

Streeter Jacobelli Join Behrend

by Matt Pilzga
Sports Editor

The exterior, as well as the interior, complexion of Behrend athletics is continuing to change.

The arrival of a new athletic director and volleyball/softball coach has changed the visual appearance of Erie Hall as much as the new parking lot below the facility.

Brian Streeter, former assistant athletic director of Hobart College, has taken on the task of running the Behrend athletic department.

"It is a great opportunity to become the athletic director at a young, up-coming program," Streeter said of his new position.

Cynthia Jacobelli, former head volleyball coach of Notre Dame College of Ohio, will lead the Lady Lions into action as both the head volleyball and softball coach.

"I am very happy with the opportunity to be associated with Penn State-Behrend," said Jacobelli.

"I am eager to get started and I am looking forward to the first season of A.M.C.C. competition."

Both additions to the Behrend family bring with them a wealth of experience from a variety of areas.

Streeter, the head men's basketball coach at Hobart for the past twelve years, also has been a tennis coach and Intramural Director at Blinn College in Texas.

"He is experienced in athletics administration and in coaching, and we are impressed with his vision and enormous energy. He is the perfect choice for us at this important time in the development of our athletic program" said Dr. John Lilley, provost and dean.

Jacobelli, on top of her past volleyball and softball coaching positions has been a racquetball instructor while serving as a graduate assistant at John Carroll University.

She has also been an aqua aerobics instructor at Notre Dame College.

One of Streeter's abilities that will aide Behrend the most seems to be his flair for getting students involved in campus athletics.

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maintained several positions promoting athletic events.

"We want to offer an alternative for students outside the classroom, but not take them out of the classroom" said Streeter. "[We want] to make the games a part of the students lifestyle."

The volleyball and softball programs should benefit greatly from Jacobelli's presence. "Cindy is a bright young coach and will be a positive addition to our staff," said Streeter.

Streeter also developed the *Rebound and Read* program while at Hobart. This unique program helped develop the reading skills of young people through the sport of basketball.

Jacobelli starred for four years at Juniata College where she competed in the Division III National Championship Final Four three times.

She helped lead Juniata to a second place finish in the tournament during the 1993 season.

Streeter also has experience in big-time tournaments.

While serving as a graduate assistant at Texas A&M he played a big role in recruiting, scouting and providing daily practice routines for the 1979 Aggies basketball team that reached the NIT quarterfinals with a 29-9 record.

One of Streeter's first moves as new A.D. was to continue to bring in new programs to enhance Behrend's athletic standings.

The additions of a varsity B (junior varsity) men's basketball program this year and a track and field team next year will also help appeal to more students.

A two million dollar endowment for the athletics program and the release of \$10 million in funding for a new athletics recreation complex will help change the cosmetic appearance of the athletic department.

"We are building a new environment that will attract new teams and more quality student athletes" said Streeter.

"This will allow us to showcase our campus as well as sustain the quality that is already present," he added.

The support of the student body for both new faces and their programs will be important throughout the campus as everyone within the Behrend community continues to try to build the reputation of athletic and academic excellence for the rapidly growing university.

Lady Lions split at Lauffer Memorial Tournament

by Shawn Yarnell
Collegian Staff

Last weekend's Herb Lauffer Memorial Soccer Tournament proved to be quite an exciting event. The tournament was a close competition with all four teams posting a 1-1 record.

The final standings in the tournament were determined by goal differential. John Carroll, with a one point margin, finished first despite losing to Penn State-Behrend.

Baldwin Wallace, with a zero margin and a head-to-head victory over Behrend, finished second.

Although the Lady Lions did not end up winning the tournament, they did happen to find a bright spot as they defeated John Carroll 3-2 on Saturday afternoon.

The Behrend offense was led by Jen Persang, Lisa Fox, and Katie Giles, who each scored in the victory.

Giles's goal capped off a big week for her. The freshman scored

one goal and had two assists on her way to AMCC player of the week honors.

"We came out slow, but picked things up in the second half," said captain Lara Herrmann of Saturday's performance.

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Sunday's first game matched John Carroll against Frostburg State.

John Carroll came away with a 2-0 victory. Julie Scaffidi led the way for John Carroll with a goal in the 18th minute and assisted on Rebecca Misencik's goal in the 19th minute.

The second game on Sunday faced Penn State-Behrend against Baldwin-Wallace. The game was a

0-0 draw for most of the contest.

Behrend keeper, Mary Ann Rupp, made two key saves during the game, one in the 8th minute and the other in the 58th minute, to keep the game scoreless.

Baldwin-Wallace narrowly missed scoring on two other occasions, hitting the crossbar with each shot.

