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play. On the final play of the game Michigan scored a touchdown to seal the win and hand Penn State its first loss of the season.

Although the scoreboard showed a Penn State loss, there are other sides to the story. Michigan caught a break when head coach Lloyd Carr demanded the officials put two seconds back on the game clock after he called a timeout. It was these two seconds that gave Michigan quarterback Chad Henne the time he needed to find a receiver open for the winning touchdown. Not only did Penn State suffer a last second loss, they also lost Williams, their biggest playmaking receiver for the season, to a broken arm.

The best teams can bounce back from heartbreaking losses such as JoePa and the boys suffered in Ann Arbor. The following week Penn State bounced back in a big way, scoring 63 points against a vulnerable Illinois defense.

Quarterback Robinson scored 6 touchdowns himself, passing for four and rushing for two more.

Penn State students are in awe, watching what Robinson is capable of. "He can beat you with his arm; he can beat you with his legs," says Mont Alto student Jared Fissel. "He's the leader that can keep it all together on the field."

Robinson showed his running skills on October 29 against Purdue when he rushed for the first Penn State touchdown of the game which gave the Lions a 13-7 lead in the second quarter. Penn State went on to win the game 33-15, pleasing the nearly sold out homecoming crowd. The win against Purdue also allowed Penn State to climb to seventh in the Bowl Championship Standings, increasing their chances to make an appearance in a bowl game.

Matt Ferrante, a Mont Alto student who was at the Purdue game, noticed the increase in

school spirit. "Penn State pride has always run high in Happy Valley, but this year since we're doing so good you see it from people who wouldn't normally care about football." It's not just at University Park either. On All-U-Day during halftime the announcer recognized every Penn State branch campus. Every time he named a school it was followed by cheers from that school's students who were at the game: none were as loud as Mont Alto.

"This time last year not many people cared about Penn State football. This year I've never seen so many people that do care." Ferrante has a point. There are students here that have gone as far as to shave PSU into their heads and give themselves Mohawks, the bookstore is virtually sold out of "White Out" t-shirts, and it is becoming rarer to find a student here that doesn't own a piece of PSU apparel.

School spirit is on the rise

here at Penn State, along with our football team. All the playmakers on offense, coupled with one of the nation's toughest defenses has made this year a comeback season for the Nittany Lions and one that could very well see them winning the Big Ten championship and returning to a bowl game. Coach Paterno and the boys will have the rest of Penn State behind them, cheering them on harder than ever.


Women's Studies Minor at Mont Alto

Many students enroll in Women's Studies courses at Mont Alto in order to fulfill Humanities, Social Sciences, or Intercultural requirements. Many are not aware, though, that we also offer a Women's Studies minor at Mont Alto for students enrolled in four-year programs. Students who enjoy the challenges of critical thought and analytical skills, as well as the opportunity to enhance their ability to understand and explore many perspectives on an issue, could benefit from adding the Women's Studies minor to their current curricula. The minor is also a valuable addition to students pursuing careers in law, medicine, education, public policy, communications, and more.

Three Women's Studies courses will be offered in the Spring 2006 semester: AM ST/WMNST 104 Women and the American Experience, REL ST/WMNST 137 Women and Religion, and WMNST 301 Introduction to Feminist Thought. Most Women's Studies courses are cross-listed with other disciplines, hence the addition of several different designations to the WMNST (Women's Studies) one.

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