, although the Norwoods and Ferrines became acquainted years before the reunion began. The Bentons hold a family reunion every three years, with the next one scheduled for 2008, and the approximately 300 attendees travel to Corapeake, visiting the New Little Swamp Baptist Church and other places of family interest.

The Benton family was featured on ABC News' Nightline program, with host Ted Koppel, in 1981.

Brian Norwood's aunt, Athelia Knight, is a longtime reporter for the Washington Post and one of the primary organizers of the Benton family reunion.

NITTANY LIONS & IRISH AMONG NATION'S ELITE PROGRAMS

The Nittany Lions and Fighting Irish rank among the nation's most tradition-laden and successful programs. Penn State and Notre Dame are among the top 10 in all-time victories and winning percentage and are two of only 10 Division I-A programs with at least 700 all-time wins.

The Nittany Lions are tied for sixth in victories with 781 and 10th in winning percentage at 68.8, having compiled a 781-343-42 record in their 121st season. Notre Dame is second in victories with 821 and in winning percentage at 74.4, earning an 821-269-42 mark in its 119th season.

BOTH PROGRAMS DEBUTED IN 1887

Penn State and Notre Dame played their first varsity football games within three weeks of each other in the Fall of 1887.

The Nittany Lions' first game was a 54-0 win at Bucknell on November 5, 1887. Two weeks later, the Bucknell team returned the game in State College and lost, 24-0.

Notre Dame's first game was Nov. 23, 1887, an 8-0 loss to Michigan in South Bend. The Fighting Irish did not field a team in 1890 and '91.

LIONS & IRISH AMONG ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA LEADERS

Penn State ranks fourth nationally among the top schools in all-time ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America Football selections as selected by members of the College Sports Information Directors of America (I-A schools only):

1. Nebraska 86
2. Notre Dame 45
3. Stanford 39
4. **PENN STATE 37**
5. Ohio State 34

SEVEN LIONS ARE GRADUATES

Five 2007 squad members have already earned their degrees. In May, tailback Rodney Kinlaw (Goose Creek, S.C.) and center Patrick Weber (Arnold) graduated. In August, a trio of Nittany Lions graduated: quarterback Paul Cianciolo (Charleston, S.C.), wide receiver Terrell Golden (Norfolk, Va.) and tight end Jordan Lyons (Atlanta, Ga.). Cianciolo and Lyons have junior eligibility this season.

COACH JOE PATERNO

In his 42nd season as head coach of the Nittany Lions and 58th year on the coaching staff, Joe Paterno stands second all-time in victories among major college coaches. A 1950 graduate of Brown University, Paterno has a career record of 364-121-3, a winning percentage of 74.9

Paterno has broken a tie with Amos Alonzo Stagg as the longest serving head coach at one school in major college football history. Stagg served as head coach at the University of Chicago for 41 years (1892-1932) during his 57-year tenure as a head coach.

Paterno has led the Nittany Lions to two national championships (1982 and '86) and five undefeated seasons (1968, '69, '73, '86 and '94). Selected the AFCA National Coach of the Year and unprecedented five times, Paterno is the all-time leader in bowl wins with a record of 22-10-1.

He is one of only nine coaches in NCAA history (five in Division I-A) to win 300 games and reached the milestone faster than anyone (380 games). He also is the only Div. I-A head coach with 300 victories at one school.

Paterno will be inducted into the National Football Foundation and College of Fame in December. His induction was postponed to this year due to injuries he sustained during the Penn State at Wisconsin game on November 4, 2006 that prevented him from traveling to the festivities.

NOTRE DAME COACH CHARLIE WEIS

Charlie Weis is in his third year as head coach of the Fighting Irish and has a 19-7 career mark. Weis returned to his alma mater after serving as offensive coordinator with the New England Patriots from 2000-04. He is a 1978 graduate of Notre Dame.

SCOUTING THE IRISH

Notre Dame returned nine starters and 30 letterwinners from last year's 10-3 squad. The Fighting Irish returned returned 10 lettermen on offense, 18 on defense and two specialists.

Notre Dame is coming off a 33-3 loss to Georgia Tech in its season opener. The Yellow Jackets permitted just 122 yards, recording nine sacks to limit the Irish to minus-eight yards rushing. Georgia Tech gained 386 total yards (265 rushing) and forced three turnovers, while not turning the ball over.

In his first start, junior quarterback Evan Sharpley was 10 of 13 for 92 yards. Sophomore Demetrius Jones (1 of 3, 4 yds) and freshman Jimmy Clausen (4 of 6, 34 yds) also saw action. Sophomore Robby Parris had three receptions for 30 yards and senior tight end John Carlson had three grabs for 29 yards.

Jones was ND's leading rusher, gaining 28 yards on 12 carries. Freshman Armando Allen ran for 25 yards on just three attempts and sophomore James Aldridge gained 19 yards on six carries.

A trio of Irish defenders tallied nine tackles against Georgia Tech, led by junior safety David Bruton, who had two tackles for losses, including a sack. Senior linebacker Maurice Crum and senior defensive end Trevor Laws also had nine stops.

LAST MEETING

Fourth-ranked Notre Dame took advantage of mistakes by the Nittany Lions to post a 41-17 win in South Bend on Sept. 9, 2006 in the first meeting

between the national powers since 1992.

Notre Dame scored three touchdowns during a span of 5:00 in the second and third quarters to take control.

In the first half, the Lions mishandled the snap on what would have been a 26-yard field goal attempt, fumbled at the Notre Dame 45 yard-line, setting-up a field goal, were called for a clip to negate a 30-yard screen pass to the ND 20 and failed to recover an ND muffed punt return at the ND 31. The Irish recovered the fumble and went 69 yards to take a 20-0 lead with just :07 left in the half. The Irish had the ball for 18:58 in the first half.

Penn State had the first possession of the second half, but quarterback Anthony Morelli fumbled and the ball bounced to ND's Tom Zbikowski, who took it 25 yards for the score.

The Nittany Lions tallied 17 points from that point. Morelli capped an 18-play, 89-yard drive with a three-yard touchdown pass to Deon Butler. Reserve quarterback Daryll Clark capped an 83-yard drive with a five-yard TD run late. Morelli set career highs with 21 completions and 33 attempts, for a 189 yards, with one TD and one interception.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM 1981-92 SERIES:

**Nov. 13, 1982; Notre Dame Stadium
Penn State 24, Notre Dame 14**

Penn State rallied for 11 points in the final quarter to keep the national championship dream alive. The No. 5 Nittany Lions and No. 13 Irish played a tough, even game for three quarters.

After the opening kickoff, Notre Dame went 76 yard on 15 plays, with reserve Ken Karcher stepping in for the Irish to throw the touchdown strike. In the second quarter, the Lions stormed down the field for 59 yards on eight plays, with Todd Blackledge finding Kenny Jackson in the end zone. Penn State then turned two Notre Dame fumbles into field goals to take a 13-7 lead.

Notre Dame came fighting back in dramatic fashion, with Allen Pinkett returning a kickoff 93 yards for a score—the first kickoff return for a touchdown against the Lions in nine years. That made it 14-13 in favor of the Irish going into the second half.

The third quarter was a battle of field position with the Lions going into the wind, keeping the one point deficit going into the fourth quarter. Penn State then struck quickly, with Curt Warner scoring to make it 19-14. The Lions failed on the two point conversion, but managed to back the Irish up to their own one yard line on the ensuing kickoff. Defensive end Walker Lee Ashley tackled Pinkett in the end zone for a safety. Notre Dame's final drive ended in a missed field goal, giving Blackledge one more opportunity to punctuate the win. After a critical third and six pass to Jackson, Warner went 44 yards to the Irish 15. The play set-up a Nick Gancitano field goal, giving the Lions a solid 24-14 victory.

Penn State defeated No. 5 Pitt the following week and No. 1 Georgia in the Sugar Bowl to claim its first national championship.

**November 12, 1983; Beaver Stadium
Penn State 34, Notre Dame 30**

A game of long drives, six lead changes, and four touchdowns in the fourth quarter made for a climactic finish, with Penn State prevailing, 34-30.

The squads traded field goals to begin the

game, followed by an 80-yard drive that ended with Doug Strang finding Kenny Jackson in the end zone. Notre Dame then answered with a similar drive, scoring on an Allen Pinkett run. Nick Gancitano booted a 37-yard field goal to give the Lions a 13-10 lead going into the half.

Notre Dame started the second half strong, leading off with an 80-yard drive and Pinkett reaching the end zone again. Penn State matched with a score from Jon Williams that capped an efficient 82-yard drive. At the outset of the fourth quarter, Notre Dame went up 24-20 on another Pinkett score. Two minutes later, Penn State converted with another Strang-Jackson connection. Pinkett then scored his fourth touchdown to give the Irish the lead.

Following a Penn State fumble with 2:55 to play, some fans began to head for the exits, but those who stayed were in for a show. The Lions took over at midfield with little more than a minute remaining on the clock. A 36-yard pass to Dean DiMidio took the Lions to the Notre Dame nine, where the Irish forced a third and goal. Strang then rolled out behind fullback Jon Williams and dove into the end zone with 19 seconds left, giving the Lions the dramatic win.

**Nov. 21, 1987; Beaver Stadium
Penn State 21, Notre Dame 20**

On a frigid November day, the sellout crowd was treated to a classic. The Fighting Irish were ranked No.7 and featured eventual Heisman Trophy winner Tim Brown, but the Nittany Lions prevailed thanks to a career-high performance from Blair Thomas and a solid defense.

Thomas carried 35 times for 214 yards, a total that remains among the 15 best games in school history. Fullback John Greene contributed two touchdowns from short yardage. The ground game was all the more important in the daunting weather, as Penn State's Matt Knizner and Notre Dame's Tony Rice combined for a mere 11 completions.

The Penn State defense held Brown to only 112 all-purpose yards, but the Irish managed to rack up points on a pair of scrambles by Rice and a one-yard plunge by Anthony Johnson that closed the gap with 31 seconds left. The Irish then lined up to go for two and Rice ran an option to the left. Outside linebacker Keith Karpinski was there to force the play inside and tackle Pete Curkendall made the tackle to lift the Lions to the big win.

**Nov. 17, 1990; Notre Dame Stadium
Penn State 24, Notre Dame 21**

Strong performances on both sides of the ball and late field goal sealed a 24-21 upset of No. 1 Notre Dame.

Penn State quarterback Tony Sacca was 20 of 34 for 277 yards and three touchdown passes, leading the Lions' comeback from a 21-7 halftime deficit.

Notre Dame scored on runs from Ricky Watters and Tony Brooks on its first two drives, with Penn State answering with a six-play, 68-yard march. A 92-yard drive for Notre Dame that ate seven minutes off the clock ended in a Rick Mirer dive, giving the Irish a 21-7 lead at the half.

But, the Nittany Lion defense pitched a second-half shutout. The Irish were held to just 75 yards in the half. Mirer was sacked three times and hurried into eight incompletions, as well as two interceptions which the Lions converted into touchdowns.

The final blow came with Darren Perry's sec-

**PENN STATE 2007
SEASON HONORS**

Deon Butler, WR -

Maxwell Award Watch List

Dan Connor, LB -

Bednarik Award Watch List
Butkus Award Watch List
Rotary Lombardi Award Watch List
Lott Trophy Watch List

Justin King, CB -

Jim Thorpe Award Watch List

Sean Lee, LB -

Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week (9-3)

Anthony Morelli, QB -

Manning Award Watch List
Davey O'Brien Award Watch List

A.Q. Shipley, C -

Rimington Trophy Watch List

JOE PATERNO BY THE NUMBERS

- 139,000:** Square feet in Paterno Library, which opened in 1999
- 968:** Penn State lettermen since 1966
- 798:** Number of coaching changes in Div. I-A since 1966.
- 641:** Games coached as Penn State assistant or head coach (missed three games)
- 488:** Games as head coach (second all-time)
- 468:** Wins as member of staff (644 games; 468-169-7)
- 364:** Career Wins (second all-time)
- 350:** Earned 350th win at Illinois (63-10) on Oct. 22, 2005
- 324:** Broke Division I-A career wins mark with 324th win vs. Ohio State (29-27) on October 27, 2001
- 300:** Earned 300th win vs. Bowling Green (48-3) on September 12, 1998
- 250+:** Nittany Lions who've played in the NFL
- 250:** Earned 250th win at Iowa (31-0) on September 18, 1993
- 200:** Earned 200th win vs. Bowling Green (45-19) on September 5, 1987
- 190:** Academic All-Big Ten selections (since 1993-most in conference)
- 150:** Earned 150th win at Pittsburgh (48-14) on November 28, 1981
- 100:** Earned 100th win vs. NC State (41-20) on Nov. 6, 1976
- 83:** Graduation Rate (2006 NCAA report)
- 69:** Length of his game-winning punt return for Brown vs. Holy Cross in '49.
- 61:** First team All-Americans (73 selections)
- 58:** Years on Penn State staff
- 50:** Earned 50th win vs. Maryland (63-27) vs. Maryland on November 6, 1971
- 42:** Years as head coach
- 38:** Shutouts by Penn State
- 36:** Jersey number as QB-DB at Brown
- 35:** Academic All-Americans
- 33:** Bowl trips as head coach (all-time leader)
- 31:** First round NFL draft choices
- 31:** Longest unbeaten streak (30-0-1; 1967-70)
- 26:** First team Academic All-Americans
- 23:** Winning streak from 1968-70
- 22:** Bowl victories (all-time leader)
- 21:** Teams ranked in the final top 10
- 19:** Number of teams with at least 10 wins
- 18:** NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship winners
- 16:** New Year's Day bowl wins
- 16:** Grandchildren
- 15:** National Football Foundation Hall of Fame Scholar-Athletes
- 14:** Interceptions made as Brown DB
- 8:** Number of U.S. presidents since he became coach in 1966
- 7:** Unbeaten, untied regular seasons
- 7:** Years had a team ranked No. 1
- 7:** Number of his players in College Football Hall of Fame
- 7:** Beaver Stadium expansions since '66
- 5:** Children
- 5:** Unbeaten, untied seasons
- 4:** He and wife, Sue, have given more than \$4 million to Penn State to endow scholarships, professorships and assist in facilities projects
- 2:** National Championships
- 1:** First win was 15-7 over Maryland on Sept. 17, 1966 before a Beaver Stadium crowd of 40,911

