

# Calhoun leads women to victory



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And the pitch: Sophomore Beth Calhoun has been the Lady Lions leader on the mound and at bat. She hit a grand slam against Baldwin Wallace last week, and has been one of the two starting pitchers for the Behrend all season. The Lady Lions finish their season at home against Buffalo State on Saturday.

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The Penn State Lady Lions finally got in some games this week. As the weather in Erie let up and the sun came out last

Thursday, the Lady Lions met a formidable force from Ohio in the Baldwin Wallace Lady Yellow Jackets.

Baldwin Wallace was riding high on a eight game winning streak, but the Lady Lions put

them to bed early outscoring and sweeping the twinbill 12-2 and 4-3.

In the first game Beth Calhoun dominated. During the first inning she had a double that scored Becky Reed to give the Lady Lions a 1-0 lead. In the second she was responsible for two Lady Lion runs as she had a ground rule double to left that scored Heather Norder and Reed.

She scored later in the inning on Marlesse Schlott's single that gave the Lady Lions a 6-1 advantage.

But Calhoun's big blow would come in the third on a grand slam home run that sailed well out of the park in leftfield to score Steph Roberts, Amy Beckner, and Erin Terry.

The Lady Lions added on a run in the fifth to get the ten run rule and a 12-2 victory.

"[Beth] was in a zone," commented Softball Head Coach Sharon Gregory. "She was all over the ball."

The second game was quite a pitchers duel with the only Lady Lions runs coming off of walks and errors.

The Lady Lions found themselves down 3-2 in the bottom of the seventh thanks to two Lady Yellow Jackets runs in the top half of the inning.

Reed led off with a walk. Calhoun then appeared to be easily out on a ground ball to third, but the Baldwin Wallace third baseman made a throwing error. When the dust settled, Calhoun was on second and Reed had scored. Norder would walk later in the inning to tie the score.

In the bottom of the ninth inning, the Lady Lions loaded the bases. With two outs and two strikes, Julie Stocker stepped up with the Lady Lions' first and game winning hit as Lisa Fox scored from third to give the Lady Lions a 4-3 win.

"I just wanted to put the ball in play," commented Stocker on her clutch hit. "I had no idea she had a no-hitter...I just wanted to make them get me or one of my teammates out."

On Monday, the Lady Lions traveled south on I-79 to face Westminster. Westminster came in at 13-2 and as a top-

ranked NAIA team. In the first game the Lady Lions got on the board early in the first to take a 1-0 lead. However, Westminster stormed back to take a 5-1 lead at the end of the fifth.

The Lady Lions got a bit of a rally going scoring three runs in the last two innings, but couldn't erase the early deficit and lost 6-4.

"They were a really good team and very disciplined team," commented Gregory on Westminster. "In the first game we got started late. We didn't really put together any rally until the end of the game."

But, Behrend came back in the second game to surprise Westminster 3-2.

They erased a late 2-1 lead in the sixth inning with two outs as Angel singled. Norder appeared to make the third out, but the throw from the shortstop was off, allowing Angel to score and Norder reach third with a two base error. She would score the game winning run when the next batter Lisa Fox singled to center.

The Lady Lions have two remaining doubleheaders.

## Koster ATW as men's golf wind down season

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"Dave is one of the most consistent golfer I've ever played with," says teammate Heath Pontius of Housing and Food Service Athlete of the Week, Dave Koster.

Koster displayed his consistency last week by firing a 76 in both the Washington & Jefferson and Thiel Tournaments. His 76 at the W&J Tournament was good for a third place finish and helped the team finish third out of eight other teams. Koster's performance in the Thiel tournament propelled the Behrend golf team to a first place finish over Grove City and Thiel.

During the spring season Koster is averaging 78 strokes per round, and 79 per round on the fall and spring season combined. "Dave has improved his mental approach to the game, making him a better golfer," Coach Herb Lauffer said.

Koster shot a 37 on the front nine at the Greenville Country Club and has steadily lowered his strokes per round average throughout the spring season. "I have been driving the ball well lately, and keeping it in play," said Koster of his improved play.

