Eye on Sports

For basketball teams, a season to rebound

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Dana Johnson and her women's basketball teammates endured a lot last season. Now, they're ready for

"I'm excited," said Johnson, a returning starter and leading scorer from last season's 1-19 team. "The

team is a lot stronger, we are going to be better this season."

Johnson averaged 23 points a game last season as a guard.

Returning alongwith her is Brooke Edwards who is a forward.

Some key freshmen to keep an eye on this year are Cara Zibbleman (point guard), Katie McBreatey (center) and Megan Peterkin (forward). "Our goal is to switch the record this season, and we'll do whatever it

takes to make it happen," said

Zibbleman is also excited about the new season.

"It's nice to come in and play again," said Zibbleman. "We should be pretty good this year, we've got a lot of good players."

It's going to be a rebuilding year

for the girls and their coach, Joe DiAntonio, also the Penn State Delco athletic director.

Tipoff for the Lady Lions will be Nov. 11 against Delaware County Community College. DCCC beat the Lions twice last year, but this time,

some support from their fans, the girls plan on winning.

The men's team also has big plans

for this season.

Coach Gary Kasmer, and his father Gary Kasmer Sr., have big expectations.

The guy's finished their season last year 4-17. With aggressive players, and fair hard play, this could be

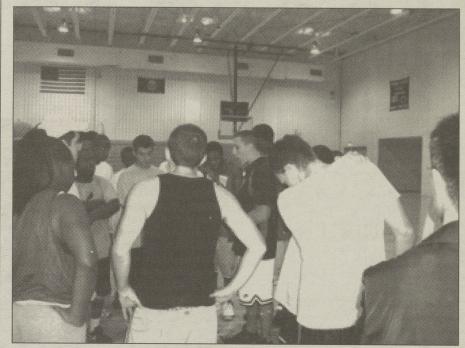
"They're real good," Kasmer said of his players' attitude.

Returning players are Hesham Rahmi (guard/forward), Mike Johnston (forward) and Rob Harris

Some new players to keep an eye on are Mike Thornton, Andrew Thornton, Carlos Gonzalez, Chris Britt, Vince Taraborelli, Josh Etheridge, Barry Robinson, and Chris Robinson.

With this being his first season as

A stiff challenge



Damien Figueroa, the SGA senator of sports addresses competitors in the Challenge of Champions, held to raise awareness of the athletic programs and facilities on campus. Events featured a 6 vs. 6 volleyball tournament, 3 vs. 3 basketball tournament, team dodgeball, and a 5 vs. 5 flag football tournament.

coach of the men's team, Kasmer says he has had great support from the administration.

"Joe DiAntonio, has been good for the program, getting them new uniforms this year," he said.

Tipoff for the men will also be on Nov. 11 at Philadelphia Community College, starting at 7:30p.m

EYE ON CAMPUS



Kevin Krauss, left, the president of the SGA, and Jennifer Rufo arrive in true gangland style at Friday's THON Halloween Dance, held to raise funds for the Delco campus' effort to contribute to February's dance marathon in University Park.

Thinking about THON

THON, the dance marathon in University that raises money and awareness for the fight against childhood cancer, is held in February, and the effort to raise funds on the Delco campus is already under way, with the THON Halloween Dance, which was held Friday. The event raised more than \$300.

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Jackie Harris and Andrew Walter, vice president of the SGA, are nurse and doctor as they dress up for the Halloween dance.