NOTING HEAD COACH JOE PATERNO

- 42nd season as Penn State head coach and 57th year as a member of the PSU coaching staff, Paterno has been on the sideline for 641 Penn State games. His 42 years in Happy Valley are a record for longevity among major college coaches at one school.
- Second all-time in career victories among Division I-A college coaches.
- Owns a career record of 364-121-3. His winning percentage of 74.8 was fifth-best among active Division I-A coaches entering the season (minimum 10 years as a I-A coach).
- Broke the record for career wins by a major college coach, passing Paul "Bear" Bryant, with his 324th victory in a thrilling 29-27 win over Ohio State on Oct. 27, 2001.
- Ranks second all-time in games coached (488) among major college coaches.
- Was selected to be among the first three active coaches or players to be inducted into the National Football Foundation College Hall of Fame in December 2006 (induction delayed to 2007).
- One of just nine coaches in NCAA history to record 300 wins (five in I-A), reaching the milestone faster than anyone (380 games). He is the only Division I-A coach with 300 wins at one school.
- Has directed Penn State to five unbeaten seasons (1968, '69, '73, '86, '94) and two national championships (1982, '86).
- Is the all-time leader among coaches in bowl appearances (33) and post-season triumphs (22). His overall post-season record of 22-10-1 gives him a winning percentage of 68.2, third among the bowl season's best of all-time. Paterno is the only coach to win the four traditional New Year's Day games - the Rose, Sugar, Cotton and Orange Bowls - and the Fiesta Bowl.
- Unprecedented five-time AFCA Coach-of-the-Year selection (1968, '78, '82, '86 and 2005).
- Has coached 73 first-team All-Americans, including two in 2006 and two in 2005.
- Under Paterno, Penn State has produced 15 Hall of Fame Scholar-Athletes, 26 first-team Academic All-Americans (35 overall) and 18 NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship winners.
- Paterno teams have 21 finishes in the Top 10 of the national rankings, 32 in the Top 25.
- Posted 11 or more victories in a season 13 times and 10 or more 19 times.
- Has coached more than 250 players who have made it to the NFL, 31 of them first-round draft choices, including a school record four first-round selections in the 2003 NFL Draft.
- Has coached players who have won all of the major college awards - Heisman, Maxwell, Walter Camp, Lombardi, O'Brien, Outland, Butkus, Doak Walker and Biletnikoff.
- Seven of his former players (John Cappelletti, Keith Dorney, Jack Ham, Ted Kwalick, Lydell Mitchell, Dennis Onkotz and Mike Reid) have been enshrined in the National Football Foundation College Hall of Fame.

Since being named Penn State head coach in 1966, there have been 798 head coaching changes in Division I, an average of six per school, and eight administrations of U.S. presidents.

ALL-TIME COACHING VICTORIES

441	John Gagliardi (active)
408	Eddie Robinson
366	Bobby Bowden (active)
364	JOE PATERNO (active)
323	Bear Bryant
319	Pop Warner
315	Roy Kidd
314	Amos Alonzo Stagg
300	Tubby Raymond

- Three of his former players (Jack Ham, Franco Harris & Mike Munchak) have been enshrined in the NFL Hall of Fame.
- Penn State's 190 Academic all-conference selections since joining the Big Ten in 1993 are the most of any league school.
- A 1950 graduate of Brown University where he played quarterback and defensive back on the football team and two seasons on the basketball team.
- Recipient of the Amos Alonzo Stagg Award, the AFCA's highest honor.
- Honored with his image on the Wheaties box in 2003.
- Sports Illustrated Sportsman-of-the-Year in 1986. Featured on the cover of SI during 2005 season.
- First active coach ever to receive the Distinguished American award from the National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame.
- Inaugural winner of the State Farm Eddie Robinson Coach-of-the-Year Award in 1998.
- He and his wife, Sue, have contributed more than \$4 million to Penn State University.
- The 135,000-square foot Paterno Library, dedicated in 1999, on the Penn State campus is named after the Paternos and they have also made significant contributions to build the Pasquerilla Spiritual Center, dedicated in May 2003.
- Signed a four-year contract extension in May 2004 that extends through the 2008 season.

ond pick of the game, which he returned 20 yards to the Notre Dame 19 with 58 seconds to play. This set up a 34-yard field goal for freshman Craig Fayak, who calmly nailed the kick with four seconds to play to give the Lions the huge victory.

**Nov. 14, 1992; Notre Dame Stadium
Notre Dame 17, Penn State 16**

Rick Mirer's two-point conversion pass to Reggie Brooks capped a dramatic Notre Dame comeback to defeat Penn State, 17-16, in the final minute.

Mirer had connected with fullback Jerome Betts on a four-yard touchdown pass with 20 seconds to play to pull the Irish within 16-15 and set-up the game winning conversion pass.

Penn State had held the No. 8 Irish to three field goals until the final minute dramatics on a day that featured intermittent snow squalls.

Penn State trailed 9-6 entering the fourth quarter but knotted the score on a 22-yard field by V.J. Muscillo.

On the ensuing series, linebacker Brian Gelzheiser, who recorded 15 tackles, recovered an ND fumble at the Irish 44. A 15-yard pass from Kerry Collins to O.J. McDuffie got the ball to the ND 13 and from there fullback Brian O'Neal burst up the middle for the go-ahead score and a 16-9 lead with 4:25 to play.

Richie Anderson ran for 73 yards and a first quarter touchdown for the Lions. McDuffie made three catches for 46 yards to break the PSU season receiving yardage record.

LIONS FROM INDIANA

Three Nittany Lions hail from Indiana: redshirt junior DE Josh Gaines (Fort Wayne/Northrop); redshirt sophomore DE Tom Golarz (Bloomington/North) and redshirt junior G Ross Muir (Noblesville).

VERSUS INDIANA SCHOOLS

Penn State has a 26-12-1 record against teams from the state of Indiana. Besides Notre Dame, the Nittany Lions will visit Indiana (Oct. 20) and host Purdue (Nov. 3) this season.

Penn State vs teams from Indiana: Indiana (10-0), Notre Dame (8-9-1), Purdue (8-3-1).

PENN STATE-NOTRE DAME FANTASY BOWL SET FOR FRIDAY

Former Penn State tight end Brad Scovill (1977-79) and ex-Notre Dame defensive end Frank Stams will coach the two teams competing in the inaugural Fantasy Bowl at Bigler East Field on Friday, September 7.

Before they cheer on their heroes in the season opener, two rosters of 35 players averaging 40+ years in age will proudly wear the colors of the Nittany Lions and Fighting Irish in the unique game that will kick off at 6.30 p.m. They will do battle in an 11-on-11 semi-contact flag football game with school pride and bragging rights at stake.

Scovill played three years at tight end with the Nittany Lions before being selected in the seventh round of the NFL Draft by the Seattle Seahawks. He led the Nittany Lions with 26 catches for 331 yards in 1979 and his top performance came against Syracuse, when he caught seven passes for 81 yards and two touchdowns, tying a school record for the most touchdown catches in a game.

NCAA LEADERS IN VICTORIES	
Michigan	860
Notre Dame	821
Texas	811
Nebraska	804
Ohio State	787
PENN STATE	781
Alabama	781

Scovill was the team's fourth-leading receiver in 1978 with 14 catches.

He is now a Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Revenue Officer for Sterling Financial and has 21 years of banking experience. He joined Bank of Hanover in 1991 as Chief Financial Officer and was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer in 1994.

"Having coached these players at the Penn State Fantasy Camp the past two years, I am excited to be leading them into a game with school pride on the line," said Scovill. "I am thrilled and honored to be a part of this event.

"These men are competitive when we play an intra-squad game at the end of camp, so I can only imagine how passionate their will to win will be when we come up against Notre Dame."

Both Fantasy Bowl I rosters are comprised of participants from the annual Notre Dame Football Fantasy Camp, which has run successfully since 2003, and the 2006 and 2007 Nittany Lion Football Fantasy Camps. The campers experienced a true insider's view of the respective schools, being coached by current coaches and former college stars, while using the stadium locker rooms and finally playing an intra squad game inside Beaver Stadium and Notre Dame Stadium.

The Fantasy Bowl I players will enjoy an action-packed weekend that will include two on-campus practices, a Friday post-game party, a tailgate party on Saturday, and of course Fantasy Bowl I to be played at Bigler East Field. The teams will wear authentic Notre Dame and Penn State uniforms and fans in town for Saturday's game from both schools are encouraged to attend and cheer on 70 men who believe you are never too old to try.

All practices and the game will be held at Bigler East Field, just behind Holuba Hall on University Drive, across from Bryce Jordan Arena. Admission is free, with limited parking available at Bigler East parking lot.

LEE EARNS FIRST BIG TEN DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK RECOGNITION

For the second consecutive year, "Linebacker U" has earned the first Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week honor of the season.

Junior linebacker Sean Lee (Pittsburgh) led the way in Penn State's stellar defensive effort against Florida International and has earned his first conference Defensive Player of the Week honor. Lee and the Nittany Lions posted their third shutout in the last six games with the 59-0 win in Saturday's season opener. Penn State limited the Golden Panthers to seven first downs, minus-three yards

rushing and 114 total yards, tied for third-lowest by an opponent in the Joe Paterno era.

Lee led the Nittany Lions with seven solo tackles, including two tackles for losses, a sack, a forced fumble and a pass break-up against FIU. He forced a fumble that was recovered by DT Phil Taylor (Clinton, Md.) at the FIU 34 yard-line in the first quarter.

Lee becomes the third different Nittany Lion linebacker to be honored by the conference the past two seasons. Last year, 2007 tri-captain and All-American Dan Connor was honored twice, for the season opener against Akron and in the shut out win over Purdue. Two-time All-American Paul Posluszny was honored by the Big Ten once last season, three times in 2005 and once in 2004, giving him five conference Player of the Week honors, the most of any defensive player since selections began in 1987.

The former Upper St. Clair High School standout is in his second year as a starting OLB for the Lions. Last year, he was third on the squad with 90 tackles (47 solo), with 8.0 TFL (minus-51), 5.5 sacks (minus-46), two forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and two pass break-ups. Lee forced the fumble that safety Tony Davis returned 88 yards for the eventual game winning score against Tennessee in the 2007 Outback Bowl.

A finance major, Lee will be a strong candidate for ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America honors after earning Academic All-Big Ten accolades in 2006.

DEFENSE POSTS THIRD SHUT OUT IN SIX GAMES

The Nittany Lions were one of only four teams that finished in the top 15 nationally in rushing, pass efficiency, total and scoring defense and sacks last season and the unit did not miss a beat in the opener with Florida International.

Penn State forced five turnovers, turning them into 21 points, and blocked a field goal and a punt. The Golden Panthers were limited to minus-three yards rushing (31 attempts) and 114 total yards, tied for the third-lowest total in the Paterno era, and seven first downs. The Lions recorded seven sacks, limited FIU to 1 of 15 on third down conversions and forced 10 three-and-out possessions.

Junior linebacker Sean Lee led the way with seven solo tackles, including two TFL, a sack and a forced fumble to earn Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week accolades. In his first career start, junior CB Lydell Sargeant (Lompoc, CA) made five solo stops and senior All-America linebacker Dan Connor (Wallingford) had five hits, with a 14-yard sack and a fumble recovery. His recovery at the FIU 20 led to Anthony Morelli's 17-yard TD pass to Mickey Shuler for a 14-0 first quarter lead.

In his first career start, sophomore DT Jared Odrick (Lebanon) made three solo hits, a sack and blocked a 29-yard field goal attempt. Redshirt freshman LB Navorro Bowman (District Heights, Md.) made two solo stops, forced and recovered a fumble and partially blocked a punt in a strong collegiate debut.

MORELLI SETS CAREER HIGHS IN LEADING LIONS PAST FIU

Senior quarterback Anthony Morelli (Pittsburgh) delivered the best game of his career, directing the Lions to a 45-0 lead before leaving the Florida International game in the third quarter.

