

HOUSING AND FOOD SERVICE ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Mark Szewczykowski



Szewczykowski, a senior midfielder from Cathedral Prep High School, scored a pair of goals for the Behrend Lions this weekend. Penn State Behrend lost 2-1 to Moravian in the opening round of the Herb Lauffer Memorial Tournament before bouncing back with a 2-1 victory over Hiram in the consolation game to even their 2001 record at 1-1. Next up for the blue and white is the Fredonia State Tournament on September 7 and 8. On Friday, the Behrend Lions play Salem State at 4 p.m., and then they kick-off against Plymouth State on Saturday at noon.

Women's volleyball team gains early season playing experience at Cortland Tournament

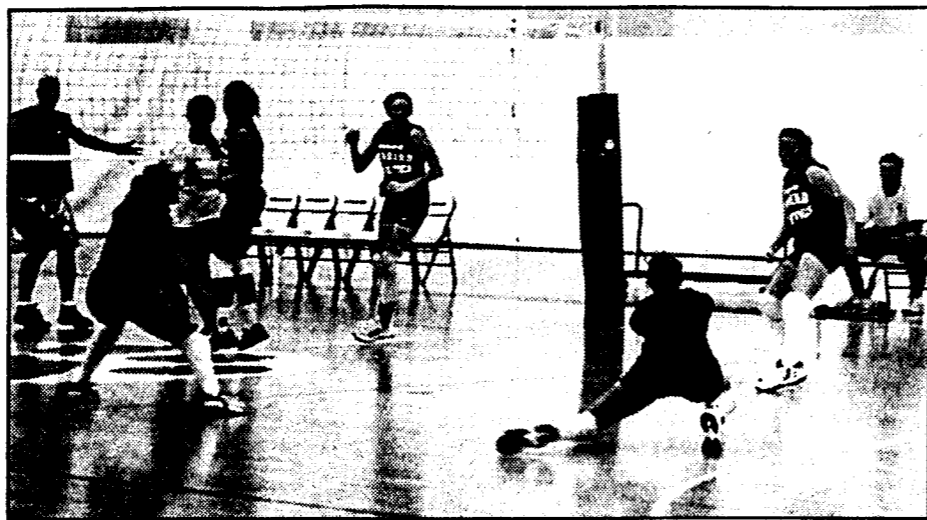


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Women volleyball players, from left to right Danielle Bemis, Lauren Senkevich, Brienne Engelbert, Jessica Niedermeyer, and Sarah Peterson practice in preparation for the Cortland Tournament. All five were instrumental as the Lions went 2-2 in tournament play.

by Mike Bello sports editor

It is always important for any team to get the first few games of the season out of the way, as there's always that rust that exists from not having competed against opponents in games that count. The women's volleyball team was able to shake off the jitters by having a strong, although not spectacular, showing in their first games of the season at the Cortland Tournament. The Lions overcame an opening loss to win two of their next three games in finishing 2-2 and started their season off on a positive note which the team will need as they head into the Carnegie Mellon Tournament on September 7 and 8.

The team opened up their season by going up against State University of New York Geneseo. The Lions stayed close in the first set, losing by a 24-30 score, but followed that up with a 13-30 loss in the second set. They were then able to rebound with a much stronger showing, but in the end couldn't quite pull out the victory as they lost the third set 25-30.

Sophomore Jessica Niedermeyer led the Lions with seven kills and 12 digs, while Danielle Bemis contributed six kills and eight digs. Rose Boni had seven digs for the Lions, who as a team piled up 23 kills and 44 digs in their losing effort. Senior Brienne Engelbert had 18 assists at her setter position but Behrend was done in by 20 attack errors.

The Lions were then able to put their first game defeat behind them, defeating St. Lawrence University (located an hour and a half from Lake Placid, NY) by scores of 30-22, 24-30, 30-28, and 30-26. Niedermeyer again led the team in kills, this time compiling 12 kills, while Boni led the way for the Lions with 16 digs. Bemis, an outside hitter, had nine kills along with 10 digs, and freshman Ashley Ordy improved her first game performance by adding 11 digs. Engelbert added seven kills and six digs along with 32 setter assists.

