

# Ex-Lion reacts to Texas' season

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The last year has been like a roller coaster ride for Jack Greenberg and his family.

Greenberg, a first baseman on last year's Penn State baseball team, looked on during and summer as his father, Chuck, attempted to purchase the Texas Rangers.

BASEBALL



Chuck Greenberg

Not only did Chuck Greenberg and former pitcher Nolan Ryan gain ownership of the team, they watched as Texas worked its way to an American League Pennant.



Jack Greenberg

Now, after the initial ride ended with a defeat to the San Francisco Giants on Tuesday with a 3-1 loss in the World Series, the Penn State senior is able to look back at what his father and the Rangers accomplished.

"Getting to this point was kind of a surreal moment," Jack Greenberg said. "Going from bankruptcy a couple months ago to the World Series, I don't think anyone would have expected that in my whole family, especially my dad."

Greenberg said his father first met Ryan about a year and half ago. Ryan's sons, who own some minor league teams in Texas, knew Chuck Greenberg through his ownership of the State College Spikes and Myrtle Beach Pelicans.

Ryan and Greenberg decided to attempt to buy the team and were chosen in January as the ownership group that would become owners of the Rangers.

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Women's basketball coach Coquese Washington speaks during her weekly press conference Tuesday.

# Guard out for game

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Junior guard Renée Womack will not play when the Penn State Lady Lions play in Sunday's exhibition game against Cannon

(Purdue) at the Bryce Jordan Center.

Womack is still on schedule after she had her left anterior

cruciate ligament ACL torn last January. Washington said Womack has been cleared for practice and cleared for games, but Washington said they are making it slow. The coach said she does expect the guard to play when Penn State officially opens its regular season on Nov. 12 at Dayton.

"There's no need for us to just throw her in practice every day full and all that kind of stuff," Washington said at her weekly

press conference on Tuesday. "We want to make sure we take it slow so that she's able to fully heal and fully acclimate herself back into practice and games and that whole schedule."

When a player has not played for nine months, there is an adjustment period of getting back into the game, Washington said.

"Having been somebody whose had an ACL tear, I know

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# Brown racking up kills

By Emily Kaplan  
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Every time the Penn State women's volleyball team is in a difficult situation, there's one thing senior middle hitter Fatima Balza

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thinks. "I'm like, 'Please, set Blair [Brown].'" Balza said. "Then every time she goes for a

kill I'm like, 'Yes, we got it, we got it, we got it, we got it.'"

That's how Fatima Balza, the redshirt senior from Purcellville, Va., is living up to the expectations set on a two-time All-American playing her final collegiate season.

She is the only Lion to record double digit kills in each Big Ten match. On Saturday night, the 6-foot-5 opposite hitter tallied a career-high 23 kills in a

teisty match against Purdue. And on Monday, she was named the co-Big Ten Player of the Week — the first Penn State player to win the award since Megan Hodge in November 2009.

So the Lions keep setting Blair, especially in clutch situations.

"She's a senior she's one of our best attackers, if not our best, and we feel comfortable giving the ball to her," senior

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Brown (left) attempts a kill vs. Indiana.



Kelsey Amy (middle) attempts a pass vs. Princeton earlier this season.

# Lions ready for league tournament

By Joe McIntyre  
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It's not exactly that little old ant moving the rubber tree plant, but the No. 8 Nittany Lions field hockey team definitely has "high hopes."

Beginning Thursday afternoon in Evanston, Ill., the Lions will embark on their quest to win the Big Ten tournament for the first

time since 1998 and clinch an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

The Lions are set to face the sixth-seeded Indiana Hoosiers at 2:30 p.m., but before the tournament even starts and the games get underway, the coaches said it may be this week's practices leading up to the games that determine the team's fate.

Each time the Lions have had a successful weekend this season, coaches have attributed it to the

intense, game-like atmosphere the team has had leading up to actual games.

And when the Big Ten Michigan at home this season, coaches attributed the intensity at practice to the week was a large factor.

But so far this week, Joe Morett has been pleased with the way the Lions have prepared and although they will make the NCAA Tournament, it's

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# Lions score early

## Burnham sparks victory

By Andrew W...

It was the first time Corey Hertzo's lineup that also played the role of scoring the goal the team needed.

Fittingly, the player was a sophomore, Daniel Burnham. Hertzo's close friend, whose style of play mimicked Hertzo's, scored a second goal in Penn State's start. Burnham scored a fifth in the 11th minute of his Penn State game on Tuesday night.

"It feels amazing for a while," Hertzo said. "I was in the right time, I felt it felt good to be

The Lions won on the nonconfernce despite missing a match, and Braga, who had five yellow cards.

With two players on the bench to go, sophomore second star made his first Penn State game on Saturday night. His plan was to

against the score. "We body's legs and get our our last Wisconsin. "Then we had the title of the Big Ten where hopefully games in ten minute the feet really

Burnham had several close season, but that early in the defender Matt in a cross in the field that Mackenzie Arnold deflect to Burnham.

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### SPORTS ON TV

NBA  
Philadelphia vs. Indiana  
7 p.m., Comcast  
Milwaukee at Boston  
8 p.m., ESPN

### TRIVIA

Q: How many undefeated teams remain in the NBA?  
Tuesday's answer: 1,132 days.

### MSG NBA game postponed

The Orlando Magic-New York Knicks game at Madison Square Garden was postponed Tuesday because of safety concerns after debris fell into the arena during overnight cleaning of asbestos-related materials.

Saying it was using "an abundance of caution," MSG released a statement saying it consulted with the NBA and decided to postpone the game, and wouldn't reopen the building until it was assured the arena was safe.

A spokesman for New York City's Department of Environmental Protection, Farrell Sklerov, said the agency's inspectors were on the scene and had determined that no asbestos had been released.

In its statement, MSG said it would work with the city and independent experts.

### Randy Moss the food critic

We know, we know. This is the worst day in a row that Our Thoughts are on Randy Moss.

But we gotta talk about it. Last week, Moss reportedly enjoyed a post-practice meal eaten at a local restaurant. And if that weren't enough, he did it in front of the restaurant's owners.

Moss reportedly said, among other things, that he wouldn't even feed the food — chicken, pasta and ribs, in case you were wondering — to his dog.

To the NFL teams looking to purchase Moss: make sure you've got a good team chef in the house.