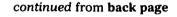
# Sports

#### Men's soccer: Behrend finishes strong in invitational

Junior Erin Mc-Creary looks to shoot against W&J. McCreary plays a large role in the Lady Lion's offesnse and they will look to her for goals as the team travels to Fredonia this weekend, as they play Rocherster. Photo by John Klien



"It felt really good to get one early," said Tortella. "It gave the team a ton of confidence and momentum to finish out the game."

The men will make the trip west this week to Colorado Springs, Colo. where they will take on McMurray of Texas.

The women walked away with a runner-up title after a hard loss on Sunday. The women ran a clinic on Hiram with a 6-0 win. Sophomore forward Julia Schroeck netted two back-to-back goals, along with goals from Caitlyn

Elser, Dana Saunders. Lindsey Steindoerfer, and Glennis Robash. Goalkeeper Robin Siegenthaler was going on back-to-back shut-outs, a great feat as a freshman.

Schroek has been a huge asset to the Behrend team. As a new starter, she has been a spark in the offenses and her energetic spirit is great for team morale.

"I've been really glad that I could help my team," said Schroek. "My team feeds me great passes and being able to finish them is great. Goals aren't scored by individual, goals are scored by teams."

After such a strong win, the game against Baldwin Wallace was a different story, after a goal was scored only 15 minutes into the game. The Lady Lions quickly responded after Robash was fouled in the box only four minutes later. It was a battle between both teams, until the 93 minute rolled around in overtime where Baldwin Wallace sailed a shot right in the upper corner. It was a disappointing loss for the Lions who had looked to repeat their success at last year's tournament.

The team will look to find success in Fredonia, New York this weekend where they will take on University of Rochester and SUNY Fredonia.

The tournament was dedicated to Behrend's late soccer and tennis coach Herb Lauffer.

Lauffer was a star soccer player at Slippery Rock in 1968 he was hired to teach physical fitness and to coach soccer and tennis. Soon after he became the athletic director, and was the face of Behrend athletics until his death in 1997.

The Herb Lauffer tournament is held annually in memory of all he did to help the Behrend soccer program.



Photo by John Klien Sophomore forward Julia Schroeck has been making a huge impact on the field with 3 goals and an assit early on in the season.

#### **Uncertainty:** Can Bolden take PSU past Alabama?

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passing game getting beat time after time and always chasing. The corners were tested a few times, and what they showed we could hearminicErrogento Jones many times on Saturday nights broadcast. The defensive line that was supposed to have stars

emerging was quiet all day. The duo Jack Crawford and Devin Still only combined for two and a half tackles. If Mark Ingram plays or not the Lions defense will be in for a long night, and will finally meet what SEC football is all about.

Thank god that the Penn State special teams was at the game on Saturday. Collin Wagner is a new kicker and shows he has a solid leg that Joe Paterno can rely on to get some points on drives.

The coverage on kicks and punts was solid all day with the Penguins starting inside their 30 yard line all but one time. Chaz Powell sent the stadium roaring with his return for touchdown, and Devon Smith

showed he can help out as well in the return game. In this area alone two games were lost because of poor play here.

If there is any aspect of the game that I am excited to see and feel confident about it's Penn States special teams.



## Water polo: Future looks bright for young athletes

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Colin McGarry, Ali Khan and Loukides stepped it up and combined for six goals in the second half to edge past Lindenwood.

"The returning players also did a great job in their leadership and in helping the newcomers out," said Loukides. "Our great display at Navy showed the other teams in the country that we are out to win and do great things this year."

In the last match against Vanguard, Behrend was able to keep it close throughout the game, but after a scoreless third quarter, the game slide away at the end losing the game 14-7.

"We beat Lindenwood in a very exciting game and fell just short to Vanguard in a game that was very winnable," said Loukides. "We have an excitingly optimistic future. We will go over the game-

videos from this weekend and look at both the good things and the things we can adjust in order to shutdown our opponents, but we were able to keep up with the best teams in the country and we made the games competitive."

The water polo team has this week off and will return to action on Saturday morning at the Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Penn. This young team is starting to make great strives in bringing home a championship for Behrend, and if anyone, their captain has the utmost confidence in his team.

"All of the guys on the team are very close and we play as a team which is of course the first step to winning a championship," said Loukides. "We beat Lindenwood in a very exciting game and fell just short to Vanguard in a game that was very winnable. The team is very excited to do great things this season!"

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## **Steelers:** Untested QB takes charge on field

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As a Steelers fan, we must not look back on the opportunities blown in 2009. We should now look forward to 2010.

What the heck, give Dixon a chance. Let him show what he can do.

Dixon's chance will have all eyes centered on himself. What he does at the beginning of the season will determine the future for his playing time, and even Ben Roethlisberger's.

How do I know this? Tomlin himself went on to say, "Dixon could remain the starter throughout Ben Roethlisberger's four-game

suspension, even if Byron Leftwich returns from his left knee sprain."

Standing in the Steelers

"Dixon could remain the starter throughout Ben Roethlisberger's four-game suspension ... " **Mike Tomlin** 

Head coach

season will be the Atlanta Falcons. Do not underestimate the Falcons. They are a good team this year, and expect big things from quarterback Matt Ryan and running back Michael Turner. For now, we ride on the

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back of Dennis Dixon. Let him play, and prove himself to the Steeler nation.

If he does not prove himself, then consider Ben **Roethlisberger's reduction** is suspension as a saving grace.

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