After riding high for a night from their previous win, the Lions began their Saturday play with a match up against Buffalo State University. As a team the Lions committed less errors than before, but Buffalo State

proved too strong as the Lions dropped their three set match 23-30, 21-30, and 21-30.

Junior Danielle Bemis was the team stat leader for the game, piling up 10 kills and 13 digs for the Behrend squad. Senior Sarah Peterson had 12 digs and 7 kills, while Engelbert piled up 25 setter assists. For the game, the Lions had 28 kills and 49 digs, both five more than their first game, also a three set match, while committing five less attack errors than against Geneseo.

The Behrend women then finished up with their tournament play against Keuka College, located in central New York between Syracuse and Rochester. After the first set was completed, it looked like the Lions were headed to their third loss of the young season. The Lions dropped that set 30-25 but rebounded to defeat Keuka in the next three sets, 30-26, 30-23, and a dominating 30-15 win in the last set. By far their best showing, the Lions had 61 kills and 80 digs while committing only 20 attack errors, or as many as they had in their three set match with Geneseo.

Bemis led all players with 19 digs, whereas Niedermeyer led the way with 24 kills, twice as much as the second highest

individual total for the Lions in the tournament. Niedermeyer and Boni both contributed 13 digs, with Ashley Ordy and Sarah Peterson adding 10 digs each. Engelbert had 9 kills and 14 digs to go along with her 49 setter assists in the tournament the Lions went 3-1 in last year.

The Lions, after a Tuesday game with Allegheny, head into the Carnegie Mellon Tournament with aspirations of revenging last year's poor performance. The women won only one out of 12 sets in last year's tournament, and with their own tournament coming up in a week, the Lions are looking to brush up on their game. The Lions will be looking to avoid what happened last year, where their record never climbed much higher than .500 the whole season because of early season losses to non-conference opponents, including four in the Carnegie Mellon Tourney.

Before their tournament the on September 14 and 15, the Lions will play host to Thiel College on Tuesday September 11 at 7 p.m. in their first game in the new Junker Center. The Lions would definitely want to come out of their first season game in their new home with a win, and give the other AMCC teams something to think about when they come up to play in the Lions' new 'digs'.



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Oops! Perhaps the volleyball didn't end up where it was supposed to. Oh well, it's okay - that one was just practice. The rest of the girls don't look too thrilled, though.

SCOREBOARD

BEHREND SPORTS

Women's Soccer		
School	C.R.	Overall
Frostburg	0-0	2-0
Penn State Behrend	0-0	1-2
La Roche	0-0	0-2
Lake Erie	0-0	0-2
Pitt-Bradford	0-0	0-2
Penn State Altoona	0-0	0-0
Pitt-Greensburg	0-0	0-0

Men's Soccer		
School	C.R.	Overall
La Roche	0-0	2-0
Penn State Behrend	0-0	1-1
Pitt-Bradford	0-0	1-1
Frostburg	0-0	0-1
Pitt-Greensburg	0-0	0-1
Lake Erie	0-0	0-2
Penn State Altoona	0-0	0-0

Women's Tennis		
School	C.R.	Overall
Frostburg	0-0	1-0
Pitt-Greensburg	0-0	0-1
La Roche	0-0	0-0
Penn State Altoona	0-0	0-0
Penn State Behrend	0-0	0-0

Women's Volleyball		
School	C.R.	Overall
Penn State Behrend	0-0	2-3
Frostburg	0-0	0-1
Pitt-Greensburg	0-0	0-1
Penn State Altoona	0-0	0-0
Pitt-Bradford	0-0	0-0
La Roche	0-0	0-0

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NATIONAL SPORTS

Nascar		
2001 Winston Cup Standings:		
Pos.	Driver	Points
Race 24 of 36		
Next Race: Chevy Monte Carlo 400		
1	Jeff Gordon	3708
2	Ricky Rudd	3366
3	Sterling Marlin	3230
4	Dale Jarrett	3215
5	Tony Stewart	3210
6	Bobby Labonte	3117
7	Dale Earnhardt Jr.	3079
8	Rusty Wallace	3060
9	Kevin Harvick	3055
10	Johnny Benson	2964
11	Steve Park	2859
12	Mark Martin	2842
13	Jeff Burton	2841
14	Bill Elliott	2805
15	Matt Kenseth	2771
16	Jimmy Spenser	2696
17	Ward Burton	2585
18	Elliott Sadler	2559
19	Ken Schrader	2503
20	Bobby Hamilton	2484

