

# Rishel isn't coming up short at shortstop for Lions

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Becky Rishel is stopping all the balls hit between second and third base on the Behrend women's softball team. Rishel is the shortstop for the Lions and has come to Behrend from Uniontown, Pennsylvania. Her experience and dedication are helping the team to succeed.

This season will be Rishel's seventh year playing softball. She played during all four years while attending Albert Gallatin High School as their starting shortstop. This is Rishel's fifth year attending Behrend and she has played on the softball team for three years. She began her sophomore year, then took a year off between her junior and senior year and red shirted for the team. This break was due to shoulder surgery as a result of playing softball.

Rishel practices six days during the week, usually from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. There are usually three games that are played during the week, however, now the team has been playing four to five games weekly. These games are doubleheaders due to the snow and rain cancellations. Thus far, Behrend's record is 7-11 overall and 2-2 in the conference. The team hopes to increase their wins with the experience that they are gaining throughout the season.

"I think that playing softball and being involved in all of the other activities is relatively easy," said Rishel. Being busy helps to schedule my class work better and I tend not to procrastinate as much."

Majoring in psychology, being a member of the Student Athletic Advisory Committee

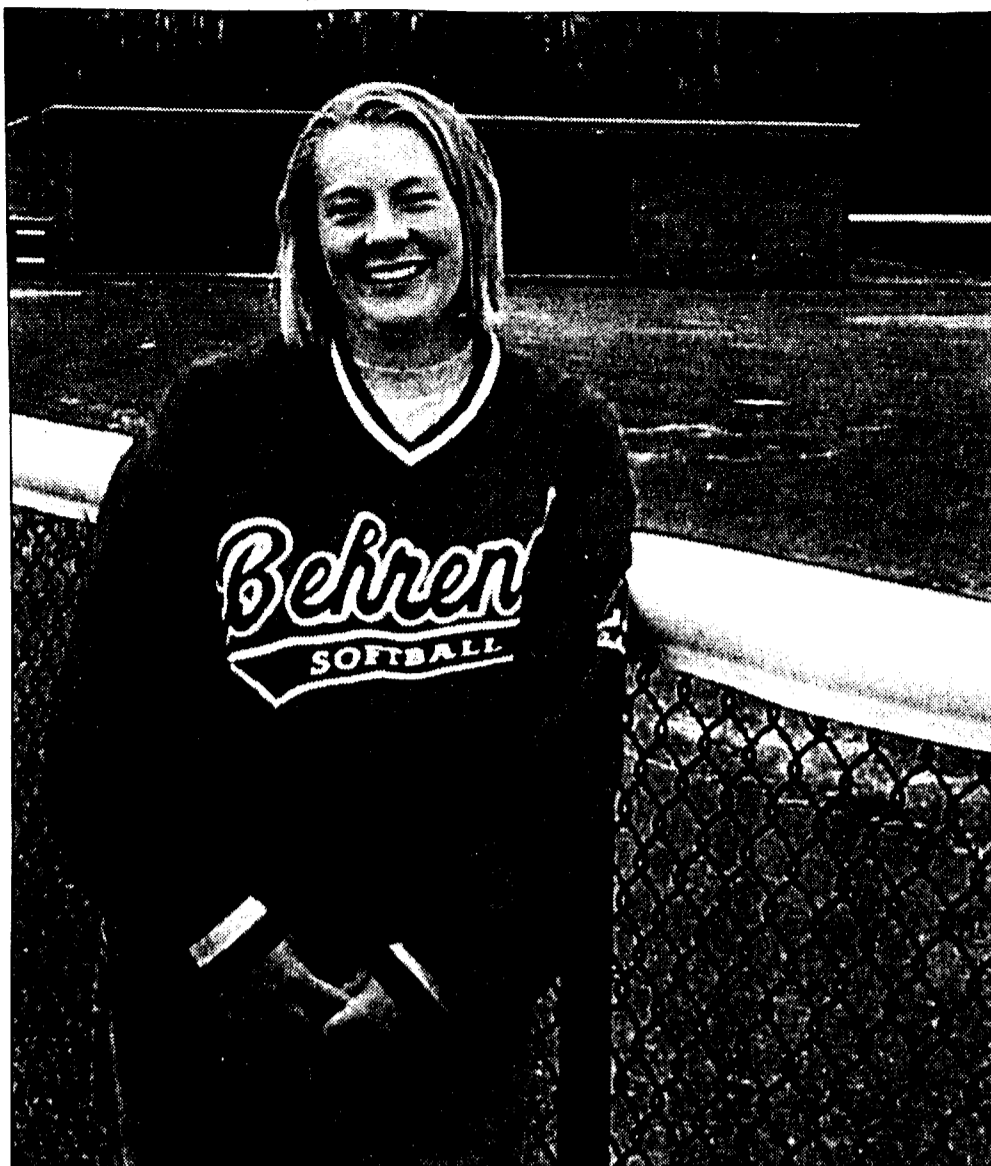


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(SAAC), and working at two different locations takes up the majority of Rishel's spare time. She holds a position at the Behrend Day Care Center and at the Athletic Offices.

"This year's team is definitely better than the past few years. It seems that everyone gets along real well and the team is extremely close," said Rishel. Being a part of the team is very enjoyable and the coaches, Cindy Jacobelli, Stacy Pondo, and Tonya Deats are always helpful, she added.

