

## To The Edge

### Housing and Food Service Athlete of the Week



Lisa Sanders



Sanders, a senior guard, hit 3 of 7 from the floor for 8 points and 6 rebounds in the 65-41 win over Pitt-Bradford this past week. In the 88-72 win over W & J, Sanders was 5 of 9 from the floor, including 1 of 4 from the three point line and 2 of 2 from the charity stripe for 13 points. Sanders averages 5.3 ppg and 1.4 rpg.

# Lions top Frostburg, 77-75

## Behrend women avenge tough AMCC title game loss of 2000

by Jason Snyder  
editor-in-chief

Revenge was sweet for the Behrend women's basketball team as the Lions avenged their Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference championship game loss of last season with a 77-75 victory over Frostburg State on Wednesday. The women also defeated Washington and Jefferson this past week with an offensive flurry, 88-72. The wins moved the Behrend women to 4-0 in the AMCC and 10-4 overall.

On Saturday, the Lions hosted Washington

and Jefferson (2-8) in a non-conference match-up. Behrend took an early lead after shooting 58% from the field in the first half on 18 for 31 shooting, including 4-9 from three-point land. W & J stuck close, also shooting well in the first half on 15-34 shooting. The women entered the intermission with a 45-33 lead behind strong play from seniors Jen O'Lare and Lisa Sanders.

Senior leadership in the second half proved too much for W & J as the Lions continued to pull away. The Lions barely cooled off after the break, shooting 50% in the second half.

O'Lare led the Lions with 25 points on 10 for 15 from the field and 5-8 from the free-throw

line. The senior also added four rebounds, four assists and four steals. Sanders and Erin Phillips also sparked the Lions, combining for 26 points in the win. Freshman Danielle Bemis came off the bench to add 12 points, six rebounds, including three offensive boards, and four assists.

Coming off the win against W & J, the Behrend women would take their undefeated conference record to battle a struggling Frostburg State (2-10, 0-5) team. Winless in the AMCC, Frostburg State almost overcame an eleven-point halftime deficit to fall short by two.

Behrend was led by an inspiring performance by junior Erin Phillips, who poured in 22 points,

while grabbing 14 rebounds. The forward also dominated the paint on the defensive end, blocking two shots and forcing three steals. Freshman Erica Mozdy also contributed with 17 points, three rebounds, two assists and two steals.

Despite being outscored, 41-32 in the second half, the Behrend women escaped with a two-point win and their perfect record in the AMCC.

The Behrend women will host a televised game this Saturday against conference foe Pitt-Greensburg at 6:00 p.m. in Erie Hall, before hosting Bethany at home and travelling to Lake Erie for another AMCC contest.

## Sanders is giving the women's basketball team all she's got

BY JEANINE NOCE  
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Lisa Sanders is definitely a woman to watch dribble, shoot and score at the Penn State Behrend women's basketball games.

Sanders is a 5'8" senior guard and one of sixteen who are members on this year's impressive team. She juggles a of Management Information Systems major along with playing basketball, and is definitely balancing both well. Thus far, the team has a record of 9 - 4 overall and 3 - 0 in the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (AMCC) and is hoping to advance to the AMCC finals.

Over Thanksgiving break, Sanders and the Lady Lions traveled to Tennessee. There they played two games in the Kiwanis Classic Tournament. The first game they were defeated by Thomas Moore College by one point. The second game was won by the Lady Lions. They defeated Greensboro College from North Carolina and had a great time visiting down south.

The next women's basketball game will be tomorrow at 6:00 p.m. against Pitt-Greensburg.

Sanders is enjoying the experience of being a member of the squad as well as benefitting from the mentors of coach Roz Fornari and assistant coach Shannon Keller.

