

Sports

PSU vs. Pitt

Will Joe Patern-over A Winner?



PSU QB Jeff Hostetler

Who
Will
It
Be?



PSU QB Todd Blackledge

Photos by Darrell Reider



Duch's Corner

By Ken Aducci,

I would like to start off this week by congratulating Harry Moyer, our beloved Editor-In-Chief. Harry puts forth unbelievable amounts of time into the Reader and I have been hearing nothing but good things about the paper lately. So a big pat on the back to Harry (Keep up the good work!).

I'm getting sick of talking about the Eagles, because everyone knows how well they're doing, but their big test is coming up. The San Diego Chargers are going to work on the Eagles' only weak spot, "The Bomb." The coverage of John Jefferson and Charlie Joiner is going to be the toughest job for the Eagles' defense all year.

Now, I would like to reveal something that most of you already know. I'm from Pittsburgh, and I'm damned sick of hearing all non-Steeler fans say they're out of it. Aw c'mon gang, how can anyone who knows anything about the sport say the Steelers are out of it?

Their injury list is clearing up so look out, NFL, and watch close-the Steelers are going to come thundering back! ('Nuf said!).

The soccer season ended on a sad note. This campus has the potential to put out a winning team, but too many good players just come up with some real bull for excuses.

Another thing (not to put down Bud Smitley because he is one heckuva hard

worker) is the teams this campus must play. Spring Garden, Eastern and Southeastern colleges all have the potential to be playing University Park. One good note to the team though is that these three teams are the only three to beat us by more than one goal.

I won't make any excuses for the team, because we all put in a lot of time and hard work. I would like to say thanks to all the teammates who played a good, hard season. These are: Captains Bob Heitzman and Ken Aducci, Jim Scott, John Ostaziewski (leading scorer), Rick Brinser, Steve Ashton, Mike Casshessian, our hard working goalie, George, Jim Broom, Ed Higgins, Jose Amdo, Warren Jones, Tom Swingle, Larry Mel, Roger Kircheim, and coach Jack Lenz, as well as photographer Rick Joyce (ar, ar, ar). Anyone interested in playing indoor soccer, contact Duch or Bob at 944-5226.

The basketball team came out smoking in preseason, notching up two easy victories. The starting five of Dave Shannon, Jack Wilson, Barry Cummings, Ron Kuzo and Bob Hassel put on an awesome bombing display in their two games, as well as the alumni game. I didn't make any of the games due to plain forgetfulness, but I'll make the home games and be able to give you a first-hand report.

Lions Feel Pitt Isn't It

By Darrell Reider

The traditional intra-state rivalry between the Nittany Lions and the Pitt Panthers concludes the regular 1980 football season next Friday at Beaver Stadium.

The Lions, 9-1, meet their toughest challenge since September 27 when the Nebraska Cornhuskers "shucked" Penn State 21-7.

Pitt features a balanced attack both offensively and defensively. All-American senior DE Hugh Green will be an important factor in next week's finale. Green has been such an outstanding defensiveman for the past four years that his number 99 has been retired by the university.

Then there is senior QB Rick Trocano who has taken over Pitt's all-time passing record held by Dave Havern from 1968-71. Trocano, who started the year at free safety, has thrown for well over 3,800 yards as a Panther.

Penn State will need to stop the passing attack of Trocano and the defensive play of Green if they plan on

performing well in the Fiesta Bowl during the Christmas holidays. Last year Penn State defeated Tulane in the easily forgettable Liberty Bowl 9-6.

The Lions have improved during the last several games, opening both the N.C. State and Miami contests with passes. Curt Warner and Booker Moore have gained considerable yardage on the ground, while Joel Coles sprinted for an impressive 151 yards against the Wolfpack. The defense has given up 125 points in 10 games while the offense has tallied 281 points, 50 of which came last week against the Temple Owls. This is the 41st consecutive year that Penn State has had a winning season.

There is one factor that might affect the outcome of next Friday's showdown-national TV coverage by ABC. State is 25-12-1 on network television since Joe Paterno became head coach in 1966. But if Penn State can get psyched up for this Pitt game and come out a winner, it's altogether possible that they could win the Fiesta Bowl and end up in both the UPI and the AP top-five polls.

Linda On Ice

When was the last time you saw a beautiful girl on ice skates?

Linda Fratianne, America's reigning queen of figure skating, will make her Philadelphia debut as a guest star with the Ice Follies and the Holiday on Ice shows. The performances will be held in the Spectrum Friday, Dec. 26 through Sunday, Jan. 4.

The 20 year-old native Californian gained national recognition with her second place finish at the Winter Olympics in Lake Placid, New York earlier this year.

Tickets for the performances are \$6, \$7, \$8, and \$9, and are available at the Spectrum box office or various Ticketron outlets.

