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(ALISSA): and I'm Alissa Devine. Today, we'll learn about concussions in high school athletes and the impact each brain injury has on a player. But first,>CHANGE< Christian Kouropakis shows us how his brother didn't let a stroke keep him from his love of baseball.

NICKY STRONG: (CHRISTIAN):

What does one tell a 13-year-old kid when his athleticism, dreams, and everything normal about his life is suddenly taken from him? In the Game takes you through the life of Nicholas Kouropakis, as he shows us what it's like to be Nicky Strong.

CONCUSSIONS IN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES: (KELSEY):

Concussions are a growing epidemic in young athletes today. With research on the rise, many high school sports teams have a program to educate athletes, coaches, and staff on what the protocols are for a brain injury. In The Game takes a look at how State College Area High School deals with concussions.

MORE MONEY TO THE NCAA, MORE PROBLEMS? (MATT):

The debate surrounding paying college student athletes is one of the more popular topics in collegiate sports. Here at Penn State- athletes, faculty and broadcasters have voiced their opinions on a conversation moving the collegiate sports world.

BEHIND THE BAR: THE NICK FORTE STORY: (GREG):

Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania, is the birthplace of cable TV, the home of the Golden Bears, and also was the hometown of Nick Forte. Forte, a powerlifter is chasing his dream of becoming one of the strongest people in the world using his experiences of living in a small town to motivate his dreams.

HAPPY VALLEY SPECIAL HOCKEY: (ALISSA):

A local hockey team seeks to motivate individuals who have developmental and physical disabilities to participate in the sport of hockey. We take you on the ice to show you how this team removes barriers and brings awareness to a *special*cause.

ALEX SHEINMAN: THE CONFERENCE KING: (JASON):

For a University that's been around for over 150 years, new events are hard to come by. However, after a year and a half, a team of 20 plus people, and one dedicated student- the sports business conference was brought to life.

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(RON): and I'm Ron Redden, have a great day.

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Tommy John Injuries: (Zach):

A torn UCL is an injury that has both ruined careers and sparked conversations on how to avoid them. Featuring the pioneer of the "Tommy John" surgery, let's take a look at what we have to do in youth baseball to cut down on tears of the ulnar collateral ligament.

Joe Battista: (DEREK NUNGESSER):

Joe Battista is a legend in the small town of State College. He shares with us his story of how Penn State Ice Hockey went from a club team to a D1 team with the help of a University record gift to make it all happen.

Aaron Broomel: The Broomel Strength Project: (GREG MERCHLINSKY):

You met Nick Forte in a previous episode of In The Game, now meet his strength training coach Aaron Broomel. Aaron is in pursuit of trying to be a strength coach with a professional or collegiate level athletic team, but before he lands one of those jobs, Aaron is passing the time in a very unique and beneficial way.

Paterno's 9th Annual Beaver Stadium Run: (ALISSA DEVINE):

The ninth annual Paterno Family Beaver Stadium Run benefiting Special Olympics Pennsylvania took

place on Blue White Weekend. A record number of 3,535 participants crossed the finish line at the 50-yard line inside the Stadium. We show you how involved the Penn State community really is with this event.

Bio Piece: Luke Braswell Men's Volleyball: (ALISSA DEVINE):

This season the Penn State Men's Volleyball team made it to its 42nd straight EIVA championship. Luke Braswell, who took on a larger role this season, is a big factor for another successful year.

McCloskey: A Penn State Family: (JACK MILLER): In 1983, Mike McCloskey made the most infamous catch in Penn State football history which led them to their first National Championship. Today, his youngest son, Kyle is set to continue the McCloskey legacy at Penn State.

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