



# SPORTS





### Come Out 'n Play At Common Hour

By Jobin Pathappillill

"It is a good way to start your athletics especially if you would like to move on. It is always fun and I encourage everyone to come out," says Ted Trullinger, vice president of the Karate Club, when asked about Intramural sports. Intramural athletics has always been big at Delco Campus. Currently, a totally student run and officiated program, intramurals have become a tradition at Penn State Delco.

This semester offers a wide variety of games and activities to satisfy everyone's needs. "Encouragement and participation is the key," says Tiz Griffith, athletic director, who supervises the program. "The focus has been put on women's sports and activities this semester," said Kim England, tennis player, who runs the step aerobics program which meets every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the Auxiliary Gym.

Fridays at common hour is the time for pickup indoor soccer. Common hour on Mondays and Wednesdays is highlighted by coed 3-on-3 basketball. Thursdays are the time for indoor coed lacrosse which is run by Ken Napaver, an Education major. "Come out and play," says Andrew Majjio, freshman lacrosse fanatic.

As the weather warms up, outdoor sports like tennis, basketball, softball, and touch football will get in gear. "Intramural sports offer injuryfree fun at a competitive level," said Dennis Fleck, Mathematics major, who is looking forward to football. "We need a big turn out," says Jason Morovich, basketball player, when asked about the success of intramural basketball.

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### **Spring Events**

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April brings in the Spring Week celebrations, which include beach vball, softball, spring fling, battle of the bonds and football.

When asked about the activities for spring semester SGA president Rita Varano said, "SGA officers worked hard over vacation to prepare and plan for this semester. We are expecting extensive club participation, which indicates that this will be a very active and succesful semester. All we ask for, at this point, is staff, faculty, and student support".

Overall it looks like a fun semester is ahead of us.

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### Men's B-Ball Dribbles Toward Playoffs

By Wes Tomlinson

The men's basketball team has high hopes to make the playoffs this year. With a 6 and 3 record in their conference and 11 and 7 overall, they need to continue their aggressive play to capture a playoff birth.

Coach Bill Wiley said, "We have a pretty good shot at making the playoffs." He added, "Basketball has its peaks and valleys, and we're working our way up out of a recent valley." He said, "Freshman Willard

Ramseur from Academy Park High School is our high one game scorer this year hitting 44 points against Penn State Schuylkill, but we miss guard Andre Harris who had a knee operation which sidelines him for the rest of the season. Harris is a great defensive player. We play man-toman defense as do most of the other teams that we play. This makes for a faster game."

"We're going to the playoffs," predicted forward Jason Morovich.

Ted Gunther, forward said,

"We're going to win it all." and

Guard Ronald Bright urged students and faculty to, "Come to the games and support the team. We play some exciting basketball games."

The home games in the Penn State Delco gym usually begin at 6:30 P.M. or on Saturday afternoon at 1:00

Assistant coach Joe DeMaio, PSU graduate in 1991, said, "We have a lot of hard working kids who have a great chance to win a championship this year, but it is a must that we do it as a team."



The 1994-95 women's basketball team with their coach Mary Varano and the assistant coach Ron Freeman.

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## Vomen's Team Shoot into Playoffs

By Malcolm Little

After last Thursday's stunning defeat of PSU York, the women's basketball team is on the road to the Commonwealth Campuses Athletic Conference playoffs. However, Wednesday, January 25, 1995, was the night the lights went out at Ogontz for Delco's women's basketball team. The Lady Lions of Delco fell victim to the lowly Lady Lions of Ogontz, turning what was once a clear path to the Commonwealth Campuses Athletic Conference championships into a dark dreary road of uncertainty.

Star center Katrina "Tree" Young (#32), said after the game, "We are now in a must-win situation. Beating Ogontz would have guaranteed our trip to the CCAC finals. But now we must play every game as if it's our last."

During practice last week the tension in the gym was heavy. The dedicated members of the women's basketball team expressed a sense of urgency. Yet they were very optimistic about their chances of making it to the big game. And they came through.

Coach Mary Varano felt the women would definitely pull it off. "These girls have worked hard this

season. I see them as number one regardless of their 3-7 (now 4-7) record."

Her hustling sister Rita (#20), affectionately called "Freebase" by her teammates, agreed. "We'll definitely win it all, without a question."

Other hustling members of the team are Colleen "Thumper" Cowan (#15), Jen "4-C" Forcey (#24), Colleen "Barbie" Krause (#11), Jen "Shotie" McAllister (#12), Michelle "Pigpen" Rodriguez (#22), Diana "D-Bone" Desimone (#21), and Karen "Pinto" Milliken (#14).

Ron Freeman is the assistant coach.