Lady Lions win annual VB tournament

by Justin Bender

This past weekend, the Lady Lions showed great pride in winning their own tournament. In all four matches, Behrend won 12 out of the 14 games they played.

Behrend (12-14) started of the tournament on the right foot Friday by dominating Notre Dame of Ohio 15-1, 15-9, 15-11.

The second match of the evening was much tougher for the women. They faced a strong team in Elizabethtown (17-9). After a long five set battle, the Lions proved too much for the visitors to handle 10-15, 15-5, 5-15, 15-10, 15-12.

The final game of match play saw Behrend face Goucher College, Saturday afternoon. Both teams entered the match with identical 2-0 records in the

disposed of their opponent in three straight games, 15-8, 15-6, 15-11. Erin McCormick led the Lions with 15 kills. Amy Good and Beth Calhoun also successfully swung away, slamming 13 and 12 kills respectively. The ball was distributed beautifully among the big swingers by Angie Georg, who racked up 43 assists. Jessica Brody had 16 digs behind the big blocks

of Calhoun, McCormick, and

tournament, but no one who

watched the match would've

guessed it. Behrend easily

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Coach Gregory commented, "In order to beat Goucher a second time, we knew that we'd have to throw some new wrinkles at them and our girls executed perfectly."

Once again, Behrend defeated their opponent in straight games 15-7, 15-9, 15-12 to win the

I got It! Junior Angie Georg prepares to set one of her teammates in a match earlier this year. Over the weekend the Lady Lions improved their record to 12-14 with three consecuative wins.

"This is the best we've played in awhile. Everybody played as a team." McCormick said.

Calhoun added, "I think the key to our success this weekend was communication. Everybody was talking and that makes a huge difference."

McCormick led the team on both offense and defense in the final by recording 16 kills and 6 blocks.

Good slammed the ball down 14 times and Georg set up the big swingers with 33 assists.

Heather Learch had a big game defensively, popping up 11 balls.

Both Georg and McCormick were rewarded for their phenomenal play by being named to the All-Tournament Team.

"Angie and Erin both showed a lot of heart this tournament. They were injured going into the

weekend and they sucked it up and played great" said Coach Gregory

On the tournament, Coach Gregory said, "This was an entire team win. We showed great intensity and determination to win our own tournament. This was just a great weekend."

The Lady Lions will play this weekend at Carnegie Mellon. Their next home game will be on October 29 against Lake Erie.

Here It comes! Behrend served their way to three straight victories over the weekend to win their home tournament. Josh Pie/Collegian Photographer

Lady Lions on a roll

(Erie)--The Penn State Behrend Lady Lions improved their record to 8-4 with a 4-0 whitewash of LaRoche on Saturday.

Jill Yamma, Tina Mulvin, Laura Perry, and Jen Bargiband each added a goal for the Lady Lions as Maryann Rupp and Sean Morelli combined to shut out LaRoche.

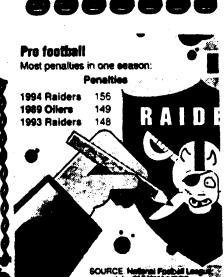
The Lady Lions were back in action last night in a twilight game against Carnegie-Mellon.

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After regulation, both teams were tied at 0-0.

The Lady Lions got one in the overtime stanza to win the game 1-0. The Lady Lions improved to 9-4 with the victory.

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Take that! Freshman Jill Kacprowicz fires a groundstroke back at her opponant in a recent tennis match. Kacprowicz led the



by Matt Plizga Sports Editor

Fall tennis season ends

The Behrend women's tennis team finished up their fall season over the weekend at the Cardinal **Invitational Tennis Championships** in Rochester.

"It was fun, a good first year experience on the college level" said freshman Emily Rubin. Coach Chuck Keenan agreed "We took our lumps but at least we have something to build on next year."

Freshman Tanni Podrasky ended her season on a positive note at the Cardinal Invitational. played well in making the quarterfinals of the B flight singles" said Coach Keenan.

Podrasky teamed with Carley Gwinn to reach the quarterfinals in the B-flight of doubles action. "I think I played pretty well, I was consistent throughout the year" said Podrasky.

"We have a young team, next year we should be pretty good know that everyone has a year under their belt" said junior Shanna Cotti.

Among young players on the team are Jill Kacprowicz who led the team in singles victories with seven. Tanni Podrasky followed with six wins, respectively.

"The team learned that we have to be more consistent to be successful at the college level" said Coach Keenan.

Kacprowicz and freshman Emily Rubin, teammates at Villa, teamed at the college level to win three of their six doubles matches this fall.

"When they get comfortable with poaching and movement they will be much more successful in doubles play" said Keenan.

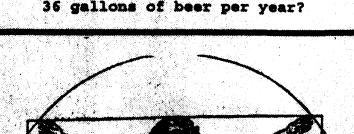
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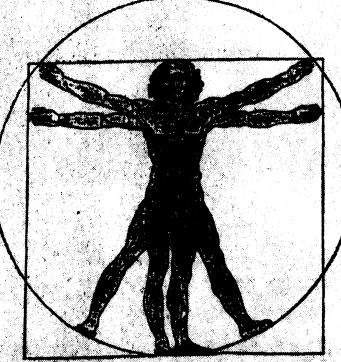
Juniors Shanna Cotti and Carley Gwinn along with freshman Jill Kacprowicz, Emily Rubin, Tanni Podrasky and Kelli McCauliff will return to the courts over spring break when they travel to Hilton Head, South Carolina to start their spring season.

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