

Men's basketball team wins 5th straight Team improves record to 11-5

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The Penn State - Behrend men's basketball team completed a very successful week, as they used hot shooting and tough defense to win their fifth straight game, and improve their overall record to 11 - 5.

The Lions also moved their AMCC record to 4-1.

Last night, the Lions handed LaRoche a 90 - 67 beatdown before a very enthusiastic crowd at Eric Hall.

"We came out, played hard, and just got things rolling," said Emick after the game. "We took them out of their game plan, and shot the ball really well," added Emick.

Jason Paloskey and Ashley Orris each had huge games, as they led the team with 23 and 21 points apiece.

The two also combined for 10 of the teams 13 three - pointers, as Paloskey was 6 of 7 from behind the arch, and Orris 4 of 7.

Brian Emick chipped in 12 points and 2 steals, while snagging 5 rebounds.

Paloskey also came away with 5 boards of his own.

"Everyone played really well," said sophomore Nate Wilson after the game.

Playing without two starters, the Lions used hot shooting by both Brian Emick and Ashley Orris to knock off SUNY- Fredonia at home by a score of 76 - 67 on January 22.

The win avenges a 56 - 51 loss to Fredonia earlier in the year.

Junior Brian Emick equaled his career game high in points by netting 23, while also pulling down a game-high 11 rebounds.

Also contributing big to the win for the Lions was freshman Ashley Orris, who knocked in 17 points and dished out 5 assists in only his second start of the season.

Emick and Orris both had a huge second half, as they combined to score 29 of the team's final 42 points of the game.

Emick banged 5 of 6 three-pointers, while Orris threw in 4 of 12 from behind the arc. The two also had very solid performances from the free-throw line, as Emick made 6 of 6, and Orris put threw 3 of 3.

The Lions were a solid 22 of 27

from the free-throw line for the game, while also shooting 21 of 51 from the field.

The Lions next traveled to Pitt-Greensburg on January 24 where they pulled off a tough 83 - 80 victory.

"We came out really strong," said junior forward Brian Emick. "We were able to hold them off down the stretch," he added.

Brock Bovaird led the offensive attack with 20 points, while Ashley Orris chipped in with 16. Jason Paloskey, Brian Emick, and Steve Hout each contributed with 15 points apiece.

Brian Emick and Nate Wilson controlled the boards with 6 rebounds each.

Next up for the Lions was a big game against AMCC foe Frostburg State. The win moved the overall record for Behrend to 9-5, while also moving ahead in the AMCC to 3-1.

On the 25th of January, the Lions handed Frostburg State a defeat for the second straight time this year by a score of 72 - 56.

Leading the scoring for the Lions

were both Ashley Orris and Brian Emick, with 18 and 17 points, respectively. Also contributing to the scoring attack were Steve Hout with 15 points and Nate Wilson with 13.

The Lions once again had a great day at the free-throw line to finish the game with a 14 of 17 mark.

The Lions used a 15 - 0 run to close off the first half, and erase a 14 point first half deficit they had fallen into to.

Behrend used a 15 - 6 advantage to take a 40 - 30 second half lead, before Frostburg used a 10 - 3 run of their own to claw their way back. However, the Lions matched Frostburg with a 10 - 3 run of their own to keep Frostburg at bay.

Brian Emick came up with 17 points and a team high 8 rebounds, while Steve Hout came through with 15 points and 7 rebounds.

Ashley Orris scored a team high 18 points, while Nate Wilson chipped in with 13 points and 4 rebounds.

The Lions will next be in action when they travel to Lake Erie on the 31st of January.

