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Women's Soccer, Volleyball Teams Are Fall's Stars

A pair of women's teams finished with very successful seasons in the fall. The **women's soccer** team set school records for wins (14), conference wins (9) and shutouts (8) and qualified for its first appearances in both the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) and NCAA postseasons. **Women's volleyball** also had a very productive fall, sweeping the PSAC East slate for a 10-0 conference mark and earning the right to host the conference final four for the first time in KU history.

On the soccer field, the Golden Bears assured themselves of just the fourth double digit win season after just 12 games of the 2003 schedule. During that run, Kutztown jumped out to a 10-0-2 start, the best in school history. When the team defeated Wilmington 4-1, with eight different players scoring points, it broke the school record of 11 wins in a season set in 1987 and 1995.

Ninth-year head coach **Jeff Schellenberger's** squad lost just twice in the regular season and finished third in the PSAC to earn the program's first trip to the league playoffs. Lock Haven spoiled the party, but the team was still selected to play in the NCAA Northeast Regional. A loss in the first round to #1 seeded Adelphi ended the Golden Bears' season.

Four Golden Bears were named to the All-PSAC team. Back **Lindsey Will**, midfielder **Lauren Tatro** and forward **Kelly Lau** became the first KU players in eight years to make the league's first team. Goalkeeper **Mandi Johnsen** was



First team All-PSAC back Lindsey Will, of the women's soccer team, helped lead the Golden Bears to a record-setting season.

named to the second team.

Lau turned in a very successful freshman campaign, leading the team in goals (14) and points (36) and tying Tatro for the team lead in assists (8). The two teamed with **Chrissy Jack**, who scored 11 goals of her own, to form a potent offensive attack. Johnsen set a school record in goal with eight shutouts behind a stingy defense led by Will.

The volleyball team, once again under the direction of head coach **John Gump**, notched its first ten game sweep of the conference schedule. Making the feat more impressive was the team's overall youth. The club featured seven freshmen, to go with just two seniors, one junior and three sophomores.

After a season-opening loss, the

Golden Bears reeled off seven straight wins, including road victories over PSAC East foes West Chester and Shippensburg. After hitting some mid-season struggles in PSAC crossovers, Kutztown righted the ship. The Golden Bears cut through the final twelve matches of the season with 11 wins, including the final eight. The late-season run included school career records for each of KU's seniors. **Jessie Didier** became the Golden Bears all-time blocks leader, finishing her career with 515. **Mary Kate Strine** set the record for service aces, finishing her career with 129.

By winning the PSAC East, the team earned the right to host the conference playoffs, where Lock Haven eliminated the Golden Bears in the semifinals.

Didier was named the East's Athlete of the Year and **Sarah Brandon** and **Katie Herman** joined her on the first team, with **Jenn Stocker** earning recognition on the second team. Coach Gump was named the PSAC East Coach of the Year.

Didier had a .364 hitting percentage and 81 blocks, both team-highs and her 200 kills were third on the team. Herman set the KU single season record with 1,074 assists and also led the team with 52 aces. Brandon led the team with 354 kills and was third with 72 blocks. Another freshman, **Dani Witherite** placed second on the squad with 278 kills, was second with 51 aces and third in digs. Classmate **Candace Cagle** led the team with 310 digs from her libero position. ❖

GOLDEN BEAR ATHLETICS NEEDS YOU!

The Kutztown University athletic department is in the midst of its annual drive to increase funds for student-athlete scholarships and operating expenses.

The fund drive started with the athletic phonathon in October. KU coaches and students spent eight nights on the phones with Golden Bear alumni and parents, and received over \$33,500 in pledges for the various sports funds.

"We would like to thank everyone who pledged to KU athletics during this year's phonathon," KU Athletics Director Clark Yeager said. "Their pledges are a solid vote of confidence in the direction of the program and are testimony

of their commitment to the Golden Bears."

Private financial support has been the lifeblood of successful athletics programs, and KU is no exception. The combined support of athletic donors has been crucial in helping the administration offer top-notch, broad based men's and women's programs. Private support has also allowed KU coaches and student-athletes to remain competitive in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference and beyond.

Anyone who was not reached during the phonathon in the fall, but would like to help out their favorite Golden Bear

team, can still do so. To become a club member, just fill out and return a KU athletics pledge envelope, making sure to indicate the sport fund that the gift is intended for.

Pledge envelopes are included with this mailing of *TimeOut*, or can be obtained by contacting KU Athletic Advancement by phone at (610) 683-4755 or e-mail at santos@kutztown.edu.

