

MSU hockey swept by U-M; series finale ends with ugly incident

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KATIE RAUSCH/THE STATE NEWS
Junior defenseman Justin Johnston (16) fights for control of the puck with an opponent from Michigan on Saturday in Ann Arbor. MSU lost 5-3.

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No bigger a year for Biggby

MSU grad credits success to concern for customers

By Pat Evans
THE STATE NEWS

Changing the name of his coffee franchise from a potentially offensive moniker to one simply referring to the big "B" on the shop's paper cups wasn't a problem for Biggby Coffee founder and CEO Bob Fish. Fish, an MSU graduate, began changing the name of the company's stores in 2007, from Beanner's Gourmet Coffee to Biggby Coffee. The switch, not provoked by any lawsuits or complaints, was simply a move to avoid offending anyone, Fish said.

"(Beanner's) was pretty straightforward; it was a reference to coffee beans," Fish said. "I guess we were a little naive, and over the years it became more and more obvious it was a derogatory name, and we decided to do away with it."

Fortunately, the name

change didn't stunt the growth of the company. Biggby has doubled its store numbers every two years since Fish began franchising stores in 1999. The company had its best year ever in 2008, opening 35 new stores across the

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Left: Bob Fish, or "Biggby Bob," founder and CEO of Biggby Coffee, talks with customers at one of his SPOT BOB trips, where he visits stores and buys coffee for customers. He said he enjoys meeting customers and getting feedback about favorite drinks and service.

Above: Coffee beans line the walls at the Biggby Coffee at 115 W. Allegan St., in Lansing, the second Biggby Coffee ever opened.

CONFLICT

3 STUDENTS ARRESTED IN GAZA PROTEST

By Allison Bush
THE STATE NEWS

When three college students gathered Thursday outside the office of Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., they were hoping to speak with Levin about his support of Israel. Instead, they were arrested.

The arrested students — MSU anthropology junior Ahlam Mohsen and Ferris State University students Max Kantar and Patrick Daly — were part of a group of five who organized a sit-in at Levin's office. They arrived around noon and refused to leave until they spoke with Levin and he met their demands, Mohsen said.

The group's demands included taking steps toward cutting off military, economic and diplomatic support for Israel and calling for an international investigation of Israeli war crimes.

The students were asked to leave by state security and police when the building closed at 5:30 p.m., but they refused and were taken away in handcuffs around 6 p.m., Mohsen said.

"The reason we didn't take them up on their offer was we maintained our simple stance the whole time; we weren't going to leave until we spoke with Levin," said Kantar, an international studies and sociology junior. "If we had left voluntarily, it would have made our goal less serious."

The students were protesting Israel's attacks on the Gaza Strip, which was in response to Hamas, the Palestinian authority in Gaza, firing rockets into Israel. Since the conflict was reignited, 1,285 Palestinians and 13 Israelis have been killed, according to The Associated Press.

The students were taken to Lansing's city lockup. Mohsen and Kantar were bailed out that night, and Daly was bailed out the next morning, Kantar said. Lansing police did not return phone calls seeking comment Sunday.

International relations sophomore Geoff Levin, an Israel advocacy intern for the Hillel Jewish Student Center, said it was the students' right to protest, but he said he was surprised there was a protest against Israel.

"The majority of Americans would disapprove if the U.S. supported Hamas, which was considered a terrorist organization," he said. "This is the difference between supporting a legitimate

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Second half comeback pushes Spartans past Ohio State

By Alex Altman
THE STATE NEWS

Columbus, Ohio — Days after losing its first game of the conference season to lowly Northwestern, the No. 22 MSU men's basketball team battled a pair of worthy opponents on Sunday — adversity and Ohio State.

The Spartans escaped with victories over both, overcoming a first-half deficit and pulling away late to defeat the Buckeyes 78-67 at Value City Arena in Columbus, Ohio.

"As you can imagine, to us it's a big win against a quality opponent on the road, especially after coming off that devastating loss last Wednesday," MSU head coach Tom Izzo said.

Sophomore guard Kalin Lucas scored all 20 of his points in the second half and Durrell Summers finished with a game-high 26 for the Spartans (16-3 overall, 6-1 Big Ten), who improved



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Senior center Goran Sutton fights for the rebound against Ohio State forward Dallas Lauderdale, center, and guard Evan Turner in the second half at Value City Arena in Columbus, Ohio.

their Big Ten road record to 4-0.

Goran Sutton added 13 points and nine rebounds for MSU,

which shot 60 percent in the second half and 49.1 percent from the game.

"They're a great team and

the fact they have one loss I think says a lot about the conference," Ohio State head coach Thad Matta said.

Evan Turner scored a team-high 19 points for Ohio State (13-5 overall, 3-4 Big Ten), which had 12 points piece from Jon Diebler and B.J. Mullens.

In addition to a halftime deficit, the Spartans had to overcome several outside factors to earn the victory.

Lucas and senior guard Travis Walton were withheld from the starting lineup for academic reasons, and junior forward Raymar Morgan — who scored four points in 21 minutes — again struggled with the flu.

But like they've done so many times this season, the Spartans overcame setbacks by beating the opposition on the glass.

MSU outrebounded Ohio State 35-19, including 16-3 on the offensive glass. The Spartans attempted 15 more shots

than their opponent.

"It is not very fun guarding for 35 seconds and then guarding them again," Diebler said. "It's frustrating when that happens against a great basketball team, and they made us pay."

Starting in place of Walton, Summers was MSU's lone source of offense in the first half. Summers almost single-handedly willed the Spartans back after Ohio State went on an 11-0 scoring run to take a 24-11 lead midway through the period.

With his teammates struggling, Summers scored 11 points over the last 6:19 of the half, including a buzzer-beating 3-pointer to end the period, to cut MSU's halftime deficit to 31-26.

Summers matched his career high in the first half with 16 points on 5-of-8 shooting from

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