Rishel's favorite experience was winning the AMCC title during the 1999 softball season. In the finals, the team defeated LaRoche College and took the title. Traveling to Florida over this past spring break from March 3-11 was also a great learning experience for Rishel. The entire team went to Cocoa Beach and played eight games from March 5-9. The team finished 2-6 and learned several tactics to use against this season's competition. This was also the first time that the women played on a real softball field due to the weather conditions here in Erie.

The Lady Lions will next play a doubleheader against LaRoche College Saturday. These two games are huge conference games and Saturday is also senior day/parents day for the team. With the experience and dedication that Rishel brings to the team, the Lions definitely have a good chance to win another AMCC title.

Penn State  
Behrend Night  
at  
Jerry Uht Park

Erie SeaWolves  
VS.  
Reading Phillies  
Monday, April 23  
6:30 PM

Tickets will be \$1.00 if you order in advance. Reservations must be made by April 13. The tickets will then be delivered during the week of April 16.

College clubs, organizations, and athletic teams in attendance will receive recognition at the game.

Contact Stacy Pondo at 898-6240 for more details.

## SCOREBOARD

### BEHREND SPORTS

#### MEN'S BASEBALL

#### WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

School	C.R.	Overall	School	C.R.	Overall
Frostburg St	4-1-1	15-6-1	La Roche	5-1	15-5
Pitt-Bradford	4-2	15-5	Frostburg St.	4-2	8-12
Penn State Altoona	4-2	14-11-1	Pitt-Bradford	3-1	5-1
Penn State Behrend	4-2	13-11	Penn State Altoona	3-3	7-5
Pitt-Greensburg	0-2	2-15	Penn State Behrend	2-2	7-11
La Roche	0-5-1	5-9-2	Pitt-Greensburg	2-4	4-8
			Lake Erie	0-4	0-6

Behrend 10	La Roche 1	Behrend 4
Behrend 13	La Roche 4	Frostburg 6
Behrend 19	Hilbert 3	Frostburg 4
Behrend 9	Hilbert 8	Baldwin Wallace 3
Behrend 9	Pitt-Green 1	Baldwin Wallace 9
Pitt-Green 8	Behrend 3	Behrend 9
		Behrend 9

Jake Boyle led Behrend hitting .529 with 11 RBI's.

Cheryl Peterson hit .421 with a pair of game winning RBI's.