All athletic donors become automatic members of the Golden Bear Club, and receive special benefits, such as all four editions of this newsletter.

Thank you for your support and have a happy holiday! ❖

2003 Fall Sports Review: **Men's & Women's Cross Country, Field Hockey, Football, Women's Golf, Men's Soccer, Men's & Women's Tennis**

Volleyball and women's soccer were not the only teams to turn in strong seasons on the Kutztown campus. Through the end of the fall season, KU was tied for fourth in the PSAC's Dixon Trophy standings. The award is given to the conference's member institution whose athletic program earns the best overall finish in the PSAC Championships and/or regular season.

Men's Cross Country

Youth ran deep on men's roster

Head Coach: Ray Hoffman

2003 Results: 7th/14 PSAC; 10th/24 NCAA East Region

After the loss of a pair of all-conference runners, 2003 was the beginning of a youth movement for the Golden Bears. Upperclassmen **Joel Smith** and **Dave Tidey** led a group of nine freshman that were counted on to score points from the beginning. Smith was the team's top placer at both the PSACs (19th) and NCAA Regional (32nd), but often battled newcomer **Keith Gruchacz** for the team's top spot. Gruchacz was the team's second runner at both PSACs (27th) and NCAA Regionals (51st).

Women's Cross Country

Lare named PSAC Rookie of the Year, All-PSAC, All-Region

Head Coach: Ray Hoffman

2003 Results: 4th/14 PSAC; 4th/24 NCAA East Region

The squad posted a fourth place finish in the conference for the second straight season, but improved upon its standing in the region. PSAC Rookie of the Year **Molly Lare** made an immediate impact, winning the Lehigh Valley Championships in her first race. She was an All-PSAC selection after placing seventh at the PSAC Championships, and then followed that with a sixth place finish at the NCAA East Regional to earn All-Region honors. **Erin Peiffer**, a senior, was the team's second finisher at both meets, placing 19th at PSACs and 29th in the region.

Field Hockey

Livingston named to All-America team

Head Coach: Betty Wesner

2003 Results: 7-12, 6-10 PSAC

The Golden Bears matched their win total from the previous season and, at one point, won four out of five games in late September and early October. Seven of the team's losses were by just a single goal, including four in overtime. Back **Erin Livingston**, a junior, earned second team All-America honors after making eight defensive saves and finishing fourth on the team with eight points (three goals, two assists). **Ciara Borden** led the team with 14 points from three goals and eight assists. Midfielder **Wendy Phillips** was selected to play in the NFCA North/South Senior All-Star Game.

Football

11 Golden Bears selected to All-PSAC East team

Head Coach: Dave Keeny

2003 Results: 6-5, 3-3 PSAC

2003 marked an improvement over 2002's overall and PSAC records, and was the program's third winning season in the last four. The team was ever-so-close to setting the single-season record for wins, but an overtime loss to Bloomsburg and a one-point defeat against East Stroudsburg in the season finale thwarted the chance. Highlighting the season was the selection of 11 Golden Bears to the All-PSAC East team. Tight end **Jason Henley** and wide receiver **Trevor Smith** gained selection to the first-team offense, and punter **Jon Corson** defensive back **Andre Davis** and defensive lineman **Matt Sola** were selected to the first-team defense. Running backs **Tony Bria** and **Stephen Gammage**, center **Trevor Miller**, kicker **Matt Scartozzi**, defensive lineman **Tim Krusen** and linebacker **Greg Mitchell** were each recognized as members of second team. Corson set several school records during the season. He had a 79-yard punt against Mansfield, set the single season record for punting average (43.0), and ended his career with the most punting yards in school history at 8,868 yards.

Women's Golf

Several records set during promising fall season

Head Coach: Robert Fisher

2003 Fall Record: 4-6

The women had their most successful fall season, starting with a second place finish at the Kutztown Quad and wrapping up with a fifth place finish at the Lehigh Invitational. **Jess May** and **Holly Shubilla** set records with low

rounds on back-to-back weeks, with Shubilla emerging with the record at 78. Both golfers, pending the spring results, are on pace to set the school record for low average.

