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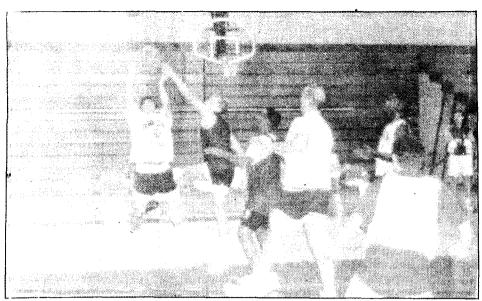


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## PSH goes to the hoop

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Penn State Harrisburg basketball kicked off like a lamb Monday against Misericordia but has the personel that can finish like lions.

PSH lost 85-46 but they were still hustling when the final buzzer sounded.

There was an obvious size difference between the teams especially at the guard position. Ed Miller, 5-7, and Todd Fabbri, 5-5, had a problem matching up with a taller Misericordia team, but are both solid players.

Jim Schreck and Ron Heggs provide some talented bulk in the middle and Shreck has good range from the outside to make him more dangerous.

Although injured, Doug Cradle played well and got some good offensive rebounds. But the team doesn't have a deep bench and it showed in the loss.

The Lions have the potential to be very competitive and they are already fun to watch. You could see an attitude that they hate to lose, which got what little crowd there was fired up.

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# Hank's pen rambles

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Can anyone stop Iron Mike Tyson? So far only two things haved stopped Mike Tyson from entering the ring, one was his dashboard and presently the other is an inflamtion of his rib cage. The later has postponed Tyson's November 18 fight with Razor Ruddock until mid-January. It also has pushed back a meeting between Tyson and Evander Holyfield, the only true contender in the Heavyweight division.

Forget George Foreman, for his comeback in boxing has been a well staged media event leading up to the big

paycheck(ala Mike Tyson). Foreman has no chance in the ring with Tyson and should have his head examined for even thinking of it. Foreman's next "big" match is against Gerry Coony, one of the greatest bleeders in boxing's history. The January fight is in Atlantic City and has been called "The Geasers at Caesers" and should live up to its billing.

Right now the only man who can give Tyson a decent fight is Holyfield and Tyson seems to be avoiding the confrontation. Holyfield has proposed a \$25 million purse winner take all and Tyson refuses. What ever happened to Iron Mike, the man who fought 8 times

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#### Dr. D's NBA Predictions

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Hello sports fans! Tired of seeing your favorite football team lose to a quarterback named after a state (Montana) and a receiver named after that white stuff you throw at weddings (Rice)? (Forty-Niners fans excluded.) Are you tired of hearing 300 pound men being described as athletes? (And what kind of name is Bubby anyway?)

Dr. D prescribes a couple of Charles Barkley thunder dunks to grab your attention. NBA action is fantastic, according to the commercial. When Michael "Air" Jordan soars through the atmosphere and throws a reverse dunk down a seven-foot center's throat, it is hard to object to the NBA's claim. It is a league of fantastic players who use their superb athleticism to create fantastic plays.

But basketball is a team sport. And although each team has a super player, which team will win it all this year? Let's take a journey through each division to find that team.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

The Boston Celtics will win this division.

There's dancing in the streets in

Beantown. Larry Bird is back from the injury that last year kept him off the parquet floor at the Garden. He rejoins one the best frontcourts (Robert Parish at center and Kevin McHale at forward) of all time. That's the good news. The bad news is that the team is old and it ain't gettin' any younger.

In Ed Pickney and Joe Kleine, the Celts have credible frontcourt backups. But who will replace the very old and very slow Dennis Johnson at point guard? Brian Shaw, last year's point guard, is in Italy with Danny Ferry. Don't be surprised if he's back in a Celtics uniform before the season ends.

If Bird has an off-night, Reggie Lewis has the offensive firepower to keep the team close enough for Bird to win it at the end.

The rest: 2. New York Knicks, 3. Philadelphia 76'ers, 4. New Jersey Nets, 5. Washington Bullets, 6. Miami Heat.

CENTRAL DIVISION

The **Detroit Pistons** will win this division.

Without Rick Mahorn they will no longer be the Bad Boys, but who cares.

The Pistons have the deepest team in the league. They can afford to lose any starting player and still hit on all cylinders.

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