



Startled by the loud banging of pots and pans, the hunter is chased from the campsite.

In the Bleachers by Steve Moore



On the road again

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The Penn State-Behrend Men's basketball team is in the middle of a six game road trip. Foreign courts have meant danger for the Lions as the hoopsters are 0-2 outside of Behrend.

Tuesday night, Behrend journeyed to Fredonia State

Although the Lions' defense held the Blue Devil offense in check by only allowing a mere 58 points, the offense struggled managing only 47 points.

Point guard John Judy and forward Steve Berger paced the Lions with 12 points each, and Berger snagged 11 rebounds as well.

Forward Ron Derian, guard Jamie Okonak, and forward Rob Hunt each finished with six points, while center Todd Sturjin chalked 5 points and 12 boards.

Last Tuesday the Lions stepped on the bus for the start of a six game stretch of away games.

The visiting Lions found the Thiel Tomcats to be rude hosts as Behrend lost 100-76.

Okonak led the Lions with 19 points, converting 13 of 15 free throws and dishing out three assists. Berger again put up the numbers with 15 points, 7 rebounds and three steals. Sturjin finished with 11 points as the 6'7" center again cleared the glass with 8 rebounds.

Derian finished with 10 points, 5 rebounds and two assists.

The Lions weren't calling from long distance, as Behrend shot one for 10 behind the arch, while Thiel shot 10 for 30 from three-point range.

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The Lions knocked off Lake Erie College in the first round with a score of 93-85, and won the championship game with a final score of 69-57 over Waynesburg College.

The University of Southern Maine lost to Waynesburg in the first round and to Lake Erie in the consolation game.

Erie Hall was jubilant as Behrend brought home the Hamot Classic championship for the third time in four years.

"It was one of our goals, so when you work hard to achieve one of your goals, it is always something you can be proud of," said Hunt.

The trophy passing did not stop there. Judy and Sturjin were named to the All-Tournament Team, and Berger was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

"All three of these guys played well. (Ron) Derian just as easily could have been on the All-Tournament Team," said Head Coach Dave Niland.

Against Lake Erie in the first round, Behrend had five players with double figure scoring. Judy led the way with 24 points, while hitting on four of 10 three-point attempts.

Okonak finished the evening with 18 points. Berger tossed in 16 points and grabbed 11 rebounds, while Hunt netted 11 markers.

Sturjin led all players in the rebound category with 15 and ended with 9 points.

Against Waynesburg, Berger had the high scoring touch as the senior forward shot over sixty percent from the floor to net 19 points and 8 rebounds.

Judy added 17 points and no turnovers as the Lion floor general. Derian notched 16 points and 6 boards, while Sturjin again led all rebounding efforts with 11 and 7 points.

Next on the agenda for the Lions is the Trinity Tournament this weekend.

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