#### MEN'S TENNIS

#### WOMEN'S WATER POLO

School	CR	OR	School	CR	OR
Frostburg St.	6-0	10-0	Penn State vs. Salem International		
Penn State Behrend	3-2	3-6	Behrend 7 - Salem Int. 18		
Pitt-Greensburg	2-5	2-7	Goals	Attempts	Assists
Penn State Altoona	0-1	5-3	7	24	3
Lake Erie	0-2	0-2	9		

School	CR	OR	School	CR	OR
Behrend 0	Frostburg 9		Penn St. vs. Washington & Jefferson		
Behrend 7	Pitt-Greensburg 2		Behrend 1 - W & J 9		
Behrend 0	Alfred 9		Goals	Attempts	Assists
Behrend 0	Edinboro 9		1	23	0
Behrend 4	Lake Erie 3		11		

Overall record 0-18  
Conference record 0-4

### NATIONAL SPORTS

#### NHL Playoffs

#### MLB Standings

#### First Round

Played April 12 through April 25

#### Eastern Conference

New Jersey vs Carolina  
Ottawa vs Toronto  
Washington vs Pittsburgh  
Philadelphia vs Buffalo

#### Western Conference

Colorado vs Vancouver  
Detroit vs Los Angeles  
Dallas vs Edmonton  
St. Louis vs San Jose

#### National League

East	W	L	Pct.	GB
Montreal	5	1	.833	---
Philadelphia	1	2	.667	1
N.Y. Mets	3	4	.429	2.5
Atlanta	3	5	.375	3
Florida	2	4	.333	3
Central	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	4	2	.667	---
St. Louis	4	3	.571	.5
Milwaukee	3	3	.500	1
Pittsburgh	3	4	.429	1.5
Cincinnati	3	5	.375	2
West	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	4	2	.667	---
Los Angeles	4	3	.571	.5
San Diego	3	3	.500	1
Colorado	3	4	.429	1.5
Arizona	2	4	.333	2

#### American League

East	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	5	2	.714	---
Boston	4	2	.667	.5
Yankees	4	2	.667	.5
Baltimore	3	3	.500	1.5
Tampa Bay	1	5	.167	3.5
Central	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	3	2	.600	---
Detroit	3	2	.600	---
Minnesota	3	2	.600	---
Kansas City	2	4	.333	1.5
Chicago	1	4	.200	2
West	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	4	2	.667	---
Anaheim	3	3	.500	1
Texas	3	4	.429	1.5
Oakland	2	4	.333	2

#### NBA Standings

#### Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	Pct	GB
76'ers	53	23	.697	---
Miami	46	30	.605	7
Knicks	45	31	.592	8
Orlando	41	35	.539	12
Boston	35	42	.455	18.5
Nets	26	52	.333	28
Wizards	18	58	.237	35
Central	W	L	Pct	GB
Bucks	48	29	.623	---
Toronto	44	33	.571	4
Charlotte	42	35	.545	6
Indiana	36	40	.474	11.5
Detroit	29	47	.382	18.5
Cleveland	26	50	.342	21.5
Atlanta	23	53	.303	24.5
Chicago	12	64	.158	35.5

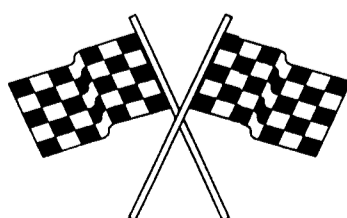
#### Western Conference

Midwest	W	L	Pct	GB
Spurs	55	22	.714	---
Utah	50	26	.658	4.5
Dallas	49	27	.645	5.5
Minnes.	45	31	.592	9.5
Houston	42	35	.545	13
Denver	37	40	.481	18
Vancouv.	22	55	.286	33
Pacific	W	L	Pct	GB
Kings	52	24	.684	---
Lakers	52	26	.667	1
Portland	48	29	.623	4.5
Phoenix	47	29	.618	5
Seattle	42	36	.538	11
Clippers	28	49	.364	24.5
Warriors	17	59	.224	35

#### NASCAR

#### 2001 Winston Cup Standings:

Race	Driver	PTS.
7 of 34	Dale Jarrett	1236
	Jeff Gordon	1113
	Sterling Marlin	1049
	Johnny Benson	1049
	Steve Park	1039
	Rusty Wallace	1008
	Bobby Hamilton	995
	Ricky Rudd	970
	Bill Elliott	943
	Elliott Sadler	924
	Ward Burton	892
	Kevin Harvick	872
	Tony Stewart	872
	Ken Schrader	865
	Jerry Nadeau	864
	Jimmy Spencer	845
	Matt Kenseth	838
	Terry Labonte	836
	Dale Earnhardt Jr.	834
	Michael Waltrip	831



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