

Tyra Grant reflects on her career and what she has yet to accomplish before her time as a Lady Lion comes to a close. | ONLINE at [psucollegian.com](http://psucollegian.com)



### THE LINEUP

- Winter Olympics**  
Figure skating, freestyle skiing, Nordic combined  
8 p.m., NBC
- NCAA Basketball**  
Iowa at Northwestern  
7 p.m., ESPN  
Wisconsin at Indiana  
9 p.m., BTN
- NHL**  
Philadelphia at Boston  
7 p.m., CSN

### Medal count

Last updated: 8:00 p.m.

Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	TOTAL
United States	7	9	10	26
Germany	7	10	7	24
Norway	6	6	6	18
Russia	3	4	6	13

Source: Associated Press  
Jaclyn McKay/Collegian

### ON THE WEB

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### MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

#### Lions hope road trip won't disrupt rhythm

Five of Penn State's next six matches will take place on the road.

### TRACK AND FIELD

#### Coaches talk change for Big Ten title meet

Some coaches are calling to combine the men's and women's championship meets into one meet at one location.

### LADY ICERS

#### Two rivals await PSU in ECWHL postseason

The Lady Icers will face Massachusetts in their semi-final game, and a win could pit the team against long-time nemesis Rhode Island.

### W. SWIMMING

#### Lions at last chance to improve on times

Sunday marks the women's swimming team's last opportunity to qualify for NCAA championships.

### OUR THOUGHTS

### NFL

#### League punishments overlook true unrest

The NFL has decided not to punish Raiders head coach Tom Cable following an investigation into an altercation between Cable and assistant Randy Hanson, according to an AP report on ESPN.com.

Criminal charges weren't filed, but Hanson filed a civil lawsuit seeking damages for assault, battery and intentional infliction of emotional distress, according to the AP. Speculating about who did what is no concern of ours.

However, it seems strange that NFL players are fined left and right for harmless celebrations and jokes while serious unrest among coaches is completely overlooked just because criminal charges aren't filed.

For more of our thoughts, and to share yours, visit the [MAKE PLAYS](http://psucollegian.com) blog at [psucollegian.com](http://psucollegian.com).

### TRIVIA

### NCAA BASKETBALL

**Q: How many people were announced to the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame's 2010 class Wednesday?**

**Wednesday's answer: Wilbert Montgomery is the Philadelphia Eagles' all-time leading rusher.**

# Buckeyes halt win streak

Penn State had won two games in a row before falling to Ohio State.

By Andrew J. Cassavell  
COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

In the midst of a furious comeback, the Penn State men's basketball team knew exactly who was going to get the ball in crunch time for Ohio State.

The Nittany Lions (10-17, 2-13

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

Big Ten) still couldn't stop the Buckeyes' national player of the year candidate, Evan Turner.

Turner scored 10-straight points for Ohio State in crunch time, keying the Buckeyes, who held off the Lions, 75-67, in front of one of the loudest Bryce Jordan Center crowds this season. The loss, in front of 8,721 spectators, kept the Lions winless at home in the Big Ten.

### Ohio State



### Penn State

"We got on a roll a little bit — got a couple of stops, got a couple of buckets — and then he just took over," junior forward D.J. Jackson said of Turner, who finished with 25 points. "He can shoot over you, he can get to the cup or he can dish off to his teammates, and it's just tough to stop."

After a Jackson layup cut the Buckeyes' lead to four, it took Turner all of 25 seconds to silence the crowd and send fans heading toward the exits.

Turner drove into the front of the Lions' 2-3 zone before getting freshman guard Tim Frazier off-

balance. He stepped back and hit a 15-footer over the 6-foot-1 freshman guard.

"A lot of people forget he's 6-foot-7," Buckeyes coach Thad Matta said. "He's long and he was able to get up over the guards, even in the zone. A couple of pull-ups, and he just kind of rises over them."

Following a Penn State turnover just seconds later, Turner received the ball in transition, took two dribbles and noticed his defender was playing off him for a drive.

He coolly stepped back, and before Jackson could put his hand

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Ohio State's Evan Turner goes up for a shot over a pair of Penn State defenders Wednesday night at the Bryce Jordan Center. The Buckeyes beat the Nittany Lions, 75-67. Turner scored 25 points.

# PSU runs out of energy

By Andrew Robinson  
COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

Despite Ohio State holding a 17-point lead, Buckeye coach Thad Matta knew his opponent wasn't going away.

Watching Penn State score three straight three-point plays, two on 3-pointers and one conventionally, Matta knew what was coming.

"You're always trying to guard against that. But I've watched enough of them to know that being up 17 on them in this building, you're fortunate to do that," Matta said. "When they got on that little roll there and hit the 3s, you know that you're in for a dog fight."

The Nittany Lions overcame a poor start to the second half to rally within two points of the No. 9 Buckeyes, but fell short. Ohio State used an early 16-4 run in the first six-and-a-half minutes to build the 17-point lead.