RECORD WATCH

Most Passing Yards in a Half

1. 231 Anthony Morelli vs. FIU, 2007
2. 219 Mike McQueary vs. Wisconsin, 1997

Career Receiving Touchdowns

1. 31 Bobby Engram, 1991-93-95
2. 25 Kenny Jackson, 1980-83
3. 16 O.J. McDuffie, 1988-92
4. 15 Terry Smith, 1988-91
- 15 Joe Jurevicius, 1994-97
6. 11 Scott Fitzkee, 1975-78
- 11 Freddie Scott, 1993-95
- 11 Tony Johnson, 2000-03
- 11 **Deon Butler, 2005-present**
10. 10 Ted Kwalick, 1966-68
- 10 Bryant Johnson, 1999-2002

Career Receptions

1. 167 Bobby Engram, 1991-93-95
7. 107 Tony Johnson, 2000-03
8. 94 Joe Jurevicius, 1994-97
9. 93 Freddie Scott, 1993-95
10. 88 Charlie Fields, 1996-99
- 88 Tony Hunt, 2003-06
- 88 Deon Butler, 2005-present**
13. 86 Ted Kwalick, 1966-68
14. **82 Jordan Norwood, 2005-present**
15. 76 Kyle Brady, 1991-94
16. 71 Eddie Drummond, 1998-2001
17. 70 Mike Archie, 1992-95
- 70 Eric McCoo, 1998-2001
- 66 Derrick Williams, 2005-present**

Career Receiving Yardage

1. 3,026 Bobby Engram, 1991-93-95
8. 1,702 Tony Johnson, 2000-03
9. 1,520 Freddie Scott, 1993-95
10. 1,437 Charlie Fields, 1996-99
11. 1,394 **Deon Butler, 2005-present**
12. 1,343 Ted Kwalick, 1966-68
13. 1,263 Scott Fitzkee, 1975-78
14. 1,222 David Daniels, 1988-90

Career 1,000-Yard Receivers

- 18 in Penn State history
- 986 Jordan Norwood, 2005-present
- 760 Derrick Williams, 2005-present

Career Field Goals

1. 50 Craig Fayak, 1990-93
2. 47 Travis Forney, 1996-99
3. 45 Brett Conway, 1993-96
4. 40 Massimo Manca, 1982, 84-86
5. 39 Matt Bahr, 1976-78
- 39 Robbie Gould, 2001-04
- 39 **Kevin Kelly, 2005-present**
8. 38 Nick Gancitano, 1981-84
9. 35 Chris Bahr, 1973-75
10. 29 Herb Menhardt, 1978-80

Career Field Goal Attempts

1. 80 Craig Fayak, 1990-93
2. 63 Chris Bahr, 1973-75
- 63 Travis Forney, 1996-99
4. 61 Matt Bahr, 1976-78
- 61 Brett Conway, 1993-96
- 61 Robbie Gould, 2001-04
7. 59 Massimo Manca, 1982, 84-86
- 59 **Kevin Kelly, 2005-present**
8. 49 Nick Gancitano, 1981-84

Career Tackles

1. 372 Paul Postuszny, 2003-06
2. 343 Greg Buttle, 1973-75
3. 315 Brian Gelzheiser, 1991-94
4. 287 Dennis Onkotz, 1967-69
5. 279 **Dan Connor, 2004-present**
6. 274 John Skorupan, 1970-72
- Shane Conlan, 1983-86

8. 273 Brandon Short, 1996-99
9. 257 Andre Collins, 1986-89
10. 256 Trey Bauer, 1984-87

PSU CAREER STARTS

Player	'04	'05	'06	'07	Total
Connor (LB)	4	7	13	1	25
Butler (WR)		8	13	1	22
Williams (WR)		7	12	1	20
King (WR/CB)		5	13	1	19
Davis (Saf)			13	1	14
Lee (LB)			13	1	14
Morelli (QB)			13	1	14
Scirrotto (Saf)			13	1	14
Shipley (C)			13	1	14
Norwood (WR)		4	8	1	13
Shaw (OL)			10	1	11
Gaines (DE)			9	1	10
Ohmberger (G)			9	1	10
Quarless (TE)			9		9
Rubin (SE/Saf)	6				6
Hahn (FB)			5		5
Cadogan (OL)			5	1	5
Scott (TB)					4*
Sales (LB)			3	1	4
Golden (WR)	1	2		1	4
Bell (WR)				1	1
Evans (DE)				1	1
Landolt (OL)				1	1
Odrick (DT)				1	1
Ogbu (DT)				1	1
Sargeant (CB)				1	1

* Four starts in 2003 season

CLASS BREAKDOWN

SENIOR STARTERS

Offense (3): WR Terrell Golden, QB Anthony

Morelli, G John Shaw

Defense (1): MLB Dan Connor

5th Year Seniors	9
4th Year Seniors	3
Juniors	30
Sophomores	23
Red-shirt Freshmen	20
True-Freshmen	22
Total Roster	107
Upperclassmen	42 (39.3%)
Underclassmen	65 (60.7%)

Morelli was 17 of 28 for 231 yards at halftime, breaking Mike McQueary's school record for passing yards in the first half (219 vs. Wisconsin in 1997).

Morelli established career highs, going 23 of 38 for 295 yards, tying his career-best with three TD passes. His previous highs had been 21 completions (ND, 2006), 37 attempts (MSU, 2006) and 288 yards (N^western, 2006). He also threw three scoring strikes in the 2006 opener with Akron.

Morelli connected with eight different receivers and did not throw an interception. He leads the Big Ten in passing yardage (295.0 ypg) and is third in total offense (285.0 ypg).

The former Penn Hills High School All-American delivered five completions of 20 yards or more, including three to junior WR Jordan Norwood (State College), who led with five catches for 92 yards.

On Penn State's first possession, Morelli connected with junior WR Deon Butler (Woodbridge, Va.) on a 37-yard completion to the FIU 6. Three plays later, he hit senior WR Terrell Golden (Norfolk, Va.) on a four-yard score for a 7-0 lead less than five minutes into the game.

A Dan Connor fumble recovery at the FIU set-up Morelli's 17-yard catch and run to sophomore TE Mickey Shuler (Enola) for a 14-0 lead midway through the first period.

A pair of Austin Scott (Allentown) touchdown runs and another by senior TB Rodney Kinlaw (Goose Creek, S.C.) boosted the lead. Morelli's day ended in the third quarter after his one-yard TD pass to senior RB Matt Hahn (Dix Hills, N.Y.) made it 45-0.

Morelli broke school season records for completions (208) and attempts (386) in 2006 and his 2,424 passing yards rank third on the Penn State season list.

Morelli is a candidate for the Davey O'Brien and Manning awards. The watch list for the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award has not been announced.

GROUND GAME GETS GOING

Anthony Morelli's hot hand gave the offensive line and the running game a chance to gel in the first half and then open the lanes in the second against Florida International.

With Morelli throwing for a school record 231 first half yards and a 24-0 halftime lead, the performance of the ground game wasn't as critical, netting 335 yards on 16 attempts. But, in the second half, the Lions began to wear down FIU, finishing the game with 236 yards on 48 attempts, with five rushing touchdowns.

Three Nittany Lions gained 45 yards or better. In his first collegiate game, redshirt freshman Evan Royster (Fairfax, Va) gained a game-high 70 yards on eight carries, including a 13-yard TD burst and a 20-yard romp. Senior Rodney Kinlaw gained 66 yards on eight attempts, including a 15-yard TD run and a 28-yard burst. Senior Austin Scott gained 46 yards on 11 carries and scored on one and eight-yard runs in the middle of the game for a 31-0 lead.

Early in the fourth quarter, junior fullback Dan Lawlor (Mechanicsburg) scored from 16 yards out for his first career TD to make it 59-0 with 14:55 to play.

Senior tailback Nick Pinchek (Coplay) gained 33 yards on six carries and Lawlor added 27 yards and on five attempts to boost the running attack.

PENN STATE STUDENT-ATHLETES EARN 86 PERCENT GRADUATION SUCCESS RATE

Penn State student-athletes continue to graduate well above their peers nationwide, according to statistical information released in November 2006 by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

The NCAA's annual study of institutions nationwide revealed that Penn State student-athletes at the University Park campus earned a Graduation Success Rate (GSR) of 86 percent compared to a 78 percent average for all Division I-A institutions for students entering from 1996-97 through 1999-2000.

Since 1990, the NCAA has annually released graduation rate information on institutions nationwide from data collected by the U.S. Department of Education. In December 2005, the NCAA Division I Committee on Academic Performance implemented the initial release of the team GSR data.

The GSR is the NCAA's new and more inclusive calculation of student-athlete academic success. The NCAA rate is more accurate than the federally mandated methodology because it includes incoming transfers who receive athletic aid and graduate and deletes from the calculation student-athletes who leave an institution and were academically eligible to compete. The federal rate does neither.

In addition to releasing each institution's overall four-year Graduation Success Rate, the NCAA also released the federal graduation rates for students and student-athletes as it has for the past 16 years. Among the 1999-2000 entering freshman class, 83 percent of Penn State student-athletes earned degrees within six years, significantly above the 64 percent for all Division I-A institutions. The graduation rate for all Penn State students was 84 percent in the entering class in 1999-2000.

For the third time in the past five years, Penn State student-athletes posted the highest federal graduation rate among the nation's public institutions. The 83 percent rate also was tied for Penn State's best performance in the 16-year history of the report, with the entering classes of 1997-98 and 1989-90.

The four-year graduation rate average for University Park student-athletes was 81 percent, well above the national average of 63 percent for student-athletes. The four-year average was second highest in the Big Ten to Northwestern. The four-year average for University Park students was 83 percent, far exceeding the 63 percent rate for all students nationwide.

Data released by the NCAA in October revealed that student-athletes from 21 of Penn State's 25 teams (track/cross country teams combined) earned a Graduation Success Rate at or above the national average of 77 percent. Eight Penn State squads earned a Graduation Success Rate of 100 percent and 19 teams had a GSR of 80 percent or better.

African-American student-athletes at Penn State continue to graduate at much higher percentages than at other Division I-A institutions. The 71 percent four-year federal rate marks the 16th consecutive year that Penn State's graduation rate for African-American student-athletes topped the African-American figures for Division I-A. At all Division I-A institutions in the NCAA compilation, the African-American four-year graduation percentage was 52 percent.

The University's African-American student-athlete GSR was 77 percent, significantly above the Division I-A national GSR average of 61 percent. Penn State was second in the Big Ten (Northwestern) in both the federal and GSR figures among African-American student-athletes.

The Penn State football team produced another superb academic performance, earning a Big Ten-best graduation rate of 83 percent for the 1999-2000 freshman class, 28 points higher than the national Division I-A average of 55 percent. Northwestern was second among conference institutions at 79 percent.

Coach Joe Paterno's team earned a four-year Graduation Success Rate of 80 percent, easily surpassing the 66 percent Division I-A average and ranking behind only Northwestern among Big Ten teams.

African-American members of the Nittany Lion football team posted a notable 72 percent four-year graduation rate, exceeding the Division I-A average of 49 percent by 23 points. Penn State's GSR for African-American football players was a superlative 77 percent, also significantly higher than the national average of 56 percent.

Penn State's four-year and GSR rates were second-highest in the Big Ten among African-American football players (Northwestern).

Of the Penn State student-athletes in the NCAA studies from 1990-91 through 1999-2000 who exhausted their eligibility, 95 percent left with their diplomas.

This was the 16th release of institutional graduation rates since national "right-to-know" legislation was passed in 1990.

STRONG DEBUT FOR BOONE

Redshirt freshman punter Jeremy Boone (Mechanicsburg) made his debut with the Lions and delivered a strong opening game.

Boone was called upon five times and averaged 47.4 yards per punt. The former Mechanicsburg Area High School standout had a long punt of 54 yards, had one punt downed inside the 20 and one touchback.

Boone is replacing four-year starter Jeremy Kapinos, a 2006 AP third team All-American, who is Penn State's career leader in punts and yardage and is tied for fourth with a 41.7 career average.

LIONS IN SEASON OPENERS

The Nittany Lions own an impressive 100-19-2 (83.4) record in season openers, winning their last six and 15 of the last 17. The Lions are 35-7 in season openers under Coach Joe Paterno and 108-12-1 in home openers overall.

NIITTANY LIONS A BLEND OF YOUTH AND EXPERIENCE

It was a productive and challenging eight months for the Nittany Lions since concluding the 2006 season with a strong 20-10 victory over Tennessee in the Outback Bowl on New Year's Day.

Joe Paterno is fielding one of the youngest squad's in his legendary tenure this season, with only 12 seniors on the roster. Among the dozen seniors, only four earned a starting assignment against FIU, with middle linebacker Dan Connor the only senior starter on defense.

The Nittany Lions have 15 returning starters, along with three players who have made starts during their careers. Eight starters returned on offense and six on defense, along with placekicker Kevin Kelly.

The Nittany Lions returned 32 lettermen from last season - 15 on offense, 15 on defense and two specialists. The list grows to 33 with the addition of senior tailback Austin Scott, who lettered in 2005 but was redshirted last year.

LIONS APPEAR ON BIG TEN NETWORK ON DEBUT WEEKEND

The Penn State-Florida International contest was one of six football games televised by the Big Ten Network during its opening weekend. The Network launched on August 30 in more than 16 million homes, including approximately 100 cable providers in the eight Big Ten states and all DirecTV subscribers (Ch. 220). D&E Communications in State College and Lewisburg is among the Pennsylvania cable companies airing the Big Ten Network on its expanded basic package.

A minimum of three Penn State football games will air on the Big Ten Network this season, including the Sept. 15 contest with Buffalo. At least one Penn State conference game also will be televised by the network and possibly more.

The Big Ten Network will air at least 39 Big Ten football games this season, with each school making at least two appearances. Three times this season, the Big Ten Network will have the second choice among ABC, ESPN and ESPN2 on which game it will air. The network will have the No. 3 choice three times as well.

Most Big Ten Network football games will air

at 12:00 p.m., with the remainder kicking off during the primetime window. ESPN/ABC have exclusive rights to air games during the 3:30 p.m. window.

The Big Ten Network will televise 350-400 events during its inaugural year, including at least 39 football games, 140 men's basketball games, including 64 of the 99 intra-conference games, women's basketball and more than 170 Olympic sport events.

The Big Ten Network is a national television network, available to all cable and satellite providers nationwide, that will allow fans to see their home teams regardless of where they live. The network will air more than 600 hours of Penn State programming during its inaugural year. The vast majority of Penn State's 29 varsity sports will be featured on the Big Ten Network in 2007-08, in addition to at least 60 hours of institutional, non-athletic programming.

In addition to at least three Penn State football games, approximately 20 Nittany Lion basketball games will air on the Big Ten Network during the upcoming year. At least 15 of Penn State's conference men's basketball games will air on the network. The Lady Lion basketball team will make several appearances on the Big Ten Network, with the schedule to be announced. Penn State's field hockey, women's volleyball and men's and women's soccer teams will appear on the Big Ten Network this fall.

To get the Big Ten Network, fans should call 1-866-WANT-B10 and record a message or be patched through to their cable operator and request that the network be a part of their expanded basic package.

FOREMAN FOUNDATION MAKES CONTRIBUTION IN HONOR OF BRUNO

During the Penn State-FIU contest, a check for \$62,500 was presented to the Hershey Medical Center by the Foreman Foundation, a charitable organization whose mission is to help find a cure for melanoma.