Men's Soccer

Hunter and Pollex named to all-conference squad

Head Coach: Otto Ormosi

2003 Results: 8-7-4, 4-4-0 PSAC

The men turned in a two game improvement in PSAC play and narrowly missed a playoff berth. **John Lapore**, who led the team with seven assists and 21 points, set the school record for career assists with 24. **E.T. Hunter**, also a senior, made the All-PSAC squad for the third straight year, earning first-team honors this season after making the second team the two previous years. Hunter finished second on the team in scoring with 17 points, tied Lapore for the team-lead with seven goals, and ended his career second all-time in assists with 23. Four of his seven goals were game-winners. **James Pollex** was named to the All-PSAC second team at back, earning the honor in his first season as a full-time starter.

Men's Tennis

Doubles Team to Nationals

Head Coach: Suresh Ramamurthi

2003 Record: 2-0, 1-0 PSAC

Kutztown's men's tennis team took out their tennis racquets for a limited fall schedule. The Bears were 2-0 in duals with wins over PSAC foe Slippery Rock and Division I Temple. Additionally, KU competed in the ITA Regional Championships, where the doubles team of **Alok Bhide** and **Mukundan Nandakumar** won the A-flight championship and a berth in the ITA Small College Championship in Corpus Christi, TX. The pair placed eighth at the event. Overall, **Bhide** was 5-0 in singles and 5-4 in doubles action during the fall. The team will challenge for the PSAC title and look to make it six NCAA Regional appearances in a row.

Women's Tennis

Golden Bears Improving

Head Coach: Suresh Ramamurthi

2003 Record: 4-2, 2-1 PSAC

Kutztown's women's tennis team finished the fall season with a dual-match record of 4-2, including a 2-1 record against PSAC foes. KU had four players with four singles wins. The spring 2004 conclusion to the Golden Bears' season will be a challenging one, as KU will need to qualify for the newly pared down PSAC Championship Tournament. ❖

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KU ATHLETIC ADVANCEMENT UPDATE

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Sixth Annual Golf Scramble Set for June 11, 2004

The 6th Annual Great Golden Bear Golf Scramble returns on Friday, June 11 at Willow Hollow Golf Course in nearby Leesport. Shotgun start is set for 1:30 PM.

The scramble, a sell out each of the past five years, is tentatively \$380 per foursome, and \$210 per twosome, and is limited to the first 36 foursomes. The entry fee includes the following for each foursome: a tee prize; a pre-scrabble lunch at Willow Hollow pavilion; a bucket of driving range balls and 10% discount for all players at Sittler Golf Shop on tournament day; a post-scrabble barbeque and awards ceremony; the Golden Avalanche Brewing Company & on-course beverage stop; golf cart and greens fees; a chance to win a new car or golf vacation in the Kutztown Buick-Pontiac-Cadillac Hole-in-One contest; special contests (included with entry fee): long drive, closest to the pin, putting competition; and prizes for placewinners—open and co-ed; and a chance to win great prizes by participating in the Pot-of-Gold contest and raffle.

Player registration and sponsorship forms will be available in late January and can be obtained by contacting the KU athletic advancement office.

The scramble benefits Kutztown University student-athlete scholarships.

KU Athletics Corporate Partner News

The annual KU Athletics Corporate Partnership Campaign generated an all-time high of \$71,500 for the 2003-04 academic year. The total includes a combination of cash and trade from over 50 local, regional and national businesses. Corporate partnership packages include banner signage at athletic venues, scoreboard signage, ads in game programs, Web page billboards, and/or radio ads on KU football broadcasts on

WEEU. For information on becoming a corporate partner of KU athletics in 2003-04, contact the KU athletic advancement office this spring. All corporate partner proceeds benefit KU athletics.

The Golden Bear to Get a New Look!



KU's Golden Bear logo will get a new look in 2004.

The Kutztown University athletic department and advancement division are teaming up with Phoenix Design Works out of New York City to develop a contemporary Golden Bear logo. The goal of the project is to portray one identity that reflects the essence of the institution. Special university related focus groups will be involved in helping to define the new brand. Phoenix has worked with several colleges and universities on new athletic logo designs, including: UMass, Arkansas, LSU, Tennessee, Ole Miss, Harvard, Brown, St. Joseph's, Scranton and Wilkes. Professional clients include the Florida Marlins, the Colorado Rockies, the Memphis Grizzlies, NASCAR and the Breeders' Cup. The design process will begin in December and is expected to be completed early in 2004. An unveiling date has yet to be determined. More details will be provided in the next edition of TimeOut. To see samples of Phoenix's work, visit: <http://www.phoenixdesignworks.com>

Follow KU on the Golden Bear Network



The Golden Bear Network will provide live audio coverage of four KU men's and women's basketball PSAC road games this season.

