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Penn State's settlements now total nearly \$93M

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Penn State settled with six more victims or accusers of Jerry Sandusky, according to a new audit that puts the school's total payout in the child sex abuse scandal at nearly \$93 million.



The university's audited financial statements for the year that ended June 30, dated Oct. 30, show \$33.2 million in new payments over claims related to the former longtime coach.

The audit findings, which say the school has now paid or agreed to pay 32 claims, were reported Wednesday by WJAC-TV in Johnstown.

University spokesman Lawrence Lokman declined to comment on the settlements, citing strict confidentiality agreements.

Browns undecided on Manziel's status

BEREA, Ohio (AP) — Browns coach Mike Pettine said he hasn't decided if Johnny Manziel will be active on Monday night against Baltimore.

Manziel was demoted from starter to third string this week when a video surfaced of him partying during Cleveland's bye week in Austin, Texas.

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Manziel had promised Pettine and other coaches he would behave during the time off, and Pettine said the second-year quarterback violated "trust and accountability" with his actions.

Pettine refused to provide more details Friday.

Manziel had been named Cleveland's starter for the final six games before his off-field behavior got him benched. He has not spoken to reporters since his benching.

"That's the NFL. Guys want to compete. They want to compete against the best guys. Richard Sherman is one of the top guys at the corner position. I'm one of the top guys at the receiver position. Those are the kind of matchups you want."

— **Antonio Brown**
Pittsburgh Steelers wide receiver on the upcoming battle with Sherman in Sunday's game in Seattle. Brown has established himself as one of the top WR's in the NFL, with 79 catches and 1,141 yards this season, good for second in the league. Seattle's defense allows an average of 202 pass yards per game — also good for second in the NFL.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

2004 — Cincinnati and Cleveland play the most remarkable game in their rivalry, a 58-48 victory by the Bengals that is the second-highest scoring game in NFL history, since the Redskins beat the Giants 72-41 on Nov. 27, 1966.

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College Football

Ducks win a wild War



Oregon running back Royce Freeman, right, tries to pull away from Oregon State's Jonathan Willis (32) in the second half of Friday's football game in Eugene. (AP Photo/Timothy J. Gonzalez)

Beavers make big second-half rally, but fall short in rivalry game

By ANNE M. PETERSON
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EUGENE — The Oregon Ducks knew Oregon State would give its best shot in the Civil War.

The Beavers, looking for their first and only conference win, mounted a furious second-half rally and came within three points of the Ducks twice in the fourth quarter. But ultimately No. 18 Oregon prevailed 52-42 Friday in the 119th meeting between the teams.

"We knew it would be a heavy-weight fight. Those guys, they're

right up the road. All week people kept hearing about their record. But since last weekend we knew that record wouldn't mean anything. Our record wouldn't mean anything," said Oregon receiver Bralon Addison, who caught three touchdowns and ran for another.

Vernon Adams threw for 366

yards and those three touchdowns to Addison as the Ducks won their sixth straight. Addison finished with eight catches for 106 yards.

Royce Freeman ran for 167 yards and two touchdowns for the Ducks (9-3, 7-2 Pac-12), who will now wait to see how the postseason bowl picture shakes out. Stanford will represent the Pac-12 North in the conference championship game.

It was the ninth straight loss for the Beavers (2-10, 0-9), the most since 1995 when they lost 10 in a row. Oregon State did not win a conference game for the first time since 1997.

The Beavers did not make it easy for the Ducks. Victor Bolden ran 78 yards on a punt return for the touchdown to narrow the score to 38-35 early in the fourth quarter. Adams answered on the next drive with a 4-yard touchdown pass to Addison.

Then Ryan Nall broke away for a 66-yard scoring run to draw the Beavers close once more with 7:05 to go. Again Adams answered with a 24-yard TD pass to Addison for the final margin.

Nall finished with a career-high 174 yards rushing and a score for the Beavers, who had averaged just

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College Football

Huskies thrash Cougars

Washington gets bowl eligible with Apple Cup victory

By TIM BOOTH
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SEATTLE — After all the preparation and the visits from the past greats of the Washington program to speak about the importance of the Apple Cup, Chris Petersen knew his team was primed unlike any other week this season.

Apple Cup



The Huskies earned themselves one more game thanks to a complete drubbing of No. 20 Washington State.

"I know it was our most prepared game, emotionally," Petersen said. "I was really hoping they were going to play good because I knew that they were all it. It was good to see these guys be able to finish in the second half."

Led by Myles Gaskin's 138 yards rushing and two touchdowns, and the trio of Sidney Jones, Darren Gardenhire and Azeem Victor all returning turnovers for touchdowns in the



Washington players, including Jaydon Mickens, left, and Brian Clay, center, cheer as they hold the Apple Cup trophy after the team beat Washington State Friday in Seattle. (AP Photo/Elaine Thompson)

second half, the Huskies pulled away for a 45-10 win over the Cougars on Friday.

Washington became bowl eligible by winning the Apple Cup for the sixth time in the last seven meetings with the Cougars. The Huskies slowed the best passing game in the country and took advantage of seven turnovers, the most committed by Washington State since 2009 against Hawaii.

"It meant a lot to us getting that sixth win," Washington linebacker Keishawn Bierria said. "Today we made a statement."

The Huskies (6-6, 4-5 Pac-12) benefited by the absence of starting Washington State quarterback Luke Falk, leaving freshman Peyton Bender to make the first

start of his career. Falk missed the game after suffering an apparent concussion last week against Colorado and Bender looked the part of an inexperienced freshman. He threw for 288 yards and a touchdown, but also saw both of his interceptions returned for scores by the Huskies.

The Cougars (8-4, 6-3) were held more than 100 yards passing below their season average, although the absence of Falk was a significant reason why.

"We collapsed as a team," Washington State coach Mike Leach said.

Jones' interception was the most important of the three returns. With the Huskies leading 17-3

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OTHER VIEWS

Things we're NOT thankful for in sports

By PAUL NEWBERRY
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Another Thanksgiving in the books.

So passes that day when sports columnists observe a 24-hour moratorium on griping in order to roll out all the things they're thankful for, a tradition that was perfected by the late, great Furman Bisher in Atlanta.

Well, we've never been one to follow the crowds on Black Friday, especially when it goes against everything we're about.

So, with our bellies properly stuffed and our grouch meter at full blast, here are some things we're NOT thankful for:

CONFUSION COMES IN STRIPES: It's beyond time for the NFL to actually hire full-time officials, but a rash of blown calls this season has only raised the urgency. To be fair, it's not entirely the fault of the guys in the stripes. The rulebook is a convoluted mess, filled with contradictions and unnecessary attempts to account for every possible scenario. For example, does anyone know what a catch is

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