The Foundation was founded by Phillip G. Foreman, a classmate of former Nittany Lion punter John Bruno, Jr., who died of the malignant form of skin cancer in April, 1992. Since its inception in 1996, the Foreman Foundation has raised more than \$870,000 to support melanoma research at Penn State's College of Medicine at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center.

Bruno was a standout for the Lions from 1984-86, ranking No. 4 in school career punting average with a 41.7 mark, along with Jeremy Kapinos. Bruno also owns the school's third-best season punting average (42.9 in 1985). His 79 punts and 3,273 punting yards in 1984 remain school season records.

PATERNO SECOND IN NCAA DIVISION I-A CAREER WINS

Joe Paterno is second in all-time Division I-A victories, with a record of 364-121-3 (74.9) in his 42nd season as head coach.

Penn State's thrilling 29-27 comeback win over Ohio State on Oct. 27, 2001 was Paterno's 324th career victory, moving him past Paul "Bear" Bryant for the lead in career victories among major college coaches. Paterno earned his 324th win in his 421st career game during his 36th season as head coach.

**STATISTICAL RANKINGS
NCAA & BIG TEN TEAM RANKINGS**

Category	Big Ten Rank	NCAA Rank	Avg.
Scoring Offense			
Scoring Defense			
Pass Offense			
Pass Defense			
Rushing Offense			
Rushing Defense			
Total Offense			
Total Defense			
Pass Efficiency			
Pass Efficiency Defense			
Kickoff Returns			
Punt Returns			
Net Punting			
Turnover Margin			
Penalties			
Yards Penalized			
Sacks By			
Sacks Against			
Third Down Conversions			
Opp Third Down Conversions			
Punt Return Coverage			
Kickoff Return Coverage			
Time of Possession			
Interceptions			
Had Intercepted			
Turnovers Gained			

NCAA INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Category	Player	Rank	Avg.
Field Goals/G			
Scoring			
Rushing			
All-Purpose			
Passing/Avg.			
Passing/Comp. Avg.			
Total Passing Yards			
Punting			
Punt Return/Avg.			
Kickoff Return/Avg.			
Interceptions			
Tackles/G			
Solo Tackles/G			
Sacks			

BIG TEN INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Category	Player	Rank	Avg.
Rushing			
All Purpose			
Passing Avg/Game			
Pass Efficiency			
Punting			
Total Offense			
Punt Return Avg.			
Field Goals			
PAT Kicking Pct.			
Scoring			
Scoring (Kick)			
Scoring (TD)			
Field Goal Percentage			
Kick Return Avg.			
Tackles			
Interceptions			
Sacks			
Fumbles Rec.			
Passes Defended			

Florida State coach Bobby Bowden moved past Paterno for the lead among major college coaches on Oct. 25, 2003. Bowden has a 366-114-4 record in his 42nd season as a head coach.

Paterno is in fourth place in wins among coaches from all NCAA divisions, trailing only John Gagliardi (443), the coach of Division III St. John's (Minn.), former Grambling coach Eddie Robinson (408) and Bowden (366).

With a winning percentage of 74.8, Paterno was in fifth place among active I-A coaches in winning percentage entering the season (minimum 10 years as a I-A head coach).

PATERNO ELECTED TO COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME

Joe Paterno's induction into the National Football Foundation and College of Fame was postponed until December due to injuries he sustained during the Penn State at Wisconsin game on November 4, 2006, which prevented him from traveling.

Paterno had been scheduled for induction into the College of Fame last December alongside Florida State coach Bobby Bowden and 13 players. Paterno and Bowden were honored at the Foundation's 2006 gala event with the NFF's Gold Medal, the organizations's highest honor, during a video tribute.

Paterno's College Football Hall of Fame induction will take place at the 50th Hall of Fame Awards dinner on December 4, 2007. He will become the 21st member of the Penn State football family to gain induction into the Hall, joining four former coaches and 16 players, seven of whom he coached.

The Gold Medal has been awarded annually since 1958 and recognizes an outstanding American who has demonstrated integrity and honesty, achieved significant career success and has reflected the basic values of those who have excelled in amateur sport, particularly football.

Paterno and Bowden were the 49th and 50th recipients of the Gold Medal, which has been presented to seven U.S. Presidents, four U.S. Generals, three U.S. Admirals, one U.S. Supreme Court Justice, 25 Corporate CEOs and Chairmen, John Wayne and Jackie Robinson.

PATERNO SECOND IN GAMES ON SIDELINE

Joe Paterno ranks second all-time in games coached among major college coaches. The Notre Dame game will be his 489th game as head coach. Amos Alonzo Stagg's 548 games top all major college coaches. He is followed by Paterno, Pop Warner and Bobby Bowden (481), Paul "Bear" Bryant (425) and Hayden Fry (420).

600-PLUS AND COUNTING

The Notre Dame contest will be the 642nd game Joe Paterno has coached in since joining the Nittany Lions' staff in 1950.

In his 58th season as a member of the Penn State staff, Paterno followed Rip Engle from Brown to Penn State after graduating in 1950 and was involved in 155 games as an assistant coach from 1950-65. He was promoted to head coach in 1966.

Paterno has missed just three games in his career. As an assistant coach, he missed the 1955

game at Army when his father, Angelo, died. As head coach in 1977, Joe and Sue Paterno's son, David, was involved in a serious trampoline accident the day before the Lions' game at Syracuse and Paterno did not attend the contest. Paterno missed the Nov. 11, 2006 game with Temple, which took place five days after he had surgery on his left leg, which was injured in a sideline collision at Wisconsin on Nov. 4.

Paterno's first game on the Penn State staff was Sept. 30, 1950, a 34-14 win vs. Georgetown. The Nittany Lions have earned a 468-169-7 record with Paterno on the staff, with their 73.2 winning percentage fourth-best nationally since 1950.

PATERNO LONGEVITY AMAZING

Since Joe Paterno became head coach in 1966, there have been 798 head coaching changes in Division I-A, an average of more than six changes per institution!

PATERNO AMONG ELITE GROUP OF BIG TEN COACHES

The dean among active Big Ten coaches, Joe Paterno is one of just 12 coaches in Big Ten history to win at least 100 games at one institution. The Nittany Lions have a 117-54 overall record since starting play in the Big Ten in 1993.

Amos Alonzo Stagg, Chicago	243
Woody Hayes, Ohio State	205
Bo Schembechler, Michigan	194
Fielding Yost, Michigan	165
Hayden Fry, Iowa	143
Henry Williams, Minnesota	136
Robert Zuppke, Illinois	131
Barry Alvarez, Wisconsin	118
John Cooper, Ohio State	111
Duffy Daugherty, Michigan State	109
Joe Paterno, Penn State	117 (active)
Lloyd Carr, Michigan	113 (active)

TRI-CAPTAINS SELECTED

A trio of seniors have been elected captains of the 2007 Penn State football team.

All-America linebacker Dan Connor, wide receiver Terrell Golden and quarterback Anthony Morelli were elected tri-captains by their teammates during pre-season camp.

Connor has been named a pre-season first team All-American by various publications and is a candidate for the Bednarik, Buttkus, Rotary Lombardi and Lott awards. Last season, he earned first team All-America honors from The Sporting News and was a second team Associated Press All-American. The former Strath Haven High School standout became the 13th linebacker to earn first team All-America honors at "Linebacker U" under Coach Joe Paterno. Connor has 279 career stops, 93 away from Paul Posluszny's school record and was the lone junior among the three finalists for the 2006 Bednarik Award, presented to the nation's top defensive player.

The lone senior among Penn State's talented and deep receiving corps, Golden has earned praise from his teammates as one of the squad's leaders since off-season workouts began in January. The recipient of the 2007 Red Worrell Award as the offense's most improved played in spring practice, Golden made six receptions for 120 yards last season. The former Lake Taylor High School standout has an impressive career 21.7 yards per catch aver-

LONG PLAYS

Plays of 20 or more yards from scrimmage in 2007

PENN STATE OFFENSE (8)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opp.
37	Pass	Anthony Morelli to Deon Butler	FIU
29	Pass	Anthony Morelli to Jordan Norwood	FIU
29	Pass	Anthony Morelli to Jordan Norwood	FIU
28	Run	Rodney Kinlaw	FIU
22	Pass	Anthony Morelli to Jordan Norwood	FIU
21	Pass	Anthony Morelli to Rodney Kinlaw	FIU
20	Run	Austin Scott	FIU
20	Run	Evan Royster	FIU

2007 Game High vs 8 vs. Florida International

Play	#	Long	Opp.
Passing	5	37 - Morelli to Butler	FIU
Rushing	3	28 - Kinlaw	FIU
Receptions	5	37 - Butler	FIU

OPPONENTS' OFFENSE (1)

Passing	1
Rushing	0

age, with 18 catches for 390 yards and two touchdowns.

During his first season as the Lions' starting signal-caller, Morelli led Penn State to wins in five of its last six games and broke the school season records for pass completions (208) and attempts (386). His 2,424 passing yards were third-highest on the school season list. The former Penn Hills High School All-American had 11 touchdown passes and eight interceptions and posted the school's seventh-lowest season interception percentage. A candidate for the Davey O'Brien, Manning and

Johnny Unitas awards, he ended the season with a very strong performance, going 14 of 25 for 197 yards, with one touchdown and no interceptions, in directing the Outback Bowl win over Tennessee.

TRIO OF RETURNING ALL-CONFERENCE HONOREES

Among the returning starters are three players who earned All-America or All-Big Ten recognition in 2006: senior linebacker Dan Connor (Wallingford), a first team All-American; junior cornerback Justin King (Pittsburgh), a second team All-Big Ten selection and junior safety Anthony Scirrotto (West Deptford, N.J.), who earned first team All-Big Ten accolades and was named to ESPN.com's All-Bowl Team.

POSITION CHANGES

Among the players who have changed positions since the end of last season: Brett Brackett (QB to WR); Gerald Cadogan (G to T); Tony Davis (CB to Saf); Larry Federoff (LB to FB); Mike Lucian (DT to G); Ross Muir (C to G); Brendan Perretta (WR to CB); Mark Rubin (WR to Saf); and John Shaw (T to G).

NUMBER CHANGES

Several Nittany Lions have changed numbers since last season, including wide receiver Brett Brackett (83); wide receiver Kevin Cousins (9); cornerback Devin Fentress (20); safety Jason Ganter (42); cornerback Willie Harriott (6), tailback Rodney Kinlaw (20); safety Mark Rubin (9), placekicker Collin Wagner (36) and wideout Graham Zug (5).

SIX STARTERS RETURN FROM TOP 15 DEFENSIVE UNIT

Six starters return from a defensive unit that was ranked in the Top 15 nationally in rushing (87.5 ypg, 7th), scoring (14.4 ppg, 9th), total defense (284.5 ypg, 15th) and pass efficiency defense (105.9 rating, 14th) and sacks (40, T-sixth) in 2006. The Nittany Lions were one of only four teams nationally ranked in the Top 15 in all five categories.

The Nittany Lions held 10 opponents to 17 or fewer points last season, including the last seven. Over the last seven games, the Lions allowed 65 points, an average of 9.28 per game. Over the last five games, the Lions allowed 36 points (7.2 avg.) with two shutouts.

Penn State held opponents to an average of 14.4 points per game last season, including limiting Tennessee to a season-low 10 points, significantly below its average of 29.3 ppg entering the game. Not including 21 points scored by opposing defenses, Penn State's defense gave up an average of 12.7 ppg.

"LINEBACKER U" LEGACY IN GOOD HANDS

Paul Posluszny, the two-time All-American and Bednarik Award winner, graduated last December as the Nittany Lions' career tackle leader (372). But, the "Linebacker U" legacy is in good hands with returning starters Dan Connor (Wallingford) and Sean Lee (Pittsburgh), who will lead what should again be one of the nation's top linebacker units.

Connor has moved to middle linebacker this

season, with redshirt junior Tyrell Sales (Butler) the top candidate to fill the open OLB spot.

A senior, Connor earned first team All-America accolades from The Sporting News and was one of three finalists for the 2006 Bednarik Award. Also a candidate for the Butkus, Rotary Lombardi and Lott awards this season, Connor was second on the squad and fifth in the Big Ten with 113 tackles, including nine tackles for losses, five sacks, two interceptions and three forced fumbles. He will enter the season with 274 career stops, 98 behind Posluszny's school record total.

A junior, Lee quickly emerged as an impact player last fall. He was third on the team with 90 tackles (12th in Big Ten) and had 8.0 tackles for losses, 5.5 sacks, two forced fumbles and a pair of fumble recoveries. He also grabbed an interception. Lee and Connor combined to force the fumble that Tony Davis returned 88 yards for the eventual game-winning score against Tennessee in the 2007 Outback Bowl.

TALENTED & EXPERIENCED SECONDARY

Three starters return in the secondary, a unit that improved throughout last season and was very productive. Junior safety Anthony Scirrotto (West Deptford, N.J.) led the Big Ten with six interceptions, was fourth on the team with 58 tackles (42 solo) and had eight pass break-ups. He earned first team All-Big Ten accolades and was named to ESPN.com's All-Bowl Team after making eight tackles, with an interception and two pass break-ups against Tennessee.

A junior cornerback, Justin King (Pittsburgh) as one of the Big Ten's top cover corners and made 30 tackles, with an interception against Ohio State. He limited OSU's Ted Ginn, Jr. to two catches for 15 yards and kept Tennessee's Robert Meachem to four catches for 33 yards. Also a junior, cornerback Tony Davis (Warren, Ohio) made 42 tackles and was second in the Big Ten with 13 pass break-ups in his first season as a starter. Davis also returned two fumbles for touchdowns, including a game-winning 88-yard return in the fourth quarter of the Outback Bowl.

Junior Lydell Sargeant (Lompoc, Calif.) and sophomore A.J. Wallace (Waldorf, Md.) are battling for the vacant corner spot.

