

More balls fly as dodgeball returns to PSH

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The second annual Circle K sponsored Dodgeball tournament was held in the CUB on Thursday, November 3 at 9:00 p.m. Thirteen teams turned out for the event and dozens of students showed up to cheer on their friends. Some teams even brought their own cheering sections. The cost to participate was \$3 per person, and half of all proceeds benefited Head Start of Harrisburg.

Five-member teams competed in a three-game bracket series at a chance to win a \$20 first prize. Teams stayed late to see who would win between the two teams left standing, "Dating Paul's Sister" and "XGI Team 1." In the third game, down to one man each, "Dating Paul's Sister" struck down "XGI's" last man. "Dating Paul's Sister" is for now PSH's dodgeball champion. They generously donated back their prize winnings to Circle K.

Circle K members were pleased with the large turnout. This turnout was better than last year, despite having to compete with a poker tournament going on at the same time.

Circle K plans on hosting more

tournaments next semester and continues to participate in numerous service projects and social activities on campus. Head Start is just one of the many organizations that Circle K supports.

Head Start is a comprehensive preschool program for low-income youngsters. It provides children with a developmentally appropriate early childhood education. The program ensures that young children get health checkups and treatment, and that they are fed a nutritious hot meal every day. It is operated by local non-profit agencies in every county in Pennsylvania. Head Start is unique in its comprehensive approach to the needs of children and families.

"It was great to see all of the students come out and support Circle K. It shows that if exciting events are planned, students will come out and have a great time. Also, knowing they are helping a charity makes it even better," said Steve O'Holla, Circle K president.

If you missed this exciting event and you want to show off your skills, watch out for the next tournament. There, we will find out who will have the balls to face "Dating Paul's Sister."



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Members of XGI prepare themselves for a more friendly form of fire.



"Dating Paul's Sister" emerge victorious against a tough XGI team.

