



# SPORTS



## Girls Volleyball Sets 12-5 Record

By JoAnne Johnson

The women's varsity volleyball team has been serving up a very successful season, easily maintaining an 12-5 record.

"We had a good turn out this year," commented Coach Rafe Hidalgo. "The girls are skilled, and come from good high schools, like O'Hara, Ridley and Upper Darby."

The team consists mostly of freshmen, including Dana Russo, Toni Morelli, Cindi Rivera, Patti O'Hara, JoAnne Johnson, Rose Giordano, and Jaime Diamond. The sophomore representatives are Bonnie Bracken and Kara Manning.

"I think this team has a lot of potential," added Bonnie Bracken, who is the only returning veteran and team captain. "Last year we started out strong, but choked in the end. This team works well both on and off the

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court."

The ladies started the season off with a tough loss to Mont Alto, but then proceeded to beat eight teams consecutively, including York, Abington, Berks, Scranton, Wilkes Barre, Schyukill, Harcum Junior College and Manor. The team suffered a tough loss to Delaware County Community College, but shook it off to beat Penn State York and Abington again in the CCAC south tournament, which advanced them to the semi-finals.

The Lady Lions request your support in their quest for victory against Philadelphia Community College and Manor at 6:30 p.m. at home on October 19.

## Soccer Team High On Spirit, Low On Scores

By Mary Doolittle

"They're ten times better than last year," an opponent from Valley Forge Military Academy said about Delco's soccer team.

This year's soccer team is off to a 1-9 record with only three returning starters and the rest are new freshmen and sophomores. However, they have the skills to beat any opponent.

By their record however, you may not think so. But numbers only matter in the books. This year's team has the skills to pay the bills with attitude plus finesse.

The team is led by sophomore captain Seth "Pimp" Brunner and freshman Tim Stapert, who are infamous for their yellow cards, "Sir I would disagree with that call," and fights with the officials.

The team has a strong support as well. Sophomore goalie Mark Eisle came onto the team late with impressive skills for someone who has been out of the sport as long as he has. And the Cocky ball handling skills of a talented Mark Quinlin produce many goals when he feels like running. When so motivated he can score at will, as he did against Scranton, netting for goals.



Volleyball players Toni Morrelli, Cindy Riviera and Bonnie Bracken take a breath after the ref makes a call in their favor during their tournament against Harcum College and Delaware County Community College. Photo by Joanne Johnson

## Baseball Team Crowned CCAC East Champions

By Lisa Colucci

Delco's baseball team won the Eastern Division title of the Commonwealth Campus Athletic Conference (CCAC) on October 2.

However, they were unable to beat the Western Division champs, PSU Beaver, during the CCAC playoffs at University Park, October 6. In the best of three series, they lost the first game 13-0, due in most part to eight starters missing from the line-up for disciplinary reasons. The second game was lost 6-5.

Delco's baseball team had shown PSU Wilkes-barre what was up when they took the first CCAC playoff game on October first, leaving the opposition trailing by nine runs: Delco blazed through to a fourteen to five win.

Smooth pitching by Jay Mills and Dave Schaeffer allowed only five runs from the opposition. Freshman second baseman Bob Colden, went four for

five at the plate. Mike Guille stepped off the disabled list to drive in four RBI's, and Mike Praille had a triple! The Lion's record improved to 10-7 with the CCAC win.

Overall, the team feels that it has been a pretty good season. "This year's team differs from last year's because we took the games more seriously," said co-captain Mike Guille, "Although we lost intensity in the second game of the double headers, we kept our composure, and I feel that we can keep it through a nine inning playoff game."

In the past month, the team has had two other wins against Wilkes-barre. They've also split double headers with PSU Berks, PSU Hazelton, and PSU Mont Alto, and lost to Northampton Community College.

Clutch hits by Bill Twaddle, Ryan Mattei, and Chris Hamalak helped the Nittany offense, while Bob Malin, Tom Keough, and Tom Dwyer were stellar on defense with many outstanding plays. Co-captain and catcher Kevin Dorian was a leader on and off of the field, with his attitude and his play at home plate.

The team hopes to win big this year. "With talented new freshmen, and a solid core of sophomores, there is no reason why we can't bring home the CCAC championship," said left fielder Jeff Scali.

Like any team, things tend to get better as time goes on. Short stop Bob Malin said, "We learned to play for each other instead of for ourselves."

## All U-Day Where It's At!

By Margie Henry

Imagine the loud roar at Beaver Stadium as the Penn State Nittany Lions take on the University of Iowa Hawkeyes, or the overwhelming feeling of watching your first live college football game. Think about when it was that you first discovered what Penn State pride is all about.

All-University Day, being held on October 19, is just a peak for the the commonwealth campus students to see what lies ahead in just a few more semesters.

Each year, all of PSU's Commonwealth campuses are invited to the University Park campus for a day of inter-campus competitions, dances, a concert, and numerous other events; and yes of course, what would University Park be without parties, too.

All-U Day was created in order to promote unity among all of the branch campuses and to allow students to get to know the University Park campus.

Fifth semester student, Amy Winnemore, spent her beginning college years transferring to two different small schools before she finally decided on Penn State. Even though she had visited University Park before she felt, "I am excited because All-U Day will give me a chance to experience what big college life is really about."

Amy's excitement is also shared by many other commuters who never had the chance to go to the University Park campus before. To many students the day will remind them that they can claim their share of the Penn State pride too, even though they are not part of the happening main campus yet.

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Tom Lydon pauses before he passes to Jeff Elliot in a recent game against Williamson Trade School.