

# The dream ends

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"We may have ended on a bitter note, but for the most part of the season we did everything that was expected of us and more," said Coach Roz Fornari on her Lady Lion team losing to the Lady Crusaders of Capital in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

They finished their season with an impressive 21-6 record, but to them it was premature.

On Saturday, March 5 the Lady Lions played their last game of this season by losing 96-75 to the Capital Lady Crusaders.

In the first half, the cagers

seemed a little nervous by committing seven turnovers on their first eight possessions and fouls were also a problem.

Fornari said, "We got in a lot of foul trouble early and that made a difference."

One of the keys was Anne Bonner, center for the Lady Lions. She was in foul trouble all afternoon and played only 16 minutes of the game. Without Bonner their inside game was less effective.

The cagers, playing with fouls all half, hung tough and only trailed the Lady Crusaders by 11 at the half, 48-37.

In the second half though, more foul trouble continued and

with Bonner getting her fourth in the opening minutes it put a damper on their chances.

Other key players were whistled for hacks, and four key players fouled out of the game that sealed their destiny.

Really never getting on track, the Lady Lions played the game the best they could with their unfortunate circumstances.

Leading the way for the Lady Lions was Becky Swartz who netted 20, while Michelle Grover chipped in 12.

In the end they lost, but they still took pride in their accomplishment. Fornari said, "We made our goal and we made an impression on people."

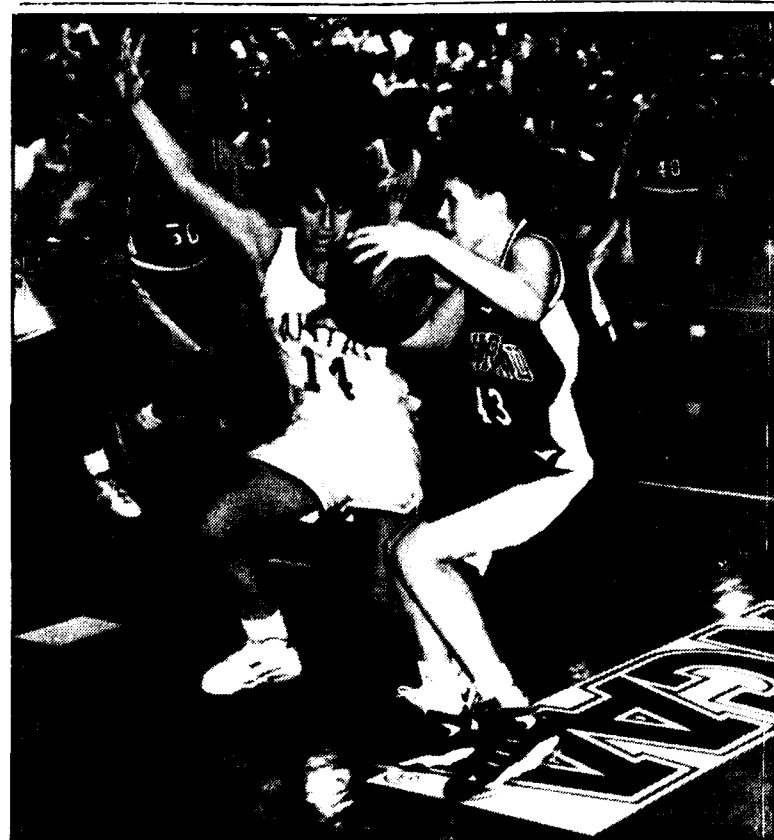


Photo by Bonnie Fagan

To the hole: Senior Becky Swartz tries to go around a Capital defender during the second round of the NCAA Division III Tournament.

# Lady Lions get hot in Florida

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Behrend's Lady Lions returned from Florida this week with a 5-1 record and a promising outlook for the rest of the season.

After arriving on Sunday, Behrend had two practices to get ready for their opening game against Wheaton College on Monday evening.

It didn't take long for the Lady Lions to get hot as they jumped out to a 5-1 lead after three innings. The solid performances were capped by Terry Pegher's solo home run. Pegher's blast finished the scoring as Behrend won 7-2. Cherie Varrassa picked up the win allowing only five hits and striking out seven.

Monday night, the Lady Lions took on St. John Fisher and the

bats came out smoking. Six straight hits, highlighted by Marlesse Schlott's double off the fence, and Julie Stocker's two-run single gave Behrend a 4-0 lead in the first inning.

They went on to defeat the Lady Cardinals 6-4. Casey Putteman got the complete game victory allowing just five hits.

On Tuesday the team swept Swarthmore College with the scores of 11-1 and 8-0. Behrend received excellent pitching performances in both games. Freshmen Julie Chimera and Shari Robinson combined on a one-hit gem in the opener, with Chimera getting the win. Becky Reed and Karen Strait each had two hits while Putteman picked up two RBIs.