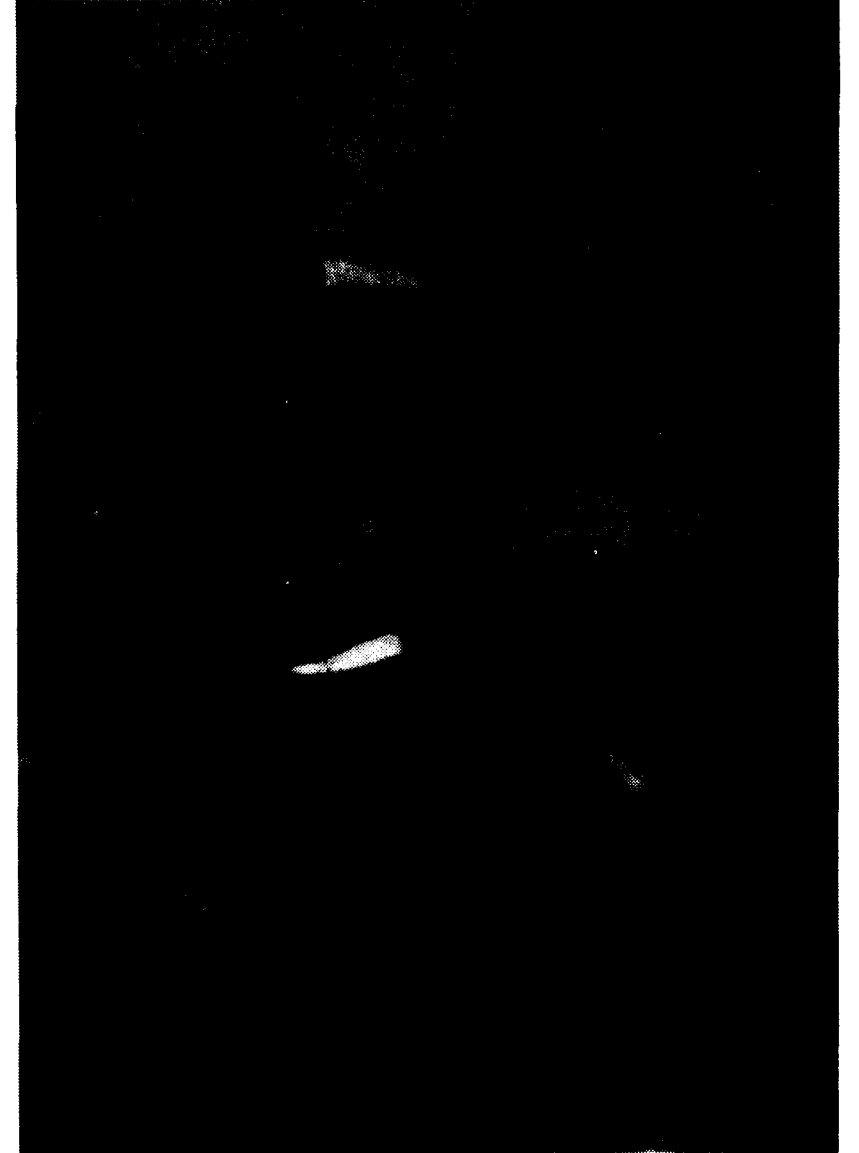


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A perfectly sychronized 3-balled onslaught awaits the opposing team

Small, determined women's team looks forward to start of season

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Let me begin this article by saying that the women's basketball team still needs players!

While the team is small, Coach Melissa Graby-Hoover believes in their abilities saying, "they are dedicated, they have the right mentality, and they work hard." When asked what her thoughts were in regards to the fact that intercollegiate athletics have been on hiatus at Penn State Harrisburg, she said she does not think this will be a factor for her team. As far as her players' ability goes, she feels "we're pretty evenly matched." She does believe that the small size of the team will be a factor, however. She expressed concern in that "the established teams may have more girls." The team currently consists of Brigid Wood, Nichole Adams, Jamie Brindle, Brooke Conjar, Amanda Mentzer, Krystal Miranda, and Kayma Soni-Ricks.

Coach Graby-Hoover graduated from Penn State- University Park in 2000. She was the captain of the Lady Lions Final Four basketball team that year. She also helped lead the Lady Lions to the WNIT championship in 1998 and the Big Ten Conference championship in 2000. While at Penn State, she was a three-time GTE Academic All-America Nominee. Following this distinguished college career,



Practicing for their upcoming games, the small team has high hopes.

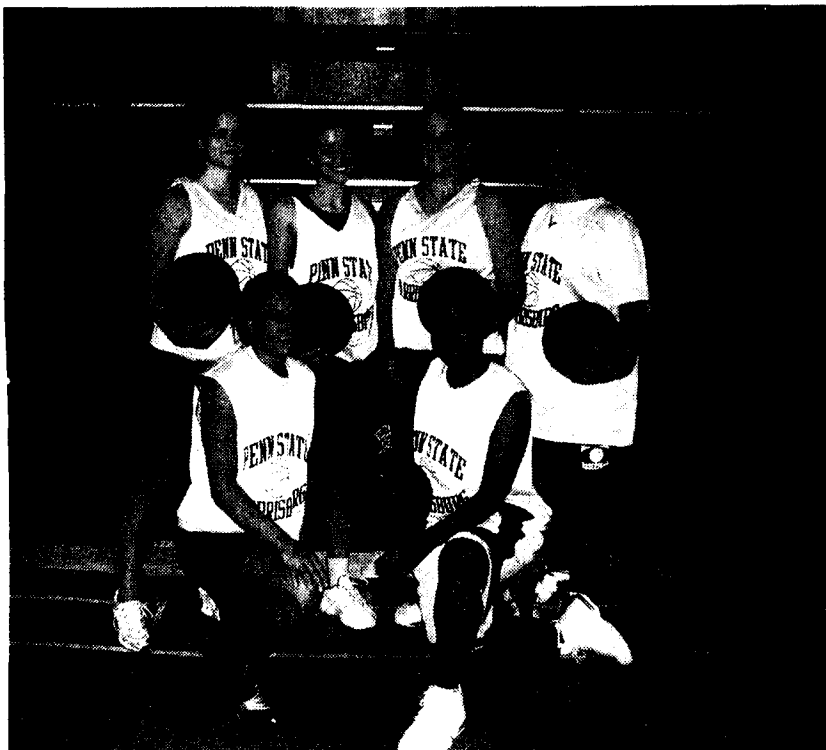
she played professionally in the WABA and WEBB and was named to the all-star team in each league. Her assistant coach will be her husband, Todd Hoover, who was a member of the Penn State Abington team which took the CCAC championship in 1993. In 2000, he served as an assistant coach at Central Bucks West High School.

