

# Woman gain historical victory

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It was another of the many "firsts" at Penn State Behrend.

It took overtime, but the Penn State Behrend Lady Lions defeated Buffalo St. 6-3. The game was the first ever for women's soccer as a varsity sport.

"The game was huge for women's sports at Behrend," stated an excited Kristie Amon. "The success of our season last year enabled this to happen. We have a lot of young players this year who are able to display their talent and participate in this wonderful program."

"It was exciting to be a part of," commented Julie Stocker.

Buffalo State started the scoring early and took a 1-0 lead. But just 40 seconds later Behrend's Lara Herrmann tied the game on a penalty kick.

With time running down in the first half, Buffalo State beat Behrend goalkeeper Katie Thomas to take a 2-1 lead at the half.

"I was real positive (at the half)," commented Head Coach Dan Perritano. "I thought that

we had good opportunities in the first half. I told them that our (shots) would come so let's take advantage of them."

Behrend started the attack in the second half led by a strong and quick front line.

Trisha Baird and Robyn Wholey each notched impressive goals to give the Lady Lions a 3-2 lead.

"Robyn Wholey, Lara Herrmann and Trisha Baird are going to create a lot of havoc for our opponents this year," remarked Perritano. "They're very good."

Buffalo State tied the score at three late in the game. Overtime was inevitable for both tired squads. But overtime was just the beginning for one Behrend player to stand out.

To score a hat trick in soccer is outstanding but to do it in 30 minutes of overtime and end up with 4 goals is even more rare.

That's just what Baird did. Baird had scored one goal in the first overtime half and two in the second to give Behrend its first ever victory in its first ever varsity game. Final score 6-3.



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Streking down the field: The Lady Lions always look to put the ball in the goal.

"It was (Baird's) great performance, but it was also our people looking for her and passing her that helped," said Perritano. "Trisha Baird did the job up front but it was those (players) that found her and

played the ball to her that did it."

Coach Perritano was happy with what he saw in the total team effort. "I feel pretty good about the women applying what we taught them. They are very coachable."

"We're not very complicated in the way we play, but we're very dangerous," added Perritano. "We have very smart players."

Kick off is today at 4 p.m.

## Baird shoots her way to ATW



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**Freshman star:** Trisha Baird, a freshman from Fairview high school was named this weeks Housing and Food Services Athlete of the Week. Many of Baird teammates feel that Baird has been a needed addition to the Lady Lions squad. Her four goals in one game led the Lady Lions to their first victory as a varsity team.

## CFA report

### Bowled Over

Despite their No. 1 ranking at the end of last season, not everyone was convinced that Nebraska deserved the national title. In fact, many Penn State fans still have a hard time accepting that despite a perfect record, the Nittany Lions could muster no better than No. 2 in the polls.

All fans agree that the best way to settle the score would have been to have the two teams meet on the field. But since the Big Ten champion is locked into the Rose Bowl, the dream match-up was impossible.

For the next three years, Bowl Alliance members--the Fiesta, Orange and Sugar bowls--will take turns inviting the top two teams in the nation to play for the top ranking. The other bowls will pit the third-ranked team against No. 4 and the fifth-ranked team against No. 6. But after 1998, who knows?

Both Big Ten and Pac-10 officials have indicated that they will take a look at the Rose Bowl arrangement between now and then, and could enter into the Bowl Alliance by the end of the century.

### Miami Papa Joe?

Before the University of Miami hired former Dallas Cowboys defensive coordinator Butch Davis to be their head football coach, school officials say they put a line out for Penn State legend Joe Paterno. And surprisingly enough, the Penn State coach--the same one who called Miami "a sideshow of bully tactics, thuggery and goonery,"-- says he actually considered the offer.

"I slept on it because it was flattering," Paterno told the New York Daily News. "To have a new challenge in my life, at this stage of my life, made it worth considering."

But Paterno decided to stay put. "If I went down there, it would really be rubbing sand in the wound," he said. "It wouldn't be fair to some of the kids on the team who had gone there to play a certain style of football, which is certainly not Joe Paterno's style. I'm sure some of those kids down there wouldn't care much for me."

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## Mens golf off to a positive start

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The Penn State-Behrend Golf team began their season last week by finishing eighth and fifteenth in its first two tournaments.

Last Thursday, the team shot a combined score of 330 in the Edinboro University Tournament at Culbertson Hills Golf Course.

Chris Donalies was the medalist for Behrend by shooting

a four over par 76. Dave Koster followed him up with a five over par 77.

Coach Herb Lauffer said that unofficially this was the first time since 1990 that two golfers have shot under 80 in the same tournament.

On Monday, the Lions finished with a combined score of 346 and fifteenth place at the Lake Shore Country Club as part of the Gannon Invitational.

Koster continued his strong play by turning in a seven over par 79. Also shooting well were Blake Caldwell (84) and Donalies (87). Dave Koster's second straight round in the seventies is also an unofficial mark dating back to 1990.

"As a team, we certainly can average in the 320's," commented Lauffer on his team goals for the year. "Last year in the spring with a different roster we were

able to move up in the finish of several of our tournaments, and we want to see that progress continue."

Behrend only returned two from last year's squad. One is Bill Grady and the other is Koster. Koster's scores have been rock solid over the past two years and he has had continued success this year.

Coach Lauffer contributes this to his practice program over the

summer. "Over the summer he played in several tournaments in Erie. The last one, he finished sixth and his success carried over to excellent qualifying rounds to make the team," said Lauffer. "Dave's confidence is at an all time high and he enjoys playing."

The team plays next on Tuesday at the University of Pitt-Bradford Tournament at the Penn Hills Country Club.