MORELLI LEADS EIGHT RETURNING OFFENSIVE STARTERS

Senior quarterback Anthony Morelli (Pittsburgh) will lead eight returning starters for a talented and experienced offense. The Nittany Lions must replace tailback Tony Hunt, who gained 3,320 career yards, two-time All-America tackle Levi Brown and guard Robert Price.

Last year, in his first season as the starter, the talented and strong-armed Morelli broke school season records for pass completions (208) and attempts (386), while his 2,424 yards were third-highest. He also posted the program's sixth-lowest season interception percentage (8 int. in 386 attempts). Morelli threw 11 touchdown passes and completed 54 percent of his passes.

SKILLED & EXPERIENCED RECEIVERS

The Nittany Lions should again have one of the nation's premier receiver units, a group which returns intact. In 2006, for the first time in program history, three different receivers caught 40 or more passes in a season. Juniors Deon Butler (48-637-2), Jordan Norwood (45-472-2) and Derrick Williams

PENN STATE FOOTBALL GRADUATION RATE THIRD-BEST AMONG PUBLICS & BOWL TEAMS

The outstanding graduation performance by Penn State's student-athletes, 83 percent according to the November 2006 NCAA graduation rate report, is further accentuated by the efforts of the Nittany Lion football team, which has the third-highest graduation rate of among the nation's public institutions that play Division I-A football.

Compiled by Penn State from the "2006 NCAA Division I Graduation Rates Report," Coach Joe Paterno's team had the sixth-highest graduation rate overall among all of the nation's 119 Division I-A programs, including the best among Big Ten Conference institutions. Kent State (86 percent) and Nebraska (84 percent) were the only public institutions with a rate higher than Penn State's.

Northwestern (79 percent) and Iowa (72) were second and third, respectively, among Big Ten football teams. The national average is 55 percent.

The Nittany Lions' 83 percent federal graduation rate also is third-highest among the 64 schools playing in a 2006-07 bowl game. Boston College (92 percent) and Nebraska were the only bowl teams with a higher graduation rate than Penn State.

For the third time in the past five years, Penn State's student-athletes posted the highest graduation rate among all Division I-A public institutions. The 83 percent federal rate is tied for Penn State's best performance in the 16-year history of the NCAA report, along with the entering classes of 1997-98 and 1989-90.

According to the NCAA data, for student-athletes entering the University in 1999-2000, Penn State's graduation rate (83 percent) was sixth-highest overall among the nation's Division I-A institutions. The national average was 64 percent.

Penn State's four-year football graduation rate (for players entering 1996-99) of 76 percent was tied for 10th-highest among I-A institutions and tied for second-best among public institutions. Only Ball State (78 percent) was higher among publics.

Penn State trailed only Northwestern (79 percent) for the four-year football rate among Big Ten institutions. The next closest league school was Michigan at 63 percent. The national four-year average is 55 percent.

For African-American football players entering in 1999-2000, the Nittany Lions' posted a graduation figure of 71 percent to easily exceed the 49 percent national average. Penn State's four-year graduation rate for African-American players was 72 percent, 23 points higher than the national average.

Seven members of the 2006 Nittany Lion squad had graduated prior to the start of the season and an additional 12 players are on schedule to graduate this month.

During Paterno's tenure, Penn State has had 35 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-Americans (26 first team), 15 National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame Scholar-Athletes and 18 NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship winners.

Senior linebacker Paul Posluszny was selected the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-American of the Year and was National Football Foundation Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete this year. Senior defensive end Tim Shaw also earned first team Academic All-America honors this year and senior safety Nolan McCready was a second team Academic All-American.

The Nittany Lions have had 190 Academic All-Big Ten football honorees since starting Conference play in 1993, tops among all Big Ten institutions.

The NCAA Graduation Rates Report documented the entering freshman class of 1999-2000 who earned degrees within six years. The report is produced annually from data collected by the U.S. Department of Education.

(40-440-1) are joined by senior tri-captain Terrell Golden (6-120-0).

Butler's 48 receptions last season were tied for sixth-highest in school season annals. He stands 12th all-time for career receiving yards at Penn State with 1,328 and 13th with 85 career receptions. Norwood is 14th on the school career receptions list with 77.

Sophomore tight Andrew Quarless (Uniondale, N.Y.), who started eight games, also returns after making 21 catches for 288 yards and two scores during his true freshman season.

TRIO OF STARTERS RETURN ON O-LINE

The offensive line welcomes back four players with starting experience, three of whom are likely to be on the first unit against FIU.

Junior A.Q. Shipley (Coraopolis) started every game at center last season and will anchor the line. He was on the field for 897 snaps last year, tops among all offensive players and fourth-highest on the squad.

Senior John Shaw (Spring Grove) started the first 10 games at right tackle before being sidelined with an ankle injury. Shaw was shifted to guard during spring drills and is the probable starter at right guard. Junior Gerald Cadogan (Portsmouth, Ohio) started five of the first six games at left guard last year and is the top candidate at left tackle.

Junior Rich Ohrnberger (East Meadow, N.Y.) started the last nine games at right guard last season and is battling redshirt freshman Lou Eliades (Ocean, N.J.) for the starting assignment at left guard. Redshirt sophomore Dennis Landolt (Burlington, N.J.) is the top candidate at right tackle.

PLACEKICKER KELLY RETURNS AFTER RECORD SEASON

Junior placekicker Kevin Kelly (Langhorne) returns for his third season. His 22 field goals last year tied Matt Bahr's school single season record and his 34 field goals attempts surpassed the previous Penn State season mark of 33, set by Chris Bahr in 1975. Kelly was tied for the Big Ten scoring lead with 96 points.

LIONS LEAD NATION IN UNBEATEN REGULAR SEASONS SINCE 1966

Joe Paterno has led Penn State to seven unbeaten, untied regular seasons since becoming head coach in 1966, the most of any team in the nation.

The Nittany Lions have earned five unbeaten, untied seasons under Paterno (1968, '69, '73, '86, '94), with two teams (1978, '85) losing in national championship bowl games.

PENN STATE - 7
Miami (Fla.), Nebraska, Ohio State - 6
Alabama, Oklahoma - 5

TOUGH IN TIGHT GAMES

Penn State is 95-48-3 under Joe Paterno in games decided by seven points or less, winning of 33 of 51 since starting Big Ten play in 1993.

BIG TEN LEADER IN BOWL GAMES

Penn State leads all Big Ten schools in bowl wins, appearances and winning percentage.

The Nittany Lions have a 25-12-2 record in bowl games and their winning percentage of 66.7

leads the nation among schools with a minimum of 10 bowl wins. Penn State is third nationally in bowl wins, while its 39 bowl appearances are eighth-best.

STRONG AGAINST BIG TEN

Penn State is playing its 15th season as members of the Big Ten Conference this fall. Since 1993, the Nittany Lions are 69-43 in conference contests, trailing only Ohio State and Michigan. Penn State is 117-54 (68.4) overall, trailing only Ohio State, Michigan and Wisconsin.

BIG TEN NO PLAYS

Penn State will meet Indiana and Iowa this season for the first time since 2004, while Minnesota and Northwestern rotate off the Nittany Lions' schedule for the next two years.

LIONS OWN NATION'S FOURTH-BEST MARK SINCE 1950

It should come as no surprise that Penn State has the nation's fourth-best record since Joe Paterno joined the coaching staff in 1950.

Oklahoma is the leader with a 489-154-12 (75.5) mark, followed by Ohio State (466-147-15, 75.3), Nebraska (484-173-9, 73.3), Penn State (468-169-7, 73.2) and Michigan (450-171-13, 72.1).

BADGERS ARE HOMECOMING FOE

Wisconsin will provide the opposition for Penn State's 88th Homecoming game on Oct. 13 (3:30 p.m.). The Lions have an impressive 62-20-5 record in front of the alumni audience, winning 36 of 41 Homecoming tilts under Joe Paterno.

HOME SCHEDULE SOLD OUT; RECORD 93,500 SEASON TICKETS SOLD

Unprecedented demand for Penn State season tickets resulted in a complete sellout for the 2007 Nittany Lion football campaign.

With a record total of more than 93,500 season tickets accounted for and student and Nittany Lion Club ticket sales hitting record high numbers in record times, Penn State fans have assured that Beaver Stadium will again host some of the largest football crowds in the nation this fall.

The excitement for the 2007 football season pushed Penn State season tickets beyond 90,000 for the second consecutive year in Beaver Stadium, which has a capacity of 107,282, second-largest in the nation. Penn State students sold out their 21,000-plus season tickets in a record 59 minutes in June.

Bud Meredith, Director of Ticket Operations, reported in July that an all-time high of 99 percent of last year's season ticket holders renewed their seats for the 2007 season.

Fewer than 100 club seats remain for the 2007 season, with more than 100 having been sold since June. For information on club seats, interested fans can call Bob White at 1-800-NITTANY (1-800-648-8269).

The anticipation of the upcoming season has also resulted in a strong demand for tickets to the Nittany Lions' five away games. Penn State's allotment for the Sept. 22 clash at Michigan is sold out. A limited number of tickets remain for three of Penn State's Big Ten away games -- Illinois (Sept. 29), Indiana (Oct. 20) and Michigan State (Nov. 17).

Penn State's allotment for the Nov. 10 contest against Temple at Lincoln Financial Field is sold out.

Tickets for the three available away games are on sale at: www.GoPSUsports.com, the official website of Penn State Athletics. Orders also can be placed by calling 814-865-5555 or 800-863-3336 weekdays from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

In July, Joe Battista, Executive Director of the Nittany Lion Club, reported that the NLC added more than 2,200 new members during the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2007. The Nittany Lion Club had a record high of 22, 818 members at the end of fiscal 2007. There were 18,373 NLC members at the end of fiscal 2005, an increase of 20 percent over the last two years.

Season ticket requests for new members, and additional seats requested by 2006-07 members, exceeded tickets available by approximately 6,000 for the 2007 football season.

PENN STATE FOOTBALL WEEKEND: "GREATEST SHOW IN COLLEGE SPORTS"

A Penn State home football weekend topped the list of Sports Illustrated on Campus magazine's "102 More Things To Do Before Graduation," and Nittany Lion football coach Joe Paterno was on the cover of the October 27, 2005 issue.

SI on Campus not only named Penn State the nation's top college football gameday location, but called Penn State home football games, "The Greatest Show In College Sports."

The honor was the second during 2005 for Penn State's loyal and enthusiastic fans. In voting conducted by SI.com, Penn State was selected the nation's premier college or professional football tailgating venue. Penn State defeated Texas, Washington and LSU to win the collegiate title and defeated the Buffalo Bills to capture the overall distinction as the nation's top tailgating location.

Penn State has one of the nation's most energetic and dedicated fan bases, with fans starting to arrive in their recreational vehicles as early as Thursday morning for home games. Beaver Stadium's capacity of 107,282 is the nation's second-largest and Penn State has been ranked in the top four in attendance in the nation for each of the past 15 years. A raucous crowd of 109,839 filled the stadium for the Nittany Lions' 17-10 win over Ohio State last year, including more than 20,000 students dressed in white in order to "White Out" Ohio State. Penn State had three of its four largest crowds in Beaver Stadium history in 2005, topped by 109,865 for Wisconsin on Senior Day.

Six days prior to the Ohio State and Wisconsin clashes, Penn State students began camping out just outside the stadium for the best seats for nationally televised contests. "Paternoville" grew to more than 130 tents by gameday.

NUMEROUS LIONS HAVE FAMILY TIES TO PENN STATE FOOTBALL

Thirteen members of the 2007 squad have ties to current or former Nittany Lion football team players and coaches:

- True freshman wide receiver Tyler Ahrenhold's father, Frank, lettered from 1969-71 as a wideout;
- Junior quarterback Paul Cianciolo is the younger brother of Joe Cianciolo, who was a senior linebacker on the 2006 squad;

- Fifth-year senior safety Jason Ganter is the son of Fran Ganter, who is in his fourth year as Associate Athletic Director for Football Administration after 37 years as a Penn State player and assistant coach. Jason's older brother, Chris, was a quarterback for the Nittany Lions (2001-04) and an uncle, Jimmy Cefalo was a standout wide receiver from 1974-77;

- Junior cornerback Justin King's stepfather, Terry Smith, was a Penn State letterman at wide receiver from 1988-91 and ranks sixth in school career receptions;

- Fifth-year senior tailback Rodney Kinlaw is a nephew of former All-America defensive end Courtney Brown (1996-99);

- Redshirt sophomore wideout Patrick Mauti's father, Rich, was a letterman for the Nittany Lions in 1975 and '76;

- Junior wideout Jordan Norwood's father, Brian, is in his seventh season as the Nittany Lions' safeties coach;

- Fifth-year senior guard John Shaw's older brother, Jim, was a senior defensive end on the 2006 squad;

- Redshirt sophomore tight end Mickey Shuler is the son of former Nittany Lion standout TE Mickey Shuler, a letterman from 1975-77 and a 14-year NFL player;

- True freshman linebacker Nathan Stupar's father, Steve, played tackle for the Nittany Lions, earning a letter in 1979. The younger Stupar also has three uncles that played for and lettered at Penn State: Ron (1975-77), Doug (1976-78) and Jeff Hostetler (1980).

- Redshirt sophomore quarterback Kevin Suhey and true freshman tailback Joe Suhey are members of the one the most prominent families in Penn State football history. Their great grandfather, Bob Higgins, was Penn State's second All-American, in 1915, and earned All-America honors again in 1919. He served as head coach of the Nittany Lions from 1930-48. Their grandfather, Steve Suhey, was a letterman in 1942 and again in 1946-47, earning All-America honors his senior season. He married one of Bob Higgins' daughters, Ginger. Three of their sons, Paul (Kevin's father), Larry and Matt (Joe's father) played for Penn State in the 1970's;

- True freshman offensive lineman Stefen Wisniewski's father, Leo, was a standout defensive lineman for the Lions, earning letters from 1979-81. Stefen's uncle, Steve Wisniewski, was a two-time first team All-America guard during his outstanding Penn State career (1985-88).