The ladies' first game, which

will occur before this issue goes to press, is scheduled for November 17 at Penn State Abington. The team will then have three straight contests at home, on December 1, 6, and 9, respectively. You can view their full schedule online by clicking on the Intercollegiate Athletics link on the PSH website. Please plan to come out and support the team as intercollegiate athletics return to Penn State Harrisburg!

Also, if you are at all interested in being part of an intercollegiate athletic team, which can be an extremely fun and rewarding experience, (in addition to being a great resume booster), please contact coach Marissa Graby-Hoover at mrg159@psu.edu. You can also stop by their practices which are held on Mondays and Fridays from 5:00-7:00 p.m. It will be possible to join the team even after the season starts; so don't let that deter you. However, Coach Graby-Hoover advises anyone who is interested to come out as soon as possible.

The team is also looking for male and female students to come out to practices to participate in drills with the team and scrimmage against the team. Interested students can either come to practice from 5:30-7:00 p.m. or contact Director of Athletics Rashaan Carlton at rlc122@psu.edu for more information.



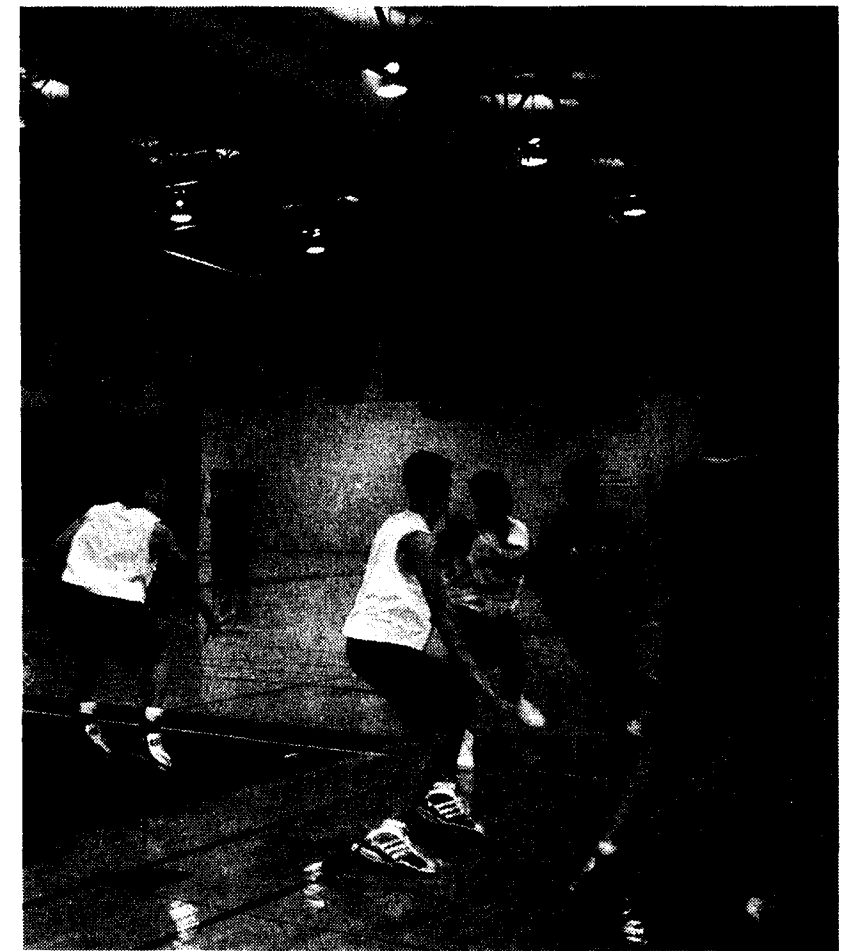
Posing for a group shot are the Penn State Harrisburg Lady Lions.

