

Tennis Team Toughs It Out Thru Thick & Thin

By Maureen McAndrews

Delco's tennis team is really having a tremendous season so far this year. They've won five matches and lost only one. The team's only loss was to Hazelton and can be attributed to the rearrangement of players. Under the guidance of Coach Bill McCourt, the team has proven themselves to be exceptional at this half-way point in the season.

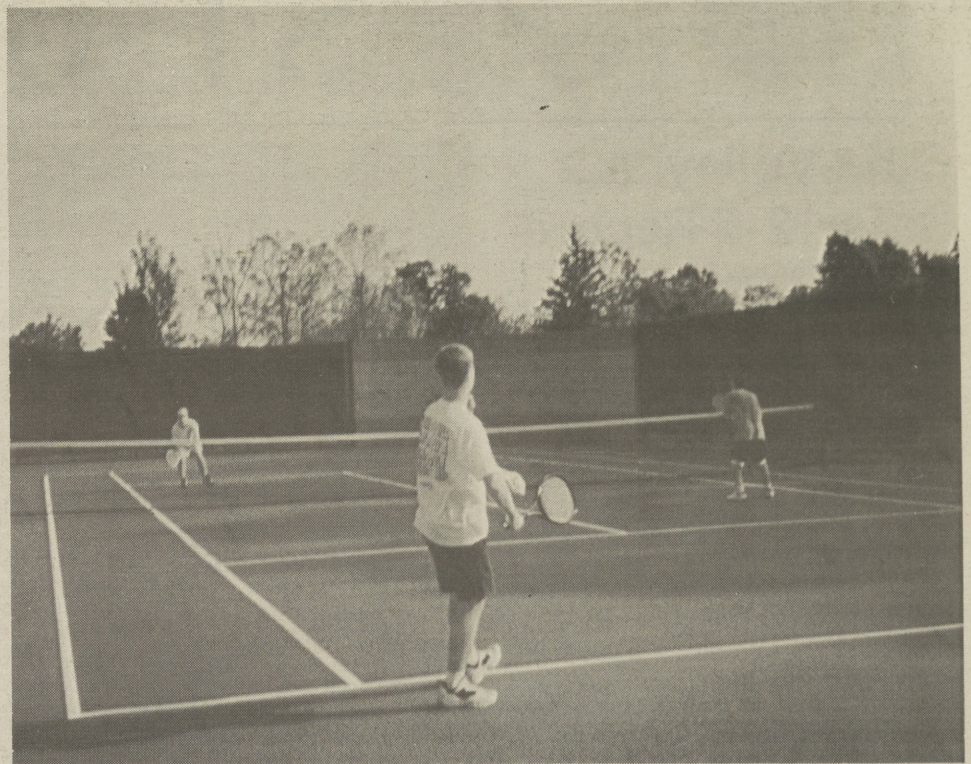
In a recent tri-meet against PSU York and Altoona, Delco beat both teams. PSU York was shut out with a 7-0 win. Toni Mirabelli, a doubles player, greatly contributed to this win against York by winning 6-0, 6-1 at Second Singles. Delco won against Altoona with a score of 5-2. Chris Rudai's win in a second set tie-breaker helped to assure this win.

Their excellent record so far this season has put team morale at a high level and stirred much enthusiasm among players. When asked to comment on the team's performance so far this season, Mary Doolittle, a returning sophomore to the team, said, "We have a positive outlook."

Randy Navickas, another returning sophomore, added, "We're happy with what we're doing but we would prefer to improve."

The team is aware that stiff competition awaits them, but they are still hopeful. Doolittle captured the team's attitude with the statement, "We believe we can be champions and are hopeful to win the championship; however, we have tough competition."

The team is all set to "match" the best skills of their opponents and keep the wins coming.



Howie Mehl and Al Kong (second doubles) play a three-set loss against Abington-Ogontz, although the Delco team went on to win 6-1. Photo by Mary Doolittle

Bored? Join In the Fun; Enter Intramural Sports

By Mary Doolittle

Instead of sitting around the cafeteria or riding around in their cars for an hour or even E-mailing and jamming up the servers, students could be doing something else during common hour: Intramurals.

This year the Student Athletic Association (SAA) has planned many intramural programs. Touch Football has already started and fierce rivalries from last year have rekindled. "I am always on the best team, and always will be" said Tom Forbes a third semester Business major, whose team with Mark Johnston and Chris Smith seem to be scaring off the competition.

Athletic Director Tiz Griffith adds, "It is going well and we are all really excited to see everyone out there this year."

Aside from football, basketball, indoor hockey handball and Olympic

Week, this year many other sports will join the intramural circuit, including tennis, softball, lacrosse and indoor soccer.

Last spring semester during every common hour the gym was filled with students playing co-ed basketball or indoor floor hockey in which the small auxiliary gym was always packed with spectators standing on the benches and clogging up the doorways. Finally, there was the Olympic week. Every day for a week SAA sponsored a different sporting event with three teams going for the gold.

Students are encouraged to help form new intramural sports. If anyone has any questions or suggestions they are encouraged to talk to SAA President Mary Doolittle or Intramurals Coordinator Vince Serenci.