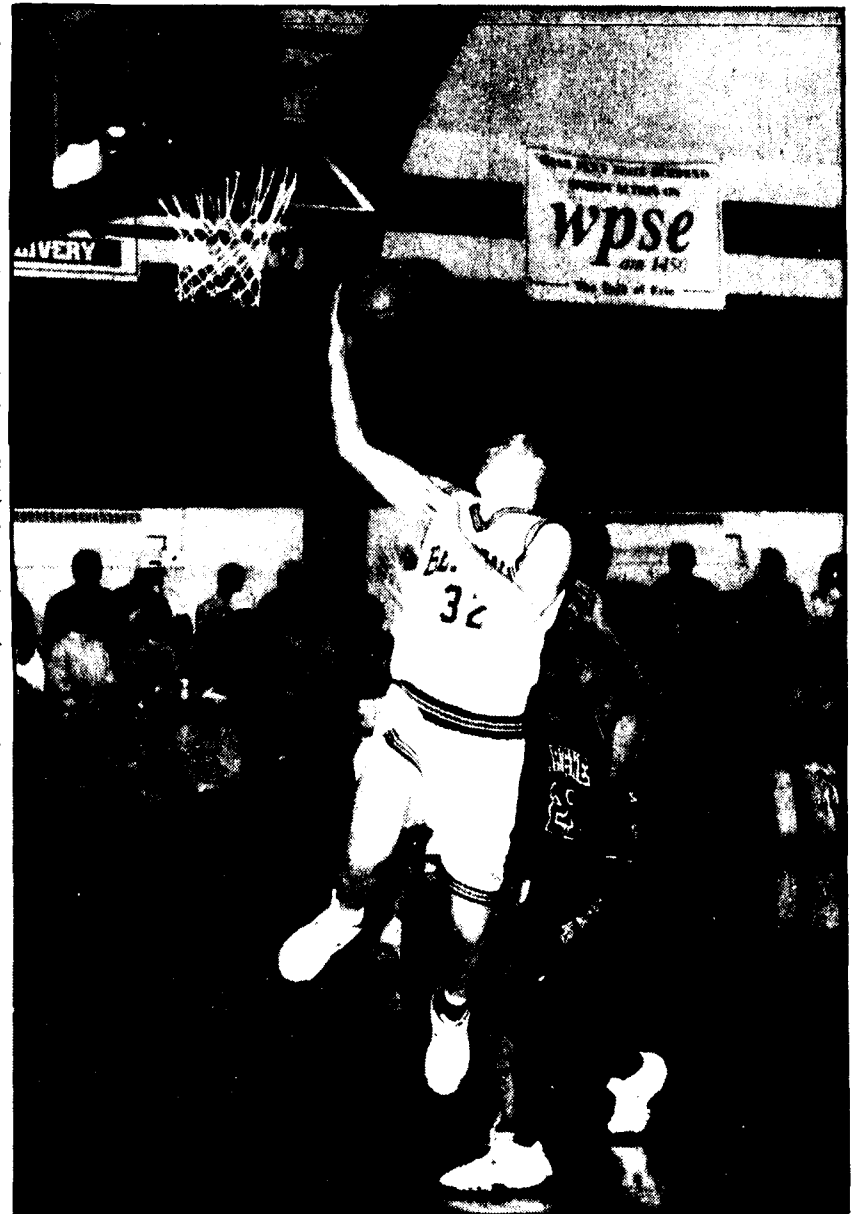


photo by Jason Blake

Nate Wilson goes up for one of his famous finger rolls turning a 90-67 victory over LaRoche

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Hot shooting Orris lands ATW

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Freshman Ashley Orris came up big this past week, as he used hot shooting to land himself a spot in the men's basketball team starting lineup, and a spot as this week's Housing and Food Services Athlete of The Week.

Orris, a 5'11 guard from Union City, has finished as one of the top scorers in every game since being thrown into the starting lineup, averaging a team high 18 points in the last four games for the Behrend Lions.

In the last four games this week,

he has shot 15 - 32 from 3-point land, good for an impressive 47%.

"We have come together real well this past week, despite missing two of our starters," said Orris.

Orris is majoring in math here at Penn State - Behrend, while he says that some of his favorite hobbies are hunting and fishing.

If Ashley continues to shoot the rock as well as he has this past week, don't be surprised to be reading more of his name as the year goes on.

Orris and the rest of the Behrend ballers will next be in action, when they travel to Lake Erie on the 31st of January.