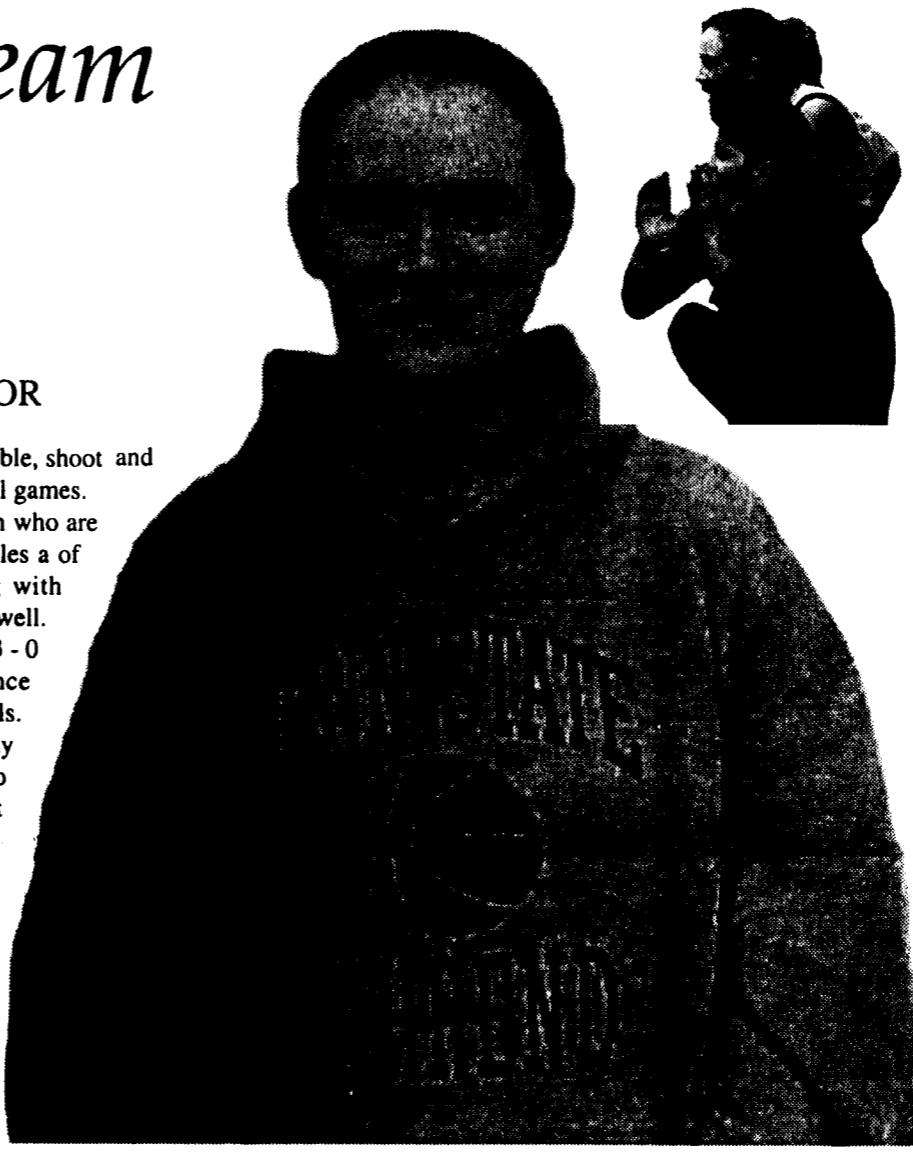
Her favorite experience throughout the four years on the basketball team was during her sophomore year. Two years ago, the team succeeded in winning the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference championship. Sanders says that she will definitely not forget that year.

Sanders plays the position called three guard. This position is a shooting guard who shoots and passes the ball during the game. Her practices are two hours long and six days a week; however, this helps her to master her position. Playing basketball for twelve years has helped her to become the player that she is today.

Her dedication has definitely been rewarded and acknowledged. This week she joins the athletes that are recognized by housing and food services. She is this week's athlete of the week for her accomplishments in the Lady Lions' win over Pitt-Bradford on Wednesday, January 10.

Sanders came to Penn State Behrend from Bradford, Pennsylvania, and she also played basketball on the Bradford High School team. Sanders believes that it is tough to juggle basketball and school. The discipline required has helped her to fine tune her time management skills which she has accomplished well.