Both coach Lauffer and Koster agree that his work ethic is to credit for his excellent rounds.

"Dave has become a better student of the game. He is able to analyze problems and make the proper adjustments more quickly than before," Lauffer stated.

Koster agreed, "My work ethic has improved causing my mental game to advance."

Coach and player also agree that Koster's short game is his greatest asset on the golf course. "Golf is a target game and Koster is hitting his targets," stated Coach Lauffer.

Koster was hitting the target last Monday at the W&J tournament when he chipped in from 25 yard for an eagle. It was Koster's first eagle in competition. The eagle came on the back nine of Lone Pine Country Club at number 12. When asked to describe the shot

Koster said, "I was 25 yards out, I chipped the ball to the green, it took a lucky bounce hit the stick and dropped in."

"Koster hits most of his fairways and greens with consistency, he keeps the ball in play and gives himself a chance for a par," said Lauffer.

The recent weather has really hindered Behrend getting out on the course at all.

Good thing, too, because the Lions finished first out of three teams at Thiel.

Behrend shot 435, Grove City stroked a 439, and the host team had a 484 showing.

Koster was the medalist for the tournament for Behrend.

"Koster has shot back to back 76," commented Lauffer. "His accuracy and good putting gave him his very good performance."

On the first nine holes, Koster had eight pars. This week's athlete of the week also had a birdie, on par four 11.

## Final IM update: Cooper and Guyer named athletes of the year

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With this semester coming to an end, so is this season's intramural schedule. The final champions in modified softball, soccer, and badminton were crowned this week.

Sure Thing won the men's modified softball division, Kwik Fill captured the women's bracket and Stick and Chicks claimed the coed crown.

In soccer, Kappa Delta Rho was the men's champion, Kwik Fill was the women's champions and Rednecks earned the coed soccer championship.

Sean Tucker of Delta Chi won the men's singles badminton championship. Keegan Guyer claimed the women's single title. Dr. Richard Bolliger and Dr. Keith Hagenbach claimed another men's doubles title; Mary Ann Rupp and Emily Marini won

women's doubles and Mark Gennuso and Keegan Guyer earned the coed doubles crown.

So the final team winners in each division were Kappa Delta Rho; fraternity, Jolly Ranchers; independent, Lawrence I West; residence hall, Kwik Fill; women's, and Coed Spink; coed.

Intramural Director Rob Wittman noted that intramurals have grown tremendously in popularity. A record was set in the number of team entries for modified softball. Many of the fall events saw a record number of entries as well.

Wittman explained that nearly 82 percent of males on campus participated in some sort intramural activity.

Scott Cooper of JollyRanchers and Guyer were named the male and female athletes of the year.

Cooper felt his recognition was due to his team's performance. "I'm humbled, but I owe it to

my teammates. Without them, none of this would be possible. Its a great recognition for the JollyRanchers," Cooper said.

Guyer did not expect to be named female intramural athlete of the year.

"I was certainly surprised. I felt privileged to win," Guyer said.

With intramurals gaining so much popularity, Cooper feels the reason is "it's a great stress reliever and I would recommend it to anyone. It's good competition for all."

Guyer agrees with the value of intramurals.

"Its a great way to exercise and meet new people. I especially like working together with a team," stated Guyer.

So before you know it, August and September will come again, and it will be another intramural season.

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Lauffer also pointed out other notables on the squad. Chris Donalies shot an 82, Bill Grady an 88, and freshmen Brian Shellito and Heath Pontius shot a 94 and 95, respectively.

"Chris has been a very consistent golfer, while Grady has improved tremendously. [Grady] is at the point where he can lower his score," said Lauffer.

"The freshmen have gained valuable experience, and know what they have to work on to improve," Lauffer continued.

Behrend will wrap up the season on Saturday, as the Lions will host a tournament to be held at Riverside in Cambridge Springs.

The other teams in the tournament, Edinboro and

Mercyhurst, have the same problem the Lions do, according to Lauffer.

"No one has really been able to play a lot [due to the weather]," started Lauffer. "But if either team is on their game, each is a very good opponent."

The tournament will count four of the five lowest scores.