Behrend also had their opportunities to score. Lara Herrmann nearly scored on a header in the 43rd minute and Katie Giles was denied a goal in the 79th minute by an excellent save from the Baldwin-Wallace keeper.

Behrend's chance for the win ended in the 84th minute, when Baldwin-Wallace's Jodi Klauminzer scored the games only goal. "We played hard, battling our opponents," said Perritano.

Behrend's record after the tournament moves to 3-2.

The Lady Lions return to action when they travel to Keuka for a Saturday afternoon affair.



Kick It! Beth Cummings takes a whack at the soccer ball during a recent contest.
photo by Jessica Trzeciakowski/Photo editor

CC teams run strong in Thiel

The Penn State-Behrend cross country program had a breakthrough day at the Thiel College Invitational.

"Both teams have really come together in the last week," said coach John Drew.

Saturday, Tyler Travis and Mark Huether finished fourth and fifth overall to lead the men's team to its first winning performance in the short two-year history of the program.

Sandy Mishic's second place finish helped the women to a third place finish at the eight team invitational.

"Sandy missed the first meet, having her there [Thiel] helped get the team focused, plus she ran a great race," said Drew.

The men's team placed three runners in the top ten and seven in the top twenty.

Matt Scholl (7th), Greg Cooper (11th) and Dennis Halaszynski (12th) all had strong outings for the men's team.

The Lady Lions put three runners in the top twenty and finished just behind Division II powers Westminster and Geneva in the overall standings.

"Everyone trained quite a bit during the summer, which makes quite a difference," said Drew.

Sheila Rivera and Joet Kolano finished twelfth and thirteenth for Behrend.

Behrend hopes to use the momentum from the strong showing at the Thiel Invitational this Saturday when they host the first Penn State-Behrend Invitational.

"We have a decent chance of winning both the men's and women's race," said Drew, of his team's up-coming match.

Results from the Thiel College Invitational, held Saturday at Greenville:

Men's Division
Team: Penn State-Behrend 39, Geneva 68, Pitt-Bradford 89, Thiel 115, Westminster 125, Washington & Jefferson 138.
Penn State-Behrend: Tyler Travis, 4th, 29:28; Mark Huether, 5th, 29:28; Matt Scholl, 7th, 29:33; Greg Cooper, 11th, 30:12; Dennis Halaszynski, 12th, 30:16; Chris Reed, 16th, 30:52; Mark Surovic, 18th, 30:59.

Women's Division
Team: Westminster 36, Geneva 53, Penn State-Behrend 76, Thiel 102, Bethany 116, Carlow 160, Pitt-Bradford 168, Washington & Jefferson 197.
Penn State-Behrend: Sandy Mishic, 2nd, 20:34; Sheila Rivera, 12th, 22:01; Joet Kolano, 13th, 22:04; Claudia Vika, 21st, 23:36; Emily Chapin, 30th, 24:28.



I got skills! Jen Bargiband plays her enemy's like a game of chess, as she controls the ball on the soccer field.
photo by Jessica Trzeciakowski/Photo editor

Women's Tennis Wins Two

by Art Falx
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The new look PSU-Behrend Women's Tennis team started their season off on the right foot with a victory over division rival Pitt-Greensburg.

This was the inaugural match of the newly formed Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference.

Led by sophomore standout, Emily Rubin, the Lady Lions dropped the Panthers by a score of 7-0.

"It's always a good feeling to start off the season with a victory," commented Rubin.

Rubin is the lone returning member of last year's squad. She is joined this year by a set of 5 freshmen eager to leave their mark at Behrend.

Rubin handles the duties at third singles and teams with freshman

sensation Becky Davis to form an outstanding second doubles team.

Davis has shown the poise of a seasoned veteran at her fourth singles matches, this year.

The first and second singles spots are held down by freshmen Gabby Carroll and Jo Ann Fabrizio, respectively.

Together they form one of the most feared first doubles teams in the conference.

Freshmen Jamie Brubaker and Christine Chan round out the singles line-up. Together they form the third doubles team.

The Lady Lions suffered defeat in their next two matches. These came at the hands of powerhouse Allegheny and Fredonia.

Head Coach Chuck Keenan saw these matches as a great learning experience.

"I feel these two matches will serve as building blocks in the

grand scheme of things. Together, as a team, we learned valuable lessons about college tennis," commented Keenan.

The Lady Lions rebounded with a 8-1 trouncing of division foe Lake Erie. This improves their division record to a perfect 2-0.

"I think this match shows the true potential of this team," added Keenan.

The victory gave the Lions valuable momentum leading into a full weekend of tennis.

They face the grueling schedule of 4 matches and a tournament in four days, starting Thursday. All matches will take place at Behrend.

Including dual matches with Buffalo State and Bethany on Thursday and Friday at 4:00 p.m. and the gamma Invitation all day Saturday.

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