Delco Struts Its Stuff At U. Park Tournament

By Greg Jurkowski

One sport that does not have an official varsity or intramural team on campus is golf. However, this fact does not hold back Coach Raphael Hidalgo and a handful of students who love to play. Each year Coach Hidalgo takes four students to participate in the Commonwealth Campus Athletic Conference (CCAC) Open Golf Tournament at University Park's Penn State Blue Course.

The CCAC Open Golf Tournament involves all Penn State campuses and is medal play for two rounds. Each campus is encouraged to send up either individual or team entries, along with a faculty or staff

member as a representative.

This year the Tournament took place on October 6-8 and the students who accompanied Coach Hidalgo were Brian Price (1st Sem, 2 LAS), Scott Piffath (1st Sem, 2 LAS), Matt Shevlin (4th Sem, COMM), Benjamin Klapholz (1st Sem, NDEG) and Joe Murphy (1st Sem, NDEG). These five golfers were chosen from a group of eight which also included Greg Morris (3rd Sem, DUS), Dave Schaffer (2nd Sem, BA), and Matt Goudy (3rd Sem, ENGR). They competed in a tournament hosted by Delaware County Community College at Paxton Hollow as guests in order to determine their ranking as individuals.

Campus Run Supports Breast Cancer Research

By David Metcalf

One of the most prevalent diseases in our country is breast cancer. However, it is an easily detected and treatable disease if caught in time.

In support of victims and treatment, PSU Delco will sponsor The Run for Breast Cancer on Saturday, November 9 at 11am.

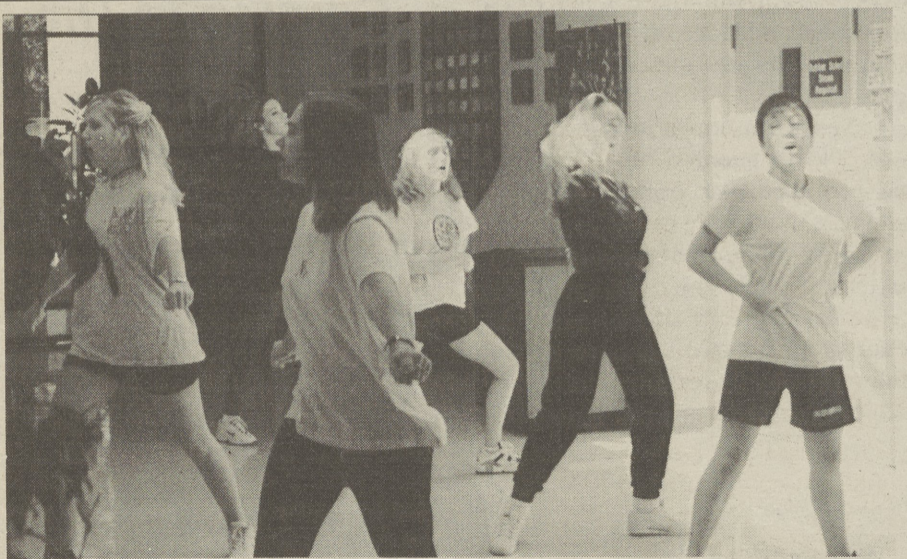
The event coordinators invite students, faculty, or anyone else who wants to support this cause obtain sponsors. They will then make a campus run which is a course circling the campus. The sponsors will donate a set amount for three miles.

However, the turnout at the September 30 organizational meeting was underwhelming. "I am

thoroughly disappointed in my peers' lack of support," griped Student Athletic Association president and organizer of this event, Mary Doolittle. "I just hope all those who don't show up and don't care never have anyone they love affected by breast cancer."

Many Delco faculty have had breast cancer and odds are that many students have a family member or friend who has had it.

Doolittle hopes there will be a better turnout at the actual run, since the campus is plastered with signs. All money raised goes to an area hospital. Anyone who would like to participate, sponsor, or just make a flat donation, should contact Mary Doolittle by e-mail at failing@psu.edu.



Delco cheerleaders practice their routine, outside the gym lobby, for upcoming events.

Blue Jean Day Benefits Brain Rehab Patients

By Erin Lulevitch

Think twice before you get dressed on October 23 and support Delaware County's Service Corps by donning your favorite denim duds.

The event, now in its second year, is known as BlueJean Day. In the weeks preceding the event, buttons will be on sale for \$5 each to promote a worthwhile cause. All of the proceeds go to the MossRehab Hospital, in Philadelphia.

The event was first organized by

the hospital to create "rehabilitation scholarships through the MossRehab Clubhouse for people who need treatment but have no resources," explains Harvey E. Jacobs, PhD and Clubhouse Director. All of the money raised goes directly toward treatments for patients who have sustained brain injuries and who otherwise could not afford rehabilitation services.

Even Mayor Rendell is endorsing the event, encouraging city-wide participation. Large scale corporations

are becoming involved as well, allowing company employees who buy the buttons, to dress casually for the day. Students, faculty, and staff who purchase the buttons, are encouraged to do the same and wear the pin along with their favorite denim clothing on this special day.

Buttons are available for purchase from any Service Corps member or by stopping in the Volunteer Services office, across from the weight room in the Commons building. These nifty little pins can

also be obtained during either the Service Corps or SGA meetings, held every Monday in room 202, in the Commons building, during common hour.

Last year, the hospital was able to raise \$30,000 with the help of over 90 local organizations, but the Clubhouse is in dire need of more funds to continue their efforts. The Clubhouse is looking to raise four times as much money this year to keep the program going.