As if Sanders was not busy enough with being a Management Information Systems major and basketball player, she is also occupying her time with planning her wedding, which will be this May.



Out of Bounds  
Jason Snyder  
editor-in-chief



## Ravens and Giants; who would have guessed?

It's been one year and one complete turnaround for the NFL who boasted its most explosive offensive team in league history last season. To rival that? The league has unveiled arguably the stingiest defensive squad that anyone can remember.

Going into Super Bowl XXXV next Sunday, one thing will remain constant from the NFL's big game last season. No one in their right mind could have predicted the two teams that will face off. The Baltimore Ravens and the New York Giants?

I'll start with the biggest surprise, the Ravens. If someone were to tell me that Baltimore would be the best defensive team in league history back in August, I would have chuckled and argued that they would be lucky to be the best defensive team in the AFC Central. I would have been wrong.

Five years ago, if someone were to tell me that Art Modell would be in the Super Bowl in 2001, I would have argued for one reason. He owned the Cleveland Browns, a team prided on being the best franchise ever to not make the big game. The closest the Browns ever made it to the big game was...oh yeah, one yard. And then, "The Fumble" (sorry to

**SUPER BOWL XXXV**

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## Intramural Calendar

### DEADLINES

January 26 - Ping Pong  
(Singles and Doubles, Men's and Women's divisions)  
Play begins Monday January 29.

February 2 - Arena Football  
(Men's and Women's divisions)  
Play begins after February 5

February 23 - 4 vs 4 Volleyball  
(Coed)  
Play begins around March 13

March 2 - Volleyball  
(Men's, Women's, and Coed Divisions)  
Play begins March 19

March 23 - Whitewater Rafting  
at Ohiopyle

## Behrend Sporting Events

January 20  
Women's basketball vs.  
Pitt-Greensburg 6:00 PM

Men's basketball vs. Pitt-Bradford 8:00 PM

Swim team at Edinboro 1:00 PM

January 22  
Women's basketball vs  
Bethany 6:00 PM

January 24  
Women's basketball at  
Lake Erie 6:00 PM

Men's basketball at Lake Erie 8:00 PM

Swim team at W & J with Frostburg 4:00 PM



## Indoor track & field team runs into first season

by Jamie Salapek  
staff writer

On your mark, get set, go. These will be the words echoed through the ARC, as the newly formed Indoor Track and Field team pounce on their competition and add spirit to the Behrend sports program.

This addition to the Behrend sports program will carry the heavy load of proving that their new athletes can be competitive. Head Coach Rich Hoffman stated, "indoor track and field is really just a logical extension of outdoor track and field. We are viewing indoor really as an opportunity to evaluate athletes, provide them with more and some different competitive opportunities, and an opportunity to prepare more effectively. Meet performance is important, but is secondary to the preparation benefits we will derive from these opportunities."

The team will compete in six different events for both men and women. The events include sprints, long jump, high jump, pole vault and

distance running. With a solid core of athletes, the Behrend Team is given the opportunity to be competitive. The team includes: Michelle Gutting, Sophomore, Erie, sprints and long jump; Pilly Gonzalez, Sophomore, High Falls, NY, sprints and high jump; Louise Wingerter, Sophomore, Harborcreek, pole vault; Bernadette Wingerter, Sophomore, Harborcreek, pole vault; Andrea Sanko, Freshman, Butler, distance; Deidre Garrity, Freshman, Munhall, distance; Kim Grayson, Murrysville, jumps; Susie Fuller, Freshman, New Florence, jumps; Garrett Arndt, Graduate Student, Fairview, sprints; Greg Cooper, Senior, Union City, sprints; Jay Davids, Senior, high jumps and sprints; Dennis Halaszynski, Senior, McKeesport, distance; Tyler Travis, Senior, Edinboro, distance; Keith Cerroni, Junior, Erie, sprints; Dave Ober, Junior, Pittsburgh, sprints; Kevin Ritzert, Freshman, Ellwood City, distance; Sohrab Moeini, Freshman, N. Huntingdon, distance.

