

To The Edge

Housing and Food Service Athlete of the Week



Jamie Brubaker



JAMIE BRUBAKER WON ALL THREE OF HER SINGLES MATCHES IN THE THIRD POSITION. SHE ALSO WON IN DOUBLES AGAINST ALFRED.

Intramural Calendar

September 29 - Cross Country (Individual and team)

October 2 - Fantasy Hockey league

October 6 - Flag Football

The season continues to be played for tennis, softball, and sand volleyball. Remember that the intramural seasons are very competitive, so be sure to check out a game or two.

Behrend Sporting Events

September 16

Men's golf at Pitt-Bradford 1:00 PM

Men's soccer Vs. Bethany 1:00 PM

Women's soccer Vs. Mt. Union 3:30 PM

Women's tennis Behrend Invitational 9:00 AM

September 17

Women's tennis Vs. Frostburg 9:00 PM

Vs. Lake Erie 11:00 AM

September 18

Men's soccer at John Carroll 4:00 PM

September 19

Women's volleyball Vs. Buffalo State 7:00 PM

Women's tennis Vs. Laroche 4:00 PM

September 20

Women's soccer Vs. Pitt-Bradford 2:30 PM

Men's soccer Vs. Pitt-Bradford 4:30 PM

September 21

JV soccer at Fredonia 5:00 PM

Women's volleyball at Lake Erie 7:00 PM

Men's and women's golf Penn State Behrend Invitational at Riverside 12:00 PM

Women's tennis team is sure to bring home many victories this season in run toward fourth AMCC conference title

by Kate Levdansky Petrikis
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Anna Kournikova, Lindsay Davenport, and the Williams sisters are all household names in the tennis world. Women's tennis has improved incredibly over the past fifteen years. With more powerful equipment and weight-trained bodies, many women players now feel that they can compete with men. Perhaps that is an understatement, but today's women tennis players are more powerful and quick. Some women tennis players now play a more aggressive come to the net style of game, similar to men's tennis.

Behrend women's tennis coach Jeff Barger said, "for the most part they still play from the baseline, but they have the ability to hit the ball harder off the ground. I think young women players try and copy world-class players. But, for the most part I think you have to stick to your style

of the game."

"This is my third year coaching at Penn State Behrend. It has been a great experience for me. I have worked and met many fine coaches and staff members. All my players are great students, people, and athletes. I've had a lot of highlights, winning the conference championship my first year as coach here was great, but every win is a highlight," said Barger.

Behrend plays in NCAA Division III and the women's team competes in the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference. The team is very competitive, having won the conference title three years in a row. They do not succeed only in conference play, as last year's record was 17-2.

The squad is led by senior tri-captains Jamie Brubaker, Christine Chan, and Jen Morton. All three were named all-conference players last year. Juniors on the team include Angela Albertson, Michelle

Brendel, and Lennys Redonabo. Albertson was a first team all-conference at the fourth singles position in 1998. The Most Valuable Player of the AMCC from last year, Julie Leininger, returns this year.

The team is also competitive against each other. They compete on a regular basis determining who will be number one on the team. Coach Barger sets up a "ladder" at the beginning of the year and a player can challenge anyone a step above her. This works well because all the players must stay "match tough."

"We have a lot of promising players. We have a veteran team that knows what it takes to win. Plus the entire team is promising," said Coach Barger.

The Behrend Lions will welcome several teams at the Behrend Invitational on September 16th. Penn State Altoona will host the AMCC Tournament on September 21.



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The Behrend Invitational is September 16th and is sure to provide fast paced action. The team is off to a very good start with a record of 3-1, after their match at Alfred on September 10.

Behrend women's soccer team starts to struggle in non-conference play during the past weekend

by Douglas Smith
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This is when the slight downslide took place. The next

game was against Ohio Northern on September 9. Behrend got

nineteen shots on goal but only managed one goal in a 2-1 loss.

Michelle Gutting scored the Behrend goal late in the seventy-first minute, just after Ohio Northern registered their second goal. Ohio Northern only had seventeen shots on goal, but made them count.

The women's soccer team experienced a slight downslide this past weekend. The Behrend Lions were fresh off of two wins at the Herb Lauffer Tournament. That feeling of victory was quickly doused, but not until after another impressive showing.

In the third game of the year, the women's soccer team took on Wooster on the Behrend Fields. Michelle Malatesta proved to be the difference in goal, stopping fifteen shots on the way to a 2-0 shutout victory. Laura Furko scored the first goal and Jen Baker netted the second goal for Behrend. Michelle Gutting provided the assist on both goals. Furko scored early in the eleventh minute of the game. Baker's goal was simply insurance in the seventy-first minute. This took Behrend to 3-0.



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The Behrend women's soccer team has encountered recent hardships. They hope to recover in games against Grove City and Mount Union.

The women traveled to Heidelberg the following day to play a game in the rain. The game went to double overtime with Heidelberg scoring their second goal in a 2-1 victory in the eleventh minute of that second overtime. Bethany Cummings scored the goal for Behrend. Despite registering twenty-three shots, Behrend could only manage the one goal.

The women's soccer team played Grove City yesterday and will play Mount Union tomorrow. They will get into Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference play on September 20 against Pitt-Bradford. Their record is now 2-3.



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Coach Dan Perritano looks on intently at the women's soccer team. Practice will pick up in intensity as the women try to stay above .500 in the win column.