The GBN will also carry a total of eight KU baseball and softball games in April. The Golden Bear Network can be heard live or on-demand on the Internet via Windows Media. For more information, visit kubears.com and click on The Golden Bear Network icon. Fans can also go back and hear all 11 KU football games that were carried on WEEU radio during the 2003 season. Just click on the WEEU link in the left column at kubears.com.

Schedule of Winter 2004 Golden Bear Network Broadcasts

JANUARY

SAT 17

W. Basketball at Cheyney 12:55 PM
M. Basketball at Cheyney 3:00 PM

FEBRUARY

WED 3

W. Basketball at West Chester 5:55 PM
M. Basketball at West Chester 8:00 PM

WED 18

W. Basketball at E. Stroudsburg 5:55 PM
M. Basketball at E. Stroudsburg 8:00 PM

SAT 28

W. Basketball at Millersville 12:55 PM
M. Basketball at Millersville 3:00 PM

KU Athletics Key Dates To Remember for Spring 2004

- **February 14** Men's & Women's Basketball Alumni Day (Keystone Arena)
- **April 16** Tau Kappa Luncheon & Induction (Old Main)
- **April 27** All-Sports Banquet (Keystone Fieldhouse)
- **June 4** Hall of Fame & Awards Banquet (Old Main)
- **June 11** Great Golden Bear Golf Scramble (Willow Hollow)

For daily results and scores, call the **Golden Bear Hotline** at 610-683-1515



Football's Miller, Baldwin Selected for Academic Honors

Kutztown University football players **Trevor Miller** and **Michael Baldwin** have been named to the 2003 CoSIDA Academic All-America District II Team.

Miller, an offensive lineman from Lititz, PA, was selected to the first team, while Baldwin, a defensive back, was voted to the second team. Both players are making their first appearances on the team.

A criminal justice major, Miller was a four-year starter and appeared in every game of his college career. He is also a three-time PSAC scholar-athlete, a six-time member of the Dean's List (3.60 GPA or better), and a two-time recipient of a Kutztown University Provost Award (athletes with at least a 3.25 GPA). In 2002, Miller was selected to the All-PSAC second team, and was named to *Street & Smith's* 2003 Preseason All-



MILLER



BALDWIN

America team. He has a 3.58 GPA.

Baldwin, a criminal justice major from Philadelphia, is a two-year starter at safety for the Golden Bears. As a freshman, he received a Kutztown University Provost Award (athletes with at least a 3.25 GPA), and was a PSAC scholar-athlete. Baldwin is a four-time member of the Dean's List (3.60 GPA or better). In 2003, the defensive back was limited to seven games due to injury, with 35 tackles and a pair of fumble recoveries to his credit. Baldwin has a 3.79 GPA.

The team is selected by members of CoSIDA, the College Sports Information Directors of America. The District II Region includes Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. ❖

Athletics Department Searching for New Staff Members

The Kutztown University Athletics Department is currently searching for several new staff members to fill vacancies in the department.

The department is looking to fill a temporary certified athletic trainer position for the spring 2004 semester. The position is to fill in for **Rennie Sacco**, coordinator of Sports Medicine and Athletic Training Services, who will be on sabbatical during the spring. The position will begin in January and end at the conclusion of the spring sports season.

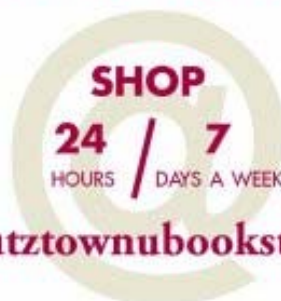
In addition, KU head football coach **Dave Keeny** is searching for two full-time assistant coaching positions to complete his staff. The Golden Bears are looking for full-time defensive specialist and offensive line coaches. **Bill Keeny**, Dave's father and long-time assistant coach at KU, and **Dan Collins**, who joined the staff in late August, filled the two roles on a temporary basis during the 2003 season. KU hopes to have the new coaches on board in January. ❖

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In accordance with the Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act of 1994 (section 360B of Pub. L. 130-382), the Kutztown University Athletic Department has made information concerning its intercollegiate athletics programs available to the public. This information is on file at Rohrbach Library and the athletic department main office. Questions can be directed to the athletics office, (610) 683-4094. Kutztown University is committed to Affirmative Action, equal employment and educational opportunity in compliance with Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 11246, the Educational Amendments under Title IX of 1972, Sections 503/504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.



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