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Female programs on horizon

PSH sports find success

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The 1990-1991 athletic season at Penn State Harrisburg may not only go down as one of the best seasons in the history of the college, but it may also mark the beginning of the women's program.

Athletic Director Duane Crider said this season has been the best varsity sport season since he took his position four years ago. The soccer team just missed the chance to go to the district playoffs and the basketball team is also enjoying one of its best seasons ever.

Crider added that it is not just the amount of wins that has made this season a memorable one. "All of the sports have received the much needed interest from students. This wasn't the case in the past," Crider said.

Crider said the best example of this was last year's baseball team which suited ten players to many of its games. This year the fall roster has expanded to twenty-two players.

Softball will be offered this spring on a club basis due to the renewed interest shown. Recreation Specialist Denise Keary can be thanked for the sudden surge in the women's program this year. Keary, also the coach of the softball team, is hoping for an eight game schedule which will feature games against the Hershey Women's League along with games versus other Commonwealth Campuses. The slow-pitch team is hoping to go to a varsity fast-pitch schedule next-year.

Keary also plans to start a basketball club for women next year which would compete in the York White Rose Women's Basketball League.

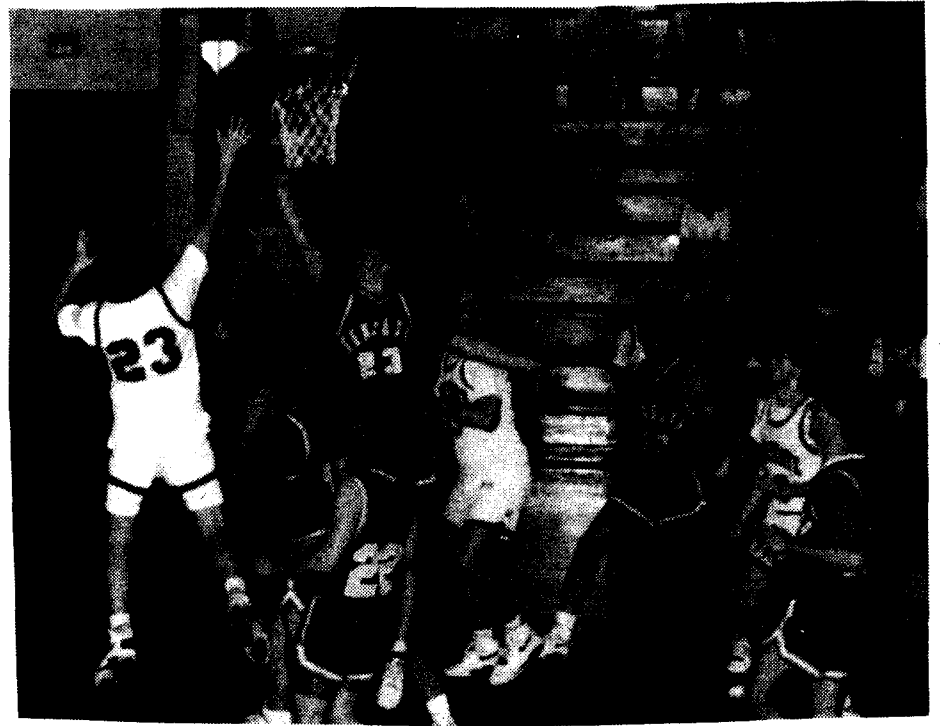
A strength training course is also being taught by Keary which is geared to all students that will help tone and condition the body. The course, being taught Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., teaches proper technique, warming-up and how not to overdue it.

Keary also teaches one of the three aerobics courses offered by the campus. She teaches one of the two low-impact classes while Health Education Graduate Assistant Debbie Morris teaches the other and Laura Stickley teaches the lone high-impact course.

"The low-impact courses accent the lateral movements and there is not as much stress on the back and joints," Keary said.

The Schick 3 on 3 intramural basketball tournament champion will be decided during half-time of the home Misericordia game on Feb. 12. The winner of the ten team tournament will advance to play in the regional tournament in Philadelphia on March 2.

Other Spring intramural sports which will be offered are 5 on 5 basketball and coed volleyball. Registration for these activities must be before Feb. 15 at 5 p.m. Registration will also be open for people interested in table tennis, indoor soccer, street hockey and beach volleyball later in the semester. There is also the possibility of an ultimate frisbee contest being held.



