

Sports Briefs: New charges against Sandusky

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STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Former Penn State assistant football coach Jerry Sandusky was jailed Wednesday after new child sex abuse charges were filed against him based on the claims of two new accusers, including one who says he screamed in vain for help while Sandusky attacked him in a basement bedroom.

Sandusky was wide-eyed and quiet during the arraignment in a cramped district magistrate's office outside the small town of Bellefonte. He could not immediately pay \$250,000 cash bail and was driven to Centre County jail by agents from the state attorney general's office.

He had been arrested at his home, handcuffed behind his back and driven to court wearing a blue and white Penn State wrestling jacket and matching sweat pants. Sandusky faces criminal accusations from 10 young men and more than 50 charges stemming from alleged assaults over 15 years on boys in his home, on Penn State property and elsewhere.

A person close to Joe Paterno's family has told The Associated Press the former Penn State football coach is undergoing treatments and progressing after being diagnosed last month with lung cancer.

The person requested anonymity because of the sensitivity of the situation. Paterno's son, Scott, last month requested privacy for the family after revealing that doctors discovered his father's treatable lung cancer during a follow-up visit for a bronchial illness.

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — Although Onondaga County District Attorney William Fitzpatrick believes the accusations of two of three young men who say they were molested by former Syracuse University assistant basketball coach Bernie Fine, he will not be taking their cases to trial.

Fitzpatrick says the statute of limitations has expired on two accusations and the third is within the federal statute of limitations.

MLB

DALLAS (AP) — The Miami Marlins increased their spending spree to \$191 million in less than a week, agreeing to a \$58 million, four-year contract with left-hander Mark Buehrle just hours after completing a deal with All-Star shortstop Jose Reyes at baseball's winter meetings.

With Albert Pujols unwilling to accept their \$200 million-plus proposal, the Marlins turned their attention to pitching in an effort to get off to a quick start in April at their \$515 million, retractable-roof stadium.

Also at the winter meetings, the New York Yankees won negotiating rights to shortstop Hiroyuki Nakajima of the Seibu Lions in Japan's Pacific League for \$2.5 million, the Houston Astros hired Jeff Luhnow as their new general manager, and the San Diego Padres found their new closer, acquiring Huston Street from the Colorado Rockies for a player to be named.

Boston Red Sox designated hitter David Ortiz, Milwaukee reliever Francisco Rodriguez and Toronto second baseman Kelly Johnson accepted salary arbitration offers from their teams.

TOKYO (AP) — Japanese pitcher Yu Darvish ended months of speculation by saying he

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intends to make a move to Major League Baseball via the posting system. The 25-year-old right-hander went 18-6 with a league-best 1.44 ERA this season for the Hokkaido Nippon Ham Fighters.

NCAA FOOTBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — The Big East introduced Boise State, San Diego State, Houston, SMU and Central Florida as its newest members, effective 2013.

Boise State and San Diego State, which currently play in the Mountain West Conference, will join the Big East only for football. Houston, SMU and UCF will be leaving Conference USA and joining the Big East in all sports.