MLB Standings											
National League						American League					
		W	L	Pct.	GB			W	L	Pct.	GB
East		75	64	.540	---	East		83	57	.593	---
Atlanta		72	67	.518	3	Yankees		72	65	.525	9.5
Philadelphia		68	72	.486	7.5	Boston		68	72	.486	15
N.Y. Mets		65	74	.464	10	Toronto		55	84	.396	27.5
Florida		60	79	.432	15	Baltimore		50	90	.357	33
Montreal						Tampa Bay					
Central		82	57	.590	---	Central		79	60	.568	---
Houston		77	62	.554	5	Cleveland		73	66	.525	6
Chicago		76	63	.547	6	Minnesota		72	67	.518	7
St. Louis		61	78	.439	21	Chicago		56	83	.403	23
Milwaukee		56	83	.403	26	Kansas City		55	83	.399	23.5
Cincinnati		53	86	.381	29	Detroit					
Pittsburgh						West		100	40	.714	---
West		79	60	.568	---	Seattle		83	57	.593	17
Arizona		77	63	.550	2.5	Oakland		71	68	.511	28.5
San Francisco		76	63	.547	3	Anaheim		63	76	.453	36.5
Los Angeles		69	71	.493	10.5	Texas					
San Diego		61	77	.442	17.5						
Colorado						Wild Card Standings					
Team		W	L	Pct.	GB	Team		W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago		77	62	.554	---	Oakland		83	57	.593	---
San Francisco		77	63	.550	0.5	Boston		72	65	.525	9.5
Los Angeles		76	63	.547	1	Minnesota		73	66	.525	9.5
St. Louis		76	63	.547	1	Chicago		72	67	.518	10.5
Philadelphia		72	67	.518	5	Anaheim		71	68	.511	11.5

American League Batting Statistics				National League Batting Statistics					
Batting Average (AVG)				Batting Average (AVG)					
Player	Team	POS	AVG	Player	Team	POS	AVG		
1	I Suzuki	SEA	OF	.349	1	L Walker	COL	OF	.348
2	J Gonzalez	CLE	OF	.339	2	M Alou	HOU	OF	.342
3	J Giambi	OAK	1B	.338	3	L Gonzalez	ARI	OF	.337
4	R Alomar	CLE	2B	.335	4	A Pujols	STL	OF	.335
5	B Boone	SEA	2B	.327	5	2 tied with			.331
Home Runs (HR)				Home Runs (HR)					
Player	Team	POS	HR	Player	Team	POS	HR		
1	J Thome	CLE	1B	45	1	B Bonds	SF	OF	59
2	A Rodriguez	TEX	SS	41	2	S Sosa	CHC	OF	53
3	M Ramirez	BOS	DH	39	3	L Gonzalez	ARI	OF	51
4	C Delgado	TOR	1B	38	4	S Green	LA	OF	42
4	R Palmeiro	TEX	1B	38	5	T Helton	COL	1B	41
Runs Batted In (RBI)				Runs Batted In (RBI)					
Player	Team	POS	RBI	Player	Team	POS	RBI		
1	J Gonzalez	CLE	OF	125	1	S Sosa	CHC	OF	137
2	B Boone	SEA	2B	122	2	L Gonzalez	ARI	OF	126
3	A Rodriguez	TEX	SS	116	2	T Helton	COL	1B	126
4	M Ramirez	BOS	DH	113	4	B Bonds	SF	OF	114
5	J Thome	CLE	1B	112	5	J Bagwell	HOU	1B	113
Runs (R)				Runs (R)					
Player	Team	POS	R	Player	Team	POS	R		
1	A Rodriguez	TEX	SS	117	1	S Sosa	CHC	OF	117
2	I Suzuki	SEA	OF	112	2	L Gonzalez	ARI	OF	113
3	B Boone	SEA	2B	103	3	T Helton	COL	1B	111
4	D Jeter	NYN	SS	99	4	C Floyd	FLA	OF	109
5	R Alomar	CLE	2B	97	5	J Bagwell	HOU	1B	107