PATERNO HAS COACHED 22 FATHER-SON COMBINATIONS

Including eight current squad members, Joe Paterno has coached a total of 22 father-son combinations during his 42 seasons as head coach at Penn State. Some of the combinations include more than one son:

Current (years lettered):

Frank Ahrenhold (1969-71)/Tyler Ahrenhold (member of 2007 team)

Fran Ganter (1968-70)/ Chris (2002-04) and Jason Ganter (2005-present)

Rich Mauti (1975-76)/ Patrick Mauti (member of 2005-07 teams)

Mickey Shuler (1975-77)/ Mickey Shuler (member of 2005-07 teams)

Terry Smith, stepfather (1988-91)/ Justin King (2005-present)

Steve Stupar (1979)/Nathan Stupar (member of 2007 team)

Paul Suhey (1975-78)/ Kevin Suhey (member of

2006-present)

Leo Wisniewski (1979-81)/Stefen Wisniewski (member of 2007 team)

Past (years lettered):

Rich Buzin (1966-67)/ Mike Buzin (1996, '98); Bob Campbell, stepfather (1966-68)/Ryan Pinckney (2002);

Mike Guman (1976-79)/ Andrew Guman (2001-2004);

Kevin Hart (1976)/ Mike Hart (member of 2004-06 teams)

Pete Johnson (1967-69)/ Tim Johnson (2003); Dave Joyner (1969-71)/ Andy (played 1993-94) and Matt Joyner (1996-98);

John Kulka (1966-68)/ Todd Kulka (1995); Ed Lenda (1965-66)/ Tyler Lenda (1999-2002);

Charlie Pittman (1967-69)/ Tony Pittman (1992-94);

Bob Rickenbach (1970-72)/ Eric Rickenbach (2000, '02);

Jerry Sandusky (1963-66)/ E.J. (1991-92) & Jon Sandusky (1998-99);

Victor Surma (1968-70)/ Vic Surma (played 2002-05);

Tom Williams (1973-74)/ Tom (2001) and Casey Williams (2002-03);

Tom Wise (1978-80)/ Brent Wise (played 2003-05).

SEVERAL ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA CANDIDATES

Penn State had three ESPN The Magazine Academic All-Americans in Paul Posluszny, Tim Shaw and Nolan McCready in 2006, with Posluszny being selected the Academic All-American of the Year, as well as a National Football Foundation Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete.

Several Nittany Lions should be under consideration for Academic All-America honors again this fall, including tackle Gerald Cadogan (Portsmouth, Ohio), who earned Academic All-District accolades in 2006. Linebacker Sean Lee (Pittsburgh), wide receiver Jordan Norwood (State College) and safety Mark Rubin (Amherst, N.Y.) also should be candidates.

During Paterno's tenure, Penn State has had 35 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-Americans® (26 first team). Penn State ranks fourth among all Division I-A institutions in Academic All-America® football honorees.

LIONS AMONG ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA LEADERS

Penn State ranks fourth nationally among the top schools in all-time ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America Football selections as selected by members of the College Sports Information Directors of America (I-A schools only):

- 1. Nebraska 86
- 2. Notre Dame 45
- 3. Stanford 39
- 4. **PENN STATE 37**
- 5. Ohio State 34

PENN STATE UPLIFTING ATHLETES' "LIFT FOR LIFE" RAISES RECORD \$75,000 FOR KIDNEY CANCER ASSOCIATION

Penn State Football Uplifting Athletes' Fifth

annual "Lift For Life" was a tremendous success, raising this year's contributions for the Kidney Cancer Association to a record total in excess of \$75,000 to date.

Eighty-four Nittany Lion football student-athletes tested their strength and endurance on July 13 in an 11-event strength and conditioning challenge in front of a record total of more than 3,000 fans, friends and family in Holuba Hall.

With the record-setting total, more than \$225,000 has been raised since 2003 by members of the Penn State football team to aid in the fight against the disease. More than 30,000 Americans are afflicted with kidney cancer each year.

Several kidney cancer patients from across the country were able to connect with one another and the Kidney Cancer Association at the event.

Twenty-two four-person teams competed in 11 events designed to test mental and physical toughness. The exercises for the competitors ranged from the bench press to carrying 100-lb. plates to the giant tire flip.

The winning team was comprised of wide receiver Brett Brackett (Lawrenceville, N.J.), safety Jason Galter (State College), quarterback Kevin Suhey (State College) and safety Mark Rubin (Amherst, N.Y.).

Second place was secured by the team of defensive end Josh Gaines (Fort Wayne, Ind.), linebacker Tyrell Sales (Butler), tailback Austin Scott (Allentown) and center A.Q. Shipley (Coraopolis).

The third place team was comprised of linebacker Navorro Bowman (District Heights, Md.), defensive end Aaron Maybin (Ellicott City, Md.), cornerback A.J. Wallace (Waldorf, Md.) and wide receiver Derrick Williams (Greenbelt, Md.)

The Nittany Lion football team organized all aspects of the event, with Brackett, Ganter and Suhey primarily heading the effort, along with other current squad members, former Nittany Lion and event co-founder Scott Shirley and Deloris Brobeck.

For more information about the Penn State Football Uplifting Athletes, "Lift for Life," or to make a tax-deductible contribution, please visit <http://www.pennstate.upliftingathletes.org> or contact Brobeck at 814-865-1946 during business hours.

SECURITY MEASURES REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR THIS SEASON

Several additional security measures implemented in and around Beaver Stadium during the 2001 season will continue to be in effect this season:

- The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has granted a request for airspace restriction around Beaver Stadium for every home game. Activities are restricted to a Pennsylvania State Police helicopter.

- An increased number of security and stadium personnel;

- Prohibiting fans from bringing large purses, bags and backpacks to the stadium. Any items brought into the stadium are subject to inspection;

- Ticket holders will not be permitted to leave the stadium and later re-enter.

University officials also are asking fans for their cooperation and understanding when traveling to and parking for all home games. Fans should anticipate needing extra time to enter the stadium gates:

- Fans are strongly encouraged to follow traffic instructions and park where instructed; vehicles risk being towed if they are in unassigned areas;

- Fans are encouraged to take the appropriate route to the stadium based on your parking pass;
- All Club Seat patrons with reserved parking are encouraged to access the parking lot via Porter Road off of Route 26/College Avenue, which can be accessed via the U.S. 322 Bypass.

Fans also are encouraged to ride the CATA shuttle bus from downtown State College and selected hotels to and from the game. The shuttle bus drop-off and pick-up location is at the corner of Curtin Road and University Drive, two blocks from Beaver Stadium.

UP NEXT

Game 3: vs. The University at Buffalo; Sept. 15, 12:00 p.m. EDT in Beaver Stadium

Tickets: sold out

Radio/TV: The game will air on the Penn State Sports Network and www.GoPSUsports.com and will be televised by the Big Ten Network to a national audience.

Series: The Nittany Lions and Bulls will be playing for just the second time, with the Bulls winning the first meeting, 10-0, in 1900.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING...

Penn State is in its 121st season of intercollegiate football and owns a 781-343-42 record, tied for sixth nationally in all-time victories with Alabama...The Nittany Lions have a 224-56 record (80.0) in Beaver Stadium since the facility was erected in 1960.

Nittany Lions Blank FIU in Strong Opener

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.; Sept. 1 -- The Penn State defense delivered its third shutout in the past six games and the offense rolled to 549 yards in the Nittany Lions' 59-0 win over Florida International on Saturday in Beaver Stadium.

The win was Penn State's 100th in a season opening game, improving to 100-19-2 in the first contest of the season; 35-7 under Joe Paterno.

Penn State forced five turnovers, turning them into 21 points, and blocked a field goal and a punt. The Golden Panthers were limited to minus-three yards rushing (31 attempts) and 114 total yards, tied for the third-lowest total in the Paterno era, and seven first downs. The Lions recorded seven sacks, limited FIU to 1 of 15 on third down conversions and forced 10 three-and-out possessions.

Junior linebacker Sean Lee led the way with seven solo tackles, including two TFL, a sack and a forced fumble to earn Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week accolades. In his first career start, junior CB Lydell Sargeant made five solo stops and senior All-America linebacker Dan Connor had five hits, with a 14-yard sack and a fumble recovery. His recovery at the FIU 20 led to Anthony Morelli's 17-yard TD pass to tight end Mickey Shuler for a 14-0 first quarter lead.

In his first career start, sophomore DT Jared Odrick made three solo hits, a sack and blocked a 29-yard field goal attempt. Redshirt freshman OLB Navorro Bowman made two solo stops, forced and recovered a fumble and partially blocked a punt in a strong collegiate debut.

Senior quarterback Morelli delivered the best game of his career, directing the Lions to a 45-0 lead before leaving the game in the third quarter. Morelli was 17 of 28 for 231 yards at half-time, breaking Mike McQueary's school record for passing yards in the first half (219 vs. Wisconsin in 1997).

Morelli established career highs, going 23 of 38 for 295 yards, tying his career-best with three TD passes. His previous highs had been 21 completions (ND, 2006), 37 attempts (MSU, 2006) and 288 yards (N'western, 2006). He also threw three TD passes in the 2006 opener with Akron.

Morelli connected with eight different receivers and did not throw an interception. He leads the Big Ten in passing yardage (295.0 ypg) and is third in total offense (285.0 ypg).

The former Penn Hills High School All-American delivered five completions of 20 yards or more, including three to junior WR Jordan Norwood, who led with five catches for 92 yards. Shuler made four catches in his most significant career action.

With Morelli throwing for a school record 231 first half yards and a 24-0 halftime lead, the performance of the ground game wasn't as critical, netting 335 yards on 16 attempts. But, in the second half, the Lions began to wear down FIU, finishing the game with 236 yards on 48 attempts, with five rushing touchdowns. A pair of Austin Scott touchdown runs and another by senior TB Rodney Kinlaw boosted the lead. Morelli's day ended in the third quarter after his one-yard TD pass to senior RB Matt Hahn made it 45-0.

Early in the fourth quarter, junior fullback Dan Lawlor scored from 16 yards out for his first career TD to make it 59-0 with 14:55 to play.

The Lions were led by redshirt freshman Evan Royster (8-70-1), Kinlaw (8-66-1) and Scott (11-46-2). Senior tailback Nick Pinchek gained 33 yards on six carries and Lawlor added 27 yards and on five attempts to boost the running attack.

Redshirt freshman punter Jeremy Boone made his debut with the Lions and delivered a strong opening game. Boone was called upon five times and averaged 47.4 yards per punt. He had a long punt of 54 yards, had one punt downed inside the 20 and one touchback.

Game Notes

The Nittany Lions have won 23 of their last 28 games, dating to the final two games of the 2004 season. Penn State has won four straight games overall...Penn State's 28 points in the third quarter are the most points that the Lions have notched in a single stanza since scoring 28 points in both the first and second quarters at Illinois in 2005...The shutout was Penn State's 38th under Coach Joe Paterno...The 59 points were the most that the Nittany Lions have scored since putting 63 points on the board at Illinois in 2005. It also was the largest margin of victory for the Lions since Penn State defeated Louisiana Tech by 60 points (67-7) in 2000...The 59-0 shutout is the largest shutout victory for the Lions since Penn State beat Cincinnati 81-0 in 1991...Penn State had not recorded a shutout in a season opener since defeating Cincinnati 52-0 in 1981...The 114 yards of total offense allowed by the Lions are tied for third-fewest allowed by Penn State under Coach Paterno. Temple gained 74 yards in 2006, Army had 97 in 1972 and Cincinnati also had 114 yards in 1987...The Nittany Lion defense forced five turnovers today (all fumbles) for the most turnovers forced by the defense since forcing five against Michigan State in 2004...FIU's seven first downs are tied for the ninth fewest allowed by Penn State under Joe Paterno.

Six Nittany Lions made their first career start:

Offense (2): WR Chris Bell, T Dennis Landolt,

Defense (4): DE Maurice Evans, DT Jared Odrick, DT Ollie Ogbu, CB Lydell Sargeant

Score by Periods

FIU	0	0	0	0	0
Penn State	14	10	28	7	59

Scoring Summary

PS-Golden 4 pass from Morelli (Kelly kick)
 PS-Shuler 17 pass from Morelli (Kelly kick)
 PS-Kelly 45 FG
 PS-Scott 1 run (Kelly kick)
 PS-Scott 8 run (Kelly kick)
 PS-Kinlaw 15 run (Kelly kick)
 PS-Hahn 1 pass from Morelli (Kelly kick)
 PS-Royster 13 run (Wagner kick)
 PS-Lawlor 16 run (Wagner kick)

Team Statistics

	FIU	PSU
First Downs	7	27
Total Net Yards	114	549
New Yards Rushing	-3	236
New Yards Passing	117	313
Passes (Comp-Att-Int)	12-26-0	25-41-0
Punts-Average	12-38.0	5-47.4
Fumbles-Lost	6-5	4-2
Penalties-Yards	7-53	5-50

Individual Statistical Leaders

RUSHING

PS-Royster 8 for 70, 1 TD; Kinlaw 8 for 66, 1 TD; Scott 11 for 46, 2 TD; Pinchek 6 for 33; Lawlor 5 for 27, 1 TD; Norwood 1 for 4; Federoff 2 for 2; Clark 1 for 0; Williams 1 for -2; Morelli 5 for -10
 FIU-Reams 8 for 11; Owens 5 for 9; Ellis 2 for 0; Anderson 6 for -8; Younger 10 for -15

PASSING

PS-Morelli 23 of 38, 295 yds, 3 TD, 0 Int.; Clark 2 of 2, 18 yds, 0 TD, 0 Int.; Devlin 0 of 1, 0 yds, 0 TD, 0 Int.
 FIU-Younger 12 of 25, 117 yds, 0 TD, 0 Int.; Anderson 0 of 1, 0 yds, 0 TD, 0 Int.

