## Softball season to end, again

**By SHARON FINK Daily Collegian Sports Writer** 

According to the regular season schedule, last Wednesday's doubleheader with Brockport should have made the team's 1979 season history. The Lady Lions were passed up when the Eastern regional satellite tournament bids were handed out last week, leaving them out of post-season competition and with time for thinking about what might have been. It should be time to start planning for that ever-present next year. Right?

Well, not exactly. It seems weather put a crimp in the Lady Lions' earlyseason plans by raining out two scheduled doubleheaders with New York schools Cortland and Ithaca

right after their season opener with Janice Presel) so I'm anticipating a West Chester.

This forced Penn State coach Pat McTarsney to cancel the Ithaca game completely because the two teams could not find a mutually compatable time to make it up. She also had to reschedule the two games with Cortland for today at 1:00 at Lady Lion Field six days after the regular season was supposed to end.

So with the '79 season over with, for all practical purposes, will Cortland be an anti-climax for the Lady Lions?

"I don't think so," McTarsney said. "It's our last game of the season and our last home game. And we have six seniors on our squad (Peggy Byrne, Diane Dixon, Patti Fogarty, Kathy Fitzgerald, Donna Hunsicker and

good game,"

She also said not being selected for the regional satellite tournament shouldn't affect her team's performance.

"We played at Brockport after the (regional) selections and got really blown out in the first game. But we came back and took the second one, so I'm really looking forward to tomorrow (today).'

Cortland also seems to be another in a long line of mystery teams the Lady Lions have played this year. McTarsney said she knows little about the New York school, only that it usually has "good athletes and is always competitive.'

"They changed coaches this year,

and I understandtheir record is not as good this year as it has been in the past," she said. "But the only thing that really bothers me is the warm days we've been having."

McTarsney said the recent spell of warm weather will be a rather new playing condition for the Lady Lions this year and could pose some problems.

"The first days in the heat are the hardest," she said. "We have to keep from getting sluggish and take a few measures to protect ourselves from it. We should try to keep out of the sun all day and just keep hustling. Other things we'll talk about in practice this afternoon (yesterday afternoon). We just have to stay looking sharp.'

### Cycling team finishes fourth in defense of Eastern title

Coast Intercollegiate Cycling Champions the Penn State Cycling Team lost

its title to Rutgers this past weekend. PSCT came in fourth, one point behind Cornell. Rutgers had 376; Dartmouth, 360; Cornell, 330 and Penn State, 329.

Dartmouth College sponsored the race, held on a nineteen mile course that had a four mile uphill climb. The 'A' class race was three laps; 'B,' two; and women's, one.

In the women's race, Lorna Reed sprinted to a fourth place finish, only seconds behind the leader.

The 'B' race had a field sprint for first through fifteenth places. Anthony DeAngelo came in third and Jerry Skurla, still recovering from an illness, took thirteenth. Jim Elliott, after flatting his front tire 15 miles from the finish, still managed to come in sixteenth. About fifty riders started the 'B' !? race.

In the 'A' race, riders came across the finish line in small groups. Penn State's John Frederick, Ed Young, and Keith Haberern finished 15th, 16th and 18th in a sprint against four other riders.

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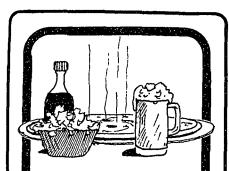
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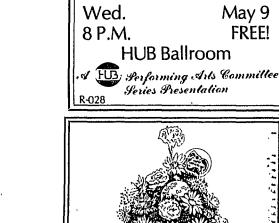


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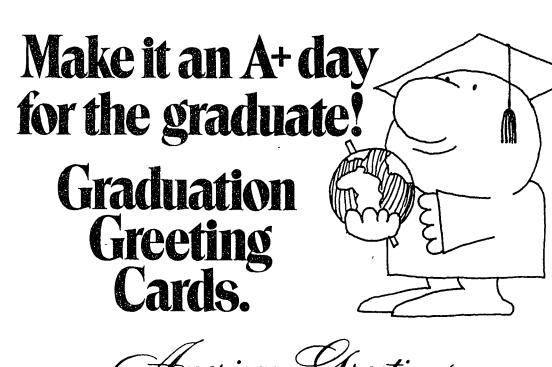
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