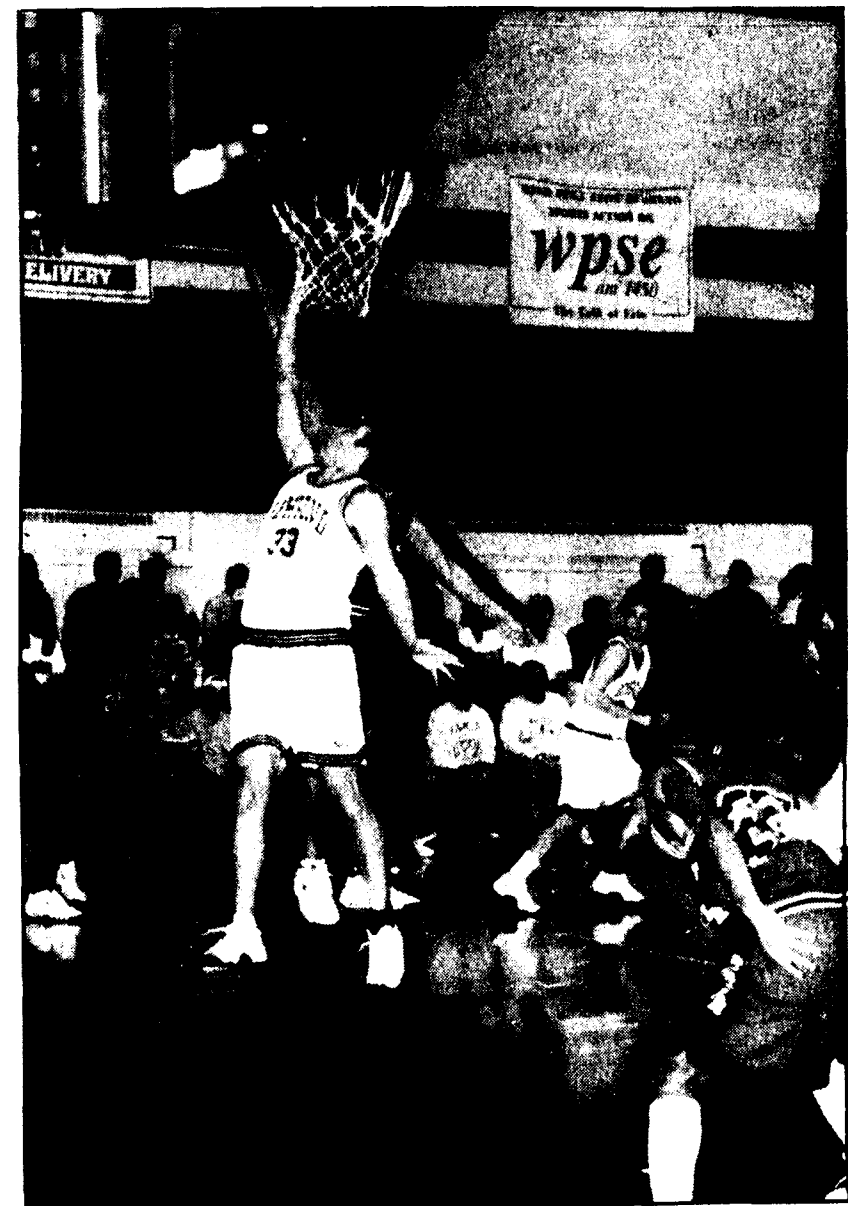


photo by Jason Blake

Senior Steve Hout pins a shot against the backboard last night against LaRoche.

Intramural Roundup

INTRAMURAL PING PONG

ENTRIES: Deadline is **Friday, January 30 at 4:00 pm**
Entries are to be turned into the IM Office
No entry forms are required just names and Soc Sec #'s

NOTE - When you enter you must choose a Mon/Wed or Tue/Thu sequence. Games are played Monday - Thursday starting about 6:00 pm.

ENTRY FEE: \$2.00 charged to your student account
Faculty/Staff must pay \$2.00 prior to their 1st game

DIVISIONS: Singles - men's, women's
Doubles - men's, women's, coed

POINT SYSTEM TEAMS: You may enter up to 15 individuals and 5 doubles teams.

TYPE TOURNAMENT: Round Robin for each league - top teams and individuals advance to single elimination championship bracket.

TIME AND PLACE: All matches will be played in the Reed Building Commons. Tournament starting date is Monday, February 2. Matches will begin around 6:00 pm.

RULES: Will be distributed with schedules.

NOTES: There will not be a captain's meeting for this tournament.

All entrants are required to check the schedule posted in the Intramural glass case by **Monday, February 2** to see when you play.

SCOREBOARD

Women's Basketball (13-3)

1/24 PSB 69 -

Pitt-Greensburg 42

high scorers Marini, 12;

Moses, 11;

Madigan, 10

1/25 PSB 53 - Frostburg 54

high scorers Buck, 15;

Schultz, 14

1/28 PSB 63 - LaRoche 46

high scorers Moses, 10;

Georg, 9

Men's Basketball (11-5)

1/22 PSB 76 -

SUNY-Fredonia 67

high scorers Emick, 23;

Orris, 17

1/24 PSB 83 -

Pitt-Greensburg 80

high scorers Bovaird, 20;

Orris, 16;

Hout, 15;

Emick, 15;

Paloskey, 15

1/25 PSB 72 - Frostburg 56

high scorers Orris, 18;

Emick, 17;

Hout, 15;

Wilson, 13

1/28 PSB 90 - LaRoche 67

high scorers Paloskey, 23;

Orris, 21