Men's basketball team gears up for upcoming season

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As the Fall intercollegiate athletic teams have recently finished up their seasons, the men's basketball team is just getting started. Tryouts were held over three days in the middle of October, and since then the fourteen guys who made the cut have been working hard preparing for their upcoming season. Freshmen players are Joseph Jean Jr., Keith Wiggins, Padraic Wood, and Hasahn Wright. Sophomores are Donald Crone, Abe Hitz, Steve Molek, and Michael Schweigler. Andrew Coombs, Craig Martin, and Zac Mellinger are the juniors, with seniors Cory Daniel, Tim Hurtack, and Nealy Rawlings rounding out the team.

Head Coach Kirk Ream has high expectations for the season, saying he expects the team to "be very hardworking, fundamentally sound, and competitive." He said he has already seen vast improvement in the team's level of play during the first few weeks of practice and he only expects that improvement to continue as the season goes on. When asked



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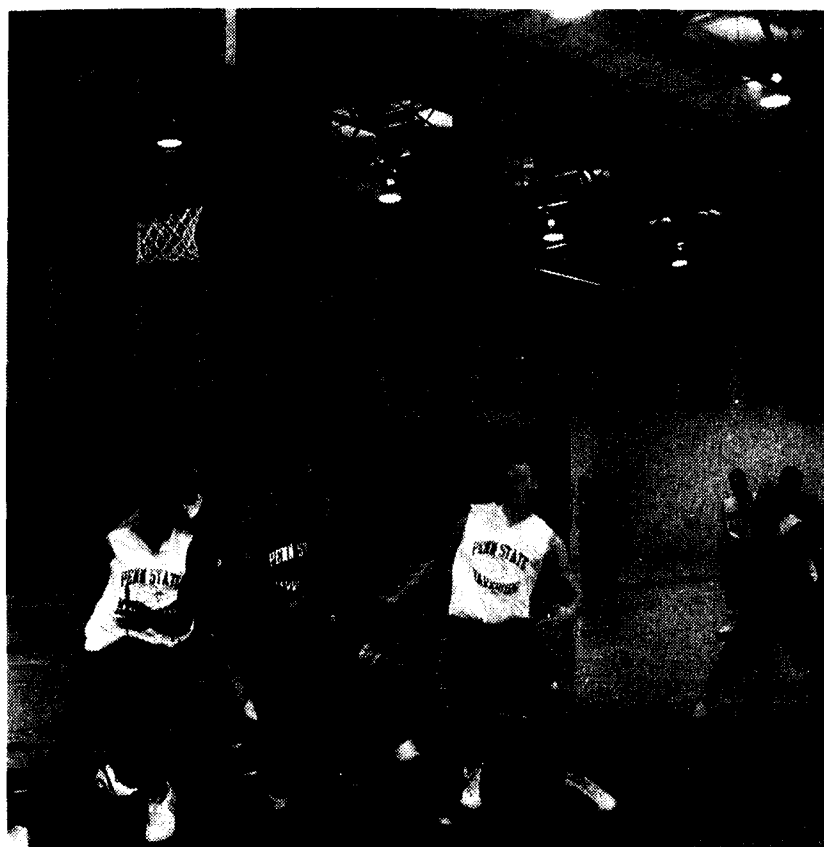
The mens' team practices blue on white for their upcoming games.

how he felt about the fact that intercollegiate athletics at Penn State Harrisburg are returning after a long hiatus, Ream said, "It is an exciting opportunity to

be involved with the process of bringing sports back to the PSU Harrisburg campus. The fall sports teams have done a great job setting the stage as a competitive program. We are looking forward to laying the foundation of a great basketball program for years to come."

Coach Ream comes to PSH from Dickinson College, where he was an assistant coach for three years. Prior to that, he was an assistant coach at the high school level. Ream holds undergraduate and graduate degrees from Bloomsburg University, where he was a three-year starter on their basketball team. He will be assisted this year by Aaron Carter and Derek Melleby, both of whom also played basketball for Bloomsburg.

The men's team have a very full season with at least 10 home contests, so there will be plenty of opportunities for you to come out and support the team. You can find their schedule on the PSH website by clicking on "Intercollegiate Athletics" on the right-hand side of the site.



Blue keeps the ball from White. The team looks strong this season.