



### Sports





**Athletics Alert!** 

# Fall Varsity Sports Start for Men & Women

By Mary Doolittle

As new students come to the Delco campus, they are bombarded with many options: clubs, jobs, internships and sports. The most important thing to do is school work. But if you are an athlete, it is also important to continue in your athletic pursuits.

This fall the varsity sports offered at Delco are men's baseball, women's volleyball and co-ed soccer. All these teams finished in the top 4 seeds in the Commonwealth Campus Athletic Association (CCAC) and contended well in the Eastern Pennsylvania Collegiate Conference (EPCC).

The baseball team returns after a great season finishing 2nd overall in the CCAC where they lost to powerhouse PSU Beaver in the playoffs at University Park. They are coached by Adam Winters who was also honored as Coach of the Year. They are already practicing and look strong, but are always looking for young new players.

The volleyball team also contended in the EPCC and CCAC, finishing fourth place in a challenging season. The team holds two returning

All-CCAC selections in Dana Russo and Cintia Riviera. The team will be coached by Matt Clarke who was the men's club volleyball coach last year.

Finally the soccer team will be led by second year coach Mike Clarke, who took the defeated team of '95 and turned it into the fourth place team of '96. Last year the team started out on the same foot it left on, but by midseason they were on a 6-game winning streak that propelled them into a tie for the playoffs. They will be strong and solid this year and will be looking for experienced players.

In addition, the cheerleading club is back in action. Last year they started cheering at more events as well as representing Delco in many other activities, such as parades. They will have try outs in October for new members.

Varsity basketball player Eillen Milliken explains, "We are looking for people who want to have fun but understand commitment. The teams have great coaches and players as well as faculty and staff support. I have learned so much here at Delco on and off the courts, as well as in the classrooms."



Varsity soccer (open to men and women) begins practice this week for a challenging season playing in two conferences.

### What's New on Camps?

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large area where special functions can be held, such as honors convocations. This area will also be for students to spend their free time or to study. According to Ms. Diane Jankowski, Director of Business Services and Computer Technology, the anticipated completion date of the building is June 26, 1998.

Another major change to the Delaware County Campus is the cafeteria. The walls have been painted, and the booths have been fixed up. In addition, there is a new foodservice provider! Nick Logethetis, who has been in the business for 30 years, and his wife Catherine, who presently teaches culinary arts at Upper Darby High School, will now be in charge of Penn State Delco's cafeteria, renamed "Catherine's Campus Cafe".

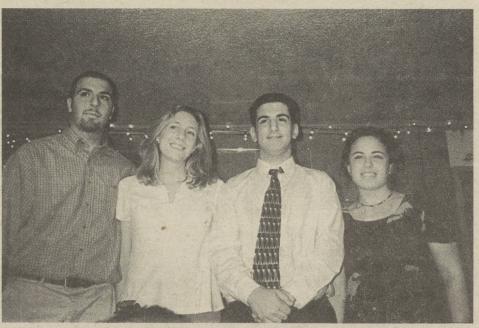
The food served will be similar to Sbarro's at the Granite Run Mall, as Nick is currently affiliated with the company. Some of the dishes include: pizza, ziti, lasagna, chicken parmesan, fresh vegetables, steak sandwiches, hoagies, and the list goes on. Mr. Logethetis will also be stocking the new

vending machines, which include fresh food daily and 20-oz. sodas.

Nick is open to suggestions from the student body. If you like your food a certain way, he will go out of his way to make it. "I can create just about anything," he said. "I don't want you to go to WaWa. I am dedicated to giving people fresh food and personal attention." He is also willing to "cater" for the SGA and other campus clubs. "I am very versatile," he said.

And what about the prices? "I am going to do my best to keep the prices down," Nick said. There will be specials every month, such as bat wings, skeleton ribs and witches brew for October, and Thanksgiving dinner for November. Nick's daughter, Catherine, expressed excitement over the Penn State Barbie doll giveaways that will occur.

In addition, Nick hopes to provide dinner entrees which can be taken home and microwaved. Other features of the new cafeteria program include themes such as Italian, Mexican fiesta, and so on. The new cafeteria promises to be something special, so think twice before you hop in your car during common hour to eat at the mall.



Vince Screnci (second from right), new president of the Student Athletic Association and recipient of the prestigious Jimmy King Memorial Award in athletics, poses with the other new SAA officers (I. to r.) Armen Bezdikian, Toni-Jo Morelli and Cintia Rivera. Not pictured is vice president Chris Dale.

### Sports Banquet Honors New SAA President

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The Student Athletic Association held its third annual sports banquet at the end of the spring semester at the Italian Social Club in Philadelphia. The Sports Banquet pays tribute to the students who believe that dreams never die, that being active in school should carry on past high school. Campu athletes were honored for their achievements on and off the courts.

The most prestigious of the awards is the Jimmy King Memorial Award. Jimmy King was a young man who exemplified the Penn State student. He achieved recognition in the classroom, among his peers, and on the basketball court. When Jimmy died in 1995, a scholarsip was established in his memory. This year Vincent Screnci received the award as he qualified under all the criteria. Vincent wasn't a stellar athlete; he didn't even play on a varsity team. He is the score keeper and team pep talker, as well as the Intramural Director under the SAA.

"I couldn't believe it when they called my name," said Screnci. "I am just the man behind the curtains. I am very honored and humbeled by this,

and it truly means alot to me that they would even consider me for this honor." Screnci not only won the award but will also be taking the job as President of the SAA for '97-'98.

"I am so proud of Vince," said outgoing SAA President Mary Doolittle. "I wasn't sure who was going to get the award, and to say I wasn't shocked would be wrong. But he was the best person and most worthy. I am so proud of all the athletes that I have represented this year."

Other awards such as Scholastic Honors were given to all athletes maintaining 3.0 GPA or above while in season. About 50% of each team were given this award. All EPCC and CCAC nominees were also given recognition. The EPCC and CCAC are the two leagues in which each of the athletic teams play. Many athletes received these honors as well.

Finally, the Outstanding Contribution to Intercolligate Athletics was given to Seth Brunner.

Athletic Director Tiz Griffith added,"The sports banquet was a great success, and we hope that next year more athletes will come out and support Delco sports."

# Attention Varsity Athletes!

Any student interested in trying out for women's volleyball, men's baseball, or soccer, should note the following important date and times:

Wednesday
August 27, 1997

2:45 P.M.

Team meeting for fall sports Placew: Gymnasium in the Commons/Athletic Center 3:00-5:00 P.M.

Physical exams for all varsity athletes Place: Coaches Office 134 Commons/Athletic Center

#### 1997 Penn State Football Schedule

Home games in **bold**, at University Park.

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Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 6	Pittsburgh	3:30
Sept. 13	Temple	. 1
Sept. 20	at Louisville	Noon
Oct. 4	at Illinois	TBA
Oct. 11	Ohio St.	TBA
Oct. 18	Minnesota	1
Nov. 1	at Northwestern	TBA
Nov. 8	Michigan	TBA
Nov. 15	at Purdue	TBA
Nov. 22	Wisconsin	ТВА
Nov. 29	at Michigan St.	1