RECEIVING

PS-Norwood 5 for 92; Shuler 4 for 54, 1 TD; Williams 4 for 31; Butler 3 for 66; Kinlaw 3 for 34; Golden 2 for 9, 1 TD; McDonald 1 for 10; Bell 1 for 8; Zug 1 for 8; Hahn 1 for 1, 1 TD
 FIU-Ellington 3 for 31; Solomon 2 for 13; Reams 2 for 11; Singleton 1 for 22; Owens 1 for 13; Frierson 1 for 11; Turner 1 for 10; Dickens 1 for 6

Attendance: 107,678

The Big Ten Conference

	Conference				Overall			
Penn State	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1.000
Indiana	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1.000
Iowa	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1.000
Michigan State	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1.000
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	.000
Ohio State	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	.000
Purdue	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	.000
Wisconsin	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	.000
Illinois	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	.000
Michigan	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	.000
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	.000

This Week's Schedule (ET)

Notre Dame at Penn State, 6:00 p.m. (ESPN) W. Illinois at Illinois, 7:00 p.m. (BTN)
 B. Green at Michigan St., 12:00 p.m. (BTN) Syracuse at Iowa, 8:00 p.m. (BTN)
 Nevada at Northwestern, 12:00 p.m. (BTN) Indiana at W. Michigan, 8:00 p.m. (ESPNU)
 Akron at Ohio St., 12:00 p.m. (BTN) Wisconsin at UNLV, 10:00 p.m. (Versus)
 E. Illinois at Purdue, 12:00 p.m. (BTN)
 Miami (Ohio) at Minnesota, 12:00 p.m. (BTN)
 Oregon at Michigan, 3:30 p.m. (ABC)

BIG TEN MEDIA SERVICES

Big Ten Release/Statistics: The Big Ten Conference football release, with standings and statistics, is available at www.bigten.org. Statistics are available each Sunday during the season by 7 p.m. ET, with the complete release available each Monday by 5 p.m. ET.

NCAA statistics are available every Sunday by 3 p.m. ET at: www.ncaa.org. Click on statistics and follow the prompts.

Big Ten Players of the Week will be announced every Monday during the season.

Big Ten Website: Athletic information on every Big Ten school and the conference is available on the Internet via the Big Ten Conference web site. News items, statistics and other features on Big Ten sports are available at: www.bigten.org.

Big Ten Coaches Teleconference: The Big Ten will conduct a football coaches teleconference every Tuesday during the season, from August 28 to November 13. All 11 head coaches will be available to answer questions for 10 minutes. Following an opening statement, the next portion of each coach's segment will be designated for pre-viewing their next game. Following the last coach, the conference's Players of the Week or other players also may be available for 10 minutes each.

Please contact the Big Ten Communications staff (847-696-1010) for the phone numbers for the teleconference and 24-hour replay.

Teleconference Schedule (ET)

12:00 – Jim Tressel, Ohio State
 12:10 - Lloyd Carr, Michigan
 12:20 - Bill Lynch, Indiana
 12:30 - Mark Dantonio, Michigan State
 12:40 - Kirk Ferentz, Iowa
 12:50 - Brett Bielema, Wisconsin
 1:00 - Ron Zook, Illinois
 1:10 - Joe Tiller, Purdue
1:20 - Joe Paterno, Penn State
 1:30 - Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern
 1:40 - Tim Brewster, Minnesota
 1:50 - Players of the Week (if available)

PENN STATE FOOTBALL RELEASE/STATISTICS

Information is available via the Penn State Athletics official website: www.GoPSUsports.com. The complete football release will be posted by 7:00 p.m. on Monday of a game week. Cumulative statistics are posted by 12 p.m. on Sunday.

Football Release Schedule - Available on www.GoPSUsports.com Monday prior to game, unless otherwise noted:

Opponent	Date of Game	Date Release Available (ET)
Notre Dame	Sept. 8	Sept. 3 - 7:00 p.m.
Buffalo	Sept. 15	Sept. 10 - 7:00 p.m.
Michigan	Sept. 22	Sept. 17 - 7:00 p.m.
Illinois	Sept. 29	Sept. 24 - 7:00 p.m.
Iowa	Oct. 6	Oct. 1 - 7:00 p.m.
Wisconsin	Oct. 13	Oct. 8 - 7:00 p.m.
Indiana	Oct. 20	Oct. 15 - 7:00 p.m.
Ohio State	Oct. 27	Oct. 22 - 7:00 p.m.
Purdue	Nov. 3	Oct. 29 - 7:00 p.m.
Temple	Nov. 10	Nov. 5 - 7:00 p.m.
Michigan State	Nov. 17	Nov. 12 - 7:00 p.m.

2007 OPPONENTS

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL

(0-1)
This Week: vs. Maryland
 URL: www.fiusports.com

NOTRE DAME

(1-0)
This Week: at Penn State
 URL: www.und.com

BUFFALO

(0-1)
This Week: at Temple
 URL: www.buffalobulls.com

MICHIGAN

(0-1)
This Week: vs. Oregon
 URL: www.mgoblue.com

ILLINOIS

(0-1)
This Week: vs. Western Illinois
 URL: www.fightingillini.com

IOWA

(1-0)
This Week: vs. Syracuse
 URL: www.hawkeyesports.com

WISCONSIN

(1-0)
This Week: at UNLV
 URL: uwbadgers.com/

INDIANA

(1-0)
This Week: at Western Michigan
 URL: www.iuhoosiers.com

OHIO STATE

(1-0)
This Week: vs. Akron
 URL: ohiostatebuckeyes.com

PURDUE

(1-0 Big Ten)
This Week: vs. Eastern Illinois
 URL: purduesports.com

TEMPLE

(0-1)
This Week: vs. Buffalo
 URL: www.owlsports.com

MICHIGAN STATE

(1-0)
This Week: vs. Bowling Green
 URL: msuspartans.com

SCORING DRIVES

Plays . Yards . Time . Result . Qtr . Score

FIU (9)

6	44	2:46	TD	1st	Morelli to Golden 4-yard pass
3	20	1:26	TD	1st	Morelli to Shuler 17-yard pass
9	58	3:16	FG	2nd	Kevin Kelly 45-yard Field Goal
8	54	2:19	TD	2nd	Austin Scott 1-yard run
3	25	0:42	TD	3rd	Austin Scott 8-yard run
5	60	1:09	TD	3rd	Rodney Kinlaw 15-yard run
3	29	0:58	TD	3rd	Morelli to Hahn 1-yard pass
4	37	2:00	TD	3rd	Evan Royster 13-yard run
1	16	0:05	TD	4th	Dan Lawlor 16-yard run

LONGEST SCORING DRIVES

PENN STATE

By No. of Plays 9 (58 yards, 3:16, FG) vs FIU
 By No. of Yards 60 (5 plays, 1:09, TD) vs FIU
 By Time of Possession 3:16 (9 plays, 58 yards, FG) vs FIU

OPPONENT

By No. of Plays
 By No. of Yards
 By Time of Possession

AVERAGE (9)

TURNOVER CHART

PENN STATE - 5 Gained

How Obtained	Qtr	Player	Plays/Yards	1st Downs	Conclusion
FIU (5)					
Fumble	1st	J. King by Singleton	3/0 yds	0	Punt
Fumble	1st	Connor by Ellis	3/20 yds	1	TD
Fumble	1st	Taylor by Younger	4/0 yds	0	Missed FG
Fumble	3rd	Bowman by Singleton	3/25 yds	1	TD
Fumble	3rd	Carter by Singleton	1/16 yds	1	TD

OPPONENTS - 2 Gained

How Obtained	Qtr	Player	Plays/Yards	1st Downs	Conclusion
FIU (2)					
Fumble	1st	by Kinlaw/Rec: Dominguez	4/(-5) yds	0	Punt
Fumble	4th	by Pinchek/Rec: Dominguez	3/(-9) yds	0	Punt

Penn State Depth Chart

OFFENSE

Wide Receiver
 2 Derrick Williams (6-0, 189, Jr/Jr)
 4 *Terrell Golden (6-3, 212, Gr/Sr)
 5 Graham Zug (6-2, 182, So/Fr)

Left Tackle
 76 Gerald Cadogan (6-5, 309, Sr/Jr)
 75 Nerraw McCormack (6-5, 294, Jr/Jr)

Left Guard
 64 Rich Ohrnberger (6-2, 289, Sr/Jr)
 77 Lou Eliades (6-4, 304, So/Fr)

Center
 57 A.Q. Shipley (6-1, 293, Sr/Jr)
 60 *Patrick Weber (6-1, 277, Gr/Sr)

Right Guard
 78 *John Shaw (6-4, 299, Sr/Sr)
 50 Mike Lucian (6-2, 292, Sr/Jr)

Right Tackle
 73 Dennis Landolt (6-4, 300, Jr/So)
 63 Joe Toriello (6-4, 308, Sr/Jr)
 79 Ako Poti (6-3, 305, Jr/Jr)

Tight End
 82 Mickey Shuler (6-4, 250, Jr/So)
 89 Jordan Lyons (6-5, 241, Gr/Jr)
 81 Brennan Coakley (6-4, 255, Jr/So)
 16 Francis Claude (6-5, 262, Jr/So)

Quarterback
 14 Anthony Morelli (6-4, 231, Sr/Sr)
 17 Daryll Clark (6-2, 232, Jr/Jr)
 7 Pat Devlin (6-4, 217, So/Fr)
 15 Paul Cianciolo (6-4, 219, Gr/Jr)

Running Back
 33 *Austin Scott (6-0, 212, Sr/Sr) - TB
 20*Rodney Kinlaw (5-9, 199, Gr/Sr) - TB
 22 Evan Royster (6-1, 211, So/Fr) - TB
 34 Matt Hahn (6-0, 235, Sr/Sr) - FB
 38 Dan Lawlor (6-2, 239, Sr/Jr) - FB

Wide Receiver
 3 Deon Butler (5-10, 170, Sr/Jr)
 83 Brett Brackett (6-6, 243, So/Fr)
 8 James McDonald (6-2, 202, Jr/So)

Wide Receiver
 24 Jordan Norwood (5-10, 164, Jr/Jr)
 19 Chris Bell (6-2, 213, So/So)

DEFENSE

Left End
 47 Josh Gaines (6-1, 265, Sr/Jr)
 5 Jerome Hayes (6-2, 236, Jr/So)

Left Tackle
 91 Jared Odrick (6-5, 295, So/So)
 90 Phil Taylor (6-4, 335, So/So)
 87 Chris Rogers (6-2, 262, Sr/Jr)

Right Tackle
 85 Ollie Ogbu (6-1, 287, So/Fr)
 93 Chris Baker (6-2, 298, Jr/So)

Right End
 48 Maurice Evans (6-2, 257, So/So)
 59 Aaron Maybin (6-4, 251, So/Fr)
 94 Tom Golarz (6-1, 248, Jr/So)

Outside Linebacker
 46 Tyrell Sales (6-2, 236, Sr/Jr)
 18 Navorro Bowman (6-1, 230, So/Fr)

Inside Linebacker
 40 Dan Connor (6-3, 237, Sr/Sr)
 52 Dontey Brown (6-2, 238, Sr/Jr)

Outside Linebacker
 45 Sean Lee (6-2, 232, Jr/Jr)
 43 Josh Hull (6-2, 233, Jr/So)
 15 Bani Gbadyu (6-0, 214, So/Fr)

Left Cornerback
 10 Lydell Sargeant (5-10, 190, Jr/Jr)
 12 A.J. Wallace (6-1, 193, So/So)
 20 Devin Fentress (5-10, 182, Jr/So)

Free Safety
 11 Tony Davis (5-10, 197, Sr/Jr)
 9 Mark Rubin (6-2, 224, Sr/Jr)
 29 Cedric Jeffries (6-2, 210, So/Fr)
 26 Nick Sukay (6-1, 198, Fr/Fr)

Hero
 7 Anthony Scirrotto (6-0, 195, Jr/Jr)
 42 *Jason Ganter (6-0, 201, Sr/Sr)
 32 Brent Carter (6-2, 213, So/Fr)

Right Cornerback
 1 Justin King (6-0, 186, Jr/Jr)
 25 *Brendan Perretta (5-7, 182, Sr/Sr)
 21 Knowledge Timmons (5-10, 183, Jr/So)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Punter
 41 Jeremy Boone (5-9, 169, Jr/So)
 49 Ryan Breen (6-2, 224, Fr/Fr)

Kicker
 23 Kevin Kelly (5-7, 163, Jr/Jr)
 36 Collin Wagner (5-9, 165, So/Fr)

Holder
 41 Jeremy Boone (5-9, 169, Jr/So)
 42 *Jason Ganter (6-0, 201, Sr/Sr)
 13 Kevin Suhey (6-1, 200, Jr/So)

Kick Snapper
 60 *Patrick Weber (6-1, 277, Gr/Sr) (PAT/FG)
 57 Chris Mauriello (6-1, 238, Sr/Sr) (Punts)

Kickoff Returners
 20 *Rodney Kinlaw (5-9, 199, Gr/Sr)
 12 A.J. Wallace (6-1, 193, So/So)
 2 Derrick Williams (6-0, 189, Jr/Jr)

Punt Returners
 2 Derrick Williams (6-0, 189, Jr/Jr)
 7 Anthony Scirrotto (6-0, 195, Jr/Jr)
 25 *Brendan Perretta (5-7, 182, Sr/Sr)