The indoor meets will enable the

athletes to perform at their best, without having to deal with the effects of the weather. Hoffman commented, "our focus will still be on outdoor track, but having the indoor meets allow us to prepare on a much closer level with other college programs. In the past we were competing against teams and athletes that had an additional 6-12 weeks of practice and 6-8 meets, and that was an advantage to them. About 95% of all collegiate programs participate in both, and so we really needed to do the same in order to enhance our competitive abilities."

The Penn State Behrend Indoor Track and Field team will begin competition on Friday, January 19, participating in the Sparky Adams Invitational at Baldwin-Wallace College. Coach Hoffman concluded, "don't be content with being average. Average is as close to the bottom as it is to the top." If you are interested in taking part on the Track team, contact Rich Hoffman, 898-6239.

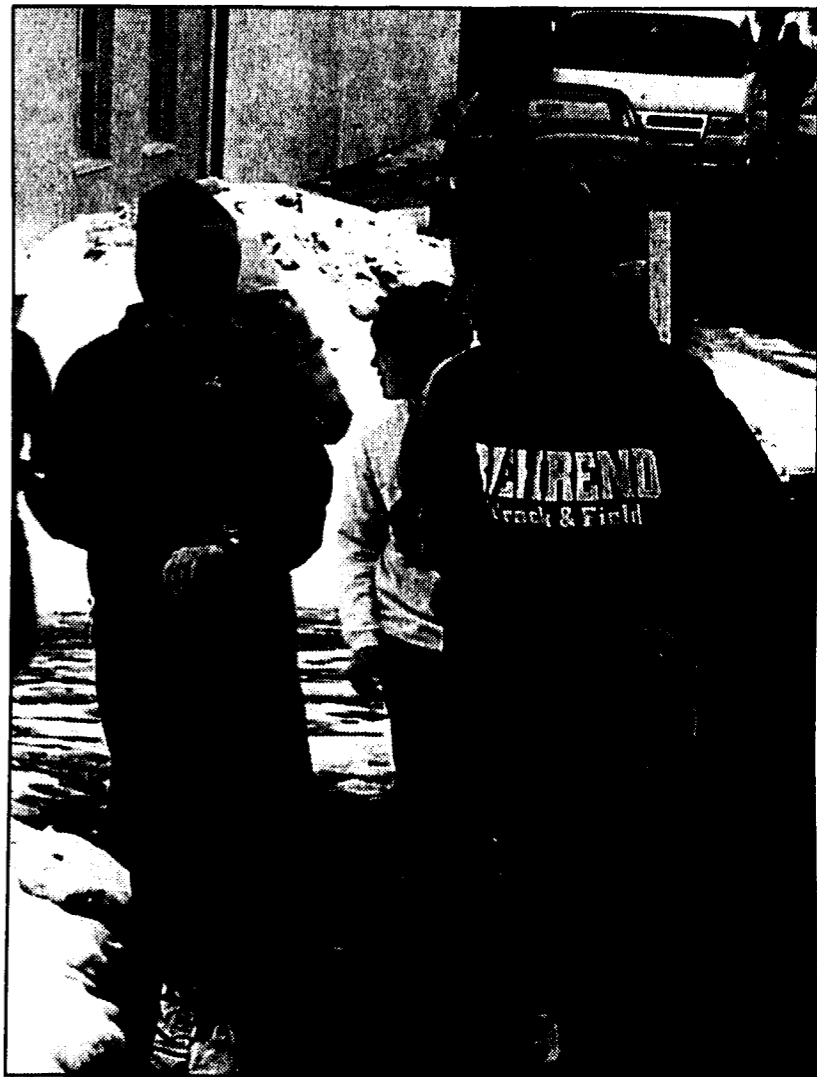


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The Women's Indoor Track & Field team prepares to brave the winter weather in order to prepare for their first meet.