In the second game, the pitching was even better.

Varrassa and Putteman combined for a six inning no-hitter. Sue Mazur chipped in with two hits and Michelle Carino added her second RBI.

Thursday Behrend played perhaps the best game of the week defeating Malone College 8-0. The Lady Lions got solid hitting from Terry Pegher (three hits), Julie Stocker (two hits), and Karen Strait (three RBIs). Putteman went the distance picking up her second win and was backed by several outstanding defensive plays.

Behrend's good fortune came to an end in their last game, dropping a 3-2 decision to Catholic University. The Lady Lions trailed 3-0 going into the bottom of the seventh before rallying for two runs on Putteman's triple and a single by

Mazur.

Overall, the team had an outstanding trip. Stocker leads the club with a .385 batting average and six runs batted in. Pegher is close behind hitting .368, Mazur and Schlott each at .294 and Strait with .286 has five RBIs.

Putteman and Varrassa each have two victories and an ERA of

0.50 and 1.55 respectively. Chimera has the other victory and a 1.75 ERA. Combined, they are limiting opponents to a .174 batting average.

The Lady Lions are tentatively scheduled to open up the season this Tuesday at Mount Union College. They will then travel to the Ferrum College Tournament the weekend of March 25.

# IM's on the stretch run

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With close points races in all but two of the divisions, intramurals have heated up and are into the stretch run.

The first event of this semester was 5 on 5 basketball. In the men's competitive division, Strip Poker won the championship over JAC's EFX to finish the season undefeated. In the recreational division, Sig Tau A defeated the Perry Peckers 22-20 on Rick Kravich's last second shot. They also finished the season undefeated.

Something different in basketball was that each third place team was in a third place playoff. Likewise for all fourth place teams. Thirty-one teams entered the men's divisions and three on the women's. Weimer's Women won the round robin tournament to capture that division.

In street hockey, Skin Force and Delta Chi Red battled for three overtimes until Skin Force prevailed 2-1. The defending champion, Chaos, lost their first game in the playoffs.

The latest event was ping-

pong. 108 men's singles and 44 men's doubles entered the tournament.

Karl Van Tassel defeated Charles Eckles to capture the single's championship. Eckles teamed with Gary Humes to defeat Jose Fortuno and Mark Macpherson of KDR to win the double's championship.

The closet points race is for second place in the fraternity division. KDR is in first with 1,712 points. SKN, DC, and STG are only separated by 167 points. In the independent division Perry Peckers have a 240 point lead over NAL.

Lawrence-1st East is in command with a 510 point lead over their closet competitor, Niagara 3rd in the residence hall division. Weimer's Women has a comfortable 700 point lead in the women's division.

The next events are volleyball which begins either Monday or Tuesday, and soccer which will begin when the weather clears. Entries are still being taken for soccer. They must be turned in no later than tomorrow afternoon to Rob Wittman in the IM office.

# Making amends

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The disappointment of last year's winless southern trip still lingering in their minds, the Behrend men's tennis team travelled down to Hilton Head, S.C. during spring break determined to make amends.

The netters certainly acquitted themselves well, finishing the week with a hard fought 3-2 record.

Behrend opened its season against Mt. Union of Ohio and definitely came out swinging. Coach Dan Gallegos' charges easily handled their overmatched opponent by a 9-0 margin.

The team then took a short trip to Savannah, Ga. to match up with Savannah Art & Design. The men were simply overwhelming, winning all of the

18 sets that were played.

Sophomore Brent Dias believes that the team's "talent and overall ability" were the primary factors in its first two victories.

Next on tap for the Behrend aces was Ursinus, a team that defeated them last year at the same location by a 5-4 margin.

The situation looked bleak again for the Lions as they dropped the first four singles matches by extremely close scores. They could not afford another loss if they expected to prevail.

"I didn't think we were going to win," remarked junior Karl Van Tassel.

Hope was renewed, however, as the netters took the final two singles matches, including an impressive display by freshman Tim McCaan.

Coach Gallegos' squad showed

its team unity in the doubles by sweeping all three of the matches in straight sets.

Sophomore Brian Foht and junior Paul Young clinched the victory for the Lions with a 6-3, 7-6 thriller.

Behrend avenged last year's loss to Ursinus, defeating the Philadelphia team 5-4.

That evening the netters were on the court again, tangling with Eastern Mennonite.

A weary Behrend team was simply out of gas and fell by a score of 7-2.

Foht gained a victory in singles, and a doubles victory was garnered on the rackets of sophomores Greg Best and Brant Suhrie.

The team finished its trip with a tough loss to Walsh by a 6-3 margin.