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photo by Dave Boulos

Forward John Parks uses his "Iverson" crossover to take his man to the hole.

Womens' basketball team takes Winter Classic title

Men's basketball team uses hot shooting to beat **Alfred**, 78-69

by Dylan Stewart assistant sports editor

It was cold and dreary outside of Erie Hall, but that didn't effect the shooting of the men's basketball team. Led by senior Steve Hout's eight of eleven performance the Lions shot a torrid 62% against Alfred University.

Hot shooting and a quick start helped Behrend jump out to a twenty point lead that they would not relinquish.

"We came out with a lot of energy and shot the ball really well."

> -Steve Hout starting center

away from the Lions.

defenses that caused Behrend

some trouble. A series of turnovers

and a spectacular alley-oop dunk

by Downing took the momentum

"We got a little sloppy in the

second half but we made plays

when we had to and held on for

the win," said junior Matt Plizga.

Alfred cut the Behrend lead from

21 points at the half to ten with

nearly seven minutes left to play

and looked to be threatening to run

Junior Jason Paloskey then found

Hout open under the hoop for an

"We came out with a lot of energy and shot the ball really well," said Hout.

Junior Brian Emick sparked the Lions by draining two three-point field goals during the early going. Defensive energy also enabled Behrend to gain the early advantage.

At the midway point of the first half the Lions had held Alfred to just nine points. That's when Alfred star guard Devon Downing took the offense into his own hands.

The sophomore began sinking a variety of fade-away jumpers over



Behrend defenders that helped cut into the Lions lead. Despite Downing's shooting

Alfred still needed a running threepoint field goal from Brendan Alberto at the buzzer to trail 45-24 at the half.

Behrend shot 63% during the first half while holding Alfred to just 35% over the first twenty minutes. The Lions also sank all nine of their free throws.

Alfred came out in the second half with a variety of trapping press momentum back to the Lions side. Then Behrend settled down and began getting to the foul line.

Alfred's Stephen Filosa tried to bring his team back with four three-pointers late in the game but the Lions were able to seal the win at the foul line, sinking seven of nine foul shots down the stretch.

Behrend took only twelve shots, and making seven, in the second half it's but continuously got to the foul 🔅 line, draining 19 out of 28 foul 5. shots in the half.

Alfred's inability to make foul shots also hindered the team's precomeback. They made just eight ... of their 22 foul shots for the game and (36%).

Hout led four Behrend players in double figures with 21 points while Andy Lawrence added 18. Emick contributed 14 points while Paloskey and Brock Bovaird chipped in with 12 and 11 points.

The Lions also out-rebounded Alfred with Hout and Emick grabbing 21 of Behrend's 36 rebounds. Paul Valentine led Alfred with 5 rebounds.

Downing and Filosa led Alfred + in scoring with 18 points apiece. Chris Downing also added eleven in a losing effort.

The win gave Behrend a 3-1 record and got them back on the 4, winning track after last Tuesday's loss at Thiel.

The Lions will return to action this Saturday when they look to avenge their loss to Thiel. Tip-off will be at 3:00 pm.

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Holidays

Lady Hoopsters move record ahead to 5-1

by Dylan Stewart assistant sports editor

After suffering a tough road loss to rival Washington & Jefferson, the women's basketball team bounced back strong with two big wins, and their first ever Behrend Winter Classic tournament championship to move their record ahead to 5-1.

The Lady Hoopsters defeated Cazenovia 79-30 in the first round of the tournament, advancing themselves into the championship where they took down Wesley College by a score of 69-47.

The first round of the tournament against Cazenovia was a well balanced attack, as nearly every member of the Behrend squad shot their way into the scoring column.

Maria Madigan had a big day with13 points, 10 rebounds and 2 steals.

Also contributing to the win were Emily Marini and Meg Supernovich with 10 points each, while also pulling down 9 and 10 rebounds apiece.

Angie Georg helped out off the bench with 9 points and 2 steals.

The Lady Lions used a big first half in the championship game against Wesley College, shooting 50% from the field and 38% from three-point territory to build a 13

point lead and provide a nice cushion for the second half.

"I don't think Wesley took us seriously," said senior captain Emily Marini. "We came out and took advantage," she added.

Although the Lions second half numbers were not as impressive as the first, Behrend proved too much as the posted a 34-25 second half advantage, winning the game by a score of 69-47.

Coming through big in the championship game were both Emily Marini and Nikki Schultz with 16 points apiece, while combining to pull down nearly half of the teams 41 rebounds.

Marini also came up big defensively with 4 steals and passed the ball for a team high 7 assists.

Carrie Nestor chipped in with 11 points and 2 steals, while Tiffany Buck and Kim Moses scored 9 points and pulled down 4 rebounds apiece.

Earlier in the week, the Lady Hoopsters took a hard loss on the road to rival Washington & Jefferson by a score of 72-41.

"We didn't come to play," said Emily Marini. "They are a very beatable team," she added.

Nevertheless, Emily Marini seemed to be one of the few Lady Lions who did come to play, as she paced the team with 7 points, 8 rebounds, and 3 steals.

Tiffany Buck also found a small piece of the action coming through with 4 points, 6 rebounds, and 3

steals. The Lady Hoopsters will next be in action at home, Friday December 11, at 7:30 p.m. against Thiel. Behrend **PART TIME AIDE:** Part time J positions, to work on an as needed basis, 2nd and 3rd shift

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