Mike Watts (23) tips-in two of his 27 points in a 74-65 win over Neumann college at home. Photo by John Rudy

Holocaust

Bass went on to become a teacher and then a principal in the Philadelphia school system. He participated in the 1963 Civil Rights march on Washington, D. C. and heard Martin Luther King give his famous "I have a dream" speech.

Since then Bass has received an award from Jesse Jackson's Operation Push and the Humanitarian Award from Facing History and Ourselves.

After his talk, Human Services major Teresa Proctor said, "so many blacks think we were the only ones who had a difficult time." Jews too faced persecution, she said.

Anthony Cunningham, a public policy major, said he hadn't known that a black regiment fought in Europe during World War II.

Nittany Lions add Ga. Tech to stacked schedule

UNIVERSITY PARK--The look of Penn State's football schedule has changed dramatically in recent weeks with the addition of unbeaten Georgia Tech, the national champion in the United Press International coaches poll, and the move of the Pittsburgh game from November 23 to Thanksgiving Day.

The modifications at the front and back of the 1991 card mean the Nittany Lions will open the season on August 28 and wind it up on November 28 at Pitt Stadium.

The Penn State-Georgia Tech game was arranged by organizers of the Kickoff Classic as the ninth renewal of the showcase that traditionally kicks off the college football season. It will be played on Wednesday, August 28, at Giants Stadium in the New Jersey Meadowlands. Kickoff is set for approximately 8 p.m. The contest will be televised nationally by Raycom Sports and broadcast coast-to-coast by Mutual Radio.

"We look forward to the chance to open the season against the defending National Champions," athletic director Jim Tarman said. "This could be an exciting start to the 1991 college season and to an attractive and demanding

schedule for next year's edition of the Nittany Lions."

This will be the second appearance for Penn State in the nine-year history of the game. Nebraska defeated the Lions in the inaugural classic in 1983.

"We put this invitation to the members of the football squad," Coach Joe Paterno said, "and they voted unanimously and enthusiastically to accept at a meeting attended by players only. Georgia Tech had an outstanding 1990 season and presents a formidable challenge as an opening opponent next year."

This will be the first game between the Lions and Yellow Jackets since 1966, Paterno's first year as head coach. Under the late Bobby Dodd, Tech blanked Penn State, 21-0, at Grant Field. There have been six games in the all-time series, instituted in 1921. The rivalry is even with three wins apiece.

"We are absolutely thrilled to host these tradition-rich institutions," Peter L. Levine, chairman of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, said. "They epitomize the best in collegiate athletics and their appearance in this ninth Kickoff Classic will certainly add to the game's prestigious history."

Voted the consensus national "Coach-

of-the-Year," Tech skipper Bobby Ross has 54 lettermen returning this fall, including 15 starters led by junior quarterback Shawn Jones, senior All-America free safety Ken Swilling, junior All-America outside linebacker Marco Coleman, junior running back William Bell and junior placekicker Scott Sisson.

"We're excited to have a chance to play in this year's Kickoff Classic," Ross said. "It's an honor to have this opportunity. I'm also excited about the chance to compete against Penn State. They are truly one of America's premier football programs."

The shift of the Pittsburgh game from the previously scheduled November 23 to Thanksgiving Day, November 28, was made to accommodate a national telecast by ABC Television, Tarman said.

The network has tentatively set kickoff time for 11:15 a.m.

This will mark the first time Penn State has been part of a Thanksgiving Day game since 1974 when the Lions defeated Pittsburgh, 31-10, at Three Rivers Stadium in Pittsburgh.

College Football Association TV rights move from CBS to ABC for the 1991 season. The Lions were represented on the ABC schedule in 1990, in a game at Southern California that was one of

seven Penn State contests on national television last fall.

Penn State will carry a two-game winning streak over Pittsburgh into the 1991 finale. The Nittany Lions won, 16-13, at Pitt Stadium in 1989 and battled to a 22-17 triumph at Beaver Stadium last November to extend their regular-season win skein to nine straight.

1991 Lion's Schedule

Aug 28	Georgia Tech (kickoff classic)
Sept 7	Cincinnati
Sept 14	at Southern Cal
Sept 21	Brigham Young
Sept 28	Boston College
Oct 5	at Temple
Oct 12	at Miami, Fla.
Oct 19	Rutgers
Oct 26	West Virginia
Nov 8	at Maryland
Nov 16	Notre Dame
Nov 28	at Pittsburgh