

Last week's ATW raised on baseball

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Sophomore Quinn McGuire was last week's Housing and Food Services' real athlete of the week. McGuire, a centerfielder, has been playing baseball since he was six years old. This past week, his experience really paid off.

"Although we were 2-6 at the tournament, Quinn batted a .464, got a double, brought in five runs, had five walks, one stolen base, 13 hit out of 28 at bats, and on top of everything, played a good defense," said Coach Perritano.

Perritano also added, "Quinn is a leader by example and all around quality student athlete. I've enjoyed coaching him for the past two years."

McGuire also feels he did well at the Capital Tournament. "I had a good weekend in Columbus, I was in the zone and I'd like to keep it up," said McGuire.

Teammates agreed with McGuire and were positive about his performance.

Sophomore Justin Uhron said, "He came up big when we needed

him to. He also came up with the clutch hits to produce the runs."

McGuire has a difficult job when it comes to the team. He's the lead-off batter and his getting on base sets the tone for the team.

"As the lead off batter, it's my job to get on base and if I do we have a better chance of scoring. If I get on base, others can make things happen," said McGuire. "If I start us off productively it boosts my play and theirs. I don't look at it as pressure and I don't let it rest on my shoulders--it's a team effort."

A job like this requires

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leadership qualities and teammates agree that McGuire has them.

Pitcher Greg Gapen said, "He's a good team leader. He's been doing a good job leading off for us. There's not much more we can ask of him, he's done his job."

Uhron also commented on McGuire's leadership abilities.

"He's a team player, he takes on leadership roles and does a good job expressing them towards the team," added Uhron.

With a start like this the Behrend Baseball team is bound for a successful season.

"I'm optimistic about the season. We've played good competitors. Now were in a softer part of the schedule and we should be able to turn the record around," said McGuire.

Personal goals are also a part of a successful season.

"I don't think about stats," said McGuire. "It's too early in the season. Just getting on base and scoring is my goal. I would like to hit close to 400."

It is obvious that Quinn McGuire is quite an asset to the baseball team.

Left fielder 11 for 19 at the plate

by Jill Pauch
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This weeks' Housing and Food Services' athlete of the week is freshman Beth Calhoun.

Calhoun is a left fielder and one of the starting pitchers for the Behrend softball team. She is currently enrolled in the Division of Undergraduate Studies, but she is cconsidering to be a Management Information Systems major.

Calhoun gave a very humble answer when asked about why she was athlete of the week.

"I guess it was my hitting, since my average increased. I was really proud of the way I hit," explained Calhoun.

The team recently placed third out of 15 teams at the Ferrum College tournament. Much of its succes was due to the play of Calhoun

Head coach Paul Benim was very happy for Calhoun being named ATW.

"It was very well deserved. She carried the team. Calhoun was 11 for 19 at the plate. She's one of the best hitters at this level. She leads the team in everything," stated Benim

Benim, Calhoun and the Lady Lions are looking forward to a possible ECAC or even a NCAA playoff birth. "I think we have the and I know we can make it," commented Calhoun.

Many of Calhoun's teammates give high praise to the freshman.

Starting shortstop Becky Reed commented that "Beth has been very quiet all year but this past weekend we really got a taste of what she can do."

Centerfielder Megan Musante explained an example of Calhoun's contribution to the team.

"Catholic College beat us three times last season, but we beat them 8-1 this past Sunday. Beth just pitched an excellent game," explained Musante.

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Behrend tennis Weather hinders team's effort

by Nick Zulovich
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Erie weather strikes again! Not only has the pattern of 60 degrees one day to 30 degrees the next not only frustrated students but also coach Chuck Keenan and the Behrend Men's tennis team.

Because of the weather, the team has only been able to play three total matches. Keenan and the Lions lost to Grove City on Mar 25, but then defeated both Theil and Waynesburg in a dual match Mar 31.

Coach Keenan explained how the loss to Grove City was to a very strong program.

"We haven't seen the kind of competition in the caliber of Grove City. They had 15 solid players and they just shut us out," stated Keenan.

Keenan said he felt that this tennis season has been a rebuilding one for Behrend.

"We lost five out of the six starters from last season due to graduation and transfers. So this

roster is pretty small," But we do have some kids who can play. (Junior) Karl VanTassal has been playing some great tennis. Brent Dias and Brant Suhrie can also play well when their serves are in play. There is definitely some talent here, commented Keenan.

One of Keenan's returning players, junior Greg Best said that developing continuity within the team will bring winning tennis to Behrend.

"Hopefully as we can keep practicing and get some more matches under our belt, we'll become a much better team. (The weather) has been real disappointing to. We are usually able to have practices and matches outside by now, explained Best.

The team has a match scheduled with Frostburg State this afternoon. Then this weekend the Behrend men will host the Super Sport Invite with eight other schools attending. The tournament is to be held at the Pennbriar Athletic Club.

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