* Fifth-year senior

2007 Penn State Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl./El.	Ht.	Wt.	High School/Head Coach	Hometown
22	Ahrenhold, Tyler	WR	Fr./Fr.	6-0	169	Chestnut Hill Academy/Richard Knox	Blue Bell, Pa.
35	Alfreno, Jesse	WR	So./Fr.	5-11	194	Grove City/Jeff Bell	Grove City, Pa.
28	Astorino, Drew	DB	Fr./Fr.	5-10	179	General McLane/Jim Wells	Edinboro, Pa.
93	Baker, Chris	DT	Jr./So.	6-2	298	Windsor/Mark Welch	Windsor, Conn.
67	Barham, Quinn	OL	Fr./Fr.	6-3	292	Hillside/Ray Harrison	Durham, N.C.
19	Bell, Chris*	WR	So./So.	6-2	213	Granby/Dave Hudak	Norfolk, Va.
41	Boone, Jeremy	P	Jr./So.	5-9	169	Mechanicsburg Area/Rich Lichtel	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
18	Bowman, Navorro	LB	So./Fr.	6-1	230	Suitland/Nick Lynch	District Heights, Md.
83	Brackett, Brett	WR	So./Fr.	6-6	243	Lawrence/Rob Radice	Lawrenceville, N.J.
49	Breen, Ryan	P	Fr./Fr.	6-2	224	Clarkston/Kurt Richardson	Clarkston, Mich.
52	Brown, Dontey*	LB	Sr./Jr.	6-2	238	McKeesport Area/George Smith	McKeesport, Pa.
3	Butler, Deon**	WR	Sr./Jr.	5-10	170	C.D. Hylton/Lou Sorrentino	Woodbridge, Va.
76	Cadogan, Gerald*	T	Sr./Jr.	6-5	309	Portsmouth/Curt Clifford	Portsmouth, Ohio
32	Carter, Brent	Saf	So./Fr.	6-2	213	Pottsgrove/Rick Pennypacker	Pottstown, Pa.
15	Cianciolo, Paul	QB	Gr./Jr.	6-4	219	Fort Dorchester/Steve LePrad	Charleston, S.C.
17	Clark, Daryll*	QB	Jr./Jr.	6-2	232	Ursuline/Dan Murphy	Youngstown, Ohio
16	Claude, Francis	TE	Jr./So.	6-5	262	Champlain Prep/Sebastien Briere	Laval, Quebec
81	Coakley, Brennan	TE	Jr./So.	6-4	255	Newton/Ken Roberts	Newtown, Conn.
53	Colasanti, Chris	LB	Fr./Fr.	6-2	224	Brother Rice/Albert Fracassa	Leonard, Mich.
40	Connor, Dan***	LB	Sr./Sr.	6-3	237	Strath Haven/Kevin Clancy	Wallingford, Pa.
9	Cousins, Kevin	WR	Jr./So.	6-3	211	Huguenot/Richard McFee	Richmond, Va.
13	Dailey, Andrew	LB	Fr./Fr.	6-2	221	Washington/Tom Stacy	Massillon, Ohio
11	Davis, Tony**	Saf	Sr./Jr.	5-10	197	Howland/Richard Angle	Warren, Ohio
7	Devlin, Pat	QB	So./Fr.	6-4	217	Downingtown East/Michael Matta	Downingtown, Pa.
88	Ditto, Jon	TE	Fr./Fr.	6-3	233	Gateway/Terry Smith	Monroeville, Pa.
77	Eliades, Lou	G	So./Fr.	6-4	304	Ocean Township/Sal Spompanato	Ocean, N.J.
48	Evans, Maurice*	DE	So./So.	6-2	257	Christ The King/Kevin Kelly	Brooklyn, N.Y.
44	Federoff, Larry	FB	Jr./So.	5-11	237	Hopewell/Dave Vestal	Aliquippa, Pa.
20	Fentress, Devin	CB	Jr./So.	5-10	182	Western Branch/Lew Johnston	Chesapeake, Va.
47	Gaines, Josh**	DE	Sr./Jr.	6-1	265	Northrop/Matt Stinson	Ft. Wayne, Ind.
42	Ganter, Jason*	Saf	Sr./Sr.	6-0	201	State College Area/Dave Lintal	State College, Pa.
15	Gbadyu, Bani	LB	So./Fr.	6-0	214	Quince Orchard/Dave Mencarini	Gaithersburg, Md.
94	Golarz, Tom	DE	Jr./So.	6-1	248	North/John Slinkard	Bloomington, Ind.
4	Golden, Terrell***	WR	Gr./Sr.	6-3	212	Lake Taylor/Hank Sawyer	Norfolk, Va.
25	Green, Stephfon	RB	Fr./Fr.	5-10	185	John F. Kennedy/Alex Vega	Bronx, N.Y.
34	Hahn, Matt***	RB	Sr./Sr.	6-0	235	St. Anthony's/Rich Reichart	Dix Hills, N.Y.
6	Harriott, Willie	CB	Jr./So.	5-8	175	Hyde Leadership/John Acquavita	New Haven, Conn.
5	Hayes, Jerome*	LB	Jr./So.	6-2	236	Bayonne/Rick Rodriguez	Bayonne, N.J.
54	Hill, Jed	DT	Sr./Jr.	6-2	263	Struthers/Gary Zetts	Struthers, Ohio
56	Hinton, Austin	T	Sr./Jr.	6-2	284	Secaucus/Charlie Voorhees	Secaucus, N.J.
96	Hughes, Joe	PK	Sr./Jr.	5-10	172	Downingtown East/Michael Matta	Downingtown, Pa.
43	Hull, Josh*	LB	Jr./So.	6-2	233	Penns Valley/Martin Tobias	Millheim, Pa.
29	Jeffries, Cedric	Saf	So./Fr.	6-2	210	Egg Harbor Twp./Tony DeRosa	Egg Harbor Township, N.J.
23	Kelly, Kevin**	PK	Jr./Jr.	5-7	163	Neshaminy/Mark Schmidt	Langhorne, Pa.
1	King, Justin**	CB	Jr./Jr.	6-0	186	Gateway/Terry Smith	Pittsburgh, Pa.
20	Kinlaw, Rodney*	TB	Gr./Sr.	5-9	199	Stratford/Ray Stackley	Goose Creek, S.C.
68	Klopacz, Doug	C	So./Fr.	6-3	279	St. Joseph Regional/Tony Karcich	Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.
97	Koroma, Abe	DT	So./Fr.	6-3	312	Milton Hershey/Bob Guyer	Hershey, Pa.
73	Landolt, Dennis	T	Jr./So.	6-4	300	Holy Cross/Jerry McConnell	Burlington, N.J.
44	Latham, Kevin	DL	Fr./Fr.	6-2	236	Page/Kevin Gillespie	Greensboro, N.C.
56	Latimore, Eric	DE	Fr./Fr.	6-6	253	Middletown/Mark Delpercio	Middletown, Del.
38	Lawlor, Dan	FB	Sr./Jr.	6-2	239	Cumberland Valley/Tim Rimpfel	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
45	Lee, Sean**	LB	Jr./Jr.	6-2	232	Upper St. Clair/Jim Render	Pittsburgh, Pa.
50	Lucian, Mike	G	Sr./Jr.	6-2	292	Linganore/Rick Conner	New Market, Md.
89	Lyons, Jordan	TE	Gr./Jr.	6-5	241	Woodward Academy/Dale Wiggins	Atlanta, Ga.
66	Marks, Josh	OL	Fr./Fr.	6-4	308	Southern Columbia/Jim Roth	Catawissa, Pa.
30	Matzkin, Josh	LB	So./Fr.	6-0	213	Berkeley Prep/ Frank Sullivan	Tampa, Fla.
57	Mauriello, Chris	LB	Sr./Sr.	6-1	238	Ridge View (S.C.)/Kirk Burnett	Lansdale, Pa.
18	Mauti, Patrick	WR	Jr./So.	5-9	190	Mandeville/Guy LeCompte	Mandeville, La.
59	Maybin, Aaron	DE	So./Fr.	6-4	251	Mount Hebron/Larry Luthe	Ellicott City, Md.
75	McCormack, Nerraw	T	Jr./Jr.	6-5	294	Nassau CC/John Anselmo	Bronx, N.Y.
16	McCullough, Shelton	DB	So./Fr.	6-0	181	Randallstown/Albert Howard	Randallstown, Md.
8	McDonald, James	WR	Jr./So.	6-2	202	Dunbar SAS/Craig Jeffries	Washington, D.C.
55	McEowen, Tom	DT	So./Fr.	6-4	286	Neshaminy/Mark Schmidt	Feasterville, Pa.

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87	Miskinis, Greg	TE	Sr./Jr.	6-5	250	Indian Valley/Gawen Stoker	Lewistown, Pa.
14	Morelli, Anthony**	QB	Sr./Sr.	6-4	231	Penn Hills/Neil Gordon	Pittsburgh, Pa.
6	Moye, Derek	WR	Fr./Fr.	6-5	194	Rochester/Gene Matsook	Rochester, Pa.
62	Muir, Ross	G	Sr./Jr.	6-3	292	Noblesville/Craig Barr	Noblesville, Ind.
24	Norwood, Jordan**	WR	Jr./Jr.	5-10	164	State College Area/Dave Lintal	State College, Pa.
91	Odrick, Jared*	DT	So./So.	6-5	295	Lebanon/Bill Giovino	Lebanon, Pa.
85	Ogbu, Ollie	DT	So./Fr.	6-1	287	Milford Academy/William Chaplick	Staten Island, N.Y.
64	Ohrnberger, Rich*	G	Sr./Jr.	6-2	289	East Meadow/Vincent Mascia	East Meadow, N.Y.
99	Okoli, Chimaeze	DL	Fr./Fr.	6-4	270	Salem/Robert Jackson	Virginia Beach, Va.
25	Perretta, Brendan*	CB	Sr./Sr.	5-7	182	Altoona Area/Phil Riccio	Altoona, Pa.
39	Pinchek, Nick	RB	Sr./Sr.	6-0	205	Parkland/Rob Melosky	Coplay, Pa.
79	Poti, Ako	T	Jr./Jr.	6-3	305	City College of San Francisco/George Rush	Daly City, Calif.
27	Powell, Chaz	DB	Fr./Fr.	6-0	186	Susquehannock/Tom Waranavage	New Freedom, Pa.
10	Quarless, Andrew*	TE	So./So.	6-5	250	Uniondale/Greg Didio	Uniondale, N.Y.
87	Rogers, Chris	DE	Sr./Jr.	6-2	262	North Allegheny/Art Walker	Wexford, Pa.
22	Royster, Evan	TB	So./Fr.	6-1	211	Westfield/Tom Verbanic	Fairfax, Va.
9	Rubin, Mark*	Saf	Sr./Jr.	6-2	224	Amherst/Rob Gross	Amherst, N.Y.
46	Sales, Tyrell**	LB	Sr./Jr.	6-2	236	Butler/Gary Cathell	Butler, Pa.
10	Sargeant, Lydell**	CB	Jr./Jr.	5-10	190	Cabrillo/Don Cross	Lompoc, Calif.
7	Scirrotto, Anthony**	Saf	Jr./Jr.	6-0	195	West Deptford/Clyde Folsom	West Deptford, N.J.
33	Scott, Austin***	TB	Sr./Sr.	6-0	212	Parkland/Rob Melosky	Allentown, Pa.
78	Shaw, John*	T	Sr./Sr.	6-4	299	Spring Grove/Greg Trone	Spring Grove, Pa.
57	Shipley, A.Q.**	C	Sr./Jr.	6-1	293	Moon Area/Mark Capuano	Coraopolis, Pa.
82	Shuler, Mickey	TE	Jr./So.	6-4	250	East Pennsboro/Todd Stuter	Enola, Pa.
71	Still, Devon	DL	Fr./Fr.	6-5	281	Howard/Dan Ritter	Wilmington, Del.
72	Stout, Kyle	T	So./Fr.	6-5	286	Ashland/Scott Valentine	Ashland, Ohio
34	Stupar, Nathan	LB	Fr./Fr.	6-1	218	State College Area/Al Wolski	State College, Pa.
13	Suhey, Kevin*	QB	Jr./So.	6-1	200	State College Area/Dave Lintal	State College, Pa.
37	Suhey, Joe	TB	Fr./Fr.	6-1	209	Loyola Academy/John Holecek	Deerfield, Ill.
26	Sukay, Nick	Saf	Fr./Fr.	6-1	198	Greensburg Central Catholic/William Colosimo	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
80	Szczerba, Andrew	TE	Fr./Fr.	6-6	251	Salesianum/Bill DiNardo	Wilmington, Del.
90	Taylor, Phillip	DT	So./So.	6-4	335	Gwynn Park Senior/Dan Hayes	Clinton, Md.
51	Thompson, Shaine	LB	Fr./Fr.	6-0	201	John F. Kennedy/ Alex Vega	Bronx, N.Y.
21	Timmons, Knowledge*	CB	Jr./So.	5-10	183	William Penn/Matt Ortega	York, Pa.
63	Toriello, Joe	T	Sr./Jr.	6-4	308	Upper Darby/Richard Gentile	Lansdowne, Pa.
74	Troutman, Johnnie	T	Fr./Fr.	6-4	314	Pemberton Township High/Hohn Rosnick	Brown Mills, N.J.
36	Wagner, Collin	K	So./Fr.	5-9	165	State College Area/Al Wolski	State College, Pa.
12	Wallace, A.J.*	CB	So./So.	6-1	193	McDonough/David Bradshaw	Waldorf, Md.
65	Walton, J.B.	G	Fr./Fr.	6-3	280	Lackey/Douglas Lamb	Indian Head, Md.
60	Weber, Patrick	C	Gr./Sr.	6-1	277	Valley/Ray White	Arnold, Pa.
2	Williams, Derrick**	WR	Jr./Jr.	6-0	189	Eleanor Roosevelt/Rick Houchens	Greenbelt, Md.
61	Wisniewski, Stefan	OL	Fr./Fr.	6-3	283	Pittsburgh Central Catholic/Terry Trotten	Bridgeville, Pa.
84	Woodward, Ben	WR	So./Fr.	5-9	171	State College Area/Dave Lintal	State College, Pa.
5	Zug, Graham	WR	So./Fr.	6-2	182	Manheim Central/Mike Williams	Manheim, Pa.

*Letters won