After freshman point guard Tim Frazier hit a buzzer-beating layup to end the first half, Penn State coach Ed DeChellis said the players were focused during

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Check out the grades the Collegian's reporters gave the Lions' play on the Hardwood Hits blog: [psucollegian.com](http://psucollegian.com)

ON THE BLOG

# Sooners to grant Kemerer release

By Ryan Loy  
COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

Oklahoma wrestling head coach Jack Spates said Wednesday the Sooners are in the process of releasing current Penn State grappler Jake Kemerer from his National Letter of Intent.

Kemerer informed Spates he was leaving Oklahoma during the summer of 2009 before enrolling at Penn State for the fall semester. Now, after months of negotiations, Kemerer will soon be free of his commitment with the Sooners.



Kemerer

The Back Points blog has more on Oklahoma's releasing of Jake Kemerer from his letter of intent: [psucollegian.com](http://psucollegian.com)

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Spates said the release has to go through the National Letter of Intent Organization, which is why it's tough to tell when it will be official.

"It's a little different than just releasing someone from a scholarship," Spates said. "We put in for it, so it could be done now. I don't really know, but if it's not, it will be done within days."

Kemerer said Nittany Lion coach Cael Sanderson told him he'd be released last weekend. With the release, Kemerer will gain a year of eligibility he would've otherwise lost.

"It's awesome," Kemerer said of being released from Oklahoma. "Getting that year back to compete is just awesome."

Kemerer's mother, Margaret, said she is thrilled her son got his release. She said wrestling in college has been a dream of Kemerer's, and he will now be able to get the most out of his time as a Lion. Kemerer's parents worked during the summer and throughout the school year to get his release granted. Though the release isn't official yet, Margaret Kemerer said it's a relief knowing it's close to being resolved.

The grappler's mother said Vince DeAugustine, Kemerer's coach at Hempfield Area High School, also helped support the freshman. When Kemerer had second thoughts about attending Oklahoma, it was DeAugustine

who told the 165-pounder of experiences he had while attending college far from home. Those second thoughts arose because Robbie Waller, the Sooner assistant coach who recruited Kemerer, left to take the head coaching position at Lock Haven. Waller had ties to the Kemerer family, which was a factor in the grappler's decision to wrestle for Oklahoma.

With the matter of his release soon behind him, Kemerer will be able to focus on training for his Lion career.

While he was unsure about wrestling for the Sooners, he said he has no regrets about his decision to come to Penn State.

"It's close to home and a great program," Kemerer said. "I'm really glad I'm here."

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# Icers fixing turnover issues for nationals

By Tom Kinslow  
COLLEGIAN STAFF WRITER

All weekend long, things were just a little bit off.

Players held on to the puck a second too long, passes were forced into spaces where they didn't belong and the Penn State Icers found the puck heading back in their direction time and time again.

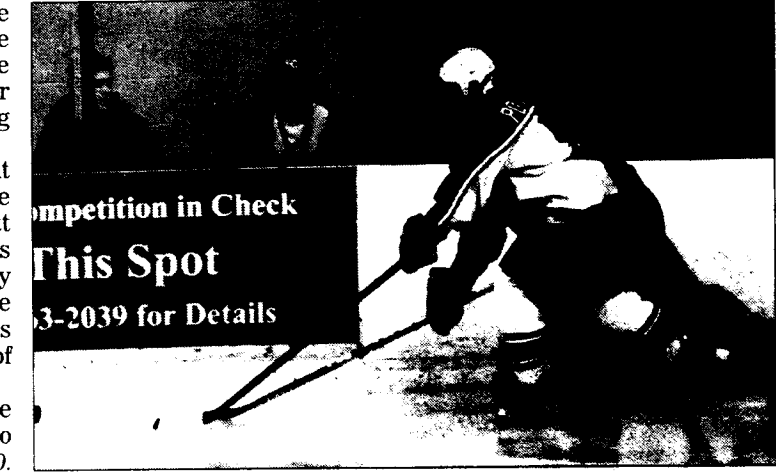
Turnovers were a major story for Penn State in its action at the ESCHL playoffs this past weekend, leading to easier goals allowed. Eliminating those errors is something the Icers will be focused on heading into nationals in two weeks.

Penn State's focus will be on the gray zone, the area between the blue lines — an area where the Icers experienced most of their problems and will be crucial during nationals.

"You want to get the puck out past the blue line and out at the other blue line," forward Matt Kirstein said. "At nationals, goals are hard to come by, so any turnover can create a goal for the other team and forcing turnovers for their team is a big focus of ours."

What led to those gray zone turnovers were players trying to do

See TURNOVERS, Page 10.



Marek Polldor (5) fights for the puck during the first period of Saturday's game against West Chester University.

PSU celebrated this year's ESCHL title differently. | [SPORTS](http://psucollegian.com), Page 14.