

# PSU Coach Kaiser plans strong sports program

William J. Kaiser, new basketball coach at Penn State's Wilkes-Barre Campus, is planning to build a strong basketball and soccer team at the local campus.

New to this area, Kaiser came to the campus from Temple University where he was working on his doctorate in athletic administration. He is presently waiting for results in his final exams from Temple, then will begin work on his dissertation.

A native of Rochester, N.Y., Kaiser graduated from Rush-Henrietta High School, then attended University of West Virginia where he received his B.S. degree in physical education. He received his Master's degree in physical education from the University of Northern Colorado.

An avid athletic enthusiast, Kaiser taught in Kansas City, Kansas for five years and also taught in Pittsford for one year. He has taught at all levels—elementary, junior high and senior high, and coached in football, basketball and track at the junior high level.

While a student at the University of West Virginia, Kaiser played for four years on the soccer team. He now coaches soccer and basketball at the Wilkes-Barre Campus.

Kaiser explained that it is actually a "rebuilding year for the basketball program" at the local campus. During the previous season, interest in the program had faded and Kaiser now faces a complete reorganization of the basketball team as well as looking forward to once again becoming a member of the Penn State Campus Basketball League.

Becoming a member of that league, however, will not come until next season. This season, the local campus team will play in a four-team league made up of Pinebrook Junior College, Allentown Business College, Red Rock and Wilkes-Barre Campus.

However, the team also will play Penn State-Schuylkill, Lincoln Tech, Philadelphia Community College, Baptist Bible College, Penn State-Scranton, Penn State-Allentown, Penn State-Hazleton and Penn State-York.

Kaiser said that he has eight starters this season but expects to gain additional players as the season continues. Varsity members are Dave Banks, six feet, Bunker Hill; Cletus Smith, six feet, Brooklyn; Kevin Moore, 6'3", Wyoming; Bill Faux, 5'11", Tunkhannock; Mike Nybeck, 6'5", Canton, Ohio; Bob Moore 6'2", Windham; Dave Swinski, 5'8", Muhlenburg; and Joe Costano, 6'1", Pitt-

ston. After playing Red Rock last Friday and Allentown Business College, Monday night, Kaiser's cagers will meet Pinebrook Junior College, Thursday, Dec. 11.

Kaiser said that he is pleased with the manner in which his athletes have been working. "Their attitude is terrific," he said. "They are cooperative and enthusiastic. I believe that we will have a good showing for our first season."

Earlier this year, Kaiser coached the campus soccer team. It was the first season after a year's layoff at the campus.

Twenty three candidates came out for soccer. "Not bad," said Kaiser. "When you realize that there are only one or two high school soccer programs throughout the local area. This means no feeder system so the local program is behind other areas but the athletes played well and they enjoyed the season. We played 10 games."

Kaiser explained that the main function of the soccer program is for the development of players for future teams.

Kaiser, who resides in Chase, is enthusiastic about the Back Mountain Youth Soccer program. He said that they have wonderful response and it is needed in the Back Mountain.

This fall, Kaiser played on the adult soccer team and will play again when the season begins in April. During the summer, he will assist with the youth program when possible but much of his time will be taken up with his dissertation work.

Kaiser's ambition is to run a basketball and soccer camp within the next year. He is specially



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interested in sports and likes to participate in all of them but particularly basketball and soccer.

He is a Philadelphia Eagles fan but Kaiser also finds the Steelers games very exciting.

He has done a lot of traveling—all across the United States and from Florida to New York. He has visited all of the National Parks and, a camping enthusiast, he has camped in many of them.

Kaiser enjoys trout fishing more than any other fishing because he can keep moving in the streams. He likes photography and has many color shots taken

when he was in Colorado. Kaiser's parents are still living. His father resides in Henrietta,

Kaiser explained that the biggest problem with the sports program at Wilkes-Barre Campus is the lack of recreational facilities. The campus has to depend on the use of the local high school and schedule around the high

school program. This is difficult since the high school has a full program of boys and girls teams.

Presently, however, the campus team is playing home games at Lake-Lehman High School gym

and these games will begin at 8 p.m., except Dec. 13 when the game with Penn State-Schuylkill will begin at 1 p.m. The Jan 8 game with Baptist Bible will begin at 8:15 p.m., and the game with Philadelphia College

set for Jan 26, will begin at 2 p.m.

Whatever the problems, Kaiser will strive to overcome them for he is dedicated to building a strong sports program at the local campus.

## Christmas concert at Wyoming Seminary

Wyoming Seminary's annual Christmas Concert will be held on Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Harold C. Buckingham Performing Arts Center, Sprague Avenue, Kingston under the direction of John M. Vaida, music department chairman at this college prep school.

The choral group consists of 110 voices of parents, alumni, students, faculty and friends of the school accompanied by 30

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Selections will include various readings and favorite Christmas carols with audience participation. Among those to be sung by the 110 voice choral group will be Concerto Grosso Op. 6 Nr. 8 by Arcangelo Corelli; Hodie Christus Matus Est., Giovanni Gabrieli and the works of J.S.

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